



Press Release
Step Industries Private Limited
May 27, 2024

Rating Downgraded, Reaffirmed and Issuer not co-operating

Product	Quantum (Rs. Cr)	Long Term Rating	Short Term Rating
Bank Loan Ratings	17.96	ACUITE BB Downgraded Issuer not co-operating*	-
Bank Loan Ratings	62.04	-	ACUITE A4+ Reaffirmed Issuer not co-operating*
Total Outstanding Quantum (Rs. Cr)	80.00	-	-

Rating Rationale

Acuite has downgraded the long-term rating to '**ACUITE BB**' (read as **ACUITE double B**) from '**ACUITE BB+**' (read as **ACUITE double B plus**) and reaffirmed the short term rating of '**ACUITE A4+**' (read as **ACUITE A four plus**) on the Rs. 80.00 crore bank facilities of Step Industries Private Limited. The rating is flagged as "Issuer Not Cooperating" and is downgraded on account of information risk.

About the Company

Step Industries Private Limited, incorporated in 2011, is promoted by Mr. Ankit Tayal, Mr. Deepanshu Tayal and Mr. Sunil Tayal. The company manufactures aluminum cable wires required for electrification purpose. Additionally, SIPL undertakes EPC contracts on a tender basis. The company has executed electrification, installation and commission of substations for Madhya Pradesh Paschim Kshetra Vidyut Vitran Company, Assam Power Distribution Company Limited and Jharkhand Bijali Vitran Nigam Limited. SIPL has aluminum cable manufacturing capacity of 10000 km cable/ year located at Alwar, Rajasthan.

Unsupported Rating

Not Applicable

Non-cooperation by the issuer/borrower:

Acuite has been requesting for data, information and undertakings from the rated entity for conducting surveillance & review of the rating. However, the issuer/borrower failed to submit such information before the due date. Acuite believes that information risk is a critical component in such ratings, and non-cooperation by the issuer along with unwillingness to provide information could be a sign of potential deterioration in its overall credit quality. This rating is, therefore, being flagged as "Issuer not-cooperating", in line with prevailing SEBI regulations and Acuite's policies.

Limitation regarding information availability:

The rating is based on information available from sources other than the issuer/borrower (in the absence of information provided by the issuer/borrower). Acuite endeavored to gather information about the entity/industry from the public domain. Therefore, Acuite cautions

lenders and investors regarding the use of such information, on which the indicative credit rating is based.

Rating Sensitivity

"No information provided by the issuer / available for Acuite to comment upon."

Liquidity Position

"No information provided by the issuer / available for Acuite to comment upon."

Outlook

Not Applicable

Other Factors affecting Rating

None

Key Financials

Particulars	Unit	FY 23 (Actual)	FY 22 (Actual)
Operating Income	Rs. Cr.	49.04	53.46
PAT	Rs. Cr.	0.49	0.81
PAT Margin	(%)	1.01	1.52
Total Debt/Tangible Net Worth	Times	0.59	0.82
PBDIT/Interest	Times	1.79	1.77

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA

Not Applicable

Any other information

None

Applicable Criteria

- Manufacturing Entities: <https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-59.htm>
- Default Recognition: <https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-52.htm>
- Application Of Financial Ratios And Adjustments: <https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-53.htm>

Note on Complexity Levels of the Rated Instrument

In order to inform the investors about complexity of instruments, Acuite has categorized such instruments in three levels: Simple, Complex and Highly Complex. Acuite's categorisation of the instruments across the three categories is based on factors like variability of the returns to the investors, uncertainty in cash flow patterns, number of counterparties and general understanding of the instrument by the market. It has to be understood that complexity is different from credit risk and even an instrument categorized as 'Simple' can carry high levels of risk. For more details, please refer Rating Criteria "Complexity Level Of Financial Instruments" on www.acuite.in.

Rating History

Date	Name of Instruments/Facilities	Term	Amount (Rs. Cr)	Rating/Outlook
27 Feb 2023	Bank Guarantee (BLR)	Short Term	19.50	ACUITE A4+ (Reaffirmed & Issuer not co-operating*)
	Bank Guarantee/Letter of Guarantee	Short Term	21.00	ACUITE A4+ (Reaffirmed & Issuer not co-operating*)
	Bank Guarantee/Letter of Guarantee	Short Term	10.00	ACUITE A4+ (Reaffirmed & Issuer not co-operating*)
	Cash Credit	Long Term	5.00	ACUITE BB+ (Reaffirmed & Issuer not co-operating*)
	Cash Credit	Long Term	6.96	ACUITE BB+ (Reaffirmed & Issuer not co-operating*)
	Cash Credit	Long Term	1.00	ACUITE BB+ (Reaffirmed & Issuer not co-operating*)
	Proposed Bank Guarantee	Short Term	11.54	ACUITE A4+ (Reaffirmed & Issuer not co-operating*)
	Proposed Cash Credit	Long Term	5.00	ACUITE BB+ (Reaffirmed & Issuer not co-operating*)
29 Nov 2021	Bank Guarantee/Letter of Guarantee	Short Term	10.00	ACUITE A4+ (Downgraded & Issuer not co-operating* from ACUITE A3)
	Bank Guarantee/Letter of Guarantee	Short Term	21.00	ACUITE A4+ (Downgraded & Issuer not co-operating* from ACUITE A3)
	Bank Guarantee/Letter of Guarantee	Short Term	19.50	ACUITE A4+ (Downgraded & Issuer not co-operating* from ACUITE A3)
	Cash Credit	Long Term	1.00	ACUITE BB+ (Downgraded & Issuer not co-operating* from ACUITE BBB- Negative)
	Cash Credit	Long Term	6.96	ACUITE BB+ (Downgraded & Issuer not co-operating* from ACUITE BBB- Negative)
	Cash Credit	Long Term	5.00	ACUITE BB+ (Downgraded & Issuer not co-operating* from ACUITE BBB- Negative)
	Proposed Bank Guarantee	Short Term	11.54	ACUITE A4+ (Downgraded & Issuer not co-operating* from ACUITE A3)
	Proposed Cash Credit	Long Term	5.00	ACUITE BB+ (Downgraded & Issuer not co-operating* from ACUITE BBB- Negative)

Annexure - Details of instruments rated

Lender's Name	ISIN	Facilities	Date Of Issuance	Coupon Rate	Maturity Date	Complexity Level	Quantum (Rs. Cr.)	Rating
Union Bank of India	Not avl. / Not appl.	Bank Guarantee (BLR)	Not avl. / Not appl.	Not avl. / Not appl.	Not avl. / Not appl.	Simple	19.50	ACUITE A4+ Reaffirmed Issuer not co-operating*
HDFC Bank Ltd	Not avl. / Not appl.	Bank Guarantee/Letter of Guarantee	Not avl. / Not appl.	Not avl. / Not appl.	Not avl. / Not appl.	Simple	21.00	ACUITE A4+ Reaffirmed Issuer not co-operating*
Indusind Bank Ltd	Not avl. / Not appl.	Bank Guarantee/Letter of Guarantee	Not avl. / Not appl.	Not avl. / Not appl.	Not avl. / Not appl.	Simple	10.00	ACUITE A4+ Reaffirmed Issuer not co-operating*
Indusind Bank Ltd	Not avl. / Not appl.	Cash Credit	Not avl. / Not appl.	Not avl. / Not appl.	Not avl. / Not appl.	Simple	5.00	ACUITE BB Downgraded Issuer not co-operating* (from ACUITE BB+)
Union Bank of India	Not avl. / Not appl.	Cash Credit	Not avl. / Not appl.	Not avl. / Not appl.	Not avl. / Not appl.	Simple	6.96	ACUITE BB Downgraded Issuer not co-operating* (from ACUITE BB+)
HDFC Bank Ltd	Not avl. / Not appl.	Cash Credit	Not avl. / Not appl.	Not avl. / Not appl.	Not avl. / Not appl.	Simple	1.00	ACUITE BB Downgraded Issuer not co-operating* (from ACUITE BB+)
Not Applicable	Not avl. / Not appl.	Proposed Bank Guarantee	Not avl. / Not appl.	Not avl. / Not appl.	Not avl. / Not appl.	Simple	11.54	ACUITE A4+ Reaffirmed Issuer not co-operating*
Not Applicable	Not avl. / Not appl.	Proposed Cash Credit	Not avl. / Not appl.	Not avl. / Not appl.	Not avl. / Not appl.	Simple	5.00	ACUITE BB Downgraded Issuer not co-operating* (from ACUITE BB+)

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