

West Coast Paper Mills Limited

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Ratings

| Facilities/ Instruments | Amount (Rs. crore) | Rating ¹ | Rating Action | |
|--|-----------------------|---------------------|---------------|--|
| Long Term Bank Facilities (Working Capital) | - | - | Withdrawn | |
| Short Term Bank Facilities (Working Capital) | - | - | Withdrawn | |
| Total Facilities | - | | | |

Details of instruments/facilities in Annexure-1

Detailed Rationale, Key Rating Drivers and Detailed description of the key rating drivers

CARE had placed the outstanding ratings assigned to the bank facilities (working capital facilities) of West Coast Paper Mills Limited on 'Notice of Withdrawal' for a period of ninety days. Upon the expiry of the said notice period of ninety days, the ratings of 'CARE A; Stable/CARE A1' [Single A; Outlook: Stable/ A One] assigned to the aforesaid bank facilities stand withdrawn with immediate effect.

Analytical approach: Not Applicable

Applicable Criteria

Policy on Withdrawal of ratings

About the Company

WCPM, incorporated in 1955, is the flagship company of the S. K. Bangur group and is engaged in the manufacturing and marketing of paper and telecom cables.

Company has an integrated paper plant in Dandeli, Karnataka for capacity of 3,20,000 MTPA. It manufactures writing and printing paper (capacity- 2,62,500 MTPA) and paperboard (capacity- 57,500 MTPA).

Further, company also manufactures optical fiber cables at Mysuru, Karnataka having installed capacity of 83,500 km. Other than the captive power plant, it also has set up 6 wind mills totaling to 1.75MW in Tamil Nadu and the power generated is sold to TNEB/ other company.

| Brief Financials (Rs. crore) | FY17 (A) |
|------------------------------|----------|
| Total operating income | 1769.34 |
| PBILDT | 337.85 |
| PAT | 122.58 |
| Overall gearing (times) | 0.72 |
| Interest coverage (times) | 6.55 |

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 |
|--------------------------------|---------------------|----------------|------------------|-------------------------------------|---|
| Non-fund-based-Short Term | - | - | - | 0.00 | Withdrawn |
| Fund-based-Long Term | - | - | - | 0.00 | Withdrawn |
| Fund-based - LT-Cash Credit | - | - | - | 0.00 | Withdrawn |
| Non-fund-based - ST- BG/LC | - | - | - | 0.00 | Withdrawn |

Annexure-2: Rating History of last three years

| | | - | Current Ratings | | Rating history | | | |
|------------|--|------|--------------------------------------|-------------------|--|--|---|--|
| Sr. No. | Name of the Instrument/Bank Facilities | Type | 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 |
| 1. | Term Loan-Long Term | LT | - | - | 1)Withdrawn (11-Apr-17) | - | 1)CARE BBB+ (28-Oct-15) 2)CARE BBB (Under Credit Watch) (29-May-15) | 1)CARE BBB (20-Jan-15) |
| 2. | Non-fund-based- Short Term | ST | - | - | 1)CARE A1 (11-Apr-17) | - | 1)CARE A3+ (28-Oct-15) 2)CARE A3 (Under Credit Watch) (29-May-15) | 1)CARE A3 (20-Jan-15) |
| 3. | Fund-based-Long Term | LT | - | - | 1)CARE A; Stable (11-Apr-17) | - | 1)CARE BBB+ (28-Oct-15) 2)CARE BBB (Under Credit Watch) (29-May-15) | 1)CARE BBB (20-Jan-15) |
| 4. | Fund-based - LT- Term Loan | LT | 43.75 | CARE A; Stable | 1)CARE A; Stable (11-Apr-17) | - | - | - |
| 5. | Fund-based - LT- Cash Credit | LT | - | - | 1)CARE A; Stable (11-Apr-17) | - | - | - |
| 6. | Non-fund-based - ST-BG/LC | ST | - | - | 1)CARE A1 (11-Apr-17) | - | - | - |

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