

#### **Press Release**

# Vardhman Sales Agency

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# Rating Downgraded, Reaffirmed and Issuer not co-operating

| Product                             | Quantum<br>(Rs. Cr) | Long Term Rating                                   | Short Term Rating                                 |  |  |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------|--|---|--|--|
| Bank Loan Ratings                   | 15.00               | -  | ACUITE A4+   Reaffirmed   Issuer not co-operating |  |  |
| Bank Loan Ratings                   | 19.88               | ACUITE BB-   Downgraded   Issuer not co-operating* | -   |  |  |
| Total Outstanding Quantum (Rs. Cr)  | 34.88               | -  | -   |  |  |
| Total Withdrawn<br>Quantum (Rs. Cr) | 0.00                | -  | -   |  |  |

### Rating Rationale

Acuité has downgraded its long-term rating of 'ACUITE BB' (read as ACUITE double B) to 'ACUITE BB-' (read as ACUITE double B minus) and reaffirmed short term rating of 'ACUITE A4+' (read as ACUITE A Four plus) on the Rs.34.88 Cr. bank facilities of Vardhman Sales Agency (VSA). This rating is now an indicative rating and is based on best available information. Rating has been downgraded on account of information risk.

### **About the Company**

VSA is a Delhi based partnership firm set up in 1988 by Ms Rachna Jain. The firm is engaged in trading of various ferrous and non-ferrous metals such as aluminium, zinc, brass and copper scrap. In addition to this, the firm has also initiated trading of e-waste during mid FY20. The e-waste is imported from foreign countries and are sold to domestic companies which is engaged in recycling of e-waste. The firm is involved in B2B trading and caters to customers usually involved in steel and aluminium manufacturing and e-waste management.

### Non-cooperation by the issuer/borrower

Acuité has been requesting for No Default Statement from the rated entity. However, the issuer / borrower failed to submit such information before due date. Acuité 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 Acuité'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). Acuité endeavoured to gather information about the entity/industry from the public domain. Therefore, Acuité cautions lenders and investors regarding the use of such information, on which the indicative credit rating is based.

### **Rating Sensitivities**

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

# **Material Covenants**

None

# **Liquidity Position**

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

#### Outlook

Not Applicable

# Other Factors affecting Rating

None

### **Key Financials:**

The rated entity has not shared the latest financial statements despite repeated attempts.

### Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA

Not Applicable

# Any other information

None

### **Applicable Criteria**

- Default Recognition: https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-52.htm
- Trading Entitie: https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-61.htm

### **Rating History**

| Date   | Name of<br>Instruments/Facilities | Term          | Amount<br>(Rs. Cr) | Rating/Outlook                                      |  |
|--------|-----------------------------------|---------------|--------------------|---|--|
|        | Letter of Credit                  | Short<br>Term | 13.00              | ACUITE A4+ (Reaffirmed)                             |  |
|        | Letter of Credit                  | Short<br>Term | 1.00               | ACUITE A4+ (Reaffirmed)                             |  |
| 07 Sep | Cash Credit                       | Long<br>Term  | 7.00               | ACUITE BB   Stable (Reaffirmed)                     |  |
| 2021   | Term Loan                         | Long<br>Term  | 2.88               | ACUITE BB   Stable (Reaffirmed)                     |  |
|        | Cash Credit                       | Long<br>Term  | 10.00              | ACUITE BB   Stable (Reaffirmed)                     |  |
|        | Letter of Credit                  | Short<br>Term | 1.00               | ACUITE A4+ (Reaffirmed)                             |  |
|        | Letter of Credit                  | Short<br>Term | 10.00              | ACUITE A4+ (Issuer not co-operating*)               |  |
|        | Bills Discounting                 | Short<br>Term | 1.00               | ACUITE A4+ (Issuer not co-operating*)               |  |
| 24 Jul | Cash Credit                       | Long<br>Term  | 10.00              | ACUITE BB (Downgraded and Issuer no co-operating*)  |  |
| 2020   | Cash Credit                       | Long<br>Term  | 7.00               | ACUITE BB (Downgraded and Issuer not co-operating*) |  |
|        | Letter of Credit                  | Short<br>Term | 8.00               | ACUITE A4+ (Issuer not co-operating*)               |  |
|        | Letter of Credit                  | Short<br>Term | 5.00               | ACUITE A4+ (Issuer not co-operating*)               |  |
|        | Letter of Credit                  | Short<br>Term | 5.00               | ACUITE A4+ (Reaffirmed)                             |  |

| 17 May<br>2019 | Cash Credit       | Long<br>Term  | 7.00  | ACUITE BB+   Stable (Upgraded from ACUITE BB   Stable) |
|----------------|-------------------|---------------|-------|--|
|                | Bills Discounting | Short<br>Term | 1.00  | ACUITE A4+ (Reaffirmed)                                |
|                | Cash Credit       | Long<br>Term  | 10.00 | ACUITE BB+   Stable (Upgraded from ACUITE BB   Stable) |
|                | Letter of Credit  | Short<br>Term | 10.00 | ACUITE A4+ (Reaffirmed)                                |
|                | Letter of Credit  | Short<br>Term | 8.00  | ACUITE A4+ (Reaffirmed)                                |
|                | Cash Credit       | Long<br>Term  | 7.00  | ACUITE BB   Stable (Assigned)                          |
|                | Letter of Credit  | Short<br>Term | 10.00 | ACUITE A4+ (Assigned)                                  |
| 07 Mar         | Letter of Credit  | Short<br>Term | 8.00  | ACUITE A4+ (Assigned)                                  |
| 2018           | Bills Discounting | Short<br>Term | 1.00  | ACUITE A4+ (Assigned)                                  |
|                | Letter of Credit  | Short<br>Term | 5.00  | ACUITE A4+ (Assigned)                                  |
|                | Cash Credit       | Long<br>Term  | 10.00 | ACUITE BB   Stable (Assigned)                          |

# Annexure - Details of instruments rated

| Lender's<br>Name          | ISIN              | Facilities          | Date Of Issuance  | Coupon<br>Rate    | Maturity<br>Date  | Quantum<br>(Rs. Cr.) | Rating   |
|---------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|----------------------|--|
| Canara<br>Bank            | Not<br>Applicable | Cash<br>Credit      | Not<br>Applicable | Not<br>Applicable | Not<br>Applicable | 10.00                | ACUITE BB-  <br>Downgraded  <br>Issuer not co-<br>operating* |
| Kotak<br>Mahindra<br>Bank | Not<br>Applicable | Cash<br>Credit      | Not<br>Applicable | Not<br>Applicable | Not<br>Applicable | 7.00                 | ACUITE BB-  <br>Downgraded  <br>Issuer not co-<br>operating* |
| Kotak<br>Mahindra<br>Bank | Not<br>Applicable | Letter of<br>Credit | Not<br>Applicable | Not<br>Applicable | Not<br>Applicable | 1.00                 | ACUITE A4+  <br>Reaffirmed  <br>Issuer not co-<br>operating* |
| Kotak<br>Mahindra<br>Bank | Not<br>Applicable | Letter of<br>Credit | Not<br>Applicable | Not<br>Applicable | Not<br>Applicable | 13.00                | ACUITE A4+  <br>Reaffirmed  <br>Issuer not co-<br>operating* |
| Canara<br>Bank            | Not<br>Applicable | Letter of<br>Credit | Not<br>Applicable | Not<br>Applicable | Not<br>Applicable | 1.00                 | ACUITE A4+  <br>Reaffirmed  <br>Issuer not co-<br>operating* |
| Kotak<br>Mahindra<br>Bank | Not<br>Applicable | Term<br>Loan        | 01-09-2020        | 8.90              | 31-08-2026        | 2.88                 | ACUITE BB-  <br>Downgraded  <br>Issuer not co-<br>operating* |

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