

#### **Press Release**

## **ACME FORGINGS** July 01, 2024

| Rating Downgraded Reattirmed and Issuer not co-operating. |                     |   |  |  |  |  |  |
|---|---------------------|---|--|--|--|--|--|
| Product   | Quantum<br>(Rs. Cr) | Long Term Rating                                    | Short Term Ra  |  |  |  |  |
| Bank Loan Ratings   | 5.10                | ACUITE B   Downgraded  <br>Issuer not co-operating* | -  |  |  |  |  |
| Bank Loan Ratings   | 6.90                | -   | ACUITE A4   Reaffirmed  <br>Issuer not co-operating* |  |  |  |  |
| Total Outstanding<br>Quantum (Rs. Cr)                     | 12.00               | -   | -  |  |  |  |  |

## **Rating Rationale**

Acuité has downgraded the long-term rating to 'ACUITE B' (read as ACUITE B) from 'ACUITE B+' (read as ACUITE B plus) and reaffirmed the short term rating of 'ACUITE A4' (read as ACUITE A four)' on the Rs. 12.00 crore bank facilities of Acme Forgings (AF). The rating continues to be flagged as "Issuer Not-Cooperating" and is downgraded on account of information risk.

#### About the Company

Acme Forgings (AF) was established by Late Mr. Jatinder Mohan in 1979. Initially, the firm started with manufacturing of hand-tools. Later in 2000, AF started manufacturing high-quality durable and cost-effective scaffolding fittings and ancillary equipment. The firm's product range includes industrial couplers, swivel couplers, pressed steel, timber beam coupler, scaffolding clamp, to name a few. The firm has a unit located in Punjab with an installed capacity of 1300 MTPM. The firm exports 90 percent of its production to countries like England, Netherlands, Poland, Germany, Australia and the Middle East and the balance production is distributed in the domestic market.

#### **Unsupported Rating**

Not Applicable

#### Non-cooperation by the issuer/borrower:

Acuité 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.

Acuité believes that information risk is a critical component in such ratings, and noncooperation 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 endeavored 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 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                   |         | FY 18 (Actual) | FY 17 (Actual) |
|-------------------------------|---------|----------------|----------------|
| Operating Income              | Rs. Cr. | 49.25          | 31.20          |
| PAT                           | Rs. Cr. | 1.00           | 0.64           |
| PAT Margin                    | (%)     | 2.02           | 2.04           |
| Total Debt/Tangible Net Worth | Times   | 1.48           | 0.69           |
| PBDIT/Interest                | Times   | 3.94           | 4.14           |

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, Acuité 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<br>Instruments/Facilities   | Term          | Amount (Rs. Cr) | Rating/Outlook  |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------|-----------------|---|
| Cash  05 Apr 2023 PC/ Proposed Bank | Bills Discounting                   | Short<br>Term | 2.00            | ACUITE A4 (Reaffirmed & Issuer not co-<br>operating*)                 |
|                                     | Cash Credit                         | Long<br>Term  | 1.60            | ACUITE B+ (Reaffirmed & Issuer not co-<br>operating*)                 |
|                                     | Letter of Credit                    | Short<br>Term | 0.50            | ACUITE A4 (Reaffirmed & Issuer not co-<br>operating*)                 |
|                                     | PC/PCFC                             | Short<br>Term | 4.40            | ACUITE A4 (Reaffirmed & Issuer not co-<br>operating*)                 |
|                                     | Proposed Long Term<br>Bank Facility | Long<br>Term  | 3.10            | ACUITE B+ (Reaffirmed & Issuer not co-<br>operating*)                 |
|                                     | Term Loan                           | Long<br>Term  | 0.40            | ACUITE B+ (Reaffirmed & Issuer not co-<br>operating*)                 |
|                                     | Bills Discounting                   | Short<br>Term | 2.00            | ACUITE A4 (Downgraded & Issuer not co-<br>operating* from ACUITE A4+) |
|                                     | Cash Credit                         |               | 1.60            | ACUITE B+ (Downgraded & Issuer not co-<br>operating* from ACUITE BB-) |
| 17 Jan                              | Letter of Credit                    | Short<br>Term | 0.50            | ACUITE A4 (Downgraded & Issuer not co-<br>operating* from ACUITE A4+) |
| 2022                                | PC/PCFC                             | Short<br>Term | 4.40            | ACUITE A4 (Downgraded & Issuer not co-<br>operating* from ACUITE A4+) |
|                                     | Proposed Long Term<br>Bank Facility | Long<br>Term  | 3.10            | ACUITE B+ (Downgraded & Issuer not co-<br>operating* from ACUITE BB-) |
|                                     | Term Loan                           | Long<br>Term  | 0.40            | ACUITE B+ (Downgraded & Issuer not co-<br>operating* from ACUITE BB-) |

# Annexure - Details of instruments rated

| Lender's<br>Name           | ISIN                          | Facilities           | Date Of<br>Issuance     | Coupon<br>Rate             | Maturity<br>Date           | Complexity<br>Level | Quantum<br>(Rs. Cr.) | Rating  |
|----------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|---|
| Punjab<br>National<br>Bank | Not<br>avl. /<br>Not<br>appl. | Bills<br>Discounting | Not avl. /<br>Not appl. | Not avl.<br>/ Not<br>appl. | Not avl.<br>/ Not<br>appl. | Simple              | 2.00                 | ACUITE A4  <br>Reaffirmed  <br>Issuer not co-<br>operating*                           |
| Punjab<br>National<br>Bank | Not<br>avl. /<br>Not<br>appl. | Credit               | Not avl. /<br>Not appl. | Not avl.<br>/ Not<br>appl. | Not avl.<br>/ Not<br>appl. | Simple              | 1.60                 | ACUITE B   Downgraded   Issuer not co- operating* ( from ACUITE B+)                   |
| Punjab<br>National<br>Bank | Not<br>avl. /<br>Not<br>appl. |                      | Not avl. /<br>Not appl. | Not avl.<br>/ Not<br>appl. | Not avl.<br>/ Not<br>appl. | Simple              | 0.50                 | ACUITE A4  <br>Reaffirmed  <br>Issuer not co-<br>operating*                           |
| Punjab<br>National<br>Bank | Not<br>avl. /<br>Not<br>appl. | PC/PCFC              | Not avl. /<br>Not appl. | / NIOT                     | Not avl.<br>/ Not<br>appl. | Simple              | 4.40                 | ACUITE A4  <br>Reaffirmed  <br>Issuer not co-<br>operating*                           |
| Not<br>Applicable          | Not<br>avl. /<br>Not<br>appl. |                      | Not avl. /<br>Not appl. | Not avl.<br>/ Not<br>appl. | Not avl.<br>/ Not<br>appl. | Simple              | 3.10                 | ACUITE B   Downgraded   Issuer not co- operating* ( from ACUITE B+)                   |
| Punjab<br>National<br>Bank | Not<br>avl. /<br>Not<br>appl. | Term Loan            | Not avl. /<br>Not appl. | Not avl.<br>/ Not<br>appl. | Not avl.<br>/ Not<br>appl. | Simple              | 0.40                 | ACUITE B  <br>Downgraded<br>  Issuer not<br>co-<br>operating* (<br>from ACUITE<br>B+) |

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