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Eppeltone Engineers Private Limited

April 3, 2024

Ratings

Facilities	Amount (Rs. crore)	Ratings	Rating Action	Complexity Indicator
Long Term Fund Based Bank Facility – Term Loan	0.67	IVR B+/ Negative; Issuer Not Cooperating* (IVR Single B Plus with Negative outlook; Issuer Not Cooperating*)	Downgraded and continued at Issuer Not Cooperating category	Simple
Long Term Fund Based Bank Facility –Cash Credit	3.50	IVR B+/ Negative; Issuer Not Cooperating* (IVR Single B Plus with Negative outlook; Issuer Not Cooperating*)	Downgraded and continued at Issuer Not Cooperating category	Simple
Short Term Non- Fund Based Bank Facility – Bank Guarantee	10.50	IVR A4; Issuer Not Cooperating* (IVR A Four; Issuer Not Cooperating*)	Reaffirmed and continued at Issuer Not Cooperating category	Simple
Total	14.67 (Rupees Fourteen crore and sixty-seven lakh only)			

**Issuer did not cooperate; based on best available information*

Details of Facilities are in Annexure 1

Detailed Rationale

The downgrade in the ratings assigned to the bank facilities of Eppeltone Engineers Private Limited (EEPL) reflects lack of adequate information available and the uncertainty around its credit risk. Infomerics assesses whether the information available about the entity is commensurate with its rating and reviews the same as per its policy.

The lenders, investors and other market participants are thus advised to exercise appropriate caution while using this rating as this rating may not adequately reflect the credit risk profile of the entity.



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Non-cooperation by Issuer

Infomerics has been regularly following up with the company to provide the required data to monitor its assigned rating to the bank facilities, vide email communications dated March 13, 2024, March 18, 2024, March 21, 2024 and March 26, 2024 and concurrently over several phone calls. However, despite the repeated requests by Infomerics, the company's management has not submitted the requested information for monitoring the ratings.

Availability of information is very critical in the rating exercise. In the absence of the requisite information, in consonance with SEBI guidelines, Infomerics has to review the rating based on the best available information. Accordingly, the ratings for the bank facilities of EEPL aggregating Rs.14.67 crore has been continued in the 'Issuer Not Cooperating' category by Infomerics.

Analytical Approach: Standalone

Applicable Criteria:

[Guidelines on what constitutes Non-Cooperation by clients](#)

[Criteria of assigning Rating outlook](#)

[Rating Methodology for Manufacturing Companies](#)

[Financial Ratios & Interpretation \(Non-Financial Sector\)](#)

[Criteria for default recognition](#)

About the company

EEPL was incorporated in 2002. EEPL is owned & managed by Mr. Deven Chowdhary and Mr. Rohit Chowdhary. EEPL is engaged in manufacturing Static Watt Hour Energy Meters (Single Phase and Three phase) across various communication platforms and technologies. Apart from electronic energy meters, EEPL also manufactures eco-friendly emergency lights, MCB, UPS etc. The company has been present in the electrical components & equipment industry since the last 40 years. The company is also into smart energy meters.



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Financials (Standalone):

(Rs. crore)

For the year ended / As On*	31-03-2020 (Audited)	31-03-2021 (Provisional)
Total Operating Income	30.44	43.05
EBITDA	1.34	2.41
PAT	0.52	1.26
Total Debt	6.82	7.03
Tangible Net worth	13.43	14.82
Ratios		
EBITDA Margin (%)	4.42	5.59
PAT Margin (%)	1.67	2.89
Overall Gearing Ratio (x)	0.51	0.47

*Classification as per Infomerics' standards

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA:

CRISIL continued to maintain the ratings assigned to EEPL's bank facilities in the 'Issuer Not Cooperating' category vide Press Release dated December 19, 2023, due to non-submission of information by the company.

Any other information: Nil

Rating History for last three years:

Sr. No.	Name of Facilities	Current Ratings (Year 2024-25)			Rating History for the past 3 years		
		Type	Amount outstanding (Rs. crore)	Rating	Date(s) & Rating(s) assigned in 2023-24	Date(s) & Rating(s) assigned in 2022-23 (March 14, 2023)	Date(s) & Rating(s) assigned in 2021-22 (January 28, 2022)
1.	Term Loan	Long Term	0.67	IVR B+/ Negative; Issuer Not Cooperating*	--	IVR BB-/ Negative; Issuer Not Cooperating*	IVR BB/Stable
2.	Cash Credit	Long Term	3.50	IVR B+/ Negative; Issuer Not Cooperating*	--	IVR BB-/ Negative; Issuer Not Cooperating*	IVR BB/Stable
3	Bank Guarantee	Short Term	10.50	IVR A4; Issuer Not Cooperating*	--	IVR A4; Issuer Not Cooperating*	IVR A4 +

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About Infomerics:

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Annexure 1: Details of Facilities

Name of Facility	Date of Issuance	Coupon Rate/ IRR	Maturity Date	Size of Facility (Rs. crore)	Rating Assigned/ Outlook
Term Loan	-	-	-	0.67	IVR B+/ Negative; Issuer Not Cooperating*
Cash Credit	-	-	-	3.50	IVR B+/ Negative; Issuer Not Cooperating*
Bank Guarantee	-	-	-	10.50	IVR A4; Issuer Not Cooperating*

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Annexure 2: List of companies considered for consolidated analysis: Not Applicable

Annexure 3: Facility wise lender details: Not available

Annexure 4: Detailed explanation of covenants of the rated instrument/facilities: 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.