

Press Release

KonTest Chemicals Limited

November 11, 2022



Rating Reaffirmed and Issuer not co-operating

Product	Quantum (Rs. Cr)	Long Term Rating	Short Term Rating
Bank Loan Ratings	6.00	ACUITE B+ Reaffirmed Issuer not co-operating*	-
Total Outstanding Quantum (Rs. Cr)	6.00	-	-
Total Withdrawn Quantum (Rs. Cr)	0.00	-	-

Rating Rationale

Acuite has reaffirmed the long term rating of '**ACUITE B+**' (read as **ACUITE B Plus**) to the Rs 6 crore bank facilities of **KonTest Chemicals Ltd (KCL)**. The rating is now flagged as "Issuer Not Cooperating" based on account of information risk. The team had been following up continuously with the client for the revised Financials, but haven't received it yet. The team has received satisfactory feedback from the bankers.

About the Company

KonTest Chemicals Limited (KCL) was established in 1972, currently promoted by Mr. Sandip Kumar Ghosh, Mr. Aniruddha Sarkar and Mr. Amitava Sen. It is engaged in trading of a wide range of pharmaceutical products such as tablets, capsules and oral powders. The company is also into manufacturing of pharmaceutical products which they get through contract manufacturing. The company has its manufacturing facility located at Hyderabad.

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 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 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 endeavoured 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 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 requests.

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

- Application Of Financial Ratios And Adjustments: <https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-53.htm>
- Default Recognition: <https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-52.htm>
- Trading Entity: <https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-61.htm>

Note on Complexity Levels of the Rated Instruments

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
01 Mar 2022	Cash Credit	Long Term	5.30	ACUITE B+ Stable (Upgraded from ACUITE B)
	Working Capital Term Loan	Long Term	0.70	ACUITE B+ Stable (Upgraded from ACUITE B)
24 Jun 2021	Proposed Bank Facility	Long Term	0.70	ACUITE B (Issuer not co-operating*)
	Cash Credit	Long Term	5.30	ACUITE B (Issuer not co-operating*)
13 Dec 2019	Cash Credit	Long Term	5.30	ACUITE B Stable (Assigned)
	Proposed Bank Facility	Long Term	0.70	ACUITE B Stable (Assigned)

Annexure - Details of instruments rated

Lender's Name	ISIN	Facilities	Date Of Issuance	Coupon Rate	Maturity Date	Complexity Level	Quantum (Rs. Cr.)	Rating
IDBI Bank Ltd.	Not Applicable	Cash Credit	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Simple	5.30	ACUITE B+ Reaffirmed Issuer not co-operating*
IDBI Bank Ltd.	Not Applicable	Working Capital Term Loan	Not available	Not available	Not available	Simple	0.70	ACUITE B+ Reaffirmed Issuer not co-operating*

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