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Goodearth Maritime Limited: Rating Continues to remain under Non-Cooperating category

Summary of Rated Instrument:

Instruments	Previous Rated Amount (Rs. crore)	Current Rated Amount (Rs. crore)	Rating Action
Fund based-Term Loan	242.96	242.96	[ICRA]D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*, Rating continues to remain in the 'Issuer Not Cooperating' category
Total	242.96	242.96	

^{*}Issuer did not co-operate; based on best available information

Rationale

The ratings for the Rs. 242.96-crore¹ bank facility of Goodearth Maritime Limited continues to remain under 'Issuer Not Cooperating' category'. The ratings are denoted as "[ICRA]D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING"

ICRA has been trying to seek information from the entity so as to monitor its performance, but despite repeated requests by ICRA, the entity's management has remained non-cooperative. The current rating action has been taken by ICRA basis best available/dated/ limited information on the issuers' performance. Accordingly, the lenders, investors and other market participants are advised to exercise appropriate caution while using this rating as the rating may not adequately reflect the credit risk profile of the entity.

Analytical approach

Analytical Approach	Comments
Applicable Rating Methodologies	Policy in respect of non-cooperation by the rated entity Corporate Credit Rating Methodology Policy on Default Recognition
Parent/Group Support	Not applicable
Consolidation / Standalone	Not applicable

About the company:

Goodearth Maritime Limited is a part of the Chennai-based Archean Group, promoted by Mr. P.B. Anandam and family. GML commenced its operations in FY2002 by chartering ships and later acquired ships at the trough of the cycle in the calendar year (CY) 2003. However, due to sustained weakness in charter rates in the dry-bulk segment in the last few years coupled with interest burden on high debt levels, the company has been selling its vessels to reduce debt levels and at present it has no operational vessel. GML also owns a jetty in Jakhau, Gujarat from where the salt produced by Jakhau Salt Company Private Limited (JSCPL), a group company, is loaded onto barges for trans-shipment. GML also has a wholly-owned subsidiary – GML BKS Private Limited, Jersey – which was incorporated as a special purpose vehicle (SPV)

¹ 100 lakh = 1 crore = 10 million www.icra.in



for coal mining operations in Indonesia. GML also has a wholly-owned subsidiary called Drillco Exploration FZE (Drillco). Besides dry-bulk shipping, the Archean Group is present in export of granite stones, iron ore fines and industrial salts.

The previous detailed rating rationale is available on the following link: click here

Key financial: Not Applicable

Rating history for past three years

	Instrument	Current Rating (FY2020)			Rating History for the Past 3 Years			
		Type	Amount Rated	Amount Outstanding	Rating	FY2019	FY2018	FY2015
					28-Feb 2020	30-Nov-2018	30-May- 2017	21-Nov-2014
1	Term Loans	Long Term	242.96	-	[ICRA]D; ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*	[ICRA]D ISSUER NOT COOPERATING*; Rating moved to the 'Issuer Not Cooperating' category	[ICRA]D	[ICRA]D
2	Unallocated	Long Term	-	-	-	-	[ICRA]D; rating withdrawn	[ICRA]D
2	Unallocated	Short Term	-	-	-	-	[ICRA]D; rating withdrawn	[ICRA]D

^{*}Issuer did not co-operate; based on best available information; All figures in Rs. Crore

Complexity level of the rated instrument:

ICRA has classified various instruments based on their complexity as "Simple", "Complex" and "Highly Complex". The classification of instruments according to their complexity levels is available on the website www.icra.in

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