

### **Press Release**

### SBL Energy Limited

#### October 29, 2024

Ratings					
Security / Facility	Amount (Rs. crore)	Current Rating	Previous Rating	Rating Action	Complexity Indicator
Long Term Bank Facilities	51.38	IVR BBB-; Negative; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (IVR Triple B Minus with Negative outlook; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING)	IVR BBB+ Under Rating Watch with developing implications (IVR Triple B Plus Under Rating Watch with developing implications)	Downgraded with Negative Outlook and removed from Rating Watch with Developing Implications and moved to ISSUER NOT COOPERATING category	Simple
Short Term Bank Facilities	77.00	IVR A3; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (IVR A Three; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING)	IVR A2 Under Rating Watch with developing implications (IVR A Two Under Rating Watch with developing implications)	Downgraded and removed from Rating Watch with Developing Implications and moved to ISSUER NOT COOPERATING category	
Total	128.38 (Rupees one hundred and twenty-eight crore and thirty-eight lakhs only)				

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

Details of Facilities/Instruments 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 the rating assigned to the bank facilities of SBL Energy Limited (SEL) with negative outlook and removed it from Rating Watch with Developing Implications simultaneously moved the rating into ISSUER NOT COOPERATING category because of non-cooperation by the company despite repeated follow ups and lack of adequate information leading to information availability risk and hence uncertainty around its credit risk.



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Infomerics Ratings assesses whether the information available about the company is commensurate with its rating and reviews the same as per its policy. The outlook remains negative due to information availability risk.

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

#### Non-cooperation by Issuer

Infomerics Ratings has been regularly following up with the company to provide the required data to monitor its assigned rating to the bank facilities, vide E-mail communications dated August 28, 2024, October 01, 2024, October 14, 2024 and concurrently over several phone calls. However, despite repeated requests by Infomerics Ratings, the company's management has not submitted all the essential details required for detailed review of the assigned ratings. Availability of information is very critical in rating exercise. In the absence of the requisite information, in consonance with SEBI guidelines, Infomerics Ratings has to assign the rating based on the best available information.

Analytical Approach: Standalone

#### **Applicable Criteria:**

Rating Methodology for Manufacturing Companies

Financial Ratios & Interpretation (Non- Financial Sector)

Criteria for assigning rating outlook

Guidelines on what constitutes Non-Cooperation by clients

Policy of default recognition

Criteria on complexity

Liquidity: Unable to comment due to non-availability of information despite repeated follow ups.

#### About the company

SBL Energy Limited (SEL) (formerly, Amin Explosives Pvt Ltd) was incorporated in 2002 and manufactures commercial explosives and explosion-related accessories like high explosives, bulk explosives, detonators, detonating fuse, safety fuse, PETN etc. SEL, based in Nagpur, was taken over by one Choudhary family in fiscal 2016.

#### Financials (Standalone): Latest financials not available



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		(Rs. crore)
For the year ended/ As on*	31-03-2022	31-03-2023
	Audited	Audited
Total Operating Income	256.92	489.18
EBITDA	43.75	55.73
PAT	24.82	31.20
Total Debt	39.30	62.57
Tangible Net Worth	61.39	92.59
EBITDA Margin (%)	17.03	11.39
PAT Margin (%)	9.65	6.34
Overall Gearing Ratio (x)	0.64	0.68
Interest Coverage (x)	8.21	6.19

\* Classification as per Infomerics' standards.

#### Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA: Nil

Any other information: Nil

Rating History for last three years:

Sr.	Name of	Current Ratings (Year 2024-2025)			Rating History for the past 3 years				
No.	Security/ Facilities	Type (Long Term / Short Term)	Amount outstanding (Rs. Crore)	Rating	Date(s) & Rating(s) assigned in 2023-24		Date(s) & Rating(s) assigned in 2022-23		Date(s) & Rating(s) assigned in 2021-22
					Mar 07, 2024	Jun 29, 2023	Aug 08, 2022	July 20, 2022	Sep 22, 2021
1.	Term Loan	Long Term	26.38	IVR BBB-; Negative; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*	IVR BBB+; RWDI	IVR BBB+; Stable	IVR BBB; Stable	IVR BBB; Stable	IVR BBB-; Stable
2.	Cash Credit	Long Term	25.00	IVR BBB-; Negative; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*	IVR BBB+; RWDI	IVR BBB+; Stable	IVR BBB; Stable	IVR BBB; Stable	IVR BBB-; Stable
3.	Letter of Credit	Short Term	77.00	IVR A3; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*	IVR A2; RWDI	IVR A2	IVR A3+	IVR A3+	IVR A3

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#### Annexure 1: Instrument/Facility Details

Name of Facility/ Security	ISIN	Date of Issuance	Coupon Rate/ IRR	Maturity Date	Size of Facility (Rs. Crore)	Rating Assigned/ Outlook
Long Term Bank Facilities – Term Loan	-	-	-	Nov 2027	26.38	IVR BBB-; Negative; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*
Long Term Bank Facilities - Cash Credit	-	-	-	-	25.00	IVR BBB-; Negative; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*
Short Term Bank Facilities - Letter of Credit	-	-	-	-	77.00	IVR A3; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*

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Annexure 2: Facility wise lender details: Not Available

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

Annexure 4: List of companies considered for consolidated/Combined 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 <u>www.infomerics.com</u>.