

MPS Telecom Retail Private Limited

June 04, 2024

Facilities/Instruments Amount (₹ crore)		Rating ¹	Rating Action	
Long Term Bank Facilities	30.00	CARE B-; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*	Rating continues to remain under ISSUER NOT COOPERATING category	

Details of instruments/facilities in Annexure-1.

Rationale and key rating drivers

CARE Ratings Ltd. had, vide its press release dated April 12, 2023, placed the rating(s) of MPS Telecom Retail Private Limited (MTRPL) under the 'issuer non-cooperating' category as MTRPL 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. MTRPL continues to be non-cooperative despite repeated requests for submission of information through e-mails, phone calls and a letter/email dated February 26, 2024, March 07, 2024, March 17, 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: Stable

Detailed description of the key rating drivers:

Please refer to PR dated April 12, 2023

Applicable criteria

CARE Rating's criteria on information adequacy risk and issuer non-cooperation Policy on default recognition
Rating Outlook and Credit Watch

About the company

MTRPL operates mobile phone retail stores in the Southern and Western region of India and belongs to the Optiemus Group. OIL has indirect holding in MTRPL through Teleecare Network India Private Limited in MTRPL. Optiemus Infracom Limited (OIL) was originally incorporated in the year 1993 as Akanksha Finvest Limited (AFL) as a NonBanking Financial Company (NBFC). The name of the merged entity was subsequently changed to the current one: Optiemus Infracom Limited in June 2011. OIL is the flagship company of the Optiemus Group and has been engaged in distribution of mobile handsets of reputed brands like Nokia and Samsung for last 25 years. OIL had started operations with distribution of Nokia handsets from 1995 till 2006. Thereafter, in 2006, the Company left Nokia to take the distribution of Samsung. OIL has also received Blackberry Brand Rights for four countries.

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

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



Brief Financials (Rs. crore)	March 31, 2022 (A)	March 31, 2023 (A)	
Total operating income	19.85	2113.79	
PBILDT	0.26	2.24	
PAT	-2.15	1.23	
Overall gearing (times)	NM	NM	
Interest coverage (times)	0.12	5.28	

A: Audited, NM – Not Meaningful; Note: 'the above results are latest financial results available'

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA: Not Applicable

Any other information: Not Applicable

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

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- Term Loan		-	-	December 2021	30.00	CARE B-; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*

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Annexure-2: Rating history for the last three years

C.,	Name of		Current Ratings		Rating History			
Sr. No	the Instrument /Bank Facilities	Typ e	Outstallulliu Kati	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-Term Loan	LT	30.00	CARE B-; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*	-	1)CARE B-; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATI NG* (12-Apr-23)	-	1)CARE B-; Stable; ISSUER NOT COOPERATI NG* (09-Feb-22)

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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-Term Loan	Simple

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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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