

Navin Fluorine International Limited

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Ratings

Facilities/Instruments	Amount (Rs. crore)	Rating ¹	Rating Action
Long-term Bank Facilities – Term Loan	-	-	Withdrawn
Long-term Bank Facilities – Fund- based limits	85	CARE AA; Stable (Double A; Outlook: Stable)	Reaffirmed
Short-term Bank Facilities – Non- fund-based limits	135	CARE A1+ (A One Plus)	Reaffirmed
Total Facilities	220 (Rupees Two hundred and twenty crore only)		
Commercial Paper (carved out of sanctioned working capital limits)	30	CARE A1+ (A One Plus)	Reaffirmed
Standalone Commercial Paper	30	CARE A1+ (A One Plus)	Reaffirmed

Details of facilities/instruments in Annexure-1

Detailed Rationale

The ratings assigned to the bank facilities and short term instruments of Navin Fluorine International Limited (NFIL) continue to derive strength from the well-established position of the company in the fluoro-chemicals business, diversified revenue profile with research and development capability to handle complex fluorine chemistry, strong financial risk profile and ample liquidity. The ratings, however, continue to be constrained by exposure of the profitability margins to the volatility in key raw material prices, competitive nature of the industry, risk of slowdown in some of its end user industry and phase-out of its HCFC-22/R-22 gas business under Montreal Protocol by the year 2030. NFIL's ability to maintain growth in revenue from the core business amidst accelerated phase-out of HCFC under Montreal Protocol and maintain profitability margins are the key rating sensitivities.

Detailed description of the key rating drivers

NFIL is one of the leading players in the field of specialty fluorochemicals, fluorinating agents and other performance chemicals with domestic market share of about 35-40%. NFIL's revenue is well diversified with refrigerant gasses, specialty fluorochemicals, bulk fluorides and CRAMS business contributing 34%, 38%, 15% and 13% respectively to the revenue in FY16. The CRAMs business has grown at a CAGR of 88% over the period FY13-FY16 to Rs.87 crore in FY16. Increased sales from higher margin CRAMS business and moderation in prices of key raw materials improved PBILDT margin to 20.75% in FY16 from 14.28% in FY15.

NFIL continues to have a comfortable financial risk profile marked by favorable capital structure (overall gearing at 0.05x as on March 31, 2016), strong debt service coverage indicators, comfortable PBILDT margin and adequate liquidity position. As on March 31, 2016, NFIL has cash and liquid investments of Rs.66 crore which provides adequate liquidity cushion. The utilization of working capital bank limits for the past 12 months ending November 2016 was low at 15% and also provides significant liquidity backup. Fluorspars, chloromethane and sulphur are the major raw materials for NFIL (around 80-85% of the total raw material cost). The prices of Fluorspar which accounts for over 40% of the overall raw

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material cost for NFIL historically remained highly volatile. The company faces stiff competition from Chinese manufacturers in some of its business segments (mainly the refrigerant gasses) and is also exposed to slowdown in its key end-user industries – consumer durables, metals, pharmaceuticals, agrochemicals etc.

Analytical approach: Standalone

Applicable Criteria:

Criteria on assigning Outlook to Credit Ratings CARE's policy on Default Recognition Rating Methodology- Manufacturing Companies Financial Ratios- Non Financial Sector

Criteria for Short-Term Instruments

About the Company

NFIL, a part of Arvind Mafatlal Group (AMG) was established in 1967 at Surat. NFIL primarily deals in refrigerant gasses, inorganic/bulk fluorides, specialty fluorochemicals and Contract Research and Manufacturing Services (CRAMS) and has manufacturing facilities at Surat and Dahej in Gujarat and Dewas, Madhya Pradesh. NFIL produces more than 60 fluorinated products. The products manufactured by the company find application in the agro-chemical industry, pharmaceuticals, aluminum smelting, refrigerator manufacturing, metal processing, abrasives, glass & ceramics industry

among others.

In FY16 (refers to the period April 1 to March 31), NFIL posted a PAT of Rs.86.47 crore on a total operating income of Rs.656.49 crore as compared to PAT of Rs.49.38 crore on a total operating income of Rs.563.11 crore in FY15. During H1FY17, the company posted a PAT of Rs.84.04 crore (includes profit on sale of investments Rs.27.33 crore) on a total

operating income of Rs.358.95 crore.

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA: Not Applicable

Any other information: Not Applicable

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

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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-Long Term	-	-	-	85.00	CARE AA; Stable
Fund-Based Limits					
Non-fund-based-Short	-	-	-	135.00	CARE A1+
Term Fund-Based Limits					
Fund-based - LT-Term	-	-	-	0.00	Withdrawn
Loan					
Commercial Paper	-	-	-	30.00	CARE A1+
Commercial Paper- (Carved out)	-	-	-	30.00	CARE A1+

Annexure 2 Rating History for last three years:-

	Current Ratings Chronology of Rati				ogy of Rating	ng history for past three years		
Sr. No.	Name of the Instrument/Bank Facilities	Туре	Amount Outstanding (Rs. crore)	Rating	Date(s) & Rating(s) assigned in 2016-2017	Date(s) & Rating(s) assigned in 2015-2016	_	Date(s) & Rating(s) assigned in 2013- 2014
1.	Fund-based-Long Term	LT	85.00	CARE AA; Stable	-	,	1)CARE AA- (17-10-2014)	1)CARE AA- (10-09-2013)
	Non-fund-based-Short Term	ST	135.00	CARE A1+	-	1 '	1)CARE A1+ (17-10-2014)	1)CARE A1+ (10-09-2013)
	Commercial Paper- Commercial Paper (Carved out)	ST	30.00	CARE A1+	-	'	, ,	1)CARE A1+ (10-09-2013) 2)CARE A1+ (17-05-2013)
4.	Fund-based - LT-Term Loan	LT	0.00	Withdrawn	-	'	1)CARE AA- (17-10-2014)	
5.	Commercial Paper	ST	30.00	CARE A1+	-	1)CARE A1+ (25-11-2015)	1)CARE A1+ (04-12-2014)	



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