



SMERA RATINGS LIMITED

Raman FibreScience Private Limited (RFPL)

*Rating
Rationale*

April 02, 2015

Facilities	Amount (Rs. Crore)	Ratings
Cash Credit	4.50*	SMERA BB+/ Stable (Removed from rating watch; rating withdrawn)
Term Loan I	6.40	SMERA BB+/ Stable (Removed from rating watch; rating withdrawn)
Term Loan II	0.81	SMERA BB+/ Stable (Removed from rating watch; rating withdrawn)
Special Line of Credit	0.50	SMERA A4+ (Removed from rating watch; rating withdrawn)
Foreign Letter of Credit	2.00#	SMERA A4+ (Removed from rating watch; rating withdrawn)
Cash Credit (proposed)	1.00	SMERA BB+/ Stable (Removed from rating watch; rating withdrawn)
Term Loan (proposed)	0.50	SMERA BB+/ Stable (Removed from rating watch; rating withdrawn)
Foreign Letter of Credit (proposed)	1.50	SMERA A4+ (Removed from rating watch; rating withdrawn)

*Includes Packing Credit as a sublimit to the extent of Rs.0.50 crore

#Includes Domestic Letter of Credit as a sublimit to the extent of Rs.0.30 crore

SMERA has **removed rating watch** with developing implications on the abovementioned bank facilities of Raman FibreScience Private Limited (RFPL). The ratings of 'SMERA BB+/Stable/SMERA A4+' have been **withdrawn with immediate effect**. There are no dues outstanding against the rated facilities.

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About RFPL

RFPL, incorporated in 2007, is a Mysore-based company promoted and managed by Mr. Aroon Raman. RFPL is engaged in manufacturing of composite battery separators and filter media. The company also provides contract research services for innovations in wet-laid composite material. RFPL was acquired by the US-based Hollingsworth & Vose Company (H&V) in December 2014.

About H&V

H&V, established in 1843, is a privately-held company based in Massachusetts, USA. H&V undertakes manufacturing of advanced materials used in filtration, batteries and industrial applications. The company's expertise and processing capabilities include wet-laid, dry-laid, melt-blown and composite technologies. H&V operates in five nations. The company markets its products across 80 countries.

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