



Press Release
AQUA MACHINERIES PRIVATE LIMITED
April 14, 2025
Rating Downgraded

Product	Quantum (Rs. Cr)	Long Term Rating	Short Term Rating
Bank Loan Ratings	28.00	ACUITE C Downgraded	-
Bank Loan Ratings	10.50	-	ACUITE A4 Downgraded
Total Outstanding Quantum (Rs. Cr)	38.50	-	-
Total Withdrawn Quantum (Rs. Cr)	0.00	-	-

Rating Rationale

Acuite has downgraded its long-term rating to 'ACUITE C' (read as ACUITE C) from 'ACUITE BBB-' (read as ACUITE Triple B Minus) and short-term rating to 'ACUITE A4' (read as ACUITE A Four) from 'ACUITE A3' (read as ACUITE A three) on the Rs.38.50 Cr. bank facilities of Aqua Machineries Private Limited (AMPL)

Rationale of Rating Downgrade

The downgrade is based on delays reported in servicing of debt obligation as observed in credit bureau information report (CRIF).

About the Company

Gujarat based, AMPL was incorporated in 1984 and is engaged in the manufacturing of various industrial pumps and submersible pumps and undertakes design, engineering, installation and commissioning of various water management projects. The company is promoted by Mrs. Kalindiben J. Patel, Mr. Abhinay J. Patel and Mrs. Nirali A. Patel, who have over three decades of experience in this industry.

Unsupported Rating

Not Applicable

Analytical Approach

Acuite has taken the standalone view of the business and financial risk profile of AMPL to arrive at the rating.

Key Rating Drivers

Strengths

Experience of promoters and established track record of operations along with reputed clientele

AMPL, promoted by Mrs. Kalindiben J. Patel, Mr. Abhinay J. Patel and Mrs. Nirali A. Patel have over three decades of experience in the said line of business. The extensive experience, coupled with a long track record of operations, has enabled the company to forge healthy relationships with customers and suppliers. Further, the

company caters to reputed clientele such as Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited (BHEL), Larsen & Toubro (L&T) and National Thermal Power Corporation Limited (NTPC Limited) to name a few.

Weaknesses

Instance of delay in servicing of debt obligation

Instances of delays in debt-servicing have been reported in the month of January 2025 as per the Credit Bureau Information report (CRIF) of the company.

Rating Sensitivities

- Timely servicing of debt obligations

Liquidity Position

Stretched

Liquidity position of the company is marked stretched due to instances of delays in servicing of debt obligation by the company in recent past.

Outlook: Not Applicable

Other Factors affecting Rating

None

Key Financials

Particulars	Unit	FY 24 (Actual)	FY 23 (Actual)
Operating Income	Rs. Cr.	180.24	151.06
PAT	Rs. Cr.	6.25	4.47
PAT Margin	(%)	3.47	2.96
Total Debt/Tangible Net Worth	Times	1.03	0.86
PBDIT/Interest	Times	4.58	4.27

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA (if applicable)

Not Applicable

Interaction with Audit Committee anytime in the last 12 months (applicable for rated-listed / proposed to be listed debt securities being reviewed by Acuite)

Not applicable

Any other information

None

Applicable Criteria

- Default Recognition :- <https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-52.htm>
- Manufacturing Entities: <https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-59.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
18 Jun 2024	Bank Guarantee/Letter of Guarantee	Short Term	10.50	ACUITE A3 (Reaffirmed)
	Cash Credit	Long Term	7.00	ACUITE BBB- Stable (Reaffirmed)
	Cash Credit	Long Term	21.00	ACUITE BBB- Stable (Reaffirmed)
21 Mar 2023	Bank Guarantee/Letter of Guarantee	Short Term	10.50	ACUITE A3 (Reaffirmed)
	Cash Credit	Long Term	7.00	ACUITE BBB- Stable (Reaffirmed)
	Cash Credit	Long Term	21.00	ACUITE BBB- Stable (Reaffirmed)

Annexure - Details of instruments rated

Lender's Name	ISIN	Facilities	Date Of Issuance	Coupon Rate	Maturity Date	Quantum (Rs. Cr.)	Complexity Level	Rating
Canara Bank	Not avl. / Not appl.	Bank Guarantee/Letter of Guarantee	Not avl. / Not appl.	Not avl. / Not appl.	Not avl. / Not appl.	10.50	Simple	ACUITE A4 Downgraded (from ACUITE A3)
ICICI Bank Ltd	Not avl. / Not appl.	Cash Credit	Not avl. / Not appl.	Not avl. / Not appl.	Not avl. / Not appl.	7.00	Simple	ACUITE C Downgraded (from ACUITE BBB-)
Canara Bank	Not avl. / Not appl.	Cash Credit	Not avl. / Not appl.	Not avl. / Not appl.	Not avl. / Not appl.	21.00	Simple	ACUITE C Downgraded (from ACUITE BBB-)

Contacts

Mohit Jain Senior Vice President-Rating Operations	Contact details exclusively for investors and lenders
Sahil Sawant Associate Analyst-Rating Operations	Mob: +91 8591310146 Email ID: analyticalsupport@acuite.in

About Acuité Ratings & Research

Acuité is a full-service Credit Rating Agency registered with the Securities & Exchange Board of India (SEBI). The company received RBI Accreditation as an External Credit Assessment Institution (ECAI) for Bank Loan Ratings under BASEL-II norms in the year 2012. Acuité has assigned ratings to various securities, debt instruments and bank facilities of entities spread across the country and across a wide cross section of industries. It has its Registered and Head Office in Kanjurmarg, Mumbai.

Disclaimer: An Acuité rating does not constitute an audit of the rated entity and should not be treated as a recommendation or opinion that is intended to substitute for a financial adviser's or investor's independent assessment of whether to buy, sell or hold any security. Ratings assigned by Acuité are based on the data and information provided by the issuer and obtained from other reliable sources. Although reasonable care has been taken to ensure that the data and information is true, Acuité, in particular, makes no representation or warranty, expressed or implied with respect to the adequacy, accuracy or completeness of the information relied upon. Acuité is not responsible for any errors or omissions and especially states that it has no financial liability whatsoever for any direct, indirect or consequential loss of any kind, arising from the use of its ratings. Ratings assigned by Acuité are subject to a process of surveillance which may lead to a revision in ratings as and when the circumstances so warrant. Please visit our website (www.acuite.in) for the latest information on any instrument rated by Acuité. Please visit <https://www.acuite.in/faqs.htm> to refer FAQs on Credit Rating.

Note: None of the Directors on the Board of Acuité Ratings & Research Limited are members of any rating committee and therefore do not participate in discussions regarding the rating of any entity.