

APL Metals Limited

June 14, 2024

Facilities/Instruments	Amount (₹ crore)	Rating ¹	Rating Action
Long Term Bank	10.00	CARE D; ISSUER NOT	Rating continues to remain under ISSUER NOT
Facilities		COOPERATING*	COOPERATING category

Details of instruments/facilities in Annexure-1

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

Rationale and key rating drivers

CARE Ratings Ltd. had, vide its press release dated March 22, 2023, placed the rating(s) of APL Metals Limited (AML) under the 'issuer non-cooperating' category as AML had failed to provide information for monitoring of the rating and had not paid the surveillance fees for the rating exercise as agreed to in its Rating Agreement. AML continues to be non-cooperative despite repeated requests for submission of information through e-mails, phone calls and a letter/email dated February 05, 2024, February 15, 2024, February 25, 2024.

In line with the extant SEBI guidelines, CARE Ratings Ltd. has reviewed the rating on the basis of the best available information which however, in CARE Ratings Ltd.'s opinion is not sufficient to arrive at a fair rating.

Users of this rating (including investors, lenders and the public at large) are hence requested to exercise caution while using the above rating(s).

Analytical approach: Standalone

Outlook: Not applicable

Detailed description of the key rating drivers:

Please refer to PR dated March 22, 2023

Applicable criteria

CARE Ratings' criteria on information adequacy risk and issuer non-cooperation Policy on default recognition

About the company

APL Metals Ltd (ISIN: INE578E01019) was incorporated in December 1948 by Shri D. N. Sahaya of Bihar for manufacturing of refined lead, lead alloys and lead oxide as Associated Pigments Ltd. The name was subsequently changed to APL Metals Ltd on 25th October 2016. Soon after its incorporation, the company took over two separate companies namely 'Indian Red Lead Factory Itd' which was manufacturing Red Lead and Litharge and then 'Indian Lead Products Ltd' which was manufacturing Lead & Chrome. The company manufactures refined lead at its units in West Bengal and lead oxide unit in Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal.

Brief Financials (Rs. crore)	March 31, 2022 (A)	March 31, 2023 (A)	March 31, 2024(AB)
Total operating income	724.29	735.84	702.59
PBILDT	21.72	23.92	12.23
PAT	4.96	2.53	-9.83
Overall gearing (times)	5.67	6.07	NA
Interest coverage (times)	1.55	1.27	0.51

A: Audited, Note: 'the above results are latest financial results available', NA – Not available

AB - Abridged (limited review)

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA: Acuite(SMERA) has continued the rating assigned to the bank facilities of AML into ISSUER NOT COOPERATING category vide press release dated June 07, 2024 on account of its inability to carry out a review in the absence of requisite information from the company.

Any other information: Not applicable

Rating history for last three years: Please refer Annexure-2

¹Complete definition of the ratings assigned are available at <u>www.careedge.in</u> and other CARE Ratings Ltd.'s publications



Covenants of rated instrument / facility: Detailed explanation of covenants of the rated instruments/facilities is given in Annexure-3

Complexity level of various instruments rated: Annexure-4

Lender details: Annexure-5

Annexure-1: Details of instruments/facilities

Name of the Instrument	ISIN	Date of Issuance (DD-MM-YYYY)	Coupon Rate (%)	Maturity Date (DD- MM-YYYY)	Size of the Issue (₹ crore)	Rating Assigned along with Rating Outlook
Fund-based - LT- Cash Credit	-	-	-	-	10.00	CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*

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Annexure-2: Rating history for the last three years

			Current Ratings			Rating History			
	Sr. No	Name of the Instrument/ Bank Facilities	Туре	Amount Outstanding (₹ crore)	Rating	Date(s) and Rating(s) assigned in 2024- 2025	Date(s) and Rating(s) assigned in 2023- 2024	Date(s) and Rating(s) assigned in 2022- 2023	Date(s) and Rating(s) assigned in 2021- 2022
	1	Fund-based - LT- Cash Credit	LT	10.00	CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERAT ING*	-	-	1)CARE D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATI NG* (22-Mar-23) 2)CARE B+; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATI NG* (25-Jul-22)	1)CARE B+; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATI NG* (06-May- 21)

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

LT: Long term

Annexure-3: Detailed explanation of covenants of the rated instruments/facilities: Not applicable

Annexure-4: Complexity level of the various instruments rated

Sr. No.	Name of the Instrument	Complexity Level			
1	Fund-based - LT-Cash Credit	Simple			

Annexure-5: Lender details

To view the lender wise details of bank facilities please click here

Note on the complexity levels of the rated instruments: CARE Ratings has classified instruments rated by it on the basis of complexity. Investors/market intermediaries/regulators or others are welcome to write to care@careedge.in for any clarifications.



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