

Remi Sales and Engineering Ltd.

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Facilities	Amount (Rs. crore)	Ratings ¹	Rating Action	
Long-term Bank Facilities (Fund- based)	6.75	CARE BBB-; Stable (Triple B Minus; Outlook: Stable)	Reaffirmed	
Short-term Bank Facilities (Non- fund-based)	1.65	CARE A3 (A Three)	Reaffirmed	
Total Facilities	8.40 (Rupees Eight Crore and Forty Lakhs only)			

Rating Rationale

Ratings

The reaffirmation of the ratings for the bank facilities of Remi Sales and Engineering Ltd (RSEL) continue to derive strength from the vast experience of the promoters, diversified product portfolio, comfortable financial risk profile, low working capital utilization and strong distribution network in India.

However, the aforementioned ratings strengths continue to be constrained by relatively small size of operations, declining trend of total operating income, low profitability margins – a characteristic of the trading industry, high collection period and dependence on group companies for sourcing of products.

The ability of RSEL to grow its scale of operations (aided by increased production by group companies), while enhancing its profit margins and ability to reduce collection period are the key rating sensitivities.

Key Rating Strengths

Experienced promoters and long track record of the company

RSEL was incorporated in the year 1980 by the promoters with a view to having a dedicated marketing setup for products manufactured by Group companies. The company is currently led by founders two son's Mr V C Saraf and Mr R C Saraf.

Diverse product portfolio

RSEL has a wide range of product portfolio. The company is currently engaged in sales and marketing of electric motors, electric fans, scientific & laboratory instruments. However, the major portion of sales comes from Laboratory Instruments & Electric Fan segments.

Wide distribution network across India & low customer concentration

RSEL has a wide distribution network consisting of 11 branches across India, apart from around 50 distributors and over 1000 dealers. The company has presence in all major cities including Ahmedabad, Mumbai, Bengaluru, Kolkata, Chennai, Goa, Hyderabad, Indore, Kanpur, New Delhi, Gurgaon, Nagpur, Pune and Kochi.

Comfortable financial risk profile

The company's financial risk profile continues to be comfortable. The company does not have any long term debt and the average working capital utilization during the past 12 months ending December 31, 2016 continues to be low at about 14%.

Marginal improvement in profit margins

PBILDT margin improved marginally to 1.70% for FY16 as compared to 1.50% in FY15. The PAT margin also improved marginally to 0.89% in FY16 form 0.60% in FY15.

Low working capital utilization

Average utilization of working capital limits have been low at around 14% for the last 12 months ended December 31, 2016.

Key Rating Weaknesses

Low scale of operations and declining trend of total operating income

Despite being into business for more than three decades, the company's level of operation continue to remain small. Furthermore, the total operating income of the company has been on declining trend since FY13. RSEL had total operating income of Rs.192.62 crore in FY13 and since then it had fallen by about 37% to Rs.120.85 crore in FY16. The decrease in total operating income is mainly due to the company discontinuing sale of agro commodities post NSEL scam. *Profit margins continue to remain thin*

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Owing to the trading nature of business the profit margin continues to remain thin. The margin was further hampered due to write off relating to NSEL exposure. In FY16, cost relating to write off relating to NSEL receivables amounted to Rs.2.53 crore, i.e., about 204 bps of total operating income. The PAT margin of the company was at 0.89%.

High collection period

The company gets credit period of around 50 days to 60 days from its suppliers and extends credit period of around 90 days to its customers. Furthermore, higher collection cycle is mainly due to higher sales of fans during February-June period.

Analytical approach: Standalone

Applicable Criteria

<u>Criteria on assigning Outlook to Credit Ratings</u> <u>CARE's Policy on Default Recognition</u> <u>Criteria for Short Term Instruments</u> <u>CARE's methodology for Wholesale Trading</u> Financial ratios – Non-Financial Sector

About the Company

Remi Sales and Engineering Ltd (RSEL), is part of Remi group, founded by the late Mr C K Saraf. Currently group is headed by his sons Mr V C Saraf and Mr R C Saraf. RESL was incorporated in the year 1980 as Balaji Sales and Engineering Limited with a view to having a dedicated marketing setup for the products manufactured by group companies. The name of the company was changed to Remi Sales and Engineering Limited in 1983. The company has been listed on the Bombay Stock Exchange (BSE) since 1981. RSEL is engaged in the trading of electric motors, electric fans, laboratory instruments and blood bank equipment manufactured by group companies.

In FY16, RSEL's total operating income declined by 6.58% to Rs.123.84 crore from Rs.132.56 crore in FY15. The company's PAT increased by 39.69% y-o-y to Rs.1.10 crore form Rs.0.79 crore.

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA: N.A

Any other information: N.A

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 - LT-Cash Credit	-	-	-	6.75	CARE BBB-; Stable
Non-fund-based - ST- BG/LC	-	-	-	1.65	CARE A3

Annexure-2: Rating History of last three years

Sr.	Name of the	Current Ratings		Rating history				
No.	Instrument/Bank Facilities	Туре	Amount Outstanding (Rs. crore)	Rating	Date(s) & Rating(s) assigned in 2017-2018	Date(s) & Rating(s) assigned in 2016-2017	Date(s) & Rating(s) assigned in 2015-2016	Date(s) & Rating(s) assigned in 2014-2015
	Fund-based - LT-Cash Credit	LT	6.75	CARE BBB-; Stable	-		1)CARE BBB- (14-Oct-15)	1)CARE BBB- (25-Nov-14)
	Non-fund-based - ST- BG/LC	ST	1.65	CARE A3	-			1)CARE A3 (25-Nov-14)



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