

Industrial Energy Limited

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Facilities	Amount (Rs. crore)	Rating ¹	Rating Action		
Long-term Bank Facilities	660.42 (enhanced from Rs 646.42 crore)	CARE AA; Stable (Double A; Outlook: Stable)	Reaffirmed		
Short term bank facilities (Working Capital Demand Loan)	25.00	CARE A1+	Assigned		
Total Facilities	685.42 (Rupees Six hundred eighty five crore and Forty Two Lakhs only)				

Details of instruments/facilities in Annexure-1

Detailed Rationale & Key Rating Drivers

Ratings

The reaffirmation of the rating assigned to the various bank facilities of Industrial Energy Limited (IEL) continues to factor in the majority ownership by The Tata Power Company Ltd (Tata Power; rated 'CARE AA; Stable'; holds 74% equity stake in IEL), strategic importance of IEL's power plants to Tata Steel Ltd. (TSL; rated 'CARE AA / Stable '; holds 26% equity in IEL); IEL being conversion agent of Tata Steel (converting coal & gas supplied by Tata Steel into power) , tolling agreement for its entire operating capacity (442.5.MW) leading to stable operating cash flows.

These ratings strengths is cheap conversion price and uninterrupted supply of power from the conversion to Tata Steel however, the unit-3 is not fully utilized due to non availability of gas from Tata Steel but IEL is paid by Tata Steel in full based on the capitalization of the said unit. The credit profile of IEL is closely linked to the credit profiles of its promoters and sole off taker.

Credit ratings of TPCL and TSL and any large debt-funded expansion remain the key rating sensitivities.

Detailed description of the key rating drivers

Key Rating Strengths

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Experienced management and Strong promoters

IEL is a joint venture company formed by Tata Power Company Limited (TPCL, rated CARE AA; Stable) and Tata Steel Limited (TSL, rated CARE AA / Stable). TPCL holds 74% equity stake and TSL holds 26% equity stake in IEL. IEL benefits from the technical, managerial and financial support it gets from the promoters with demonstrated track record of efficient operations. Tata Sons Ltd. is the largest shareholder of both TPCL and TSL. As at December 31, 2018 Tata Sons Ltd. held 31.05% in TPCL and 31.64% stake in TSL. By virtue of being part of the Tata Group, the company enjoys significant level of financial flexibility.

Press Release



Tolling agreement in place for the entire operational capacity

IEL has tolling agreement for its entire operational capacity of 442.5MW. Under this agreement Tata Steel supplies coal and waste gas free of cost to Industrial Energy Limited. Industrial Energy Limited acts as a conversion agent and supplies power to Tata Steel. Tata Steel pays conversion cost to Industrial Energy Limited.

Healthy operational performance of power plant

The plants of the company have been operating satisfactorily and meeting all the normative parameters as envisaged in the tolling agreement. The company has hence been able to recover all its costs from TSL.

Key Rating Weaknesses

Credit profile of promoters and counter party

IEL is promoted by TPCL and TSL (holding 74% and 26% respectively). IEL's credit profile is closely linked to the credit profile of its promoters and the sole off taker of power. The routine operation and maintenance (O&M) of the plants of the company is undertaken by the personnel of the company who were earlier a part of TPCL. Having an in-house team with extensive experience in managing the plants helps saving of cost without compromising on the quality. Further the company supplies power only to Tata Steel, exposing it to the credit profile of TSL.

Exposure to UNIT-3 at-Kalinganagar, Odisha 67.5MW(1 x 67.5 MW (Waste Gas based) and a growth plan of another 400mw is in the pipeline.

TSL has undertaken expansion of its steel capacity by 8 MTPA(3+5 MTPA) Kalinganagar Greenfield Integrated Steel Plant Project. The plant will be built in two phases, one of 3 mtpa and other 5mtpa.To meet the power requirement of the above up-coming steel plant, IEL has undertaken construction of captive power plant, capacity aggregating another 400 MW,. As part of Phase 1 of the project, IEL has already completed the gas based (202.5 MW – 3 x 67.5 MW) power plant. At present only 2 x 67.5 MW have been commissioned in February 2016 and the completion of third unit is being delayed on account of present availability of flue gas which is sufficient to run only two units.

Liquidity analysis: As on March 31, 2018, IEL had liquid investments of ~ Rs. 32 crore. This provides the company with additional liquidity comfort. The Fund based working capital utilisation is moderate at ~ 30%

Analytical approach: Standalone

Applicable Criteria

Criteria on assigning Outlook to Credit Ratings CARE's Policy on Default Recognition Rating Methodology - Private Power Producers Financial ratios – Non-Financial Sector Rating Methodology: Factoring Linkages in Ratings

About the Company

Industrial Energy Limited (IEL) is a subsidiary of The Tata Power Company Limited (TPCL); TPCL holds 74% equity stake in the company; balance 26% equity stake is held by Tata Steel Limited (TSL). IEL is involved in the business of power generation with installed capacity of 240 MW (two units of 120 MW each) at Jamshedpur and 135 MW at Kalinganagar. Both the plants are classified as captive power plant of TSL and supplying power to TSL's plant. IEL has 135 MW of

operational capacity of the planned 202.5 MW capacity under phase 1 of Kalinganagar, Odisha, to meet TSL's power

requirements. IEL has tolling agreement in place with Tata Steel for its entire operational capacity.

Brief Financials (Rs. crore)	FY17 (A)	FY18 (A)
Total operating income	549.56	384.55
PBILDT	237.31	220.62
PAT	42.60	70.03
Overall gearing (times)	0.98	0.92
Interest coverage (times)	2.66	2.99

A: Audited

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA: Not applicable

Any other information: Not applicable

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

Note on complexity levels of the rated instrument: CARE has classified instruments rated by it on the basis of complexity. This classification is available at www.careratings.com. Investors/market intermediaries/regulators or others are welcome to write to care@careratings.com for any clarifications.

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Annexure-1: Details of Instruments/Facilities

Name of the Instrument	Date of Issuance	Coupon Rate	Maturity Date	Size of the Issue (Rs. crore)	Rating assigned along with Rating Outlook
Fund-based - LT-Term Loan	-	-	October 2030	660.42	CARE AA; Stable
Fund-based - ST-Working Capital Demand Ioan				25.00	CARE A1+

Annexure-2: Rating History of last three years

Sr.	Name of the	Current Ratings		Rating history				
	Instrument/Bank Facilities	71	Amount Outstanding (Rs. crore)	Rating	Rating(s) assigned in	Rating(s) assigned in 2017-	Rating(s) assigned in	Date(s) & Rating(s) assigned in 2015-2016
	Fund-based - LT-Term Loan	LT	660.42	CARE AA; Stable		1)CARE AA; Stable (02-May-17)		1)CARE AA (21-Jan-16)
2.	Commercial Paper	ST	-	-		1)Withdrawn (02-May-17)	-	1)CARE A1+ (21-Jan-16)
	Fund-based - ST- Working Capital Demand Ioan	ST	25.00	CARE A1+	-	-	-	-



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