Pure Cycle Corp.

PCYO

Nasdaq; utilities; SIC 4941, Water Supply; CIK 0000276720

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second fifth of 148 graded peers in the pooled energy and uti...

rank 36 of 148; percentile 23.8; sampling error 3.6 points; lower is stronger

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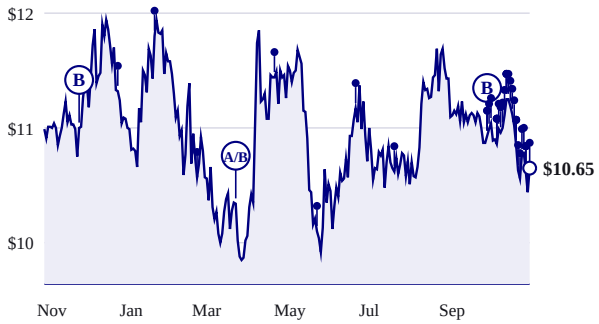
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Scoreboard

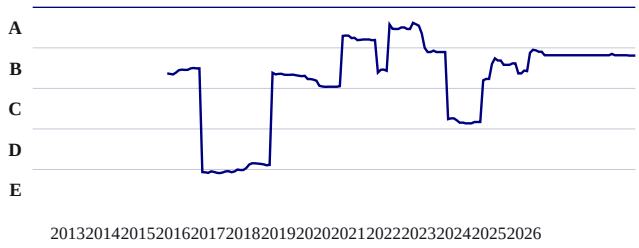
Profitability	D percentile 71.7
Solvency	A percentile 3.8
Growth and financing	B/C percentile 38.7
Reliability	0.87 AUC filers with $120M to $591M assets; 95% interval 0.83 to 0.90; 206 events, 2020 to 2025
Peer failure rate	1.03% a year Item 1.03 bankruptcies, same asset band, 2012 to 2025
Size band	$120M to $591M assets total assets $162.3M
Standard universe	inside revenue above $1M and assets above $10M
Warnings	none triggered; fortress balance sheet not computable: distress
Inputs computable	10 of 14
Graded from	filings received through Nov 12, 2025 351 days before the rescan; latest periodic filing 10-Q received Jul 8, 2026
Last close	$10.65 2026-10-28; market equity $256.8M; no price enters the letter

Share price, twelve months to the rescan



Split-adjusted close. Each lollipop is a rescan and carries the letter held then.

Letter at every rescan, 2012 to 2026



Sector percentile at each rescan, stronger toward the top; facts filed by each date only.

Business, in the company's words

opening of Item 1 of the 10-K received Nov 12, 2025

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The fourteen inputs

lower percentile is stronger; sleeves and inputs within a sleeve carry equal weight

Input	Value	Peer median	Percentile, 0 to 100	Pct	Peers	Period end
Profitability, sleeve percentile 71.7						
Gross profitability	9.9%	17.5%		63.7	81	2025-08-31
Return on invested capital	4.8%	6.0%		74.4	91	2025-08-31

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Accruals ratio	(0.03%)	(5.0%)	93.0	271	2025-08-31
Gross margin stability, five years	5.7 pts	4.6 pts	55.6	55	2025-08-31
Solvency, sleeve percentile 3.8					
Twelve-month failure probability	not computable	0.06%			
latest liabilities, cash plus short-term investments, book equity, and shares are required					
Altman Z double-prime	8.14	1.48	2.6	152	2025-08-31
Net debt to EBITDA	(1.52x)	3.63x	0.9	117	2025-08-31
Interest coverage	not computable	2.37x			
latest aligned inputs end 2015-08-31; latest annual assets end 2025-08-31					
Current ratio	2.72x	0.97x	7.8	282	2025-08-31
Growth and financing, sleeve percentile 38.7					
Revenue growth, three-year compound	4.3%	0.7%	36.2	222	2025-08-31
Free cash flow growth, three-year compound	not computable	(11.8%)			
current FCF must be positive and base FCF must exceed $100,000					
Reinvestment rate	not computable	59.0%			
pretax income must exceed the validity floor and imply a 0%-100% tax rate					
Asset growth, three years	7.9%	6.4%	47.3	246	2025-08-31
Net share issuance, one year	0.03%	0.4%	32.7	157	2025-11-10

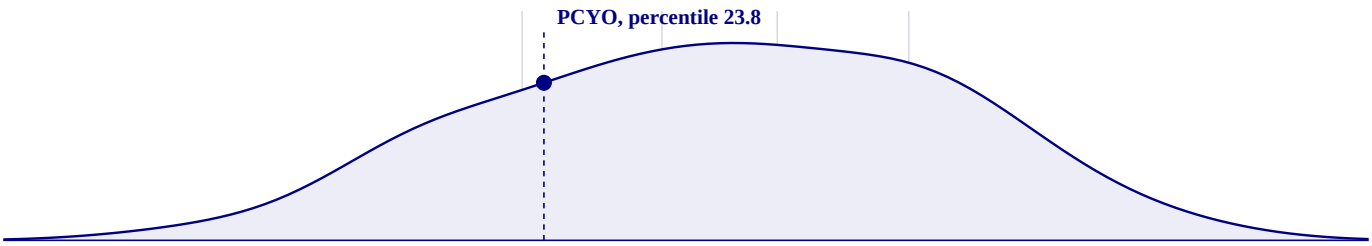
Warnings

1 of 7 checks triggered; none of them enters the letter

Check	Measured
Fortress balance sheet	cash minus debt is 15,140,000 USD; Altman Z is not used

Among 148 peers

utilities; letters are fifths of this list



Composite score of every graded peer, smoothed; vertical rules are the letter band edges; stronger to the left.

Rank	Company	Percentile	Letter	Warnings
31	Hornbeck Offshore Services, Inc. (HOS)	20.4	A/B	fortress balance sheet
32	Portland General Electric Co. (POR)	21.1	A/B	
33	Quaker Chemical Corp. (KWR)	21.8	A/B	
34	Core Laboratories Inc. (CLB)	22.4	A/B	late filer
35	Ovintiv Inc. (OVV)	23.1	A/B	
36	Pure Cycle Corp. (PCYO)	23.8	B	fortress balance sheet
37	Valero Energy Corp/Tx (VLO)	24.5	B	
38	Montauk Renewables, Inc. (MNTK)	25.2	B	
39	Liberty Energy Inc. (LBRT)	25.9	B	
40	Marathon Petroleum Corp. (MPC)	26.5	B	
41	USA Compression Partners, L.P. (USAC)	27.2	B	

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What the price implies

at the 2026-10-28 close; none of these enters the grade

Measure	Value	Peer median	Percentile
Twelve-month price change, skipping the latest month	0.2%	15.5%	24
Distance from 52-week high	(10.8%)	(13.1%)	57
EBIT to enterprise value	2.9%	4.5%	28
Free cash flow yield	(0.2%)	1.4%	38
Book value to price	0.59	0.52	58
Sales to price	0.10	0.44	2
Composite equity issuance, five years	1.0%	(7.2%)	62
Relative strength against the sector, log excess return	0.02	0.04	45

Diagnostics

shown on every report; none enters the grade

Measure	Value
Piotroski F-score 5 of 9, period end 2025-08-31	
Return on assets above zero	pass
Operating cash flow above zero	pass
Return on assets improved	pass
Operating cash flow exceeds net income	pass
Long-term leverage fell	pass
Current ratio improved	fail
No new shares issued	fail
Gross margin improved	fail
Asset turnover improved	fail
Cash, filings, liquidity	
Cash and equivalents	$8.4M
Operating cash flow, four quarters	$7.6M
Months of runway	not finite
Days since last periodic filing	113 (10-Q received Jul 8, 2026)
Median daily dollar volume, 63 sessions	$840,507

Sources

every fact behind the inputs; each row links to its filing index on sec.gov

#	Concept	XBRL tag	Value	Period end	Received	Form	Accession
1	gross profit	us-gaap:GrossProfit	$16.0M	2025-08-31	2025-11-12	10-K	25-110312
2	assets	us-gaap:Assets	$162.3M	2025-08-31	2025-11-12	10-K	25-110312
3	operating income	us-gaap:OperatingIncomeLoss	$7.7M	2025-08-31	2025-11-12	10-K	25-110312
4	pretax income	us-gaap:IncomeLossFromContinuingOperationsBeforeInc...	$17.5M	2025-08-31	2025-11-12	10-K	25-110312
5	income tax	us-gaap:IncomeTaxExpenseBenefit	$4.4M	2025-08-31	2025-11-12	10-K	25-110312
6	total debt	us-gaap:LongTermDebt	$6.8M	2025-08-31	2025-11-12	10-K	25-110312
7	book equity	us-gaap:StockholdersEquity	$142.7M	2025-08-31	2025-11-12	10-K	25-110312
8	cash	us-gaap:CashAndCashEquivalentsAtCarryingValue	$21.9M	2025-08-31	2025-11-12	10-K	25-110312
9	total debt	us-gaap:LongTermDebt	$6.9M	2024-08-31	2024-11-13	10-K	24-015541
10	book equity	us-gaap:StockholdersEquity	$129.7M	2024-08-31	2025-11-12	10-K	25-110312
11	cash	us-gaap:CashAndCashEquivalentsAtCarryingValue	$22.1M	2024-08-31	2025-11-12	10-K	25-110312
12	net income	us-gaap:NetIncomeLoss	$13.1M	2025-08-31	2025-11-12	10-K	25-110312
13	operating cash flow	us-gaap:NetCashProvidedByUsedInOperatingActivities	$13.2M	2025-08-31	2025-11-12	10-K	25-110312
14	assets	us-gaap:Assets	$147.4M	2024-08-31	2025-11-12	10-K	25-110312
15	revenue	us-gaap:RevenueFromContractWithCustomerExcludingA...	$26.1M	2025-08-31	2025-11-12	10-K	25-110312
16	gross profit	us-gaap:GrossProfit	$19.8M	2024-08-31	2025-11-12	10-K	25-110312
17	revenue	us-gaap:RevenueFromContractWithCustomerExcludingA...	$28.7M	2024-08-31	2025-11-12	10-K	25-110312
18	gross profit	us-gaap:GrossProfit	$8.0M	2023-08-31	2024-11-13	10-K	24-015541

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19	revenue	us-gaap:RevenueFromContractWithCustomerExcludingA...	$14.6M	2023-08-31	2024-11-13	10-K	24-015541
20	gross profit	us-gaap:GrossProfit	$16.4M	2022-08-31	2023-11-15	10-K	23-019110
21	revenue	us-gaap:RevenueFromContractWithCustomerExcludingA...	$23.0M	2022-08-31	2023-11-15	10-K	23-019110
22	gross profit	us-gaap:GrossProfit	$10.7M	2021-08-31	2022-11-14	10-K	22-017799
23	revenue	us-gaap:RevenueFromContractWithCustomerExcludingA...	$17.1M	2021-08-31	2022-11-14	10-K	22-017799
24	current assets	us-gaap:AssetsCurrent	$31.7M	2025-08-31	2025-11-12	10-K	25-110312
25	current liabilities	us-gaap:LiabilitiesCurrent	$11.6M	2025-08-31	2025-11-12	10-K	25-110312
26	retained earnings	us-gaap:RetainedEarningsAccumulatedDeficit	-$32.8M	2025-08-31	2025-11-12	10-K	25-110312
27	liabilities	us-gaap:Liabilities	$19.5M	2025-08-31	2025-11-12	10-K	25-110312
28	depreciation amortization	us-gaap:DepreciationDepletionAndAmortization	$2.3M	2025-08-31	2025-11-12	10-K	25-110312
29	operating income	us-gaap:OperatingIncomeLoss	-$1.7M	2015-08-31	2017-11-15	10-K	17-010721
30	interest expense	us-gaap:InterestExpense	$390,505	2015-08-31	2015-11-09	10-K	15-000130
31	operating cash flow	us-gaap:NetCashProvidedByUsedInOperatingActivities	$482	2018-08-31	2019-11-12	10-K	19-020266
32	capital expenditure	us-gaap:PaymentsToAcquirePropertyPlantAndEquipment	$445,286	2018-08-31	2018-11-13	10-K	18-042948
33	operating cash flow	us-gaap:NetCashProvidedByUsedInOperatingActivities	-$1.1M	2017-08-31	2018-11-13	10-K	18-042948
34	capital expenditure	us-gaap:PaymentsToAcquirePropertyPlantAndEquipment	$95,385	2017-08-31	2018-11-13	10-K	18-042948
35	operating cash flow	us-gaap:NetCashProvidedByUsedInOperatingActivities	-$270,729	2016-08-31	2018-11-13	10-K	18-042948
36	capital expenditure	us-gaap:PaymentsToAcquirePropertyPlantAndEquipment	$472,310	2016-08-31	2018-11-13	10-K	18-042948
37	operating cash flow	us-gaap:NetCashProvidedByUsedInOperatingActivities	-$974,066	2015-08-31	2017-11-15	10-K	17-010721
38	capital expenditure	us-gaap:PaymentsToAcquirePropertyPlantAndEquipment	$17,186	2015-08-31	2017-11-15	10-K	17-010721
39	depreciation amortization	us-gaap:DepreciationDepletionAndAmortization	$902,676	2018-08-31	2019-11-12	10-K	19-020266
40	operating income	us-gaap:OperatingIncomeLoss	-$308,727	2018-08-31	2019-11-12	10-K	19-020266
41	pretax income	us-gaap:IncomeLossFromContinuingOperationsBeforeInc...	$132,680	2018-08-31	2019-11-12	10-K	19-020266
42	income tax	us-gaap:IncomeTaxExpenseBenefit	-$282,000	2018-08-31	2019-11-12	10-K	19-020266
43	current assets	us-gaap:AssetsCurrent	$27.9M	2018-08-31	2019-11-12	10-K	19-020266
44	current liabilities	us-gaap:LiabilitiesCurrent	$2.1M	2018-08-31	2019-11-12	10-K	19-020266
45	current assets	us-gaap:AssetsCurrent	$27.1M	2017-08-31	2018-11-13	10-K	18-042948
46	current liabilities	us-gaap:LiabilitiesCurrent	$940,227	2017-08-31	2018-11-13	10-K	18-042948
47	assets	us-gaap:Assets	$133.2M	2023-08-31	2024-11-13	10-K	24-015541
48	assets	us-gaap:Assets	$129.2M	2022-08-31	2023-11-15	10-K	23-019110
49	shares outstanding	dei:EntityCommonStockSharesOutstanding	24,080,605	2025-11-10	2025-11-12	10-K	25-110312
50	shares outstanding	dei:EntityCommonStockSharesOutstanding	24,073,094	2024-11-11	2024-11-13	10-K	24-015541

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