

## MIRA INFORM REPORT

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### IDENTIFICATION DETAILS

Name :	MEES TILE & MARBLE, LLC
Registered Office :	4536 Poplar Level Road Louisville, KY 40213
Country :	United States
Financials (as on) :	2017 (Summarized)
Date of Incorporation :	1954
Legal Form :	Limited Liability Company
Line of Business :	Subject imports and distributes tiles and stones.
No. of Employees :	50

### RATING & COMMENTS

(Mira Inform has adopted New Rating mechanism w.e.f. 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2017)

MIRA's Rating :	A
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Credit Rating	Explanation	Rating Comments
A	Acceptable Risk	Business dealings permissible with moderate risk of default

Status :	Satisfactory
Payment Behaviour :	No Complaints
Litigation :	Clear

#### NOTES :

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### ECGC Country Risk Classification List

Country Name	Previous Rating	Current Rating
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	<b>(31.12.2017)</b>	<b>(01.04.2018)</b>
United States	A1	A1

<b>Risk Category</b>	<b>ECGC Classification</b>
Insignificant	A1
Low Risk	A2
Moderately Low Risk	B1
Moderate Risk	B2
Moderately High Risk	C1
High Risk	C2
Very High Risk	D

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**UNITED STATES - ECONOMIC OVERVIEW**

The US has the most technologically powerful economy in the world, with a per capita GDP of \$59,500. US firms are at or near the forefront in technological advances, especially in computers, pharmaceuticals, and medical, aerospace, and military equipment; however, their advantage has narrowed since the end of World War II. Based on a comparison of GDP measured at purchasing power parity conversion rates, the US economy in 2014, having stood as the largest in the world for more than a century, slipped into second place behind China, which has more than tripled the US growth rate for each year of the past four decades.

In the US, private individuals and business firms make most of the decisions, and the federal and state governments buy needed goods and services predominantly in the private marketplace. US business firms enjoy greater flexibility than their counterparts in Western Europe and Japan in decisions to expand capital plant, to lay off surplus workers, and to develop new products. At the same time, businesses face higher barriers to enter their rivals' home markets than foreign firms face entering US markets.

Long-term problems for the US include stagnation of wages for lower-income families, inadequate investment in deteriorating infrastructure, rapidly rising medical and pension costs of an aging population, energy shortages, and sizable current account and budget deficits.

The onrush of technology has been a driving factor in the gradual development of a "two-tier" labor market in which those at the bottom lack the education and the professional/technical skills of those at the top and, more and more, fail to get comparable pay raises, health insurance coverage, and other benefits. But the globalization of trade, and especially the rise of low-wage producers such as China, has put additional downward pressure on wages and upward pressure on the return to capital. Since 1975, practically all the gains in household income have gone to the top 20% of households. Since 1996, dividends and capital gains have grown faster than wages or any other category of after-tax income.

Imported oil accounts for more than 50% of US consumption and oil has a major impact on the overall health of the economy. Crude oil prices doubled between 2001 and 2006, the year home prices peaked; higher gasoline prices ate into consumers' budgets and many individuals fell behind in their mortgage payments. Oil prices climbed another 50% between 2006 and 2008, and bank foreclosures more than doubled in the same period. Besides dampening the housing market, soaring oil prices caused a drop in the value of the dollar and a deterioration in the US merchandise trade deficit, which peaked at \$840 billion in 2008. Because the US economy is energy-intensive, falling oil prices since 2013 have alleviated many of the problems the earlier increases had created.

The sub-prime mortgage crisis, falling home prices, investment bank failures, tight credit, and the global economic downturn pushed the US into a recession by mid-2008. GDP contracted until the third quarter of 2009, the deepest and longest downturn since the Great Depression. To help stabilize financial markets, the US Congress established a \$700 billion Troubled Asset Relief Program (TARP) in October 2008. The government used some of these funds to purchase equity in US banks and industrial corporations, much of which had been returned to the government by early 2011. In January 2009, Congress passed and former President Barack OBAMA signed a bill providing an additional \$787 billion fiscal stimulus to be used over 10 years - two-thirds on additional spending and one-third on tax cuts - to create jobs and to help the economy recover. In 2010 and 2011, the federal budget deficit reached nearly 9% of GDP. In 2012, the Federal Government reduced the growth of spending and the deficit shrank to 7.6% of GDP. US revenues from taxes and other sources are lower, as a percentage of GDP, than those of most other countries.

Wars in Iraq and Afghanistan required major shifts in national resources from civilian to military purposes and contributed to the growth of the budget deficit and public debt. Through FY 2018, the direct costs of the wars will have totaled more than \$1.9 trillion, according to US Government figures.

In March 2010, former President OBAMA signed into law the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (ACA), a health insurance reform that was designed to extend coverage to an additional 32 million Americans by 2016, through private health insurance for the general population and Medicaid for the impoverished. Total spending on healthcare - public plus private - rose from 9.0% of GDP in 1980 to 17.9% in 2010.

In July 2010, the former president signed the DODD-FRANK Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act, a law designed to promote financial stability by protecting consumers from financial abuses, ending taxpayer bailouts of financial firms, dealing with troubled banks that are "too big to fail," and improving accountability and transparency in the financial system - in particular, by requiring certain financial derivatives to be traded in markets that are subject to government regulation and oversight.

In December 2012, the Federal Reserve Board (Fed) announced plans to purchase \$85 billion per month of mortgage-backed and Treasury securities in an effort to hold down long-term interest rates, and to keep short-term rates near zero until unemployment dropped below 6.5% or inflation rose above 2.5%. The Fed ended its purchases during the summer of 2014, after the unemployment rate dropped to 6.2%, inflation stood at 1.7%, and public debt fell below 74% of GDP. In December 2015, the Fed raised its target for the benchmark federal funds rate by 0.25%, the first increase since the recession began. With continued low growth, the Fed opted to raise rates several times since then, and in December 2017, the target rate stood at 1.5%.

In December 2017, Congress passed and President Donald TRUMP signed the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, which, among its various provisions, reduces the corporate tax rate from 35% to 21%; lowers the individual tax rate for those with the highest incomes from 39.6% to 37%, and by lesser percentages for those at lower income levels; changes many deductions and credits used to calculate taxable income; and eliminates in 2019 the penalty imposed on taxpayers who do not obtain the minimum amount of health insurance required under the ACA. The new taxes took effect on 1 January 2018; the tax cut for corporations are permanent, but those for individuals are scheduled to expire after 2025. The Joint Committee on Taxation (JCT) under the Congressional Budget Office estimates that the new law will reduce tax revenues and increase the federal deficit by about \$1.45 trillion over the 2018-2027 period. This amount would decline if economic growth were to exceed the JCT's estimate.

Source : CIA

## **STATUTORY INFORMATION**

Legal Name	MEES TILE & MARBLE, LLC
Trade Name	MEES TILE & MARBLE
ID	ID
ID Details	0512425
Creation Date	1954
Incorporation Date	3/15/2001
Legal Address	4536 POPLAR LEVEL ROAD LOUISVILLE, KY 40213, USA
Operative Address	4536 POPLAR LEVEL RD. LOUISVILLE, KY 40213, USA
Telephone	502-969-5858
Fax	502-969-3838
Legal Form	LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY
E-Mail	NA
Registered In	KENTUCKY
Website	www.meestile.com
Contact	Lawrence Mees - Owner
Staff	50
Activity	SIC Code: 3281, Cut Stone and Stone Products NAICS Code: 327991, Cut Stone and Stone Product Manufacturing

## **BANKS**

Name of Bank	Reported Amount
Bank of America	
South Central Bank, Inc.	
US BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION	
Description	-

## **HISTORY**

History	Mees Tile & Marble LLC was founded in 1954.
Key Developments	NA
Parent Company	NA

## **PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY**

General Description	Mees Tile & Marble, LLC imports and distributes tiles and stones.		
Service/Product Description	The Company offers ceramic, porcelain, glass, marble, and natural stones.		
Sales	Retail		
Operations Area	National		
Imports From	India, China		
Export To	No export records were found.		
Employees	50 employees		
Payments With Suppliers	No Complaints		
Brands			
Brand	Comments		
Mees Tile & Marble	-		
Clients			
Name of Client	Country	Comments	
There are not informed clients			
Comments		The company offers its product to private customers.	
Suppliers			
Supplier Name	Country	Comments	
MAHI GRANITES PVT. LTD.	India	-	
New Lion Stone Co Ltd	China	-	
Comments		-	

## **LOCATION**

Headquarters	4536 POPLAR LEVEL RD. LOUISVILLE, KY 40213, USA
Branches	4700 Astor Rd., Louisville, KY 40218, USA 645 South Broadway Lexington, KY 40508, USA

## **GROUP STRUCTURE AND SUBDIARY COMPANIES**

Listed at the stock exchange	No
Capital	NA

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Shareholders (%)	The company does not disclose information on shareholders. The following information has been provided by private sources and could not be confirmed:
Management	The major holder of this company is Lawrence Mees. Lawrence Mees - Owner
Subsidiary Companies	No subsidiary companies were found.
Related Companies	No related companies were found.

## **FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

General Description	The company does not make its financial statements public. The following information has been provided by private sources:
Year/Currency	2017 USD
Sales	15.500.000
Money Flow	Normal

## **LEGAL FILINGS**

Lawsuits	No records found.
Trademarks	No records found.
Patents Registered	No records found.
Renewals	Filing File Date Annual report 4/17/2018 Annual report 5/4/2017 Annual report 4/1/2016 Annual report 6/29/2015 Annual report 2/25/2014
UCC (Uniform Commercial Code)	File number: 2017-2909121-14 Filing date: 7/25/2017 Lapse date: 7/25/2022 Action: Initial financing Statement Debtor Mees Tile & Marble, LLC 4536 Poplar Level Road Louisville KY 40213 Secured Party South Central Bank, Inc. 501 S.L. Rogers Wells Blvd Glasgow KY 42141 Collateral Description: Purchase Money Security Interest in an LT-2D3D Laser

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Templating System, Jib Crane and Yale KELC Series  
1-ton Electric Chain Hoist

File number: 2012-2601678-15

Filing date: 9/20/2012

Lapse date: 9/20/2022

Actions:

Continuation - 3/29/2017

Initial financing Statement - 9/20/2012

Debtor

Mees Tile & Marble, LLC

4536 Poplar Level Rd

Louisville KY 40213

Secured Party

US BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

400 CITY CENTER

OSHKOSH WI 54901

OFAC Sanctions List Search

The company is not listed in the OFAC list.

## **SUMMARY**

Summary

Founded in 1954, Mees Tile & Marble LLC is an organization in the Cut Stone Industry headquartered in Louisville, KY. The company has 50 regular employees and generates an estimated \$15.5 million USD in annual revenue. It operates nationally, mainly importing from India and China. It is ACTIVE in business with no negative records.

## **RISK INFORMATION**

Debts

Payments

Cash Flow

State

Controlled

No Complaints

Normal

Active

## **INTERVIEW**

First Name

Sue

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Position

Sales

Comments

She confirmed the name of the company, the address of the headquarters and location and the year of creation. However, she was reluctant to provide any further information.

**FOREIGN EXCHANGE RATES**

Currency	Unit	Indian Rupees
US Dollar	1	INR 68.80
UK Pound	1	INR 89.14
Euro	1	INR 79.56
US Dollar	1	INR 68.69

**Note :** Above are approximate rates obtained from sources believed to be correct

**INFORMATION DETAILS**

Analysis Done by :	DIV
Report Prepared by :	TRU

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**RATING EXPLANATIONS**

Credit Rating	Explanation	Rating Comments
A++	Minimum Risk	Business dealings permissible with minimum risk of default
A+	Low Risk	Business dealings permissible with low risk of default
A	Acceptable Risk	Business dealings permissible with moderate risk of default
B	Medium Risk	Business dealings permissible on a regular monitoring basis
C	Medium High Risk	Business dealings permissible preferably on secured basis
D	High Risk	Business dealing not recommended or on secured terms only
NB	New Business	No recommendation can be done due to business in infancy stage
NT	No Trace	No recommendation can be done as the business is not traceable

NB is stated where there is insufficient information to facilitate rating. However, it is not to be considered as unfavourable.

This score serves as a reference to assess SC's credit risk and to set the amount of credit to be extended. It is calculated from a composite of weighted scores obtained from each of the major sections of this report. The assessed factors are as follows:

- Financial condition covering various ratios
- Company background and operations size
- Promoters / Management background
- Payment record
- Litigation against the subject
- Industry scenario / competitor analysis
- Supplier / Customer / Banker review (wherever available)