



Press Release
NECO Heavy Engineering & Castings Limited
May 13, 2024

Rating Reaffirmed and Issuer not co-operating

| Product | Quantum (Rs. Cr) | Long Term Rating | Short Term Rating |
|-----------------------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|
| Bank Loan Ratings | 12.50 | ACUITE B Reaffirmed Issuer not co-operating* | - |
| Bank Loan Ratings | 2.00 | - | ACUITE A4 Reaffirmed Issuer not co-operating* |
| Total Outstanding Quantum (Rs. Cr) | 14.50 | - | - |

Rating Rationale

Acuite has reaffirmed the long-term rating of 'ACUITE B' (read as ACUITE B) and the short-term rating of 'ACUITE A4' (read as ACUITE A four) on the Rs.14.50 crore bank facilities of Neco Heavy Engineering & Castings Limited (NHECL). The rating continues to be flagged as "Issuer Not-Cooperating" and is based on the best available information.

About the Company

Nagpur based Neco Heavy Engineering & Castings Limited (NHECL) was incorporated in the year 1987 as NECO Castings Limited and is part of NECO group of industries. The name was changed to NECO Heavy Engineering & Castings Limited in the year 2009. The company is engaged in the manufacturing various types of casting which have an end-use in Integrated Steel Plants, Mini Steel Plants, other Heavy Engineering Industries, Crane manufacturing industry, Sugar crushing mills among others.

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. | 33.39 | 22.03 |
| PAT | Rs. Cr. | 0.57 | (4.53) |
| PAT Margin | (%) | 1.70 | (20.55) |
| Total Debt/Tangible Net Worth | Times | 2.32 | 2.26 |
| PBDIT/Interest | Times | 2.00 | (1.47) |

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 |
|-------------|------------------------------------|------------|-----------------|---------------------------------------------------|
| 13 Feb 2023 | Bank Guarantee (BLR) | Short Term | 2.00 | ACUITE A4 (Reaffirmed & Issuer not co-operating*) |
| | Cash Credit | Long Term | 12.50 | ACUITE B (Reaffirmed & Issuer not co-operating*) |
| 15 Nov 2021 | Bank Guarantee/Letter of Guarantee | Short Term | 2.00 | ACUITE A4 (Reaffirmed & Issuer not co-operating*) |
| | Cash Credit | Long Term | 12.50 | ACUITE B (Reaffirmed & Issuer not co-operating*) |

Annexure - Details of instruments rated

| Lender's Name | ISIN | Facilities | Date Of Issuance | Coupon Rate | Maturity Date | Complexity Level | Quantum (Rs. Cr.) | Rating |
|---------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|------------------|-------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|
| State Bank of India | Not avl. / Not appl. | Bank Guarantee (BLR) | Not avl. / Not appl. | Not avl. / Not appl. | Not avl. / Not appl. | Simple | 2.00 | ACUITE A4 Reaffirmed Issuer not co-operating* |
| State Bank of India | Not avl. / Not appl. | Cash Credit | Not avl. / Not appl. | Not avl. / Not appl. | Not avl. / Not appl. | Simple | 12.50 | ACUITE B Reaffirmed Issuer not co-operating* |

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