

CARE/DRO/RL/2014-15/1206

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November 21, 2014

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Dear Sir,

Credit rating for proposed Long-term Bonds (S Series)

Please refer to your request of proposed long term bonds issue (S Series) aggregating to Rs.1,600 crore of your company. The proposed bonds would have S1 and S2 series with tenure of 10 years and 15 years respectively with redemption schedule as per Annexure I.

2. The following ratings have been assigned by our Rating Committee:

Instrument	Amount (Rs. crore)	Rating ¹	Remarks
Proposed Long-term Bond (S Series)	1,600	CARE AAA (Triple A)	Assigned

3. The rationale for the rating will be communicated to you separately.
4. Please arrange to get the rating revalidated, in case the proposed issue is not made within a period of six months from the date of our initial communication of rating to you (that is November 21, 2014).
5. In case there is any change in the size or terms of the proposed issue, please get the rating revalidated.
6. Please inform us the details of issue [date of issue, name of investor, amount issued, interest rate, date of payment of interest, date and amount of repayment, etc.] as soon as the bonds have been placed.

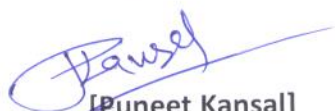

¹Complete definitions of the ratings assigned are available at www.careratings.com and in other CARE publications.

7. Kindly arrange to submit to us a copy of each of the documents pertaining to the bonds issue, including the offer document and the trust deed.
8. CARE reserves the right to undertake a surveillance/review of the rating from time to time, based on circumstances warranting such review, subject to at least one such review/surveillance every year.
9. CARE reserves the right to suspend/withdraw/revise the rating assigned on the basis of new information or in the event of failure on the part of the company to furnish such information, material or clarifications as may be required by CARE. CARE shall also be entitled to publicize/disseminate such suspension / withdrawal / revision in the assigned rating in any manner considered appropriate by it, without reference to you.
10. Users of this rating may kindly refer our website www.careratings.com for latest update on the outstanding rating.
11. CARE ratings are **not** recommendations to buy, sell, or hold any securities.

If you need any clarification, you are welcome to approach us in this regard. We are indeed, grateful to you for entrusting this assignment to CARE.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,



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In case of partnership/proprietary concerns, the rating assigned by CARE is based on the capital deployed by the partners/proprietor and the financial strength of the firm at present. The rating may undergo change in case of withdrawal of capital or the unsecured loans brought in by the partners/proprietor in addition to the financial performance and other relevant factors.

Annexure-1

S No.	Issue	Series	Amt. Rs. Crore	Date of Redemption
1	Proposed	S1	470.00	Anniversary date of the date of allotment (Bonds are redeemable at par in 10 equal annual installments at par Rs.10 lac each starting at the end of 1st year
2	Proposed	S2	1130.00	Anniversary date of the date of allotment (Bonds are redeemable at par in 12 equal annual installments at par Rs.12 lac each starting at the end of 4th year.
			1,600.00	