

Press Release

Solas Fire Safety Equipment Private Limited January 03, 2023



Rating Reaffirmed and Issuer not co-operating

Product	Quantum (Rs. Cr)	Long Term Rating	Short Term Rating		
Bank Loan Ratings	8.50	ACUITE C Reaffirmed Issuer not co-operating*	-		
Bank Loan Ratings	5.50	-	ACUITE A4 Reaffirmed Issuer not co-operating*		
Total Outstanding Quantum (Rs. Cr)	14.00	1	-		
Total Withdrawn Quantum (Rs. Cr)	0.00	-	-		

Rating Rationale

Acuité has reaffirmed the long-term rating of 'ACUITE C' (read as ACUITE C) and the short-term rating of 'ACUITE A4' (read as ACUITE A four) to the Rs. 14.00 Cr bank facilities of Solas Fire Safety Equipment Private Limited (SFSEPL). The rating continues to be flagged as "Issuer Not Co-operating" and is based on the best available information.

About the Company

Solas Fire Safety Equipment Private Limited (SFPL) was established as a proprietorship firm in 1998 and later reconstituted as a private limited company on 18th July, 2002. It is a Bangalore-based company, promoted by Mr. Nagraj R Shenoy and his wife Mrs. Kavitha Shenoy. The company has experience in fire safety and security solutions in major areas like design & engineering, site assembly & installation, annual maintenance, etc. to name a few.

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 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 endeav ored 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 Acuité to comment upon.

Material Covenants

None

Liquidity Position

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

Outlook

Not Applicable

Other Factors affecting Rating

Not Applicable

Key Financials

Particulars	Unit	FY 22 (Actual)	FY 21 (Actual)
Operating Income	Rs. Cr.	11.15	20.04
PAT	Rs. Cr.	0.07	0.43
PAT Margin	(%)	0.61	2.17
Total Debt/Tangible Net Worth	Times	0.83	0.94
PBDIT/Interest	Times	1.30	1.57

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA

None

Any other information

Acuité is yet to receive the latest No Default Statement (NDS) from the rated entity, despite repeated requests and follow-ups.

Applicable Criteria

- Service Sector: https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-50.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 Instruments/Facilities	Term	Amount (Rs. Cr)	Rating/Outlook
13 Oct 2021	Bank Guarantee	Short Term	5.50	ACUITE A4 (Issuer not co- operating*)
	Proposed Bank Facility	Long Term	4.05	ACUITE C (Issuer not co- operating*)
	Secured Overdraft	Long Term	4.45	ACUITE C (Issuer not co- operating*)
15 Jul 2020	Bank Guarantee	Short Term	5.50	ACUITE A4 (Reaffirmed)
	Secured Overdraft Long Term		4.45	ACUITE C (Downgraded from ACUITE B+)
	Proposed Bank Facility	Long Term	4.05	ACUITE C (Downgraded from ACUITE B+)
14 Oct 2019	Bank Guarantee	Short Term	5.50	ACUITE A4 (Issuer not co- operating*)
	Proposed Bank Facility	Long Term	4.05	ACUITE B+ (Issuer not co- operating*)
	Cash Credit	Long Term	4.45	ACUITE B+ (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
Canara Bank	Not Applicable	Bank Guarantee/Letter of Guarantee	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Simple	5.50	ACUITE A4 Reaffirmed Issuer not co- operating*
Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Proposed Long Term Bank Facility		Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Simple	4.05	ACUITE C Reaffirmed Issuer not co- operating*
Canara Bank	Not Applicable	Secured Overdraft	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Simple	4.45	ACUITE C Reaffirmed Issuer not co- operating*

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