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ALM Food Products Limited

September 09th, 2024

Ratings:

Facilities/ Instruments	Amount (Rs. crore)	Current Ratings	Previous Ratings	Rating Action	Complexity Indicator	
Long Term/Short Term Bank Facilities	165.00	IVR BB+/Negative; IVR A4+; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* [IVR Double B Plus with Negative Outlook and IVR A Four Plus Issuer Not Cooperating*]	(IVR Triple B Minus with Stable Outlook and IVR A Three)	Downgraded and Migrated to Issuer not Cooperating category	Simple	
Total	165.00	(Rupees One Hundred Sixty-Five Crore Only)				

^{*}Issuer did not cooperate; Based on best available information

Details of Facilities are in Annexure 1. Facility wise lender details are at Annexure 2. Detailed explanation of covenants is at Annexure 3.

Detailed Rationale

Infomerics Ratings has downgraded its rating assigned to the bank facilities of ALM Food Products Limited due to non – submission of No Default Statement (NDS) for consecutive three months since June 2024 and uncertainty around its credit risk. Infomerics assesses whether the information available about the entity is commensurate with its ratings and reviews the same as per its policy. The lenders, investors and other market participants are thus advised to exercise appropriate caution while using these ratings as the ratings may not adequately reflect the credit risk profile of the company.

Non-cooperation by Issuer

Infomerics has been regularly following up with the company to provide the required NDS to monitor its assigned rating to the bank facilities, vide mail communications dated 15th August 2024, 19th August 2024, 21st August 2024, 23rd August 2024, 29th August 2024, 30th August 2024, 31st August 2024, and concurrently over multiple phone calls. However, despite repeated requests by Infomerics, the company's management has not submitted the NDS required for detailed review of the assigned ratings. Availability of information is very critical in

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rating exercise. In the absence of the requisite information, in consonance with SEBI guidelines, Infomerics has to assign the rating based on the best available information. Accordingly, the Long/Short term ratings for the bank loan facilities of ALM Food Products Limited aggregating to Rs. 165.00 crore has been downgraded and moved to the 'ISSUER NOT COOPERATING' category by Infomerics and the rating to be noted as IVR BB+/Negative; IVR A4+ Issuer Not Co-operating based on best available information.

Analytical Approach: Standalone

Applicable Criteria:

Rating Methodology for Manufacturing Companies

Financial Ratios & Interpretation (Non-Financial Sector)

Guidelines on what constitutes Non-Cooperation by clients

Complexity Level of Rated Instruments/Facilities

Criteria for assigning Rating Outlook

Instrument/Facility wise Default Recognition & Post-Default Curing Period

Liquidity: Unable to comment due to lack of adequate information

About the Company

The Company was incorporated on 30-07-1996 with its Registered Office at Saharanpur (U.P.) which later shifted to New Delhi. The Company commenced Merchant Export Business in Rice, Meat, and allied Commodities. Later in 2015-16 the company set up a State of Art "Frozen Boneless Buffalo Meat processing unit" with fully automatic imported Slaughterhouse and waste recovery plant located at Village Behra, Gulabgarh Road, Derabassi, S.A.S. Nagar (Punjab). The unit commenced production in January 2017.

Financials (Standalone):

(Rs. Crore)

For the year ended/As on*	31-03-2022	31-03-2023	
	Audited	Audited	
Total Operating Income	339.93	672.33	
EBITDA	13.75	27.06	
PAT	0.37	4.26	
Total Debt	129.32	126.75	
Tangible Net Worth	97.84	102.11	
Ratios			
EBITDA Margin (%)	4.05	4.02	



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PAT Margin (%)	0.11	0.63
Overall Gearing Ratio (x)	1.32	1.24
Interest Coverage Ratio (x)	1.72	1.58

^{*}Classification as per Infomerics` Standard

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA: Brickwork Ratings India Private Limited vide its press release dated January 11th, 2024, has continued to classify the ratings of the company under issuer not cooperating on account of non-submission of relevant information.

Any other information: Not Applicable

Rating History for last three years:

	Name of Instrument/ Facilities	Current Ratings (Year 2024-25)			Rating History for the past 3 years		
Sr. No.		Туре	Amount outstanding (INR Crore)	Rating	Date(s) & Rating(s) assigned in 2023-24	Date(s) & Rating(s) assigned in 2022-23	Date(s) & Rating(s) assigned in 2021- 2022
				00	Dec 29, 2023	Nov 30, 2022	
1.	Fund Based Limits	Long Term / Short Term	30.00	IVR BB+/Negative; IVR A4+ (INC)*	IVR BBB-/ Stable; IVR A3 (IVR Triple B Minus with Stable Outlook/ IVR A Three).	IVR BBB-/ Stable; IVR A3 (IVR Triple B Minus with Stable Outlook and IVR A Three)	-
2.	Fund Based Limits	Long Term / Short Term	70.00	IVR BB+/Negative; IVR A4+ (INC)*	IVR BBB-/ Stable; IVR A3 (IVR Triple B Minus with Stable Outlook/ IVR A Three).	IVR BBB-/ Stable; IVR A3 (IVR Triple B minus with Stable Outlook and IVR A Three)	-
3.	Fund Based Limits	Long Term / Short Term	65.00	IVR BB+/Negative; IVR A4+ (INC)*	IVR BBB-/ Stable; IVR A3 (IVR Triple B Minus with Stable	IVR BBB-/ Stable; IVR A3 (IVR Triple B Minus with Stable	-



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		Current Ratings (Year 2024-25)			Rating History for the past 3 years		
Sr. No.	Name of Instrument/Facilities	ment/ Amount		Date(s) & Rating(s) assigned in 2023-24	Date(s) & Rating(s) assigned in 2022-23	Date(s) & Rating(s) assigned in 2021- 2022	
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Annexure 1: Details of Facilities

Name of Facility	ISIN	Date of Issuance	Coupon Rate/ IRR	Maturity Date	Size of Facility (Rs Crore)	Rating Assigned/ Outlook
Cash Credit Cum ODBD	-1			20	30.00	IVR BB+/Negative; IVR A4+ Issuer Not Cooperating
EBD/EBP/ EBRD/EBN	-1				70.00	IVR BB+/Negative; IVR A4+ Issuer Not Cooperating
PC/PCFC					65.00	IVR BB+/Negative; IVR A4+ Issuer Not Cooperating

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Annexure 2: Facility wise lender details:

https://www.infomerics.com/admin/prfiles/len-ALMFood-sep24.pdf

Annexure 3: Detailed explanation of covenants of the rated instrument/facilities: Not Applicable

Annexure 4: List of companies considered for consolidated analysis: Not Applicable Note on complexity levels of the rated instrument: Infomerics has classified instruments rated by it on the basis of complexity and a note thereon is available at www.infomerics.com.