

Press Release

HG Walls

November 16, 2022



Rating Downgraded and Issuer not co-operating

Product	Quantum (Rs. Cr)	Long Term Rating	Short Term Rating		
Bank Loan Ratings	11.00	ACUITE D Downgraded Issuer not co-operating*	-		
Bank Loan Ratings	2.00	-	ACUITE D Downgraded Issuer not co-operating*		
Total Outstanding Quantum (Rs. Cr)	13.00	-	-		
Total Withdrawn Quantum (Rs. Cr)	0.00	-	-		

Rating Rationale

Acuité has downgraded its long term rating to 'ACUITE D' (read as ACUITE D) from 'ACUITE B+' (read as ACUITE B plus) and the short term rating to 'ACUITE D' (read as ACUITE D) from 'ACUITE A4' (read as ACUITE A four) on the Rs.13.00 crore bank facilities of H G Walls. The rating continues to be flagged as "Issue Not-Cooperating". The downgrade is on the basis of the Bankers feedback confirming the NPA status.

About the Company

HG Walls is a proprietary concern established in the year 2007 promoted by Roopa HariGanesh in Chennai. HG Walls is engaged in the business of value-added exterior facade, aluminium windows, interior and architectural design and execution projects for the wide profile of corporate, commercial and residential clients. The major clients of HG Walls are L&T, Ozone Group, Port Trust, and AFCONS. Hari Ganesh has a hand in almost every aspect of the business from managing heavy engineering projects, infrastructure projects and branding.

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 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.

^{*}The issuer did not co-operate; Based on best available information

About the Rated Entity - Key Financials

The rated entity has not shared the latest financial statements despite repeated requests.

Rating Sensitivity

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 the Rating

None

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

- 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 Instruments/Facilities	Term	Amount (Rs. Cr)	Rating/Outlook	
	Cash Credit	Long Term	8.00	ACUITE B+ (Downgraded and Issuer r co-operating*)	
29 Nov 2021	Letter of Credit	Short Term	2.00	ACUITE A4 (Issuer not co-operating*)	
	Proposed Bank Facility	Long Term	3.00	ACUITE B+ (Downgraded and Issuer not co-operating*)	
29 Sep 2020	Letter of Credit	Short Term	2.00	ACUITE A4 (Assigned)	
	Cash Credit	Long Term	8.00	ACUITE BB- Stable (Assigned)	
	Proposed Bank Facility	Long Term	3.00	ACUITE BB- 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
South Indian Bank	Not Applicable	Cash Credit	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Simple	8.00	ACUITE D Downgraded Issuer not co- operating*
South Indian Bank	Not Applicable	Letter of Credit	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Simple	2.00	ACUITE D Downgraded Issuer not co- operating*
Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Proposed Long Term Bank Facility	Not	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Simple	3.00	ACUITE D Downgraded Issuer not co- operating*

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