



KME STEELWORKS LTD

TERMS & CONDITIONS FOR SUB-CONTRACT GOODS

The Customer's attention is particularly drawn to the provisions of clause 11 (Limitation of Liability)

1. INTERPRETATION

The following definitions and rules of interpretation apply in these Conditions together with those terms defined further below.

1.1 DEFINITIONS:

"Altered Goods" means those goods manufactured by the Customer using and

incorporating the Goods supplied by the Supplier.

"Business Day" a day other than a Saturday, Sunday or public holiday in

Northern Ireland, when banks in Belfast are open for business.

"Conditions" these terms and conditions as amended from time to time in

accordance with clause 15.8.

"Contract" the contract between the Supplier and the Customer for the

supply of Goods in accordance with these Conditions.

as defined in the Data Protection Legislation.

"Contract Price" means the price of the Goods pursuant to clause 8.1.

"Controller, processor, data subject, personal data, personal data breach, processing and appropriate technical

measures"
"Customer"

the person or firm who purchases the Goods from the Supplier.

"Data Protection Legislation"

the UK Data Protection Legislation and any other European Union legislation relating to personal data and all other legislation and regulatory requirements which apply to a party relating to the use of personal data and the guidance and codes of practice issued by the relevant data protection or supervisory authority and applicable to a party. Reference to European Union legislation shall mean such legislation that is directly applicable or directly effective in the UK at any time and is a reference to it as it applies in Northern Ireland from time to time including as retained, amended, extended, reenacted.

"Goods" the goods (or any part of them) set out in the Order.

"Goods Specification" any specification for the Goods, including any relevant plans

or drawings, that is agreed in writing by the Customer and the

Supplier.

"Order" the Customer's order for the supply of Goods as set out in the

purchase order form, or the Customer's written acceptance of

the Supplier's quotation, as the case may be.

"Supplier" KME Steelworks LTD incorporated and registered in Northern

Ireland with company number NI036080 and registered office address PO Box BT27 5SR, 1 The Green Tullynacross Road,

Lambeg, Lisburn, BT27 5SR.

"Supplier's Premises" shall mean 1 The Green Tullynacross Road, Lambeg, Lisburn,

BT27 5SR or other such address as notified to the Customer

by the Supplier from time to time.

"UK Data Protection Legislation"

all applicable data protection and privacy legislation in force from time to time in the UK including the General Data Protection Regulation ((EU) 2016/679); the Data Protection Act 2018; the Privacy and Electronic Communications Directive (2002/58/EC) (as updated by Directive 2009/136/EC) and the Privacy and Electronic Communications Regulations 2003 (SI 2003/2426) as amended.

1.2 **Interpretation**:

A **person** includes a natural person, corporate or unincorporated body (whether or not having separate legal personality).

A reference to a party includes its personal representatives, successors and permitted assigns.

A reference to a statute or statutory provision is a reference to it as amended or re-enacted. A reference to a statute or statutory provision includes all subordinate legislation made under that statute or statutory provision.

Any words following the terms **including**, **include** or any similar expression shall be construed as illustrative and shall not limit the sense of the words, description, definition, phrase or term preceding those terms.

A reference to writing or written includes fax and email.

2. BASIS OF CONTRACT

- 2.1 The Order constitutes an offer by the Customer to purchase Goods in accordance with these Conditions. The Order shall only be deemed to be accepted when the Supplier issues written acceptance of the Order at which point and on which date the Contract shall come into existence (Commencement Date).
- Any samples, drawings, descriptive matter or advertising issued by the Supplier and any descriptions of the Goods or illustrations in the Supplier's catalogues or brochures are issued or published for the sole purpose of giving an approximate idea of the Goods described in them. They shall not form part of the Contract or have any contractual force.
- 2.3 These Conditions apply to the Contract to the exclusion of any other terms that the Customer seeks to impose or incorporate, or which are implied by law, trade custom, practice or course of dealing.
- 2.4 Any quotation given by the Supplier shall not constitute an offer, and is only valid for a period of 20 Business Days from its date of issue.

3. GOODS

- 3.1 The Goods are described in the Goods Specification.
- 3.2 The Supplier provides no assurance in respect of the suitability of the Goods for the intended use of same by the Customer and the Customer must satisfy itself as to the suitability for the purpose for which the Goods are required.
- 3.3 To the extent that the Goods are to be manufactured in accordance with a Goods Specification supplied by the Customer, the Customer shall indemnify the Supplier against all liabilities, costs, expenses, damages and losses (including any direct, indirect or consequential losses, loss of profit, loss of reputation and all interest, penalties and legal costs (calculated on a full indemnity basis) and all other reasonable professional costs and expenses) suffered or incurred by the Supplier arising out of or in connection with any claim made against the Supplier for actual or alleged infringement of a third party's intellectual property rights arising out of or in connection with the Supplier's use of the Goods Specification. This clause 3.3 shall survive termination of the Contract.
- 3.4 The Supplier acknowledges that the Customer may use the Goods as a component part of other goods and use and incorporate the Goods into Altered Goods and the Customer shall indemnify the Supplier against all liabilities, costs, expenses, damages and losses (including any direct, indirect or consequential losses, loss of profit, loss of reputation and all interest, penalties and legal costs (calculated on a full indemnity basis) and all other reasonable professional costs and expenses) suffered or incurred by the Supplier arising out of or in connection with any claim made against the

Supplier in respect of the Altered Goods, save for when said liabilities arise owing to a defect with the Goods and not the Altered Goods. This clause 3.4 shall survive termination of the Contract.

- 3.5 The Supplier reserves the right to amend the Goods Specification if required by any applicable statutory or regulatory requirement, and the Supplier shall notify the Customer in advance of amending the Goods Specification.
- 3.6 The Supplier reserves the right to amend the Goods Specification if required owing to a manifest error in the Specification.

4. DELIVERY OF GOODS

- 4.1 The Supplier shall ensure that:
 - 4.1.1 each delivery of the Goods is accompanied by a delivery note which shows the date of the Order, contract number, the type and quantity of the Goods, storage instructions (if any) and, if the Order is being delivered by instalments, the outstanding balance of Goods remaining to be delivered; and
 - 4.1.2 the delivery note states any requirement for the Customer to return any packaging material to the Supplier. The Customer shall make any such packaging materials available for collection at such times as the Supplier shall reasonably request. Returns of packaging materials shall be at the Supplier's expense; and
 - 4.1.3 in the event that the Customer fails to return the requested packaging material as set out at clause 4.1.2 above, the Supplier reserves the right to charge the Customer the cost of the unreturned packaging, which shall be payable by the Customer in full and clear funds within 30 days of demand for same.
- The Supplier shall deliver the Goods to the location set out in the Order or such other location as the parties may agree (**Delivery Location**) at any time after the Supplier notifies the Customer that the Goods are ready. The Customer shall be solely responsible for unloading of the Goods at the Delivery Location. The Customer shall indemnify and hold harmless the Supplier against all liabilities claims or costs arising as a result of the Supplier or its subcontractor assisting the Customer in the unloading or other removal of the Goods at the Delivery Location.
- 4.3 The Customer may choose to collect the Goods from the Supplier's Premises or other such location as set out in the Order within 3 Business Days of the Supplier notifying the Customer that the Goods are ready. The Customer shall be solely responsible for the loading of the Goods onto the Customer's vehicle and shall indemnify and hold the Supplier harmless against all liabilities, claims or costs arising as a result of the Supplier assisting the Customer in the loading or other removal of the Goods at the point of delivery.
- 4.4 In those circumstances where the Supplier is to deliver the Goods as set out at clause 4.2, Delivery shall be completed on the completion of the unloading of the Goods at the Delivery Location. In those circumstances where the Customer is to collect the Goods as set out at clause 4.3, Delivery shall be completed on the completion of loading of the Goods at the Delivery Location.
- 4.5 Any dates quoted for delivery of the Goods are approximate only, and the time of delivery is not of the essence. The Supplier shall not be liable for any delay in delivery of the Goods that is caused by a Force Majeure Event, Coronavirus Event or the Customer's failure to provide the Supplier with adequate delivery instructions or any other instructions that are relevant to the supply of the Goods.
- 4.6 If the Customer fails to accept (or take in the circumstances set out at clause 4.3) delivery of the Goods within 3 Business Days of the Supplier notifying the Customer that the Goods are ready, then except where such failure or delay is caused by a Force Majeure Event, Coronavirus Event or by the Supplier's failure to comply with its obligations under the Contract in respect of the Goods:
 - 4.6.1 delivery of the Goods shall be deemed to have been completed at 9.00 am on the third Business Day following the day on which the Supplier notified the Customer that the Goods were ready; and
 - 4.6.2 the Supplier shall store the Goods until delivery takes place, and charge the Customer for all related costs and expenses (including insurance).

- 4.7 If 10 Business Days after the day on which the Supplier notified the Customer that the Goods were ready for delivery the Customer has not accepted or taken (as the case may be) delivery of them, the Supplier may resell or otherwise dispose of part or all of the Goods and, after deducting reasonable storage and selling costs, account to the Customer for any excess over the price of the Goods.
- 4.8 The Supplier may deliver the Goods by instalments, which shall be invoiced and paid for separately. Each instalment shall constitute a separate contract. Any delay in delivery or defect in an instalment shall not entitle the Customer to cancel any other instalment.

5. QUALITY OF GOODS

- The Supplier warrants that on delivery, and for a period of 12 months from the date of delivery (warranty period), the Goods shall:
 - 5.1.1 conform in all material respects with their description and any applicable Goods Specification;
 - 5.1.2 be free from material defects in design, material and workmanship; and
 - 5.1.3 be of satisfactory quality (within the meaning of the Sale of Goods Act 1979).
- 5.2 Subject to clause 5.5, the Supplier shall, at its option, repair or replace the defective Goods, or refund the price of the defective Goods in full if:
 - 5.2.1 the Customer gives notice in writing during the warranty period within a reasonable time of discovery that some or all of the Goods do not comply with the warranty set out in clause 5.1 ("Warranty Notice");
 - 5.2.2 the Supplier is given a reasonable opportunity of examining such Goods; and
 - 5.2.3 the Customer (if asked to do so by the Supplier) returns such Goods to the Supplier's place of business at the Customer's cost or, at the option of the Supplier, return detailed photographic evidence of the subject Goods.
- 5.3 The Customer shall not be excused from providing the Supplier an opportunity to inspect the Goods as contemplated in clause 5.2.2 and clause 5.2.3 above by reason that the Goods have been incorporated into the goods or property of a third party or that the Goods are located in, upon or under the premises of a third party.
- 5.4 The Customer acknowledges that the investigations of the Supplier contemplated at clause 5.2.2 and clause 5.2.3 do not equate to acceptance of any liability of the Supplier in respect of the suspected defect the subject of the Warranty Notice.
- 5.5 The Supplier shall not be liable for the Goods' failure to comply with the warranty in clause 5.1 if:
 - 5.5.1 the Customer makes any further use of such Goods after issuing a Warranty Notice in accordance with clause 5.2;
 - 5.5.2 the defect arises because the Customer failed to follow the Supplier's oral or written instructions as to the storage, installation, commissioning, use or maintenance of the Goods or (if there are none) good trade practice;
 - 5.5.3 the defect arises as a result of the Supplier following any drawing, design or Goods Specification supplied by the Customer;
 - 5.5.4 the Customer alters or repairs such Goods without the written consent of the Supplier;
 - 5.5.5 the defect arises as a result of fair wear and tear, wilful damage, negligence, or abnormal working conditions;
 - 5.5.6 the defect arises as a result of the methods employed by the Customer to incorporate the Goods into other Altered Goods or owing to any alteration of the Goods by the Customer; or
 - 5.5.7 the Goods differ from the Goods Specification as a result of changes made to ensure they comply with applicable statutory or regulatory standards.

- 5.6 If the Customer fails to give a Warranty Notice during the warranty period in accordance with this clause 5.2, it shall be deemed they have accepted the Goods.
- 5.7 Except as provided in this clause 5, the Supplier shall have no liability to the Customer in respect of the Goods' failure to comply with the warranty set out in clause 5.1. The terms of these Conditions shall apply to any repaired or replacement Goods supplied by the Supplier.

6. TITLE AND RISK

- 6.1 The risk in the Goods shall pass to the Customer on completion of delivery.
- 6.2 Title to the Goods shall not pass to the Customer until the Supplier receives payment in full and cleared funds for the Goods and any other Goods that the Supplier has supplied to the Customer in respect of which payment has become due, in which case title to the Goods shall pass at the time of payment of all such sums.
- 6.3 Until title to the Goods has passed to the Customer, the Customer shall:
 - 6.3.1 ensure the Goods remain readily identifiable as the Supplier's property;
 - 6.3.2 not remove, deface or obscure any identifying mark on or relating to the Goods;
 - 6.3.3 maintain the Goods in satisfactory condition and keep them insured against all risks for their full price on the Supplier's behalf from the date of delivery; and
 - 6.3.4 notify the Supplier immediately if it becomes subject to any of the events listed in clause 12.2.2 to clause 12.2.12.
- 6.4 If the Goods are destroyed by an insured risk before the Supplier has received payment for the Goods, the Customer shall hold the insurance proceeds in respect of the Goods as trustee for the Supplier.
- 6.5 If before title to the Goods passes to the Customer the Customer becomes subject to any of the events listed in clause 12.2.2 to clause 12.2.12, then, without limiting any other right or remedy the Supplier may have the Supplier may at any time:
 - 6.5.1 require the Customer to deliver up all Goods in its possession which have not been resold, or irrevocably incorporated into another product; and
 - 6.5.2 if the Customer fails to do so promptly, enter any premises of the Customer or of any third party where the Goods are stored in order to recover them.

7. CUSTOMER'S OBLIGATIONS

- 7.1 The Customer shall:
 - 7.1.1 ensure that the terms of the Order and any information it provides in the Goods Specification are complete and accurate;
 - 7.1.2 provide the Supplier with such information as the Supplier may reasonably require in order to supply the Goods, and ensure that such information is complete and accurate in all material respects;
 - 7.1.3 inspect the Goods immediately upon delivery;
 - 7.1.4 comply with all applicable laws, including health and safety laws; and
 - 7.1.5 comply with any additional obligations as set out in the Goods Specification.
- 7.2 If the Supplier's performance of any of its obligations under the Contract is prevented or delayed by any act or omission by the Customer or failure by the Customer to perform any relevant obligation (**Customer Default**):
 - 7.2.1 without limiting or affecting any other right or remedy available to it, the Supplier shall have the right to suspend delivery of the Goods until the Customer remedies the Customer Default, and to rely on the Customer Default to relieve it from the performance of any of its obligations in each case to the extent the Customer Default prevents or delays the Supplier's performance of any of its obligations;

- 7.2.2 the Supplier shall not be liable for any costs or losses sustained or incurred by the Customer arising directly or indirectly from the Supplier's failure or delay to perform any of its obligations as set out in this clause 7.2; and
- 7.2.3 the Customer shall reimburse the Supplier on written demand for any costs or losses sustained or incurred by the Supplier arising directly or indirectly from the Customer Default.

8. CHARGES AND PAYMENT

- 8.1 The price for Goods shall be the price set out in the Order and shall be exclusive of all costs and charges in respect of transport of the Goods, which shall be charged in addition to the Customer.
- 8.2 The Supplier reserves the right to increase the price of the Goods, by giving notice to the Customer at any time before delivery, to reflect any increase in the cost of the Goods to the Supplier that is due to:
 - 8.2.1 any request by the Customer to change the delivery date(s), delivery method, quantities or types of Goods ordered, or the Goods Specification;
 - 8.2.2 any delay caused by any instructions of the Customer in respect of the Goods or failure of the Customer to give the Supplier adequate or accurate information or instructions in respect of the Goods.
- 8.3 In respect of Goods, the Supplier shall invoice the Customer upon acceptance of the Order, or at any time prior to delivery at the Supplier's discretion.
- The charges for delivery shall be calculated at such time there is sufficient information in respect of the requirements for delivery. The Supplier shall invoice the delivery charges prior to delivery. Delivery shall not take place until such time the delivery charges and invoice for the Goods are paid in full and cleared funds by the Customer to the Supplier, unless otherwise agreed by the Supplier in writing.
- The Customer shall pay each invoice submitted by the Supplier within 14 days of the date of the invoice and pursuant to clause 8.4 delivery shall not take place until said invoices and delivery costs are discharged in full and in cleared funds to a bank account nominated in writing by the Supplier. Time for payment shall be of the essence of the Contract. The Customer may apply to the Supplier for extended credit terms of up to 30 days, following the completion of three Orders and subject to the written approval of the Supplier.
- 8.6 All amounts payable by the Customer under the Contract are exclusive of amounts in respect of value added tax chargeable from time to time (VAT). Where any taxable supply for VAT purposes is made under the Contract by the Supplier to the Customer, the Customer shall pay to the Supplier such additional amounts in respect of VAT on receipt of a valid VAT invoice.
- 8.7 If the Customer fails to make a payment due to the Supplier under the Contract by the due date, then, without limiting the Supplier's remedies under clause 12 (Termination), the Customer shall pay interest on the overdue sum from the due date until payment of the overdue sum, whether before or after judgment. Interest under this clause 8.7 will accrue each day at 4% a year above the Northern Bank Limited's base rate from time to time.
- 8.8 All amounts due under the Contract shall be paid in full without any set-off, counterclaim, deduction or withholding (other than any deduction or withholding of tax as required by law).
- 8.9 In the event that the Supplier in its sole discretion agrees a credit account with the Customer, the Supplier reserves the right to withdraw or reduce said credit account at any time. All credit terms so agreed by the Supplier shall be subject to successful credit checks against that Customer by the Supplier and further the approval of the Supplier's credit insurers.

9. DATA PROTECTION

9.1 Both parties will comply with all applicable requirements of the Data Protection Legislation. In this clause 9, **Applicable Laws** means (for so long as and to the extent that they apply to the Supplier) the law of the European Union, the law of any member state of the European Union and/or Domestic UK Law; and **Domestic UK Law** means the UK Data Protection Legislation and any other law that applies in the UK. This clause 9 does not relieve, remove or replace a party's obligations or rights under the Data Protection Legislation.

- 9.2 The parties acknowledge that the Customer is the controller and the Supplier is the processor.
- 9.3 Without prejudice to the generality of clause 9.1, the Customer will ensure that it has all necessary appropriate consents and notices in place to enable lawful transfer of the personal data to the Supplier for the duration and purposes of the Contract.
- 9.4 Without prejudice to the generality of clause 9.1, the Supplier shall, in relation to any personal data processed in connection with the performance by the Supplier of its obligations under the Contract:
 - 9.4.1 process that personal data in accordance with its privacy policy or on the written instructions of the Customer unless the Supplier is required by Applicable Laws to otherwise process that personal data;
 - 9.4.2 ensure that it has in place appropriate technical and organisational measures, to protect against unauthorised or unlawful processing of personal data and against accidental loss or destruction of, or damage to, personal data, appropriate to the harm that might result from the unauthorised or unlawful processing or accidental loss, destruction or damage and the nature of the data to be protected, having regard to the state of technological development and the cost of implementing any measures;
 - 9.4.3 ensure that all personnel who have access to and/or process personal data are obliged to keep the personal data confidential; and
 - 9.4.4 only transfer any personal data outside of the European Economic Area where the following conditions are fulfilled:
 - (a) appropriate safeguards are provided in relation to the transfer;
 - (b) the data subject had enforceable rights and legal remedies; and
 - (c) the Supplier complies with its obligations under the Applicable Laws by providing an adequate level of protection to any personal data transferred.
 - 9.4.5 notify the Customer without undue delay on becoming aware of a personal data breach;
 - 9.4.6 at the written direction of the Customer, delete or return personal data and copies thereof to the Customer on termination of the Contract unless required by Applicable Law to store the personal data; and
 - 9.4.7 maintain complete and accurate records and information to demonstrate its compliance with this clause 9 and immediately inform the Customer if, in the opinion of the Supplier, an instruction infringes the Data Protection Legislation.
- 9.5 The Supplier will use the persona data given by the Customer to:
 - 9.5.1 record the Customer as a new customer of the Supplier;
 - 9.5.2 to provide information about the Goods and facilitate the supply of the Goods;
 - 9.5.3 to discharge the Supplier's obligations pursuant to the Contract; and
 - 9.5.4 manage the Supplier's relationship with the Customer.

10. CONFIDENTIALITY

- 10.1 Each party undertakes that it shall not at any time disclose to any person any confidential information concerning the business, affairs, customers, clients or suppliers of the other party, except as permitted by clause 10.2.
- 10.2 Each party may disclose the other party's confidential information:
 - 10.2.1 to its employees, officers, representatives, subcontractors or advisers who need to know such information for the purposes of carrying out the party's obligations under the Contract. Each party shall ensure that its employees, officers, representatives, subcontractors or advisers to whom it discloses the other party's confidential information comply with this clause 10.2; and

- 10.2.2 as may be required by law, a court of competent jurisdiction or any governmental or regulatory authority.
- 10.3 Neither party shall use the other party's confidential information for any purpose other than to perform its obligations under the Contract.

11. LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

The Customer's attention is particularly drawn to this clause.

- 11.1 Nothing in the Contract limits any liability which cannot legally be limited, including but not limited to liability for death or personal injury caused by negligence, fraud or fraudulent misrepresentation, breach of the terms implied by section 12 of the Sale of Goods Act 1979 and defective products under the Consumer Protection Act 1987.
- 11.2 Subject to clause 11.1, the restrictions on liability in this clause 11 apply to every liability arising under or in connection with the Contract and the Supplier's total liability to the Customer in respect of all losses arising under or in connection with the Contract, whether in contract, tort, breach of statutory duty, or otherwise, shall in no circumstances exceed 100% of the Contract Price.
- 11.3 Subject to clause 11.1, this clause 11.3 sets out the specific heads of loss wholly excluded by the parties:
 - 11.3.1 loss of profits;
 - 11.3.2 loss of use or corruption of software, data or information;
 - 11.3.3 loss of or damage to goodwill; and
 - 11.3.4 indirect or consequential loss.
- The Supplier has given commitments as to compliance of the Goods with relevant specifications in clause 5. In view of these commitments, the terms implied by sections 13 to 15 of the Sale of Goods Act 1979 and sections 3, 4 and 5 of the Supply of Goods and Services Act 1982 are, to the fullest extent permitted by law, excluded from the Contract.
- Unless the Customer notifies the Supplier that it intends to make a claim in respect of an event within the notice period, the Supplier shall have no liability for that event. The notice period for an event shall start on the day on which the Customer became, or ought reasonably to have become, aware of and shall expire 12 months from that date. The notice must be in writing and must identify the event and the grounds for the claim in reasonable detail.
- 11.6 This clause 11 shall survive termination of the Contract.

12. TERMINATION

- Without affecting any other right or remedy available to it, either party may terminate the Contract by giving the other party not less than four months' written notice.
- Without affecting any other right or remedy available to it, either party may terminate the Contract with immediate effect by giving written notice to the other party if:
 - 12.2.1 the other party commits a material breach of its obligations under the Contract and (if such breach is remediable) fails to remedy that breach within 14 days after receipt of notice in writing to do so;
 - the other party suspends, or threatens to suspend, payment of its debts or is unable to pay its debts as they fall due or admits inability to pay its debts or in the case of the other party being a company or limited liability partnership is deemed unable to pay its debts within the meaning of section 123 of the Insolvency Act 1986 (IA 1986) as if the words "it is proved to the satisfaction of the court" did not appear in sections 123(1)(e) or 123(2) of the IA 1986 or in the case of the other party being an individual is deemed either unable to pay its debts or as having no reasonable prospect of so doing, in either case, within the meaning of section 268 of the IA 1986 in the event the other party (being a partnership) has any partner to whom any of the foregoing apply:

- 12.2.3 the other party commences negotiations with all or any class of its creditors with a view to rescheduling any of its debts, or makes a proposal for or enters into any compromise or arrangement with any of its creditors other than (being a company) for the sole purpose of a scheme for a solvent amalgamation of that other party with one or more other companies or the solvent reconstruction of that other party;
- 12.2.4 a petition is filed, a notice is given, a resolution is passed, or an order is made, for or in connection with the winding up of the other party (being a company, limited liability partnership or partnership) other than for the sole purpose of a scheme for a solvent amalgamation of that other party with one or more other companies or the solvent reconstruction of that other party;
- 12.2.5 an application is made to court, or an order is made, for the appointment of an administrator, or a notice of intention to appoint an administrator is given or an administrator is appointed, over the other party (being a company);
- 12.2.6 the holder of a qualifying floating charge over the assets of that other party (being a company) has become entitled to appoint or has appointed an administrative receiver;
- 12.2.7 a person becomes entitled to appoint a receiver over all or any of the assets of the other party or a receiver is appointed over all or any of the assets of the other party;
- 12.2.8 should the other party be an individual and is the subject of a bankruptcy petition, application or order;
- 12.2.9 a creditor or encumbrancer of the other party attaches or takes possession of, or a distress, execution, sequestration or other such process is levied or enforced on or sued against, the whole or any part of the other party's assets and such attachment or process is not discharged within 14 days;
- 12.2.10 any event occurs, or proceeding is taken, with respect to the other party in any jurisdiction to which it is subject that has an effect equivalent or similar to any of the events mentioned in clause 12.2.2 to clause 12.2.9 (inclusive);
- 12.2.11 the other party suspends, or threatens to suspend, or ceases or threatens to cease to carry on all or a substantial part of its business; or
- 12.2.12 the other party's financial position deteriorates to such an extent that in the terminating party's opinion the other party's capability to adequately fulfil its obligations under the Contract has been placed in jeopardy.
- 12.3 Without affecting any other right or remedy available to it, the Supplier may terminate all Contracts with the Customer with immediate effect by giving written notice to the Customer if:
 - 12.3.1 the Customer fails to pay any amount due under any Contract with the Supplier on the due date for payment; or
 - 12.3.2 there is a change of control of the Customer within the meaning given in section 1124 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010..
- 12.4 Without affecting any other right or remedy available to it, the Supplier may suspend the supply of Services or all further deliveries of Goods under the Contract or any other contract between the Customer and the Supplier if the Customer fails to pay any amount due under the Contract on the due date for payment, the Customer becomes subject to any of the events listed in clause 12.2.2 to clause 12.2.12, or the Supplier reasonably believes that the Customer is about to become subject to any of them.

13. CONSEQUENCES OF TERMINATION

- 13.1 On termination of the Contract:
 - 13.1.1 the Customer shall immediately pay to the Supplier all of the Supplier's outstanding unpaid invoices and interest and, in respect of Services and Goods supplied but for which no

- invoice has been submitted, the Supplier shall submit an invoice, which shall be payable by the Customer immediately on receipt;
- 13.1.2 the Customer shall return all Goods which have not been fully paid for. If the Customer fails to do so, then the Supplier may enter the Customer's premises and take possession of them. Until they have been returned, the Customer shall be solely responsible for their safe keeping and will not use them for any purpose not connected with this Contract.
- 13.2 Termination or expiry of the Contract shall not affect any rights, remedies, obligations and liabilities of the parties that have accrued up to the date of termination or expiry including the right to claim damages in respect of any breach of the Contract which existed at or before the date of termination or expiry.
- 13.3 Any provision of the Contract that expressly or by implication is intended to have effect after termination or expiry shall continue in full force and effect.

14. FORCE MAJEURE

- 14.1 Force majeure event means any circumstance not within a party's reasonable control including, without limitation:
 - 14.1.1 acts of God, flood, drought, earthquake or other natural disaster;
 - 14.1.2 epidemic or pandemic;
 - 14.1.3 terrorist attack, civil war, civil commotion or riots, war, threat of or preparation for war, armed conflict, imposition of sanctions, embargo, or breaking off of diplomatic relations;
 - 14.1.4 nuclear, chemical or biological contamination or sonic boom;
 - 14.1.5 any law or any action taken by a government or public authority, including without limitation imposing an export or import restriction, quota or prohibition, or failing to grant a necessary licence or consent;
 - 14.1.6 collapse of buildings, fire, explosion or accident;
 - 14.1.7 any labour or trade dispute, strikes, industrial action or lockouts;
 - 14.1.8 non-performance by suppliers or subcontractors; and
 - 14.1.9 interruption or failure of utility service (Force Majeure Event).
- 14.2 A coronavirus event means a delay caused by, or arising from or in relation to a coronavirus epidemic or pandemic beyond a party's reasonable control that prevents or delays the manufacture and/or delivery of the Goods under the Contract, or the performance of any other obligations under the Contract, as a result of, without limitation:
 - 14.2.1 any recommended or mandatory measures introduced by local, regional or central government, intended to prevent or delay the spread of coronavirus;
 - 14.2.2 absences or unavailability of a party's staff causing unavoidable disruption; and
 - 14.2.3 any disruption of, or interruption to, supply chains necessary for the manufacture of the Goods and/or the delivery of the Goods (**Coronavirus Event**).
- 14.3 If a party is prevented, hindered or delayed in or from performing any of its obligations under the Contract by a Force Majeure Event or Coronavirus Event (**Affected Party**), the Affected Party shall not be in breach of the Contract or otherwise liable for any such failure or delay in the performance of such obligations. The time for performance of such obligations shall be extended accordingly.
- 14.4 The corresponding obligations of the other party will be suspended, and its time for performance of such obligations extended, to the same extent as those of the Affected Party.

- 14.5 The Affected Party shall as soon as reasonably practicable after the start of the Force Majeure Event or Coronavirus Event, notify the other party of the applicable event and the effect of said event will have on its ability to perform any of its obligations under the Contract.
- 14.6 If the Force Majeure Event prevents, hinders or delays the Affected Party's performance of its obligations for a continuous period of more than three months, the party not affected by the Force Majeure Event may terminate the Contract by giving four weeks' written notice to the Affected Party.
- 14.7 If the Coronavirus Event prevents, hinders or delays the Affected Party's performance of its obligations for a continuous period of more than three months, the party not affected by the Coronavirus Event may terminate the Contract by giving four weeks' written notice to the Affected Party

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15.1 **Assignment and other dealings**

- 15.1.1 The Supplier may at any time assign, mortgage, charge, subcontract, delegate, declare a trust over or deal in any other manner with any or all of its rights and obligations under the Contract.
- 15.1.2 The Customer shall not assign, transfer, mortgage, charge, subcontract, delegate, declare a trust over or deal in any other manner with any of its rights and obligations under the Contract without the prior written consent of the Supplier.

15.2 **Notices.**

- 15.2.1 Any notice or other communication given to a party under or in connection with the Contract shall be in writing and shall be:
 - (a) delivered by hand or by pre-paid first-class post or other next working day delivery service at its registered office (if a company) or its principal place of business (in any other case); or
 - (b) sent by fax to its main fax number or sent by email to the address specified identified by either party at the outset of the Contract.
- 15.2.2 Any notice or communication shall be deemed to have been received:
 - (a) if delivered by hand, on signature of a delivery receipt or at the time the notice is left at the proper address;
 - (b) if sent by pre-paid first-class post or other next working day delivery service, at 9.00 am on the second Business Day after posting or at the time recorded by the delivery service; and
 - (c) if sent by fax or email, at the time of transmission, or, if this time falls outside business hours in the place of receipt, when business hours resume. In this clause (c), business hours means 9.00am to 5.00pm Monday to Friday on a day that is not a public holiday in the place of receipt.
- 15.2.3 This clause 15.2 does not apply to the service of any proceedings or other documents in any legal action or, where applicable, any arbitration or other method of dispute resolution.
- 15.3 **Severance.** If any provision or part-provision of the Contract is or becomes invalid, illegal or unenforceable, it shall be deemed modified to the minimum extent necessary to make it valid, legal and enforceable. If such modification is not possible, the relevant provision or part-provision shall be deemed deleted. Any modification to or deletion of a provision or part-provision under this clause 15.3 shall not affect the validity and enforceability of the rest of the Contract.
- Waiver. A waiver of any right or remedy under the Contract or by law is only effective if given in writing and shall not be deemed a waiver of any subsequent right or remedy. A failure or delay by a party to exercise any right or remedy provided under the Contract or by law shall not constitute a waiver of that or any other right or remedy, nor shall it prevent or restrict any further exercise of that or any other right or remedy. No single or partial exercise of any right or remedy provided under the Contract or by law shall prevent or restrict the further exercise of that or any other right or remedy.

No partnership or agency. Nothing in the Contract is intended to, or shall be deemed to, establish any partnership or joint venture between the parties, constitute either party the agent of the other, or authorise either party to make or enter into any commitments for or on behalf of the other party.

15.6 **Entire agreement**.

- 15.6.1 The Contract constitutes the entire agreement between the parties and supersedes and extinguishes all previous agreements, promises, assurances, warranties, representations and understandings between them, whether written or oral, relating to its subject matter.
- 15.6.2 Each party acknowledges that in entering into the Contract it does not rely on, and shall have no remedies in respect of any statement, representation, assurance or warranty (whether made innocently or negligently) that is not set out in the Contract. Each party agrees that it shall have no claim for innocent or negligent misrepresentation based on any statement in the Contract.
- 15.6.3 Nothing in this clause shall limit or exclude any liability for fraud.

15.7 **Third party rights.**

Unless it expressly states otherwise, the Contract does not give rise to any rights under the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 to enforce any term of the Contract.

- 15.8 **Variation.** Except as set out in these Conditions, no variation of the Contract shall be effective and binding unless it is agreed in writing and signed by the parties (or their authorised representatives).
- 15.9 **Governing law.** The Contract and any dispute or claim (including non-contractual disputes or claims) arising out of or in connection with it or its subject matter or formation shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the law of Northern Ireland.
- Jurisdiction. Each party irrevocably agrees that the courts of Northern Ireland shall have exclusive jurisdiction to settle any dispute or claim (including non-contractual disputes or claims) arising out of or in connection with the Contract or its subject matter or formation.