

### **Press Release**

#### Auro Impex & Chemicals Limited

#### June 12, 2025

	Ratings					
Facilities Amount (INR crore)		Current Ratings	Previous Ratings	Rating Action	Complexity Indicator	
Long Term Bank Facilities	30.44 (includes proposed limit of Rs. 7.00 crore)	IVR BB-/ Negative ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (IVR double B minus with negative outlook Issuer Not Cooperating)	IVR BB/ Negative ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (IVR double B with negative outlook Issuer Not Cooperating)		Simple	
Short Term Bank Facilities 14.56 (includes proposed limit of Rs. 10.16 crore)		IVR A4 ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (IVR A Four Issuer Not Cooperating)	IVR A4 ISSUER NOT COOPERATING* (IVR A Four Issuer Not Cooperating)	Rating reaffirmed and continues to be in Issuer Not Cooperating category	Simple	
Total	45.00 (Rs. Forty-five crores 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 has downgraded the long-term rating and reaffirmed the short-term rating, and continued the ratings assigned to the bank facilities of Auro Impex & Chemicals Limited (AICL) in the ISSUER NOT COOPERATING category because of lack of adequate information for rating review from the company and hence 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 long-term rating outlook remains 'Negative' due to information availability risk.



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Accordingly, 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 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 January 31, 2025, February 4, 2025, February 6, 2025, February 10, 2025, February 12, 2025, February 14, 2025, February 28, 2025, March 4, 2025, March 10, 2025, March 15, 2025, March 28, 2025, March 31, 2025, April 4, 2025, April 9, 2025, April 14, 2025, April 21, 2025, April 28, 2025, May 27, 2025, May 28, 2025 and May 29, 2025, and concurrently over several phone calls. However, despite repeated requests by Infomerics, the company's management has not submitted surveillance fees, and 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 has to assign the rating based on the best available information. Accordingly, the long-term and short-term ratings of the bank loan facilities aggregating to Rs. 45.00 crore of Auro Impex & Chemicals Limited (AICL) shall be continued to be under the 'ISSUER NOT COOPERATING' category by Infomerics and the ratings will be denoted as IVR BB-/ Negative ISSUER NOT COOPERATING; Based on best available information (IVR double B minus with Negative outlook ISSUER NOT COOPERATING; based on best available information) and the short-term rating will be denoted as IVR A4 ISSUER NOT COOPERATING; Based on best available information (IVR A four ISSUER NOT COOPERATING; 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 Criteria of assigning rating outlook Policy on default recognition

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#### Complexity level of rated Instruments/Facilities

#### About the company

Auro Impex & Chemicals Limited (AICL) was founded in the year 1991 by Mr. Madhusudan Goenka in Kolkata, West Bengal with the name of Auro Enterprise. Thereafter, in 1995 Auro Industries Limited was incorporated taking over the trading business and steadily expanded into importing of electrostatic precipitators (ESP) and exporting essential parts for the battery industry. In 2012, Auro Impex & Chemicals Pvt Ltd, established a manufacturing unit in West Bengal. Further, on September 30, 2022, the name of the company was changed to "Auro Impex & Chemicals Limited" on account of conversion of the entity from a Private Limited to Public Limited Company. The company is engaged in air pollution control equipment and fabrication. The entity is run under the able leadership of Mr. Madhusudan Goenka, and he is well supported by an experienced and professional team.

Financials (Standalone)	(INR Crore)			
For the year ended* / As On	31.03.2024	31.03.2025		
	Audited	Audited		
Total Operating Income	244.26	164.97		
EBITDA	10.87	8.04		
PAT	5.81	4.28		
Total Debt	29.42	44.83		
Tangible Net worth	36.29	41.37		
EBITDA Margin (%)	4.46	4.90		
PAT Margin (%)	2.38	2.59		
Overall Gearing Ratio (x)	0.81	1.08		
Interest Coverage (x)	3.42	2.76		

\*Classification as per Infomerics' standards

**Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA:** ICRA Limited continues the rating of AICL into the Issuer Non-Cooperating category on account of inadequate information and lack of management cooperation in the rating procedure despite repeated follow ups as per the Press Release dated April 24, 2025.

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#### Any other information: Nil

Rating History for last three years:

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No.	Instrument / Type Amount		Current	Date(s) &	Date(s) &	Date(s) &	
	Facilities	(Long Term	Outstanding	Rating	Rating (s)	Rating (s)	Rating (s)
		/Short Term)	(Rs. Crore)	-	assigned in	assigned in	assigned in
					2024-25	2023-24	2022-23
					May 03, 2024	April 12, 2023	-
				IVR BB-/ Negative	0		
1.	Term Loan	Long Term	8.44	ISSUER NOT		IVR BB+/ Stable	-
				COOPERATING*	COOPERATING*		
				IVR BB-/ Negative	IVR BB/ Negative		
2.	Cash Credit	Long Term	15.00	ISSUER NOT		IVR BB+/ Stable	-
				COOPERATING*	COOPERATING*		
	Proposed			0	IVR BB/ Negative		
3.	Cash Credit	Long Term	7.00	ISSUER NOT		IVR BB+/ Stable	-
	Oash Orean			COOPERATING*	COOPERATING*		
	Bank			IVR A4 ISSUER	IVR A4 ISSUER		
4.	Guarantee	Short Term	0.40	NOT	NOT	IVR A4+	-
				COOPERATING*			
_	Letter		1.00	IVR A4 ISSUER	IVR A4 ISSUER		
5.	of Credit	Short Term	4.00	NOT	NOT	IVR A4+	-
	_			COOPERATING*			
	Proposed		10.10	IVR A4 ISSUER	IVR A4 ISSUER		
6.	Letter	Short Term	10.16	NOT	NOT	IVR A4+	-
	of Credit			COOPERATING*	COOPERATING*		

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Name of Facility	ISIN	Date of Issuance	Coupon Rate/ IRR	Maturity Date	Size of Facility (Rs. Crore)	Rating Assigned/ Outlook
Term Loan – 1	-	-	-	Dec 2027	2.12	IVR BB-/ Negative ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*
Term Loan – 2	-	-	-	Dec 2029	3.97	IVR BB-/ Negative ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*
GECL	-	-	-	Nov 2026	2.35	IVR BB-/ Negative ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*
Cash Credit -		-	-	-	15.00	IVR BB-/ Negative ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*
Proposed Cash Credit		-	-	-	7.00	IVR BB-/ Negative ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*
Bank Guarantee	-	-	-	-	0.40	IVR A4 ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*

#### Annexure 1: Instrument/Facility Details



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Name of Facility	ISIN	Date of Issuance	Coupon Rate/ IRR	Maturity Date	Size of Facility (Rs. Crore)	Rating Assigned/ Outlook
Letter of Credit	-	-	-	-	4.00	IVR A4 ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*
Proposed Letter of Credit	-	-	-	-	10.16	IVR A4 ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*

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Annexure 2: Facility wise lender details: Not Applicable

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

