For the avoidance of doubt, this agreement is a non-binding recommended form of syndicated facility agreement and its sole intended purpose is to be used as a starting point for negotiation. Individual lenders and borrowers are free to depart from its terms.

### MULTICURRENCY TERM AND REVOLVING FACILITIES AGREEMENT



[amount in numbers]

**FACILITY AGREEMENT** 

dated [\_\_\_\_\_]

for

[NAME OF PRINCIPAL COMPANY]

arranged by
[NAME OF ARRANGERS]

with

[NAME OF AGENT] acting as Agent

## [NAME OF LAW FIRM]

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### JOINT STATEMENT

The recommended form of syndicated facility agreements (the "**Primary Documents**") have been developed by a working party consisting of representatives of the Loan Market Association, the British Bankers' Association, The Association of Corporate Treasurers and major City law firms. It is hoped that the existence of the Primary Documents will encourage a more harmonised approach to loan documentation, making for more efficient primary and secondary loan markets.

Through the involvement of the three associations in the working party, together with the law firms represented, the objective was to balance the interests of borrowers and lenders. In the Primary Documents, financial covenants and related definitions have been deliberately left blank.

When considering use of the Primary Documents it is recommended that borrowers and lenders should:

- consider the option of continuing to use existing documentation
- carefully consider changes to the Primary Documents that may be required
- always have the benefit of independent legal advice

The three associations believe that the Primary Documents will provide a valuable aid to the development and efficiency of the syndicated loan market.

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THIS	AGREEMENT is dated [] and made between:
(1)	[] (the "Company");
(2)	<b>THE SUBSIDIARIES</b> of the Company listed in Part I of Schedule 1 as original borrowers ([together with the Company] the " <b>Original Borrowers</b> ");
(3)	<b>THE SUBSIDIARIES</b> of the Company listed in Part I of Schedule 1 as original guarantors ([together with the Company] the "Original Guarantors");
(4)	[] [and []] as mandated lead arranger[s] ([whether acting individually or together] the "Arranger");
(5)	<b>THE FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS</b> listed in Part II and Part III of Schedule 1 as lenders (the " <b>Original Lenders</b> "); and
(6)	[] as agent of the other Finance Parties (the "Agent").

# **SECTION 1 INTERPRETATION**

#### 1. DEFINITIONS AND INTERPRETATION

#### 1.1 **Definitions**

In this Agreement:

IT IS AGREED as follows:

- "Accession Letter" means a document substantially in the form set out in Schedule 6 (Form of Accession Letter).
- "Additional Borrower" means a company which becomes an Additional Borrower in accordance with Clause 25 (Changes to the Obligors).
- "Additional Cost Rate" has the meaning given to it in Schedule 4 (Mandatory Cost formulae).
- "Additional Guarantor" means a company which becomes an Additional Guarantor in accordance with Clause 25 (Changes to the Obligors).
- "Additional Obligor" means an Additional Borrower or an Additional Guarantor.
- "Affiliate" means, in relation to any person, a Subsidiary of that person or a Holding Company of that person or any other Subsidiary of that Holding Company.
- "Agent's Spot Rate of Exchange" means the Agent's spot rate of exchange for the purchase of the relevant currency with the Base Currency in the London foreign exchange market at or about 11:00 a.m. on a particular day.

"Authorisation" means an authorisation, consent, approval, resolution, licence, exemption, filing, notarisation or registration.

# "Availability Period" means:

(a)	in relation	to Facility	A, the	period	from ar	nd including	the date	of this
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(b) in relation to Facility B, the period from and including the date of this Agreement to and including [\_\_\_\_\_].

"Available Commitment" means, in relation to a Facility, a Lender's Commitment under that Facility minus:

- (a) the Base Currency Amount of its participation in any outstanding Loans under that Facility; and
- (b) in relation to any proposed Utilisation, the Base Currency Amount of its participation in any Loans that are due to be made under that Facility on or before the proposed Utilisation Date,

other than, in relation to any proposed Utilisation under Facility B only, that Lender's participation in any Facility B Loans that are due to be repaid or prepaid on or before the proposed Utilisation Date.

"Available Facility" means, in relation to a Facility, the aggregate for the time being of each Lender's Available Commitment in respect of that Facility.

"Base	Currency"	means	ı,

"Base Currency Amount" means, in relation to a Loan, the amount specified in the Utilisation Request delivered by a Borrower for that Loan (or, if the amount requested is not denominated in the Base Currency, that amount converted into the Base Currency at the Agent's Spot Rate of Exchange on the date which is three Business Days before the Utilisation Date or, if later, on the date the Agent receives the Utilisation Request) adjusted to reflect any repayment (other than, in relation to Facility A, a repayment arising from a change of currency), prepayment, consolidation or division of the Loan.

"Borrower" means an Original Borrower or an Additional Borrower unless it has ceased to be a Borrower in accordance with Clause 25 (*Changes to the Obligors*).

"Break Costs" means the amount (if any) by which:

(a) the interest which a Lender should have received for the period from the date of receipt of all or any part of its participation in a Loan or Unpaid Sum to the last day of the current Interest Period in respect of that Loan or Unpaid Sum, had the principal amount or Unpaid Sum received been paid on the last day of that Interest Period;

### exceeds:

(b) the amount which that Lender would be able to obtain by placing an amount equal to the principal amount or Unpaid Sum received by it on deposit with a leading bank in the Relevant Interbank Market for a period starting on the Business Day following receipt or recovery and ending on the last day of the current Interest Period.

"Business Day" means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which banks are open for general business in London [,\_\_\_\_] and:

- (a) (in relation to any date for payment or purchase of a currency other than euro) the principal financial centre of the country of that currency; or
- (b) (in relation to any date for payment or purchase of euro) any TARGET Day.

"Commitment" means a Facility A Commitment or Facility B Commitment.

["Compliance Certificate" means a certificate [substantially in the form set out in Schedule 8 (Form of Compliance Certificate)]/[in form and substance satisfactory to the Agent].]

"Confidentiality Undertaking" means a confidentiality undertaking substantially in a recommended form of the LMA as set out in Schedule 10 (*LMA Form of Confidentiality Undertaking*) or in any other form agreed between the Company and the Agent.

"**Default**" means an Event of Default or any event or circumstance specified in Clause 23 (*Events of Default*) which would (with the expiry of a grace period, the giving of notice, the making of any determination under the Finance Documents or any combination of any of the foregoing) be an Event of Default.

### "Disruption Event" means either or both of:

- (a) a material disruption to those payment or communications systems or to those financial markets which are, in each case, required to operate in order for payments to be made in connection with the Facilities (or otherwise in order for the transactions contemplated by the Finance Documents to be carried out) which disruption is not caused by, and is beyond the control of, any of the Parties; or
- (b) the occurrence of any other event which results in a disruption (of a technical or systems-related nature) to the treasury or payments operations of a Party preventing that, or any other Party:
  - (i) from performing its payment obligations under the Finance Documents; or
  - (ii) from communicating with other Parties in accordance with the terms of the Finance Documents,

(and which (in either such case)) is not caused by, and is beyond the control of, the Party whose operations are disrupted.

## ["**EURIBOR**" means, in relation to any Loan in euro:

- (a) the applicable Screen Rate; or
- (if no Screen Rate is available for the Interest Period of that Loan) the (b) arithmetic mean of the rates (rounded upwards to four decimal places) as supplied to the Agent at its request quoted by the Reference Banks to leading banks in the European interbank market,

as of the Specified Time on the Quotation Day for the offering of deposits in euro for a period comparable to the Interest Period of the relevant Loan.]

"Event of Default" means any event or circumstance specified as such in Clause 23 (Events of Default).

"Facility" means Facility A or Facility B.

"Facility A" means the term loan facility made available under this Agreement as described in Clause 2 (The Facilities).

### "Facility A Commitment" means:

- (a) in relation to an Original Lender, the amount in the Base Currency set opposite its name under the heading "Facility A Commitment" in Part II or Part III of Schedule 1 (The Original Parties) and the amount of any other Facility A Commitment transferred to it under this Agreement; and
- (b) in relation to any other Lender, the amount in the Base Currency of any Facility A Commitment transferred to it under this Agreement,

to the extent not cancelled, reduced or transferred by it under this Agreement.

"Facility A Loan" means a loan made or to be made under Facility A or the principal amount outstanding for the time being of that loan.

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"Facility B" means the revolving loan facility made available under this Agreement as described in Clause 2 (The Facilities).

# "Facility B Commitment" means:

- (a) in relation to an Original Lender, the amount in the Base Currency set opposite its name under the heading "Facility B Commitment" in Part II or Part III of Schedule 1 (The Original Parties) and the amount of any other Facility B Commitment transferred to it under this Agreement; and
- (b) in relation to any other Lender, the amount in the Base Currency of any Facility B Commitment transferred to it under this Agreement,

to the extent not cancelled, reduced or transferred by it under this Agreement.

"Facility B Loan" means a loan made or to be made under Facility B or the principal amount outstanding for the time being of that loan.

"Facility Office" means the office or offices notified by a Lender to the Agent in writing on or before the date it becomes a Lender (or, following that date, by not less than five Business Days' written notice) as the office or offices through which it will perform its obligations under this Agreement.

"Fee Letter" means any letter or letters dated on or about the date of this Agreement between the Arranger and the Company (or the Agent and the Company) setting out any of the fees referred to in Clause 12 (*Fees*).

"Finance Document" means this Agreement, any Fee Letter, any Accession Letter, any Resignation Letter and any other document designated as such by the Agent and the Company.

"Finance Party" means the Agent, the Arranger or a Lender.

"Financial Indebtedness" means any indebtedness for or in respect of:

- (a) moneys borrowed;
- (b) any amount raised by acceptance under any acceptance credit facility or dematerialised equivalent;
- (c) any amount raised pursuant to any note purchase facility or the issue of bonds, notes, debentures, loan stock or any similar instrument;
- (d) the amount of any liability in respect of any lease or hire purchase contract which would, in accordance with GAAP, be treated as a finance or capital lease;
- (e) receivables sold or discounted (other than any receivables to the extent they are sold on a non-recourse basis);
- (f) any amount raised under any other transaction (including any forward sale or purchase agreement) having the commercial effect of a borrowing;
- (g) any derivative transaction entered into in connection with protection against or benefit from fluctuation in any rate or price (and, when calculating the value of any derivative transaction, only the marked to market value shall be taken into account);
- (h) any counter-indemnity obligation in respect of a guarantee, indemnity, bond, standby or documentary letter of credit or any other instrument issued by a bank or financial institution; and
- (i) the amount of any liability in respect of any guarantee or indemnity for any of the items referred to in paragraphs (a) to (h) above.

"GAAP" means generally accepted accounting principles in [ ]/[IFRS].

"Group" means the Company and its Subsidiaries for the time being.

"Guarantor" means an Original Guarantor or an Additional Guarantor, unless it has ceased to be a Guarantor in accordance with Clause 25 (*Changes to the Obligors*).

"Holding Company" means, in relation to a company or corporation, any other company or corporation in respect of which it is a Subsidiary.

["IFRS" means International Financial Reporting Standards issued and/or adopted by the International Accounting Standards Board.]

["Information Memorandum" means the document in the form approved by the Company concerning the Group which, at the Company's request and on its behalf, was prepared in relation to this transaction and distributed by the Arranger to selected financial institutions [during [ ]]/[before the date of this Agreement].]

"Interest Period" means, in relation to a Loan, each period determined in accordance with Clause 10 (*Interest Periods*) and, in relation to an Unpaid Sum, each period determined in accordance with Clause 9.3 (*Default interest*).

### "Lender" means:

- (a) any Original Lender; and
- (b) any bank, financial institution, trust, fund or other entity which has become a Party in accordance with Clause 24 (*Changes to the Lenders*),

which in each case has not ceased to be a Party in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.

"LIBOR" means, in relation to any Loan:

- (a) the applicable Screen Rate; or
- (b) (if no Screen Rate is available for the currency or Interest Period of that Loan) the arithmetic mean of the rates (rounded upwards to four decimal places) as supplied to the Agent at its request quoted by the Reference Banks to leading banks in the London interbank market,

as of the Specified Time on the Quotation Day for the offering of deposits in the currency of that Loan and for a period comparable to the Interest Period for that Loan.

"LMA" means the Loan Market Association.

"Loan" means a Facility A Loan or a Facility B Loan.

# "Majority Lenders" means:

(a) if there are no Loans then outstanding, a Lender or Lenders whose Commitments aggregate more than  $[\underline{66^2/_3}]$ % of the Total Commitments (or, if the Total Commitments have been reduced to zero, aggregated more than  $[\underline{66^2/_3}]$ % of the Total Commitments immediately prior to the reduction); or

(b) at any other time, a Lender or Lenders whose participations in the Loans then outstanding aggregate more than [66<sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub>]% of all the Loans then outstanding. "Mandatory Cost" means the percentage rate per annum calculated by the Agent in accordance with Schedule 4 (Mandatory Cost formulae). "Margin" means [\_\_\_\_\_] per cent. per annum. "Material Adverse Effect" means [\_\_\_\_\_ ]. "Month" means a period starting on one day in a calendar month and ending on the numerically corresponding day in the next calendar month, except that: (a) [(subject to paragraph (c) below)] if the numerically corresponding day is not a Business Day, that period shall end on the next Business Day in that calendar month in which that period is to end if there is one, or if there is not, on the immediately preceding Business Day; (b) if there is no numerically corresponding day in the calendar month in which that period is to end, that period shall end on the last Business Day in that calendar month: and [if an Interest Period begins on the last Business Day of a calendar month, that (c) Interest Period shall end on the last Business Day in the calendar month in which that Interest Period is to end.] The above rules will only apply to the last Month of any period. "Obligor" means a Borrower or a Guarantor. "Optional Currency" means a currency (other than the Base Currency) which complies with the conditions set out in Clause 4.3 (Conditions relating to Optional Currencies). "Original Financial Statements" means: in relation to the Company, the audited consolidated financial statements of the (a) Group for the financial year ended [\_\_\_\_\_]; and in relation to each Original Obligor other than the Company, its audited (b) financial statements for its financial year ended [\_\_\_\_\_\_]. "Original Obligor" means an Original Borrower or an Original Guarantor. "Participating Member State" means any member state of the European Communities that adopts or has adopted the euro as its lawful currency in accordance with legislation of the European Community relating to Economic and Monetary Union. "Party" means a party to this Agreement. "Qualifying Lender" has the meaning given to it in Clause 13 (Tax gross-up and

indemnities).

"Quotation Day" means, in relation to any period for which an interest rate is to be determined:

- (a) (if the currency is sterling) the first day of that period;
- (b) (if the currency is euro) two TARGET Days before the first day of that period; or
- (c) (for any other currency) two Business Days before the first day of that period,

unless market practice differs in the Relevant Interbank Market for a currency, in which case the Quotation Day for that currency will be determined by the Agent in accordance with market practice in the Relevant Interbank Market (and if quotations would normally be given by leading banks in the Relevant Interbank Market on more than one day, the Quotation Day will be the last of those days).

["Reduction Date" means [ ].]
["Reduction Instalment" means [ ].]
"Reference Banks" means, in relation to LIBOR, the principal London offices of [], and [] [and, in relation to EURIBOR, the principal office in [] of [], [] and []] or such other banks as may be appointed by the Agent in consultation with the Company.
"Relevant Interbank Market" means [in relation to euro, the European interbank market and, in relation to any other currency,] the London interbank market.
["Repayment Instalment" means [ ].]
"Repeating Representations" means each of the representations set out in Clauses 19.[], 19.[] and 19.[].
"Resignation Letter" means a letter substantially in the form set out in Schedule 7 (Form of Resignation Letter).

"Rollover Loan" means one or more Facility B Loans:

- (a) made or to be made on the same day that a maturing Facility B Loan is due to be repaid;
- (b) the aggregate amount of which is equal to or less than the maturing Facility B Loan:
- (c) in the same currency as the maturing Facility B Loan (unless it arose as a result of the operation of Clause 6.2 (*Unavailability of a currency*)); and
- (d) made or to be made to the same Borrower for the purpose of refinancing a maturing Facility B Loan.

### "Screen Rate" means:

- (a) in relation to LIBOR, the British Bankers Association Interest Settlement Rate for the relevant currency and period; and
- (b) [in relation to EURIBOR, the percentage rate per annum determined by the Banking Federation of the European Union for the relevant period,]

displayed on the appropriate page of the [Telerate]/[Reuters] screen. If the agreed page is replaced or service ceases to be available, the Agent may specify another page or service displaying the appropriate rate after consultation with the Company and the Lenders.

"Security" means a mortgage, charge, pledge, lien or other security interest securing any obligation of any person or any other agreement or arrangement having a similar effect.

"Selection Notice" means a notice substantially in the form set out in Part II of Schedule 3 (*Requests*) given in accordance with Clause 10 (*Interest Periods*) in relation to Facility A.

"Specified Time" means a time determined in accordance with Schedule 11 (*Timetables*).

"Subsidiary" means [a subsidiary within the meaning of section 736 of the Companies Act 1985]/[a subsidiary undertaking within the meaning of section 258 of the Companies Act 1985]/[\_\_\_\_].

"TARGET" means Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross Settlement Express Transfer payment system.

"TARGET Day" means any day on which TARGET is open for the settlement of payments in euro.

"Tax" means any tax, levy, impost, duty or other charge or withholding of a similar nature (including any penalty or interest payable in connection with any failure to pay or any delay in paying any of the same).

"Taxes Act" means the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988.

(a)	in relation to Facility A [	; and
(b)	in relation to Facility B [	].
	66 6	ate of the Total Facility A Commitments and] at the date of this Agreement.
"Total ]	Facility A Commitments" means	the aggregate of the Facility A Commitments,
being [_	] at the date of this Agreement	

"Total Facility B Commitments" means the aggregate of the Facility B Commitments, being [\_\_\_\_] at the date of this Agreement.

"Transfer Certificate" means a certificate substantially in the form set out in Schedule 5 (Form of Transfer Certificate) or any other form agreed between the Agent and the Company.

"Transfer Date" means, in relation to a transfer, the later of:

- (a) the proposed Transfer Date specified in the Transfer Certificate; and
- (b) the date on which the Agent executes the Transfer Certificate.

"Unpaid Sum" means any sum due and payable but unpaid by an Obligor under the Finance Documents.

"Utilisation" means a utilisation of a Facility.

"Utilisation Date" means the date of a Utilisation, being the date on which the relevant Loan is to be made.

"Utilisation Request" means a notice substantially in the form set out in Part I of Schedule 3 (*Requests*).

"VAT" means value added tax as provided for in the Value Added Tax Act 1994 and any other tax of a similar nature.

### 1.2 Construction

- (a) Unless a contrary indication appears, any reference in this Agreement to:
  - (i) the "Agent", the "Arranger", any "Finance Party", any "Lender", any "Obligor" or any "Party" shall be construed so as to include its successors in title, permitted assigns and permitted transferees;
  - (ii) "assets" includes present and future properties, revenues and rights of every description;
  - (iii) a "Finance Document" or any other agreement or instrument is a reference to that Finance Document or other agreement or instrument as amended or novated;
  - (iv) "**indebtedness**" includes any obligation (whether incurred as principal or as surety) for the payment or repayment of money, whether present or future, actual or contingent;
  - (v) a "**person**" includes any person, firm, company, corporation, government, state or agency of a state or any association, trust or partnership (whether or not having separate legal personality) or two or more of the foregoing;
  - (vi) a "**regulation**" includes any regulation, rule, official directive, request or guideline (whether or not having the force of law) of any governmental,

- intergovernmental or supranational body, agency, department or regulatory, self-regulatory or other authority or organisation;
- (vii) a provision of law is a reference to that provision as amended or reenacted; and
- (viii) a time of day is a reference to London time.
- (b) Section, Clause and Schedule headings are for ease of reference only.
- (c) Unless a contrary indication appears, a term used in any other Finance Document or in any notice given under or in connection with any Finance Document has the same meaning in that Finance Document or notice as in this Agreement.
- (d) A Default (other than an Event of Default) is "**continuing**" if it has not been remedied or waived and an Event of Default is "**continuing**" if it has not been [remedied or waived]/[waived].

# 1.3 Third Party Rights

[A person who is not a Party has no right under the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 to enforce or to enjoy the benefit of any term of this Agreement.]/

- (a) [Unless expressly provided to the contrary in a Finance Document a person who is not a Party has no right under the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 (the "Third Parties Act") to enforce or to enjoy the benefit of any term of this Agreement.
- (b) Notwithstanding any term of any Finance Document, the consent of any person who is not a Party is not required to rescind or vary this Agreement at any time.]

# SECTION 2 THE FACILITIES

### 2. THE FACILITIES

### 2.1 The Facilities

Subject to the terms of this Agreement, the Lenders make available to the Borrowers:

- (a) a multicurrency term loan facility in an aggregate amount equal to the Total Facility A Commitments; and
- (b) a multicurrency revolving loan facility in an aggregate amount equal to the Total Facility B Commitments.

# 2.2 Finance Parties' rights and obligations

- (a) The obligations of each Finance Party under the Finance Documents are several. Failure by a Finance Party to perform its obligations under the Finance Documents does not affect the obligations of any other Party under the Finance Documents. No Finance Party is responsible for the obligations of any other Finance Party under the Finance Documents.
- (b) The rights of each Finance Party under or in connection with the Finance Documents are separate and independent rights and any debt arising under the Finance Documents to a Finance Party from an Obligor shall be a separate and independent debt.
- (c) A Finance Party may, except as otherwise stated in the Finance Documents, separately enforce its rights under the Finance Documents.

### 3. **PURPOSE**

### 3.1 **Purpose**

- (a) Each Borrower shall apply all amounts borrowed by it under Facility A towards [\_\_\_\_].
- (b) Each Borrower shall apply all amounts borrowed by it under Facility B towards [ 1.

### 3.2 **Monitoring**

No Finance Party is bound to monitor or verify the application of any amount borrowed pursuant to this Agreement.

### 4. CONDITIONS OF UTILISATION

# 4.1 **Initial conditions precedent**

No Borrower may deliver a Utilisation Request unless the Agent has received all of the documents and other evidence listed in Part I of Schedule 2 (*Conditions precedent*) in form and substance satisfactory to the Agent. The Agent shall notify the Company and the Lenders promptly upon being so satisfied.

## 4.2 Further conditions precedent

- (a) The Lenders will only be obliged to comply with Clause 5.4 (*Lenders' participation*) if on the date of the Utilisation Request and on the proposed Utilisation Date:
  - (i) in the case of a Rollover Loan, no Event of Default is continuing or would result from the proposed Loan and, in the case of any other Loan, no Default is continuing or would result from the proposed Loan; and
  - (ii) the Repeating Representations to be made by each Obligor are true in all material respects.
- (b) The Lenders will only be obliged to comply with Clause 6.3 (*Change of currency*) if, on the first day of an Interest Period, no Default is continuing or would result from the change of currency and the Repeating Representations to be made by each Obligor are true in all material respects.

# 4.3 Conditions relating to Optional Currencies

- (a) A currency will constitute an Optional Currency in relation to a Loan if:
  - (i) it is readily available in the amount required and freely convertible into the Base Currency in the Relevant Interbank Market on the Quotation Day and the Utilisation Date for that Loan; and
  - (ii) it [is [ ] or] has been approved by the Agent (acting on the instructions of all the Lenders) on or prior to receipt by the Agent of the relevant Utilisation Request or Selection Notice for that Loan.
- (b) If the Agent has received a written request from the Company for a currency to be approved under paragraph (a)(ii) above, the Agent will confirm to the Company by the Specified Time:
  - (i) whether or not the Lenders have granted their approval; and
  - (ii) if approval has been granted, the minimum amount (and, if required, integral multiples) for any subsequent Utilisation in that currency.

### 4.4 Maximum number of Loans

- (a) A Borrower may not deliver a Utilisation Request if as a result of the proposed Utilisation:

  (i) [\_\_] or more Facility A Loans would be outstanding; or
  (ii) [\_\_] or more Facility B Loans would be outstanding.

  (b) A Borrower may not request that a Facility A Loan be divided if, as a result of the proposed division, [\_\_\_] or more Facility A Loans would be outstanding.
- (c) Any Loan made by a single Lender under Clause 6.2 (*Unavailability of a currency*) shall not be taken into account in this Clause 4.4.

# SECTION 3 UTILISATION

### 5. UTILISATION

### 5.1 **Delivery of a Utilisation Request**

A Borrower may utilise a Facility by delivery to the Agent of a duly completed Utilisation Request not later than the Specified Time.

# 5.2 Completion of a Utilisation Request

- (a) Each Utilisation Request is irrevocable and will not be regarded as having been duly completed unless:
  - (i) it identifies the Facility to be utilised;
  - (ii) the proposed Utilisation Date is a Business Day within the Availability Period applicable to that Facility;
  - (iii) the currency and amount of the Utilisation comply with Clause 5.3 (*Currency and amount*); and
  - (iv) the proposed Interest Period complies with Clause 10 (*Interest Periods*).
- (b) Only one Loan may be requested in each Utilisation Request.

### 5.3 Currency and amount

- (a) The currency specified in a Utilisation Request must be the Base Currency or an Optional Currency.
- (b) The amount of the proposed Loan must be:
  - (i) if the currency selected is the Base Currency, a minimum of [\_\_\_\_\_] for Facility A and [\_\_\_\_\_] for Facility B or in either case, if less, the Available Facility; or
  - (ii) [if the currency selected is [ ], a minimum of [ ] for Facility A and [ ] for Facility B or in either case, if less, the Available Facility; or]
  - (iii) if the currency selected is an Optional Currency [other than [ ]], the minimum amount (and, if required, integral multiple) specified by the Agent pursuant to paragraph (b)(ii) of Clause 4.3 (*Conditions relating to Optional Currencies*) or, if less, the Available Facility; and
  - (iv) in any event such that its Base Currency Amount is less than or equal to the Available Facility.

### 5.4 Lenders' participation

(a) If the conditions set out in this Agreement have been met, each Lender shall make its participation in each Loan available by the Utilisation Date through its Facility Office.

- (b) The amount of each Lender's participation in each Loan will be equal to the proportion borne by its Available Commitment to the Available Facility immediately prior to making the Loan.
- (c) The Agent shall determine the Base Currency Amount of each Loan which is to be made in an Optional Currency and shall notify each Lender of the amount, currency and the Base Currency Amount of each Loan and the amount of its participation in that Loan, in each case by the Specified Time.

### 6. **OPTIONAL CURRENCIES**

### 6.1 **Selection of currency**

- (a) A Borrower (or the Company on behalf of a Borrower) shall select the currency of a Loan:
  - (i) (in the case of an initial Utilisation) in a Utilisation Request; and
  - (ii) (afterwards in relation to a Facility A Loan made to it) in a Selection Notice.
- (b) If a Borrower (or the Company on behalf of a Borrower) fails to issue a Selection Notice in relation to a Facility A Loan, the Loan will remain denominated for its next Interest Period in the same currency in which it is then outstanding.
- (c) If a Borrower (or the Company on behalf of a Borrower) issues a Selection Notice requesting a change of currency and the first day of the requested Interest Period is not a Business Day for the new currency, the Agent shall promptly notify the Borrower and the Lenders and the Loan will remain in the existing currency (with Interest Periods running from one Business Day until the next Business Day) until the next day which is a Business Day for both currencies, on which day the requested Interest Period will begin.

### 6.2 Unavailability of a currency

If before the Specified Time on any Quotation Day:

- (a) a Lender notifies the Agent that the Optional Currency requested is not readily available to it in the amount required; or
- (b) a Lender notifies the Agent that compliance with its obligation to participate in a Loan in the proposed Optional Currency would contravene a law or regulation applicable to it,

the Agent will give notice to the relevant Borrower to that effect by the Specified Time on that day. In this event, any Lender that gives notice pursuant to this Clause 6.2 will be required to participate in the Loan in the Base Currency (in an amount equal to that Lender's proportion of the Base Currency Amount or, in respect of a Rollover Loan, an amount equal to that Lender's proportion of the Base Currency Amount of the Rollover Loan that is due to be made) and its participation will be treated as a separate Loan denominated in the Base Currency during that Interest Period.

### 6.3 Change of currency

- (a) If a Facility A Loan is to be denominated in different currencies during two successive Interest Periods:
  - (i) if the currency for the second Interest Period is an Optional Currency, the amount of the Loan in that Optional Currency will be calculated by the Agent as the amount of that Optional Currency equal to the Base Currency Amount of the Loan at the Agent's Spot Rate of Exchange at the Specified Time;
  - (ii) if the currency for the second Interest Period is the Base Currency, the amount of the Loan will be equal to the Base Currency Amount;
  - (iii) (unless the Agent and the Borrower agree otherwise in accordance with paragraph (b) below) the Borrower that has borrowed the Loan shall repay it on the last day of the first Interest Period in the currency in which it was denominated for that Interest Period; and
  - (iv) (subject to Clause 4.2 (*Further conditions precedent*)) the Lenders shall re-advance the Loan in the new currency in accordance with Clause 6.5 (*Agent's calculations*).
- (b) If the Agent and the Borrower that has borrowed the Facility A Loan agree, the Agent shall:
  - (i) apply the amount paid to it by the Lenders pursuant to paragraph (a)(iv) above (or so much of that amount as is necessary) in or towards purchase of an amount in the currency in which the Facility A Loan is outstanding for the first Interest Period; and
  - (ii) use the amount it purchases in or towards satisfaction of the relevant Borrower's obligations under paragraph (a)(iii) above.
- (c) If the amount purchased by the Agent pursuant to paragraph (b)(i) above is less than the amount required to be repaid by the relevant Borrower, the Agent shall promptly notify that Borrower and that Borrower shall, on the last day of the first Interest Period, pay an amount to the Agent (in the currency of the outstanding Facility A Loan for the first Interest Period) equal to the difference.
- (d) If any part of the amount paid to the Agent by the Lenders pursuant to paragraph (a)(iv) above is not needed to purchase the amount required to be repaid by the relevant Borrower, the Agent shall promptly notify that Borrower and pay that Borrower, on the last day of the first Interest Period that part of that amount (in the new currency).

# 6.4 Same Optional Currency during successive Interest Periods

If a Facility A Loan is to be denominated in the same Optional Currency during two successive Interest Periods, the Agent shall calculate the amount of the Facility A Loan in the Optional Currency for the second of those Interest Periods (by calculating the amount of Optional Currency equal to the Base

LMA.MTR.03 - 16 - July 2005 LONDON - 86081.01 Currency Amount of that Facility A Loan at the Agent's Spot Rate of Exchange at the Specified Time<sup>1</sup>) and (subject to paragraph (b) below):

- (i) if the amount calculated is less than the existing amount of that Facility A Loan in the Optional Currency during the first Interest Period, promptly notify the Borrower that has borrowed that Facility A Loan and that Borrower shall pay, on the last day of the first Interest Period, an amount equal to the difference; or
- (ii) if the amount calculated is more than the existing amount of that Facility A Loan in the Optional Currency during the first Interest Period, promptly notify each Lender and, if no [Default/Event of Default] is continuing, each Lender shall, on the last day of the first Interest Period, pay its participation in an amount equal to the difference.
- (b) If the calculation made by the Agent pursuant to paragraph (a) above shows that the amount of the Facility A Loan in the Optional Currency for the second of those Interest Periods converted into the Base Currency at the Agent's Spot Rate of Exchange at the Specified Time<sup>2</sup> has increased or decreased by less than [\_\_\_\_] per cent. compared to its Base Currency Amount (taking into account any payments made pursuant to paragraph (a) above), no notification shall be made by the Agent and no payment shall be required under paragraph (a) above.

### 6.5 Agent's calculations

- (a) All calculations made by the Agent pursuant to this Clause 6 will take into account any repayment, prepayment, consolidation or division of Facility A Loans to be made on the last day of the first Interest Period.
- (b) Each Lender's participation in a Loan will, subject to paragraph (a) above, be determined in accordance with paragraph (b) of Clause 5.4 (*Lenders' participation*).

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Specified Time to be inserted in Schedule 11 (*Timetable*) for the purposes of this paragraph (a) is the Quotation Day for the second Interest Period.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The Specified Time to be inserted in Schedule 11 (*Timetable*) for the purposes of this paragraph (b) is the Business Day on which the Agent originally calculated the Base Currency Amount.

# SECTION 4 REPAYMENT, PREPAYMENT AND CANCELLATION

7.	REPAY	MENT
7.1	Repayı	ment of Facility A Loans
	(a)	<u> </u>
	(b)	No Borrower may reborrow any part of Facility A which is repaid.
7.2	Each B	ment of Facility B Loans forrower which has drawn a Facility B Loan shall repay that Loan on the last day nterest Period.
7.3		ion of Facility B
8.	PREPA	YMENT AND CANCELLATION
8.1		comes unlawful in any applicable jurisdiction for a Lender to perform any of its ions as contemplated by this Agreement or to fund or maintain its participation in
	(a)	that Lender shall promptly notify the Agent upon becoming aware of that event;
	(b)	upon the Agent notifying the Company, the Commitment of that Lender will be immediately cancelled; and
	(c)	each Borrower shall repay that Lender's participation in the Loans made to that Borrower on the last day of the Interest Period for each Loan occurring after the Agent has notified the Company or, if earlier, the date specified by the Lender in the notice delivered to the Agent (being no earlier than the last day of any applicable grace period permitted by law).
8.2	Chang	e of control
	(a)	If [[ ] ceases to control the Company]/[any person or group of persons acting in concert gains control of the Company]:
		(i) the Company shall promptly notify the Agent upon becoming aware of that event;
		(ii) [a Lender shall not be obliged to fund a Utilisation (except for a Rollover Loan):]
		(iii) if [the Majority Lenders so require]/[a Lender so requires and notifies the Agent within [ ] days of the Company notifying the Agent of the event]. the Agent shall, by not less than [ ] days notice to the Company, cancel the [Total Commitments]/[Commitment of that Lender] and declare [the participation of that Lender in] all outstanding Loans, together with

accrued interest, and all other amounts accrued under the Finance Documents immediately due and payable, whereupon the [Total

	(b)	For the purpose of paragraph (a) above " <b>control</b> " means [].
	(c)	[For the purpose of paragraph (a) above "acting in concert" means [ ].]
8.3	Volume The Construction shorter part (b	tary cancellation Company may, if it gives the Agent not less than [] Business Days' (or such reperiod as the Majority Lenders may agree) prior notice, cancel the whole or any being a minimum amount of []) of an Available Facility. Any cancellation this Clause 8.3 shall reduce the Commitments of the Lenders rateably under that
8.4	Volunt (a)	tary prepayment of Facility A Loans  A Borrower to which a Facility A Loan has been made may, if it gives the Agent not less than [] Business Days' (or such shorter period as the Majority Lenders may agree) prior notice, prepay the whole or any part of any Facility A Loan (but, if in part, being an amount that reduces the Base Currency Amount of the Facility A Loan by a minimum amount of []).
	(b)	A Facility A Loan may only be prepaid after the last day of the Availability Period (or, if earlier, the day on which the applicable Available Facility is zero).
	(c)	[Any prepayment under this Clause 8.4 shall satisfy the obligations under Clause 7.1 ( <i>Repayment of Facility A Loans</i> ) in [ ] order.]
8.5	The B less th agree) being	tary Prepayment of Facility B Loans orrower to which a Facility B Loan has been made may, if it gives the Agent not tan [] Business Days' (or such shorter period as the Majority Lenders may prior notice, prepay the whole or any part of a Facility B Loan (but if in part, an amount that reduces the Base Currency Amount of the Facility B Loan by a turn amount of []).
8.6	Right (a)	of repayment and cancellation in relation to a single Lender If:
		(i) any sum payable to any Lender by an Obligor is required to be increased under paragraph (c) of Clause 13.2 ( <i>Tax gross-up</i> ); or
		(ii) any Lender claims indemnification from the Company under Clause 13.3 ( <i>Tax indemnity</i> ) or Clause 14.1 ( <i>Increased costs</i> ),
		the Company may, whilst the circumstance giving rise to the requirement for indemnification continues, give the Agent notice of cancellation of the

<u>Commitments</u>]/[Commitment of that <u>Lender</u>] will be cancelled and all such outstanding amounts will become immediately due and payable.

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Lender's participation in the Loans.

that Lender shall immediately be reduced to zero.

(b)

Commitment of that Lender and its intention to procure the repayment of that

On receipt of a notice referred to in paragraph (a) above, the Commitment of

On the last day of each Interest Period which ends after the Company has given notice under paragraph (a) above (or, if earlier, the date specified by the Company in that notice), each Borrower to which a Loan is outstanding shall repay that Lender's participation in that Loan.

### 8.7 **Restrictions**

- (a) Any notice of cancellation or prepayment given by any Party under this Clause 8 shall be irrevocable and, unless a contrary indication appears in this Agreement, shall specify the date or dates upon which the relevant cancellation or prepayment is to be made and the amount of that cancellation or prepayment.
- (b) Any prepayment under this Agreement shall be made together with accrued interest on the amount prepaid and, subject to any Break Costs, without premium or penalty.
- (c) No Borrower may reborrow any part of Facility A which is prepaid.
- (d) Unless a contrary indication appears in this Agreement, any part of Facility B which is prepaid may be reborrowed in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.
- (e) The Borrowers shall not repay or prepay all or any part of the Loans or cancel all or any part of the Commitments except at the times and in the manner expressly provided for in this Agreement.
- (f) No amount of the Total Commitments cancelled under this Agreement may be subsequently reinstated.
- (g) If the Agent receives a notice under this Clause 8 it shall promptly forward a copy of that notice to either the Company or the affected Lender, as appropriate.

# SECTION 5 COSTS OF UTILISATION

### 9. **INTEREST**

### 9.1 **Calculation of interest**

The rate of interest on each Loan for each Interest Period is the percentage rate per annum which is the aggregate of the applicable:

- (a) Margin;
- (b) LIBOR [or, in relation to any Loan in euro, EURIBOR]; and
- (c) Mandatory Cost, if any.

### 9.2 **Payment of interest**

The Borrower to which a Loan has been made shall pay accrued interest on that Loan on the last day of each Interest Period (and, if the Interest Period is longer than six Months, on the dates falling at six-monthly intervals after the first day of the Interest Period).

### 9.3 **Default interest**

- If an Obligor fails to pay any amount payable by it under a Finance Document on its due date, interest shall accrue on the overdue amount from the due date up to the date of actual payment (both before and after judgment) at a rate which, subject to paragraph (b) below, is [\_\_] per cent higher than the rate which would have been payable if the overdue amount had, during the period of non-payment, constituted a Loan in the currency of the overdue amount for successive Interest Periods, each of a duration selected by the Agent (acting reasonably). Any interest accruing under this Clause 9.3 shall be immediately payable by the Obligor on demand by the Agent.
- (b) If any overdue amount consists of all or part of a Loan which became due on a day which was not the last day of an Interest Period relating to that Loan:
  - (i) the first Interest Period for that overdue amount shall have a duration equal to the unexpired portion of the current Interest Period relating to that Loan; and
  - (ii) the rate of interest applying to the overdue amount during that first Interest Period shall be [\_] per cent. higher than the rate which would have applied if the overdue amount had not become due.
- (c) Default interest (if unpaid) arising on an overdue amount will be compounded with the overdue amount at the end of each Interest Period applicable to that overdue amount but will remain immediately due and payable.

### 9.4 **Notification of rates of interest**

The Agent shall promptly notify the Lenders and the relevant Borrower of the determination of a rate of interest under this Agreement.

#### 10. INTEREST PERIODS

#### 10.1 **Selection of Interest Periods**

- A Borrower (or the Company on behalf of a Borrower) may select an Interest Period for a Loan in the Utilisation Request for that Loan or (if the Loan has already been borrowed) in a Selection Notice.
- Each Selection Notice for a Facility A Loan is irrevocable and must be (b) delivered to the Agent by the Borrower (or the Company on behalf of a Borrower) to which that Facility A Loan was made not later than the Specified Time.
- If a Borrower (or the Company) fails to deliver a Selection Notice to the Agent (c) in accordance with paragraph (b) above, the relevant Interest Period will, subject to Clause 10.2 (Changes to Interest Periods), be [one] Month.
- Subject to this Clause 10, a Borrower (or the Company) may select an Interest (d) Period of [ or ] Months or any other period agreed between the Company and the Agent (acting on the instructions of all the Lenders). [In addition a Borrower (or the Company on its behalf) may select an Interest Period of:
  - (in relation to Facility A) a period of less than [one] Month, if necessary to ensure that there are sufficient Facility A Loans (with an aggregate Base Currency Amount equal to or greater than the Repayment Instalment) which have an Interest Period ending on a Facility A Repayment Date for the Borrowers to make the Repayment Instalment due on that date; or
  - (in relation to Facility B) a period of less than [one] Month, if necessary to (ii) ensure that (when aggregated with the Available Facility for Facility B) there are sufficient Facility B Loans (with an aggregate Base Currency Amount equal to or greater than the Reduction Instalment) which have an Interest Period ending on a Reduction Date for the scheduled reduction to occur.]
- An Interest Period for a Loan shall not extend beyond the Termination Date (e) applicable to its Facility.
- Each Interest Period for a Facility A Loan shall start on the Utilisation Date or (f) (if already made) on the last day of its preceding Interest Period.
- A Facility B Loan has one Interest Period only. (g)

### 10.2 **Changes to Interest Periods**

[Prior to determining the interest rate for a Facility A Loan, the Agent may (a) shorten an Interest Period for any Facility A Loan to ensure there are sufficient Facility A Loans (with an aggregate Base Currency Amount equal to or greater than the Repayment Instalment) which have an Interest Period ending on a Facility A Repayment Date for the Borrowers to make the Repayment Instalment due on that date.]

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- [Prior to determining the interest rate for a Facility B Loan, the Agent may shorten the Interest Period for any Facility B Loan to ensure that, when aggregated with the Available Facility for Facility B, there are sufficient Facility B Loans (with an aggregate Base Currency Amount equal to or greater than the Reduction Instalment) which have an Interest Period ending on a Reduction Date for the scheduled reduction to occur.]
- (c) If the Agent makes any of the changes to an Interest Period referred to in this Clause 10.2, it shall promptly notify the Company and the Lenders.

### 10.3 Non-Business Days

If an Interest Period would otherwise end on a day which is not a Business Day, that Interest Period will instead end on the next Business Day in that calendar month (if there is one) or the preceding Business Day (if there is not).

# 10.4 Consolidation and division of Facility A Loans

- (a) Subject to paragraph (b) below, if two or more Interest Periods:
  - (i) relate to Facility A Loans in the same currency;
  - (ii) end on the same date; and
  - (iii) are made to the same Borrower,

those Facility A Loans will, unless that Borrower (or the Company on its behalf) specifies to the contrary in the Selection Notice for the next Interest Period, be consolidated into, and treated as, a single Facility A Loan on the last day of the Interest Period.

(b) Subject to Clause 4.4 (*Maximum number of Loans*) and Clause 5.3 (*Currency and amount*), if a Borrower (or the Company on its behalf) requests in a Selection Notice that a Facility A Loan be divided into two or more Facility A Loans, that Facility A Loan will, on the last day of its Interest Period, be so divided with Base Currency Amounts specified in that Selection Notice, being an aggregate Base Currency Amount equal to the Base Currency Amount of the Facility A Loan immediately before its division.

### 11. CHANGES TO THE CALCULATION OF INTEREST

### 11.1 **Absence of quotations**

Subject to Clause 11.2 (*Market disruption*), if LIBOR [or, if applicable, EURIBOR] is to be determined by reference to the Reference Banks but a Reference Bank does not supply a quotation by the Specified Time on the Quotation Day, the applicable LIBOR [or EURIBOR] shall be determined on the basis of the quotations of the remaining Reference Banks.

### 11.2 Market disruption

- (a) If a Market Disruption Event occurs in relation to a Loan for any Interest Period, then the rate of interest on each Lender's share of that Loan for the Interest Period shall be the percentage rate per annum which is the sum of:
  - (i) the Margin;
  - (ii) the rate notified to the Agent by that Lender as soon as practicable and in any event before interest is due to be paid in respect of that Interest Period, to be that which expresses as a percentage rate per annum the cost to that Lender of funding its participation in that Loan from whatever source it may reasonably select; and
  - (iii) the Mandatory Cost, if any, applicable to that Lender's participation in the Loan.
- (b) In this Agreement "Market Disruption Event" means:
  - (i) at or about noon on the Quotation Day for the relevant Interest Period the Screen Rate is not available and none or only one of the Reference Banks supplies a rate to the Agent to determine LIBOR [or, if applicable, EURIBOR] for the relevant currency and Interest Period; or
  - (ii) before close of business in London on the Quotation Day for the relevant Interest Period, the Agent receives notifications from a Lender or Lenders (whose participations in a Loan exceed [\_\_\_\_\_] per cent. of that Loan) that the cost to it of obtaining matching deposits in the Relevant Interbank Market would be in excess of LIBOR [or, if applicable, EURIBOR].

### 11.3 Alternative basis of interest or funding

- (a) If a Market Disruption Event occurs and the Agent or the Company so requires, the Agent and the Company shall enter into negotiations (for a period of not more than thirty days) with a view to agreeing a substitute basis for determining the rate of interest.
- (b) Any alternative basis agreed pursuant to paragraph (a) above shall, with the prior consent of all the Lenders and the Company, be binding on all Parties.

### 11.4 Break Costs

- (a) Each Borrower shall, within three Business Days of demand by a Finance Party, pay to that Finance Party its Break Costs attributable to all or any part of a Loan or Unpaid Sum being paid by that Borrower on a day other than the last day of an Interest Period for that Loan or Unpaid Sum.
- (b) Each Lender shall, as soon as reasonably practicable after a demand by the Agent, provide a certificate confirming the amount of its Break Costs for any Interest Period in which they accrue.

# 12. **FEES**

### 12.1 **Commitment fee**

(a)	The Company shall pay to the Agent (for the account of each Lender) a fee [in
	the Base Currency] computed at the rate of:
	(i) [] per cent. per annum on that Lender's Available Commitment under Facility A for the Availability Period applicable to Facility A; and
	(ii) [] per cent. per annum on that Lender's Available Commitment under Facility B for the Availability Period applicable to Facility B.
(b)	The accrued commitment fee is payable on the last day of each successive period of three Months which ends during the relevant Availability Period, on the last day of the Availability Period and, if cancelled in full, on the cancelled

# 12.2 **Arrangement fee**

effective.

The Company shall pay to the Arranger an arrangement fee in the amount and at the times agreed in a Fee Letter.

amount of the relevant Lender's Commitment at the time the cancellation is

# 12.3 Agency fee

The Company shall pay to the Agent (for its own account) an agency fee in the amount and at the times agreed in a Fee Letter.

# SECTION 6 ADDITIONAL PAYMENT OBLIGATIONS

### 13. TAX GROSS UP<sup>3</sup> AND INDEMNITIES

### 13.1 **Definitions**

(a) In this Agreement:

"Protected Party" means a Finance Party which is or will be subject to any liability, or required to make any payment, for or on account of Tax in relation to a sum received or receivable (or any sum deemed for the purposes of Tax to be received or receivable) under a Finance Document.

## "Qualifying Lender" means:

(i) a Lender (other than a Lender within sub-paragraph (ii) below) which is beneficially entitled to interest payable to that Lender in respect of an advance under a Finance Document and is:

### (A) a Lender:

- which is a bank (as defined for the purpose of section 349 of the Taxes Act) making an advance under a Finance Document; or
- (2) in respect of an advance made under a Finance Document by a person that was a bank (as defined for the purpose of section 349 of the Taxes Act) at the time that that advance was made,

and which is within the charge to United Kingdom corporation tax as respects any payments of interest made in respect of that advance; or

# (B) [a Lender which is:

- (1) <u>a company resident in the United Kingdom for United Kingdom tax purposes;</u>
- (2) <u>a partnership each member of which is:</u>
  - (a) a company so resident in the United Kingdom; or
  - (b) <u>a company not so resident in the United Kingdom</u> which carries on a trade in the United Kingdom

This clause, and in particular the definition of "Qualifying Lender", should always be considered on a case-by-case basis. Consideration should also be given as to whether the representation in Clause 19.7 (*Deduction of Tax*) requires amendment.

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This clause is drafted on the assumption that payments made by the Obligor(s) may be subject to withholding tax (if any) under United Kingdom law and not under the law of any other jurisdiction. If this is not the case and the Obligor(s) is/are to gross-up payments, this Clause will need to be modified, in particular, paragraphs (d), (g), (h) and (i) of Clause 13.2 (*Tax gross up*) and the related definitions. If the "Treaty Lender" concept is used, always check the wording of relevant Treaties.

through a permanent establishment and which brings into account in computing its chargeable profits (for the purposes of section 11(2) of the Taxes Act) the whole of any share of interest payable in respect of that advance that falls to it by reason of sections 114 and 115 of the Taxes Act;

- (3) a company not so resident in the United Kingdom which carries on a trade in the United Kingdom through a permanent establishment and which brings into account interest payable in respect of that advance in computing the chargeable profits (for the purposes of section 11(2) of the Taxes Act) of that company; or]
- (C) [<u>a Treaty Lender</u>]; or
- (ii) [a building society (as defined for the purpose of section 477A of the Taxes Act).]

["Tax Confirmation" means a confirmation by a Lender that the person beneficially entitled to interest payable to that Lender in respect of an advance under a Finance Document is either:

- (i) a company resident in the United Kingdom for United Kingdom tax purposes;
- (ii) <u>a partnership each member of which is:</u>
  - (A) <u>a company so resident in the United Kingdom; or</u>
  - (B) a company not so resident in the United Kingdom which carries on a trade in the United Kingdom through a permanent establishment and which brings into account in computing its chargeable profits (for the purposes of section 11(2) of the Taxes Act) the whole of any share of interest payable in respect of that advance that falls to it by reason of sections 114 and 115 of the Taxes Act; or
- (iii) a company not so resident in the United Kingdom which carries on a trade in the United Kingdom through a permanent establishment and which brings into account interest payable in respect of that advance in computing the chargeable profits (for the purposes of section 11(2) of the Taxes Act) of that company.]

"Tax Credit" means a credit against, relief or remission for, or repayment of any Tax.

"**Tax Deduction**" means a deduction or withholding for or on account of Tax from a payment under a Finance Document.

"**Tax Payment**" means either the increase in a payment made by an Obligor to a Finance Party under Clause 13.2 (*Tax gross-up*) or a payment under Clause 13.3 (*Tax indemnity*).

## ["Treaty Lender" means a Lender which:

- (i) is treated as a resident of a Treaty State for the purposes of the Treaty;
- (ii) does not carry on a business in the United Kingdom through a permanent establishment with which that Lender's participation in the Loan is effectively connected; [and
- (iii) <u>].</u>4

"Treaty State" means a jurisdiction having a double taxation agreement (a "Treaty") with the United Kingdom which makes provision for full exemption from tax imposed by the United Kingdom on interest.]

# ["UK Non-Bank Lender" means:

- (i) where a Lender becomes a Party on the day on which this Agreement is entered into, a Lender listed in Part III of Schedule 1 (*The Original Parties*); and
- (ii) where a Lender becomes a Party after the day on which this Agreement is entered into, a Lender which gives a Tax Confirmation in the Transfer Certificate which it executes on becoming a Party.]
- (b) Unless a contrary indication appears, in this Clause 13 a reference to "determines" or "determined" means a determination made in the absolute discretion of the person making the determination.

## 13.2 Tax gross-up

- (a) Each Obligor shall make all payments to be made by it without any Tax Deduction, unless a Tax Deduction is required by law.
- (b) The Company shall promptly upon becoming aware that an Obligor must make a Tax Deduction (or that there is any change in the rate or the basis of a Tax Deduction) notify the Agent accordingly. Similarly, a Lender shall notify the Agent on becoming so aware in respect of a payment payable to that Lender. If the Agent receives such notification from a Lender it shall notify the Company and that Obligor.
- (c) If a Tax Deduction is required by law to be made by an Obligor, the amount of the payment due from that Obligor shall be increased to an amount which (after making any Tax Deduction) leaves an amount equal to the payment which would have been due if no Tax Deduction had been required.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> This is a complex area and in each case relevant treaties should be reviewed and, if appropriate, additional wording inserted to apportion risk as agreed by the Parties.

- (d) An Obligor is not required to make an increased payment to a Lender under paragraph (c) above for a Tax Deduction in respect of tax imposed by the United Kingdom from a payment of interest on a Loan, if on the date on which the payment falls due:
  - the payment could have been made to the relevant Lender without a Tax Deduction if it was a Qualifying Lender, but on that date that Lender is not or has ceased to be a Qualifying Lender other than as a result of any change after the date it became a Lender under this Agreement in (or in the interpretation, administration, or application of) any law or Treaty, or any published practice or concession of any relevant taxing authority[; or

(ii)

- (A) the relevant Lender is a Qualifying Lender solely under subparagraph (i)(B) of the definition of Qualifying Lender;
- (B) the Board of the Inland Revenue has given (and not revoked) a direction (a "Direction") under section 349C of the Taxes Act (as that provision has effect on the date on which the relevant Lender became a Party) which relates to that payment and that Lender has received from that Obligor or the Company a certified copy of that Direction; and
- (C) the payment could have been made to the Lender without any Tax Deduction in the absence of that Direction; or
- (iii) the relevant Lender is a Qualifying Lender solely under sub-paragraph (i)(B) of the definition of Qualifying Lender and it has not, other than by reason of any change after the date of this Agreement in (or in the interpretation, administration, or application of) any law, or any published practice or concession of any relevant taxing authority, given a Tax Confirmation to the Company;] or
- (iv) [the relevant Lender is a Treaty Lender and the Obligor making the payment is able to demonstrate that the payment could have been made to the Lender without the Tax Deduction had that Lender complied with its obligations under paragraph (g) below].<sup>5</sup>
- (e) If an Obligor is required to make a Tax Deduction, that Obligor shall make that Tax Deduction and any payment required in connection with that Tax Deduction within the time allowed and in the minimum amount required by law.
- (f) Within thirty days of making either a Tax Deduction or any payment required in connection with that Tax Deduction, the Obligor making that Tax Deduction shall deliver to the Agent for the Finance Party entitled to the payment evidence reasonably satisfactory to that Finance Party that the Tax Deduction has been

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> This is a complex area and in each case relevant treaties should be reviewed and, if appropriate, additional wording inserted to apportion risk as agreed by the Parties.

made or (as applicable) any appropriate payment paid to the relevant taxing authority.

- (g) [A Treaty Lender and each Obligor which makes a payment to which that
  Treaty Lender is entitled shall co-operate in completing any procedural
  formalities necessary for that Obligor to obtain authorisation to make that
  payment without a Tax Deduction.]<sup>6</sup>
- (h) [A UK Non-Bank Lender which becomes a Party on the day on which this Agreement is entered into gives a Tax Confirmation to the Company by entering into this Agreement.
- (i) A UK Non-Bank Lender shall promptly notify the Company and the Agent if there is any change in the position from that set out in the Tax Confirmation.]

### 13.3 Tax indemnity

- (a) The Company shall (within three Business Days of demand by the Agent) pay to a Protected Party an amount equal to the loss, liability or cost which that Protected Party determines will be or has been (directly or indirectly) suffered for or on account of Tax by that Protected Party in respect of a Finance Document.
- (b) Paragraph (a) above shall not apply:
  - (i) with respect to any Tax assessed on a Finance Party:
    - (A) under the law of the jurisdiction in which that Finance Party is incorporated or, if different, the jurisdiction (or jurisdictions) in which that Finance Party is treated as resident for tax purposes; or
    - (B) under the law of the jurisdiction in which that Finance Party's Facility Office is located in respect of amounts received or receivable in that jurisdiction,

if that Tax is imposed on or calculated by reference to the net income received or receivable (but not any sum deemed to be received or receivable) by that Finance Party; or

- (ii) to the extent a loss, liability or cost:
  - (A) is compensated for by an increased payment under Clause 13.2 (*Tax gross-up*); or
  - (B) would have been compensated for by an increased payment under Clause 13.2 (*Tax gross-up*) but was not so compensated solely because one of the exclusions in paragraph (d) of Clause 13.2 (*Tax gross-up*) applied.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> This is a complex area and in each case relevant treaties should be reviewed and, if appropriate, additional wording inserted to apportion risk as agreed by the Parties.

- (c) A Protected Party making, or intending to make a claim under paragraph (a) above shall promptly notify the Agent of the event which will give, or has given, rise to the claim, following which the Agent shall notify the Company.
- (d) A Protected Party shall, on receiving a payment from an Obligor under this Clause 13.3, notify the Agent.

### 13.4 Tax Credit

If an Obligor makes a Tax Payment and the relevant Finance Party determines that:

- (a) a Tax Credit is attributable either to an increased payment of which that Tax Payment forms part, or to that Tax Payment; and
- (b) that Finance Party has obtained, utilised and retained that Tax Credit,

the Finance Party shall pay an amount to the Obligor which that Finance Party determines will leave it (after that payment) in the same after-Tax position as it would have been in had the Tax Payment not been required to be made by the Obligor.

# 13.5 Stamp taxes

The Company shall pay and, within three Business Days of demand, indemnify each Finance Party against any cost, loss or liability that Finance Party incurs in relation to all stamp duty, registration and other similar Taxes payable in respect of any Finance Document.

### 13.6 Value added tax

- All amounts set out, or expressed to be payable under a Finance Document by any Party to a Finance Party which (in whole or in part) constitute the consideration for VAT purposes shall be deemed to be exclusive of any VAT which is chargeable on such supply, and accordingly, subject to paragraph (c) below, if VAT is chargeable on any supply made by any Finance Party to any Party under a Finance Document, that Party shall pay to the Finance Party (in addition to and at the same time as paying the consideration) an amount equal to the amount of the VAT (and such Finance Party shall promptly provide an appropriate VAT invoice to such Party).
- (b) If VAT is chargeable on any supply made by any Finance Party (the "Supplier") to any other Finance Party (the "Recipient") under a Finance Document, and any Party (the "Relevant Party") is required by the terms of any Finance Document to pay an amount equal to the consideration for such supply to the Supplier (rather than being required to reimburse the Recipient in respect of that consideration), such Party shall also pay to the Supplier (in addition to and at the same time as paying such amount) an amount equal to the amount of such VAT. The Recipient will promptly pay to the Relevant Party an amount equal to any credit or repayment from the relevant tax authority which it reasonably determines relates to the VAT chargeable on that supply.
- (c) Where a Finance Document requires any Party to reimburse a Finance Party for any costs or expenses, that Party shall also at the same time pay and indemnify the Finance Party against all VAT incurred by the Finance Party in respect of

the costs or expenses to the extent that the Finance Party reasonably determines that neither it nor any other member of any group of which it is a member for VAT purposes is entitled to credit or repayment from the relevant tax authority in respect of the VAT.

# 13.7 **[PTR Scheme<sup>7</sup>**

- (a) <u>Each Treaty Lender:</u>
  - (i) <u>irrevocably appoints the Agent to act as syndicate manager under, and authorises the Agent to operate, and take any action necessary or desirable under, the PTR Scheme in connection with the Facility;</u>
  - (ii) shall co-operate with the Agent in completing any procedural formalities necessary under the PTR Scheme, and shall promptly supply to the Agent such information as the Agent may request in connection with the operation of the PTR Scheme;
  - without limiting the liability of any Obligor under this Agreement, shall, within 5 Business Days of demand, indemnify the Agent for any liability or loss incurred by the Agent as a result of the Agent acting as syndicate manager under the PTR Scheme in connection with the Treaty Lender's participation in any Loan (except to the extent that the liability or loss arises directly from the Agent's gross negligence or wilful misconduct); and
  - (iv) shall, within 5 Business Days of demand, indemnify each Obligor for any Tax which such Obligor becomes liable to pay in respect of any payments made to such Treaty Lender arising as a result of any incorrect information supplied by such Treaty Lender under paragraph (ii) above which results in a provisional authority issued by the UK Inland Revenue under the PTR Scheme being withdrawn.
- (b) <u>Each Obligor acknowledges that it is fully aware of its contingent obligations</u> under the PTR Scheme and shall:
  - (i) promptly supply to the Agent such information as the Agent may request in connection with the operation of the PTR Scheme; and
  - (ii) act in accordance with any provisional notice issued by the UK Inland Revenue under the PTR Scheme.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Clause 13.7 (*PTR Scheme*) may be adopted if the parties intend that the PTR Scheme should apply to a Loan (note that use of the PTR Scheme is entirely optional and is only possible if the Inland Revenue's Centre for Non-Residents agrees that the PTR Scheme may apply). The Inland Revenue issued Guidelines in January 2003 advising that the PTR Scheme will not be available where a syndicate includes more than 20% (by value and number of lenders) of lenders who are not straightforward corporations e.g. LLC's and partnerships. Legal advice should be taken if the PTR Scheme is to apply in circumstances where the syndicate could at any time be comprised of entities other than straightforward corporations.

- (c) The Agent agrees to provide, as soon as reasonably practicable, a copy of any provisional authority issued to it under the PTR Scheme in connection with any Loan to those Obligors specified in such provisional authority.
- (d) <u>All Parties acknowledge that the Agent:</u>
  - (i) <u>is entitled to rely completely upon information provided to it in connection with paragraphs (a) or (b) above;</u>
  - (ii) <u>is not obliged to undertake any enquiry into the accuracy of such information, nor into the status of the Treaty Lender or, as the case may be, Obligor providing such information; and</u>
  - (iii) shall have no liability to any person for the accuracy of any information it submits in connection with paragraph (a)(i) above.
- (e) In this Clause "PTR Scheme" means the Provisional Treaty Relief scheme as described in Inland Revenue Guidelines dated January 2003 and administered by the Inland Revenue's Centre for Non-Residents.]

### 14. INCREASED COSTS

#### 14.1 Increased costs

- Subject to Clause 14.3 (*Exceptions*) the Company shall, within three Business Days of a demand by the Agent, pay for the account of a Finance Party the amount of any Increased Costs incurred by that Finance Party or any of its Affiliates as a result of (i) the introduction of or any change in (or in the interpretation, administration or application of) any law or regulation or (ii) compliance with any law or regulation made after the date of this Agreement.
- (b) In this Agreement "**Increased Costs**" means:
  - (i) a reduction in the rate of return from the Facility or on a Finance Party's (or its Affiliate's) overall capital;
  - (ii) an additional or increased cost; or
  - (iii) a reduction of any amount due and payable under any Finance Document,

which is incurred or suffered by a Finance Party or any of its Affiliates to the extent that it is attributable to that Finance Party having entered into its Commitment or funding or performing its obligations under any Finance Document.

### 14.2 Increased cost claims

- (a) A Finance Party intending to make a claim pursuant to Clause 14.1 (*Increased costs*) shall notify the Agent of the event giving rise to the claim, following which the Agent shall promptly notify the Company.
- (b) Each Finance Party shall, as soon as practicable after a demand by the Agent, provide a certificate confirming the amount of its Increased Costs.

### 14.3 Exceptions<sup>8</sup>

- (a) Clause 14.1 (*Increased costs*) does not apply to the extent any Increased Cost is:
  - (i) attributable to a Tax Deduction required by law to be made by an Obligor;
  - (ii) compensated for by Clause 13.3 (*Tax indemnity*) (or would have been compensated for under Clause 13.3 (*Tax indemnity*) but was not so compensated solely because any of the exclusions in paragraph (b) of Clause 13.3 (*Tax indemnity*) applied);
  - (iii) compensated for by the payment of the Mandatory Cost; or
  - (iv) attributable to the wilful breach by the relevant Finance Party or its Affiliates of any law or regulation.
- (b) In this Clause 14.3, a reference to a "**Tax Deduction**" has the same meaning given to the term in Clause 13.1 (*Definitions*).

### 15. **OTHER INDEMNITIES**

### 15.1 Currency indemnity

- If any sum due from an Obligor under the Finance Documents (a "Sum"), or any order, judgment or award given or made in relation to a Sum, has to be converted from the currency (the "First Currency") in which that Sum is payable into another currency (the "Second Currency") for the purpose of:
  - (i) making or filing a claim or proof against that Obligor;
  - (ii) obtaining or enforcing an order, judgment or award in relation to any litigation or arbitration proceedings,

that Obligor shall as an independent obligation, within three Business Days of demand, indemnify each Finance Party to whom that Sum is due against any cost, loss or liability arising out of or as a result of the conversion including any discrepancy between (A) the rate of exchange used to convert that Sum from the First Currency into the Second Currency and (B) the rate or rates of exchange available to that person at the time of its receipt of that Sum.

If Lenders determine it is appropriate to exclude Basel II in this way, it is anticipated the exclusion provision will be included in a Facility Agreement both prior to and following the implementation of Basel II.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Lenders may wish to consider the effect of Basel II in relation to their transaction in the context of (i) the credit standing of the borrower, (ii) the likely capital cost to be incurred by Lenders in respect of the Facility as a result of Basel II, and (iii) alternative means, if any, by which any Basel II costs may be addressed (for example through a margin ratchet or inclusion of a negotiation provision to address what happens if the Borrower's risk weighting changes after the date of the Facility Agreement). If it is appropriate to exclude Basel II from the Increased Costs clause the following provision may be inserted at the end of this Clause 14.3(a):

<sup>&</sup>quot;(v) attributable to the implementation or application of or compliance with the "International Convergence of Capital Measurement and Capital Standards, a Revised Framework" published by the Basel Committee on Banking Supervision in June 2004 in the form existing on the date of this Agreement ("Basel II") or any other law or regulation which implements Basel II (whether such implementation, application or compliance is by a government, regulator, Finance Party or any of its Affiliates)."

(b) Each Obligor waives any right it may have in any jurisdiction to pay any amount under the Finance Documents in a currency or currency unit other than that in which it is expressed to be payable.

### 15.2 Other indemnities

The Company shall (or shall procure that an Obligor will), within three Business Days of demand, indemnify each Finance Party against any cost, loss or liability incurred by that Finance Party as a result of:

- (a) the occurrence of any Event of Default;
- (b) a failure by an Obligor to pay any amount due under a Finance Document on its due date, including without limitation, any cost, loss or liability arising as a result of Clause 28 (*Sharing among the Finance Parties*);
- (c) funding, or making arrangements to fund, its participation in a Loan requested by a Borrower in a Utilisation Request but not made by reason of the operation of any one or more of the provisions of this Agreement (other than by reason of default or negligence by that Finance Party alone); or
- (d) a Loan (or part of a Loan) not being prepaid in accordance with a notice of prepayment given by a Borrower or the Company.

### 15.3 **Indemnity to the Agent**

The Company shall promptly indemnify the Agent against any cost, loss or liability incurred by the Agent (acting reasonably) as a result of:

- (a) investigating any event which it reasonably believes is a Default; or
- (b) entering into or performing any foreign exchange contract for the purposes of paragraph (b) of Clause 6.3 (*Change of currency*); or
- (c) acting or relying on any notice, request or instruction which it reasonably believes to be genuine, correct and appropriately authorised.

### 16. MITIGATION BY THE LENDERS

### 16.1 Mitigation

- Each Finance Party shall, in consultation with the Company, take all reasonable steps to mitigate any circumstances which arise and which would result in any amount becoming payable under or pursuant to, or cancelled pursuant to, any of Clause 8.1 (*Illegality*), Clause 13 (*Tax gross-up and indemnities*), Clause 14 (*Increased costs*) or paragraph 3 of Schedule 4 (*Mandatory Cost formulae*) including (but not limited to) transferring its rights and obligations under the Finance Documents to another Affiliate or Facility Office.
- (b) Paragraph (a) above does not in any way limit the obligations of any Obligor under the Finance Documents.

### 16.2 **Limitation of liability**

- (a) The Company shall indemnify each Finance Party for all costs and expenses reasonably incurred by that Finance Party as a result of steps taken by it under Clause 16.1 (*Mitigation*).
- (b) A Finance Party is not obliged to take any steps under Clause 16.1 (*Mitigation*) if, in the opinion of that Finance Party (acting reasonably), to do so might be prejudicial to it.

### 17. COSTS AND EXPENSES

### 17.1 Transaction expenses

The Company shall promptly on demand pay the Agent and the Arranger the amount of all costs and expenses (including legal fees) reasonably incurred by any of them in connection with the negotiation, preparation, printing, execution and syndication of:

- (a) this Agreement and any other documents referred to in this Agreement; and
- (b) any other Finance Documents executed after the date of this Agreement.

#### 17.2 Amendment costs

If (a) an Obligor requests an amendment, waiver or consent or (b) an amendment is required pursuant to Clause 29.9 (*Change of currency*), the Company shall, within three Business Days of demand, reimburse the Agent for the amount of all costs and expenses (including legal fees) reasonably incurred by the Agent in responding to, evaluating, negotiating or complying with that request or requirement.

#### 17.3 **Enforcement costs**

The Company shall, within three Business Days of demand, pay to each Finance Party the amount of all costs and expenses (including legal fees) incurred by that Finance Party in connection with the enforcement of, or the preservation of any rights under, any Finance Document.

# SECTION 7 GUARANTEE

#### 18. GUARANTEE AND INDEMNITY

#### 18.1 Guarantee and indemnity

Each Guarantor irrevocably and unconditionally jointly and severally:

- (a) guarantees to each Finance Party punctual performance by each Borrower of all that Borrower's obligations under the Finance Documents;
- (b) undertakes with each Finance Party that whenever a Borrower does not pay any amount when due under or in connection with any Finance Document, that Guarantor shall immediately on demand pay that amount as if it was the principal obligor; and
- (c) indemnifies each Finance Party immediately on demand against any cost, loss or liability suffered by that Finance Party if any obligation guaranteed by it is or becomes unenforceable, invalid or illegal. The amount of the cost, loss or liability shall be equal to the amount which that Finance Party would otherwise have been entitled to recover.

### 18.2 **Continuing guarantee**

This guarantee is a continuing guarantee and will extend to the ultimate balance of sums payable by any Obligor under the Finance Documents, regardless of any intermediate payment or discharge in whole or in part.

### 18.3 **Reinstatement**

If any payment by an Obligor or any discharge given by a Finance Party (whether in respect of the obligations of any Obligor or any security for those obligations or otherwise) is avoided or reduced as a result of insolvency or any similar event:

- (a) the liability of each Obligor shall continue as if the payment, discharge, avoidance or reduction had not occurred; and
- (b) each Finance Party shall be entitled to recover the value or amount of that security or payment from each Obligor, as if the payment, discharge, avoidance or reduction had not occurred.

### 18.4 Waiver of defences

The obligations of each Guarantor under this Clause 18 will not be affected by an act, omission, matter or thing which, but for this Clause, would reduce, release or prejudice any of its obligations under this Clause 18 (without limitation and whether or not known to it or any Finance Party) including:

- (a) any time, waiver or consent granted to, or composition with, any Obligor or other person;
- (b) the release of any other Obligor or any other person under the terms of any composition or arrangement with any creditor of any member of the Group;

- (c) the taking, variation, compromise, exchange, renewal or release of, or refusal or neglect to perfect, take up or enforce, any rights against, or security over assets of, any Obligor or other person or any non-presentation or non-observance of any formality or other requirement in respect of any instrument or any failure to realise the full value of any security;
- (d) any incapacity or lack of power, authority or legal personality of or dissolution or change in the members or status of an Obligor or any other person;
- (e) any amendment (however fundamental) or replacement of a Finance Document or any other document or security;
- (f) any unenforceability, illegality or invalidity of any obligation of any person under any Finance Document or any other document or security; or
- (g) any insolvency or similar proceedings.

### 18.5 Immediate recourse

Each Guarantor waives any right it may have of first requiring any Finance Party (or any trustee or agent on its behalf) to proceed against or enforce any other rights or security or claim payment from any person before claiming from that Guarantor under this Clause 18. This waiver applies irrespective of any law or any provision of a Finance Document to the contrary.

### 18.6 **Appropriations**

Until all amounts which may be or become payable by the Obligors under or in connection with the Finance Documents have been irrevocably paid in full, each Finance Party (or any trustee or agent on its behalf) may:

- (a) refrain from applying or enforcing any other moneys, security or rights held or received by that Finance Party (or any trustee or agent on its behalf) in respect of those amounts, or apply and enforce the same in such manner and order as it sees fit (whether against those amounts or otherwise) and no Guarantor shall be entitled to the benefit of the same; and
- (b) hold in an interest-bearing suspense account any moneys received from any Guarantor or on account of any Guarantor's liability under this Clause 18.

### 18.7 **Deferral of Guarantors' rights**

Until all amounts which may be or become payable by the Obligors under or in connection with the Finance Documents have been irrevocably paid in full and unless the Agent otherwise directs, no Guarantor will exercise any rights which it may have by reason of performance by it of its obligations under the Finance Documents:

- (a) to be indemnified by an Obligor;
- (b) to claim any contribution from any other guarantor of any Obligor's obligations under the Finance Documents; and/or
- (c) to take the benefit (in whole or in part and whether by way of subrogation or otherwise) of any rights of the Finance Parties under the Finance Documents or

of any other guarantee or security taken pursuant to, or in connection with, the Finance Documents by any Finance Party.

### 18.8 Release of Guarantors' right of contribution

If any Guarantor (a "**Retiring Guarantor**") ceases to be a Guarantor in accordance with the terms of the Finance Documents for the purpose of any sale or other disposal of that Retiring Guarantor then on the date such Retiring Guarantor ceases to be a Guarantor:

- (a) that Retiring Guarantor is released by each other Guarantor from any liability (whether past, present or future and whether actual or contingent) to make a contribution to any other Guarantor arising by reason of the performance by any other Guarantor of its obligations under the Finance Documents; and
- (b) each other Guarantor waives any rights it may have by reason of the performance of its obligations under the Finance Documents to take the benefit (in whole or in part and whether by way of subrogation or otherwise) of any rights of the Finance Parties under any Finance Document or of any other security taken pursuant to, or in connection with, any Finance Document where such rights or security are granted by or in relation to the assets of the Retiring Guarantor.

### 18.9 Additional security

This guarantee is in addition to and is not in any way prejudiced by any other guarantee or security now or subsequently held by any Finance Party.

### **SECTION 8**

# REPRESENTATIONS, UNDERTAKINGS AND EVENTS OF DEFAULT

### 19. **REPRESENTATIONS**

Each Obligor makes the representations and warranties set out in this Clause 19 to each Finance Party on the date of this Agreement.

#### 19.1 Status

- (a) It is a corporation, duly incorporated and validly existing under the law of its jurisdiction of incorporation.
- (b) It and each of its Subsidiaries has the power to own its assets and carry on its business as it is being conducted.

### 19.2 **Binding obligations**

The obligations expressed to be assumed by it in each Finance Document are, subject to any general principles of law limiting its obligations which are specifically referred to in any legal opinion delivered pursuant to Clause 4 (*Conditions of Utilisation*) or Clause 25 (*Changes to the Obligors*), legal, valid, binding and enforceable obligations.

### 19.3 Non-conflict with other obligations

The entry into and performance by it of, and the transactions contemplated by, the Finance Documents do not and will not conflict with:

- (a) any law or regulation applicable to it;
- (b) its or any of its Subsidiaries' constitutional documents; or
- (c) any agreement or instrument binding upon it or any of its Subsidiaries or any of its or any of its Subsidiaries' assets.

### 19.4 **Power and authority**

It has the power to enter into, perform and deliver, and has taken all necessary action to authorise its entry into, performance and delivery of, the Finance Documents to which it is a party and the transactions contemplated by those Finance Documents.

### 19.5 Validity and admissibility in evidence

All Authorisations required or desirable:

- (a) to enable it lawfully to enter into, exercise its rights and comply with its obligations in the Finance Documents to which it is a party; and
- (b) to make the Finance Documents to which it is a party admissible in evidence in its jurisdiction of incorporation,

have been obtained or effected and are in full force and effect.

### 19.6 Governing law and enforcement

(a) The choice of English law as the governing law of the Finance Documents will be recognised and enforced in its jurisdiction of incorporation.

(b) Any judgment obtained in England in relation to a Finance Document will be recognised and enforced in its jurisdiction of incorporation.

#### 19.7 **Deduction of Tax**

It is not required to make any deduction for or on account of Tax from any payment it may make under any Finance Document.<sup>9</sup>

### 19.8 **No filing or stamp taxes**

Under the law of its jurisdiction of incorporation it is not necessary that the Finance Documents be filed, recorded or enrolled with any court or other authority in that jurisdiction or that any stamp, registration or similar tax be paid on or in relation to the Finance Documents or the transactions contemplated by the Finance Documents.

### 19.9 No default

- (a) No Event of Default is continuing or might reasonably be expected to result from the making of any Utilisation.
- (b) No other event or circumstance is outstanding which constitutes a default under any other agreement or instrument which is binding on it or any of its Subsidiaries or to which its (or any of its Subsidiaries') assets are subject which might have a Material Adverse Effect.

### 19.10 **No misleading information**

- (a) Any factual information provided by any member of the Group for the purposes of the Information Memorandum was true and accurate in all material respects as at the date it was provided or as at the date (if any) at which it is stated.
- (b) The financial projections contained in the Information Memorandum have been prepared on the basis of recent historical information and on the basis of reasonable assumptions.
- (c) Nothing has occurred or been omitted from the Information Memorandum and no information has been given or withheld that results in the information contained in the Information Memorandum being untrue or misleading in any material respect.

#### 19.11 Financial statements

- (a) Its Original Financial Statements were prepared in accordance with GAAP consistently applied [unless expressly disclosed to the Agent in writing to the contrary before the date of this Agreement].
- (b) Its Original Financial Statements fairly represent its financial condition and operations (consolidated in the case of the Company) during the relevant financial year [unless expressly disclosed to the Agent in writing to the contrary before the date of this Agreement].

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> This representation should be considered on a case-by-case basis and modified, or deleted, as appropriate. If tax other than UK tax may be relevant, this should be taken into account.

(c)	There has been no material adverse change in its business or financial condition
	(or the business or consolidated financial condition of the Group, in the case of
	the Company) since [].

### 19.12 Pari passu ranking

Its payment obligations under the Finance Documents rank at least pari passu with the claims of all its other unsecured and unsubordinated creditors, except for obligations mandatorily preferred by law applying to companies generally.

### 19.13 No proceedings pending or threatened

No litigation, arbitration or administrative proceedings of or before any court, arbitral body or agency which, if adversely determined, might reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect have (to the best of its knowledge and belief) been started or threatened against it or any of its Subsidiaries.

### 19.14 Repetition

The Repeating Representations are deemed to be made by each Obligor by reference to the facts and circumstances then existing on:

- (a) the date of each Utilisation Request and the first day of each Interest Period; and
- (b) in the case of an Additional Obligor, the day on which the company becomes (or it is proposed that the company becomes) an Additional Obligor.

### 20. INFORMATION UNDERTAKINGS

The undertakings in this Clause 20 remain in force from the date of this Agreement for so long as any amount is outstanding under the Finance Documents or any Commitment is in force.

#### 20.1 Financial statements

The Company shall supply to the Agent in sufficient copies for all the Lenders:

- (a) as soon as the same become available, but in any event within [\_\_\_\_\_] days after the end of each of its financial years:
  - (i) its audited consolidated financial statements for that financial year; and
  - (ii) the audited financial statements of each Obligor for that financial year; and
- (b) as soon as the same become available, but in any event within [\_\_\_\_\_] days after the end of each half of each of its financial years:
  - (i) its consolidated financial statements for that financial half year[; and
  - (ii) the financial statements of each Obligor for that financial half year].

### 20.2 **Compliance Certificate**

(a) [The Company shall supply to the Agent, with each set of financial statements delivered pursuant to paragraph (a)(i) or (b)(i) of Clause 20.1 (Financial statements), a Compliance Certificate setting out (in reasonable detail)

- computations as to compliance with Clause 21 (*Financial covenants*) as at the date as at which those financial statements were drawn up.
- (b) Each Compliance Certificate shall be signed by two directors of the Company [and, if required to be delivered with the financial statements delivered pursuant to paragraph (a)(i) of Clause 20.1 (*Financial statements*), [shall be reported on by the Company's auditors in the form agreed by the Company and all the Lenders before the date of this Agreement]/[by the Company's auditors]].]

### 20.3 Requirements as to financial statements

- (a) Each set of financial statements delivered by the Company pursuant to Clause 20.1 (*Financial statements*) shall be certified by a director of the relevant company as fairly representing its financial condition as at the date as at which those financial statements were drawn up.
- (b) [The Company shall procure that each set of financial statements delivered pursuant to Clause 20.1 (*Financial statements*) is prepared using GAAP.]
- (c) [The Company shall procure that each set of financial statements of an Obligor delivered pursuant to Clause 20.1 (*Financial statements*) is prepared using GAAP, accounting practices and financial reference periods consistent with those applied in the preparation of the Original Financial Statements for that Obligor unless, in relation to any set of financial statements, it notifies the Agent that there has been a change in GAAP, the accounting practices or reference periods and its auditors (or, if appropriate, the auditors of the Obligor) deliver to the Agent:
  - (i) <u>a description of any change necessary for those financial statements to</u> reflect the GAAP, accounting practices and reference periods upon which that Obligor's Original Financial Statements were prepared; and
  - (ii) sufficient information, in form and substance as may be reasonably required by the Agent, to enable the Lenders to determine whether Clause 21 (*Financial covenants*) has been complied with and make an accurate comparison between the financial position indicated in those financial statements and that Obligor's Original Financial Statements.

Any reference in this Agreement to those financial statements shall be construed as a reference to those financial statements as adjusted to reflect the basis upon which the Original Financial Statements were prepared.]

### 20.4 **Information: miscellaneous**

The Company shall supply to the Agent (in sufficient copies for all the Lenders, if the Agent so requests):

- (a) all documents dispatched by the Company to its shareholders (or any class of them) or its creditors generally at the same time as they are dispatched;
- (b) promptly upon becoming aware of them, the details of any litigation, arbitration or administrative proceedings which are current, threatened or pending against

any member of the Group, and which might, if adversely determined, have a Material Adverse Effect; and

(c) promptly, such further information regarding the financial condition, business and operations of any member of the Group as any Finance Party (through the Agent) may reasonably request.

#### 20.5 **Notification of default**

- (a) Each Obligor shall notify the Agent of any Default (and the steps, if any, being taken to remedy it) promptly upon becoming aware of its occurrence (unless that Obligor is aware that a notification has already been provided by another Obligor).
- (b) Promptly upon a request by the Agent, the Company shall supply to the Agent a certificate signed by two of its directors or senior officers on its behalf certifying that no Default is continuing (or if a Default is continuing, specifying the Default and the steps, if any, being taken to remedy it).

#### 20.6 Use of websites

- (a) The Company may satisfy its obligation under this Agreement to deliver any information in relation to those Lenders ( the "Website Lenders") who accept this method of communication by posting this information onto an electronic website designated by the Company and the Agent (the "Designated Website") if:
  - (i) the Agent expressly agrees (after consultation with each of the Lenders) that it will accept communication of the information by this method;
  - (ii) both the Company and the Agent are aware of the address of and any relevant password specifications for the Designated Website; and
  - (iii) the information is in a format previously agreed between the Company and the Agent.

If any Lender (a "Paper Form Lender") does not agree to the delivery of information electronically then the Agent shall notify the Company accordingly and the Company shall supply the information to the Agent (in sufficient copies for each Paper Form Lender) in paper form. In any event the Company shall supply the Agent with at least one copy in paper form of any information required to be provided by it.

- (b) The Agent shall supply each Website Lender with the address of and any relevant password specifications for the Designated Website following designation of that website by the Company and the Agent.
- (c) The Company shall promptly upon becoming aware of its occurrence notify the Agent if:
  - (i) the Designated Website cannot be accessed due to technical failure;
  - (ii) the password specifications for the Designated Website change;

- (iii) any new information which is required to be provided under this Agreement is posted onto the Designated Website;
- (iv) any existing information which has been provided under this Agreement and posted onto the Designated Website is amended; or
- (v) the Company becomes aware that the Designated Website or any information posted onto the Designated Website is or has been infected by any electronic virus or similar software.

If the Company notifies the Agent under paragraph (c)(i) or paragraph (c)(v) above, all information to be provided by the Company under this Agreement after the date of that notice shall be supplied in paper form [unless and until the Agent and each Website Lender is satisfied that the circumstances giving rise to the notification are no longer continuing].

(d) Any Website Lender may request, through the Agent, one paper copy of any information required to be provided under this Agreement which is posted onto the Designated Website. The Company shall comply with any such request within ten Business Days.

### 20.7 "Know vour customer" checks

- (a) If:
  - (i) the introduction of or any change in (or in the interpretation, administration or application of) any law or regulation made after the date of this Agreement;
  - (ii) any change in the status of an Obligor after the date of this Agreement;  $or^{10}$
  - (iii) a proposed assignment or transfer by a Lender of any of its rights and obligations under this Agreement to a party that is not a Lender prior to such assignment or transfer,

obliges the Agent or any Lender (or, in the case of paragraph (iii) above, any prospective new Lender) to comply with "know your customer" or similar identification procedures in circumstances where the necessary information is not already available to it, each Obligor shall promptly upon the request of the Agent or any Lender supply, or procure the supply of, such documentation and other evidence as is reasonably requested by the Agent (for itself or on behalf of any Lender) or any Lender (for itself or, in the case of the event described in paragraph (iii) above, on behalf of any prospective new Lender) in order for the Agent, such Lender or, in the case of the event described in paragraph (iii) above, any prospective new Lender to carry out and be satisfied it has complied with all necessary "know your customer" or other similar checks under all

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> If the Company is not listed, consideration should be given to the inclusion of changes in the composition of the shareholders of an Obligor in this provision.

applicable laws and regulations pursuant to the transactions contemplated in the Finance Documents.

- Each Lender shall promptly upon the request of the Agent supply, or procure (b) the supply of, such documentation and other evidence as is reasonably requested by the Agent (for itself) in order for the Agent to carry out and be satisfied it has complied with all necessary "know your customer" or other similar checks under all applicable laws and regulations pursuant to the transactions contemplated in the Finance Documents.
- The Company shall, by not less than [10] Business Days' prior written notice to (c) the Agent, notify the Agent (which shall promptly notify the Lenders) of its intention to request that one of its Subsidiaries becomes an Additional Obligor pursuant to Clause 25 (Changes to the Obligors).
- (d) Following the giving of any notice pursuant to paragraph (c) above, if the accession of such Additional Obligor obliges the Agent or any Lender to comply with "know your customer" or similar identification procedures in circumstances where the necessary information is not already available to it, the Company shall promptly upon the request of the Agent or any Lender supply, or procure the supply of, such documentation and other evidence as is reasonably requested by the Agent (for itself or on behalf of any Lender) or any Lender (for itself or on behalf of any prospective new Lender) in order for the Agent or such Lender or any prospective new Lender to carry out and be satisfied it has complied with all necessary "know your customer" or other similar checks under all applicable laws and regulations pursuant to the accession of such Subsidiary to this Agreement as an Additional Obligor.

#### 21. FINANCIAL COVENANTS

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#### 22. **GENERAL UNDERTAKINGS**

The undertakings in this Clause 22 remain in force from the date of this Agreement for so long as any amount is outstanding under the Finance Documents or any Commitment is in force.

#### 22.1 **Authorisations**

Each Obligor shall promptly:

- obtain, comply with and do all that is necessary to maintain in full force and (a) effect: and
- supply certified copies to the Agent of, (b)

any Authorisation required under any law or regulation of its jurisdiction of incorporation to enable it to perform its obligations under the Finance Documents and to ensure the legality, validity, enforceability or admissibility in evidence in its jurisdiction of incorporation of any Finance Document.

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### 22.2 Compliance with laws

Each Obligor shall comply in all respects with all laws to which it may be subject, if failure so to comply would materially impair its ability to perform its obligations under the Finance Documents.

### 22.3 **Negative pledge**

- (a) No Obligor shall (and the Company shall ensure that no other member of the Group will) create or permit to subsist any Security over any of its assets.
- (b) No Obligor shall (and the Company shall ensure that no other member of the Group will):
  - sell, transfer or otherwise dispose of any of its assets on terms whereby they are or may be leased to or re-acquired by an Obligor [or any other member of the Group];
  - (ii) sell, transfer or otherwise dispose of any of its receivables on recourse terms:
  - enter into any arrangement under which money or the benefit of a bank or other account may be applied, set-off or made subject to a combination of accounts; or
  - (iv) enter into any other preferential arrangement having a similar effect,

in circumstances where the arrangement or transaction is entered into primarily as a method of raising Financial Indebtedness or of financing the acquisition of an asset.

- (c) Paragraphs (a) and (b) above do not apply to:
  - (i) any Security listed in Schedule 9 (*Existing Security*) except to the extent the principal amount secured by that Security exceeds the amount stated in that Schedule;
  - (ii) any netting or set-off arrangement entered into by any member of the Group in the ordinary course of its banking arrangements for the purpose of netting debit and credit balances;
  - (iii) any lien arising by operation of law and in the ordinary course of trading;
  - (iv) any Security over or affecting any asset acquired by a member of the Group after the date of this Agreement if:
    - (A) the Security was not created in contemplation of the acquisition of that asset by a member of the Group;
    - (B) the principal amount secured has not been increased in contemplation of or since the acquisition of that asset by a member of the Group; and

			date of acquisition of such asset;
		(v)	any Security over or affecting any asset of any company which becomes a member of the Group after the date of this Agreement, where the Security is created prior to the date on which that company becomes a member of the Group, if:
			(A) the Security was not created in contemplation of the acquisition of that company;
			(B) the principal amount secured has not increased in contemplation of or since the acquisition of that company; and
			(C) the Security is removed or discharged within [] months of that company becoming a member of the Group;
		(vi)	any Security entered into pursuant to any Finance Document;
		(vii)	[]; or
		(viii)	any Security securing indebtedness the principal amount of which (when aggregated with the principal amount of any other indebtedness which has the benefit of Security given by any member of the Group other than any permitted under paragraphs (i) to (vii) above) does not exceed [] (or its equivalent in another currency or currencies).
22.4	Disposa		
	(a)	Grou relate	Obligor shall [(and the Company shall ensure that no other member of the up will)], enter into a single transaction or a series of transactions (whether ed or not) and whether voluntary or involuntary to sell, lease, transfer or wise dispose of any asset.
	(b)	Parag	graph (a) above does not apply to any sale, lease, transfer or other disposal:
		(i)	made in the ordinary course of trading of the disposing entity;
		(ii)	of assets in exchange for other assets comparable or superior as to type, value and quality;
		(iii)	[]; or
		(iv)	where the higher of the market value or consideration receivable (when aggregated with the higher of the market value or consideration receivable for any other sale, lease, transfer or other disposal, other than any permitted under paragraphs (i) to [(iii)] above) does not exceed [] (or its equivalent in another currency or currencies) in any financial year.
22.5	Merger		

enter into any amalgamation, demerger, merger or corporate reconstruction.

No Obligor shall (and the Company shall ensure that no other member of the Group will)

### 22.6 Change of business

The Company shall procure that no substantial change is made to the general nature of the business of the Company or the Group from that carried on at the date of this Agreement.

### 23. EVENTS OF DEFAULT

Each of the events or circumstances set out in Clause 23 is an Event of Default.

### 23.1 Non-payment

An Obligor does not pay on the due date any amount payable pursuant to a Finance Document at the place and in the currency in which it is expressed to be payable unless:

- (a) its failure to pay is caused by:
  - (i) administrative or technical error; or
  - (ii) a Disruption Event; and
- (b) [payment is made within:
  - (i) (in the case of (a)(i) above [•] Business Days of its due date; or
  - (ii) (in the case of (a)(ii) above [•] Business Days of its due date.]/
- [(b) payment is made within [•] Business Days of its due date.]

### 23.2 Financial covenants

Any requirement of Clause 21 (Financial covenants) is not satisfied.

### 23.3 Other obligations

- (a) An Obligor does not comply with any provision of the Finance Documents (other than those referred to in Clause 23.1 (*Non-payment*) [and Clause 23.2 (*Financial covenants*)]).
- (b) No Event of Default under paragraph (a) above in relation to Clause [\_\_\_\_] will occur if the failure to comply is capable of remedy and is remedied within:

	(i)	(in relation to	[ ])[	Business Days;	or
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(ii) (in relation to [\_\_\_\_]) [\_\_\_] Business Days,

of the Agent giving notice to the Company or the Company becoming aware of the failure to comply.

### 23.4 Misrepresentation

Any representation or statement made or deemed to be made by an Obligor in the Finance Documents or any other document delivered by or on behalf of any Obligor under or in connection with any Finance Document is or proves to have been incorrect or misleading in any material respect when made or deemed to be made.

#### 23.5 Cross default

- (a) Any Financial Indebtedness of any member of the Group is not paid when due nor within any originally applicable grace period.
- (b) Any Financial Indebtedness of any member of the Group is declared to be or otherwise becomes due and payable prior to its specified maturity as a result of an event of default (however described).
- (c) Any commitment for any Financial Indebtedness of any member of the Group is cancelled or suspended by a creditor of any member of the Group as a result of an event of default (however described).
- (d) Any creditor of any member of the Group becomes entitled to declare any Financial Indebtedness of any member of the Group due and payable prior to its specified maturity as a result of an event of default (however described).
- (e) No Event of Default will occur under this Clause 23.5 if the aggregate amount of Financial Indebtedness or commitment for Financial Indebtedness falling within paragraphs (a) to (d) above is less than [\_\_\_\_\_] (or its equivalent in any other currency or currencies).

### 23.6 Insolvency

- (a) A member of the Group is unable or admits inability to pay its debts as they fall due, suspends making payments on any of its debts or, by reason of actual or anticipated financial difficulties, commences negotiations with one or more of its creditors with a view to rescheduling any of its indebtedness.
- (b) The value of the assets of any member of the Group is less than its liabilities (taking into account contingent and prospective liabilities).
- (c) A moratorium is declared in respect of any indebtedness of any member of the Group.

### 23.7 Insolvency proceedings

Any corporate action, legal proceedings or other procedure or step is taken in relation to:

- (a) the suspension of payments, a moratorium of any indebtedness, winding-up, dissolution, administration or reorganisation (by way of voluntary arrangement, scheme of arrangement or otherwise) of any member of the Group other than a solvent liquidation or reorganisation of any member of the Group which is not an Obligor;
- (b) a composition, compromise, assignment or arrangement with any creditor of any member of the Group;
- (c) the appointment of a liquidator (other than in respect of a solvent liquidation of a member of the Group which is not an Obligor), receiver, administrative receiver, administrator, compulsory manager or other similar officer in respect of any member of the Group or any of its assets; or
- (d) enforcement of any Security over any assets of any member of the Group,

or any analogous procedure or step is taken in any jurisdiction.

### 23.8 Creditors' process

Any expropriation, attachment, sequestration, distress or execution affects any asset or assets of a member of the Group [having an aggregate value of [ ]] [and is not discharged within [ ] days].

### 23.9 Ownership of the Obligors

An Obligor (other than the Company) is not or ceases to be a Subsidiary of the Company.

#### 23.10 Unlawfulness

It is or becomes unlawful for an Obligor to perform any of its obligations under the Finance Documents.

### 23.11 **Repudiation**

An Obligor repudiates a Finance Document or evidences an intention to repudiate a Finance Document.

### 23.12 Material adverse change

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### 23.13 Acceleration

On and at any time after the occurrence of an Event of Default [which is continuing] the Agent may, and shall if so directed by the Majority Lenders, by notice to the Company:

- (a) cancel the Total Commitments whereupon they shall immediately be cancelled;
- (b) declare that all or part of the Loans, together with accrued interest, and all other amounts accrued or outstanding under the Finance Documents be immediately due and payable, whereupon they shall become immediately due and payable; and/or
- (c) declare that all or part of the Loans be payable on demand, whereupon they shall immediately become payable on demand by the Agent on the instructions of the Majority Lenders.

# SECTION 9 CHANGES TO PARTIES

### 24. CHANGES TO THE LENDERS

### 24.1 Assignments and transfers by the Lenders

Subject to this Clause 24, a Lender (the "Existing Lender") may:

- (a) assign any of its rights; or
- (b) transfer by novation any of its rights and obligations,

to another bank or financial institution or to a trust, fund or other entity which is regularly engaged in or established for the purpose of making, purchasing or investing in loans, securities or other financial assets (the "**New Lender**").

### 24.2 Conditions of assignment or transfer

- (a) The consent of the Company is required for an assignment or transfer by an Existing Lender, unless the assignment or transfer is to another Lender or an Affiliate of a Lender.
- (b) The consent of the Company to an assignment or transfer must not be unreasonably withheld or delayed. The Company will be deemed to have given its consent five Business Days after the Existing Lender has requested it unless consent is expressly refused by the Company within that time.
- (c) The consent of the Company to an assignment or transfer must not be withheld solely because the assignment or transfer may result in an increase to the Mandatory Cost.
- (d) An assignment will only be effective on:
  - (i) receipt by the Agent of written confirmation from the New Lender (in form and substance satisfactory to the Agent) that the New Lender will assume the same obligations to the other Finance Parties as it would have been under if it was an Original Lender; and
  - (ii) performance by the Agent of all necessary "know your customer" or other similar checks under all applicable laws and regulations in relation to such assignment to a New Lender, the completion of which the Agent shall promptly notify to the Existing Lender and the New Lender.
- (e) A transfer will only be effective if the procedure set out in Clause 24.5 (*Procedure for transfer*) is complied with.
- (f) If:
  - (i) a Lender assigns or transfers any of its rights or obligations under the Finance Documents or changes its Facility Office; and
  - (ii) as a result of circumstances existing at the date the assignment, transfer or change occurs, an Obligor would be obliged to make a payment to the

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New Lender or Lender acting through its new Facility Office under Clause 13 (*Tax gross-up and indemnities*) or Clause 14 (*Increased Costs*),

then the New Lender or Lender acting through its new Facility Office is only entitled to receive payment under those Clauses to the same extent as the Existing Lender or Lender acting through its previous Facility Office would have been if the assignment, transfer or change had not occurred.

### 24.3 Assignment or transfer fee

The New Lender shall, on the date upon which an assignment or transfer takes effect, pay to the Agent (for its own account) a fee of [\_\_\_\_].

### 24.4 Limitation of responsibility of Existing Lenders

- (a) Unless expressly agreed to the contrary, an Existing Lender makes no representation or warranty and assumes no responsibility to a New Lender for:
  - (i) the legality, validity, effectiveness, adequacy or enforceability of the Finance Documents or any other documents;
  - (ii) the financial condition of any Obligor;
  - (iii) the performance and observance by any Obligor of its obligations under the Finance Documents or any other documents; or
  - (iv) the accuracy of any statements (whether written or oral) made in or in connection with any Finance Document or any other document,

and any representations or warranties implied by law are excluded.

- (b) Each New Lender confirms to the Existing Lender and the other Finance Parties that it:
  - (i) has made (and shall continue to make) its own independent investigation and assessment of the financial condition and affairs of each Obligor and its related entities in connection with its participation in this Agreement and has not relied exclusively on any information provided to it by the Existing Lender in connection with any Finance Document; and
  - (ii) will continue to make its own independent appraisal of the creditworthiness of each Obligor and its related entities whilst any amount is or may be outstanding under the Finance Documents or any Commitment is in force.
- (c) Nothing in any Finance Document obliges an Existing Lender to:
  - (i) accept a re-transfer from a New Lender of any of the rights and obligations assigned or transferred under this Clause 24; or
  - (ii) support any losses directly or indirectly incurred by the New Lender by reason of the non-performance by any Obligor of its obligations under the Finance Documents or otherwise.

### 24.5 **Procedure for transfer**

- (a) Subject to the conditions set out in Clause 24.2 (*Conditions of assignment or transfer*) a transfer is effected in accordance with paragraph (c) below when the Agent executes an otherwise duly completed Transfer Certificate delivered to it by the Existing Lender and the New Lender. The Agent shall, subject to paragraph (b) below, as soon as reasonably practicable after receipt by it of a duly completed Transfer Certificate appearing on its face to comply with the terms of this Agreement and delivered in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, execute that Transfer Certificate.
- (b) The Agent shall only be obliged to execute a Transfer Certificate delivered to it by the Existing Lender and the New Lender once it is satisfied it has complied with all necessary "know your customer" or other similar checks under all applicable laws and regulations in relation to the transfer to such New Lender.

### (c) On the Transfer Date:

- (i) to the extent that in the Transfer Certificate the Existing Lender seeks to transfer by novation its rights and obligations under the Finance Documents each of the Obligors and the Existing Lender shall be released from further obligations towards one another under the Finance Documents and their respective rights against one another under the Finance Documents shall be cancelled (being the "Discharged Rights and Obligations");
- (ii) each of the Obligors and the New Lender shall assume obligations towards one another and/or acquire rights against one another which differ from the Discharged Rights and Obligations only insofar as that Obligor and the New Lender have assumed and/or acquired the same in place of that Obligor and the Existing Lender;
- (iii) the Agent, the Arranger, the New Lender and other Lenders shall acquire the same rights and assume the same obligations between themselves as they would have acquired and assumed had the New Lender been an Original Lender with the rights and/or obligations acquired or assumed by it as a result of the transfer and to that extent the Agent, the Arranger and the Existing Lender shall each be released from further obligations to each other under the Finance Documents; and
- (iv) the New Lender shall become a Party as a "Lender".

### 24.6 Copy of Transfer Certificate to Company

The Agent shall, as soon as reasonably practicable after it has executed a Transfer Certificate, send to the Company a copy of that Transfer Certificate.

#### 24.7 **Disclosure of information**

Any Lender may disclose to any of its Affiliates and any other person:

(a) to (or through) whom that Lender assigns or transfers (or may potentially assign or transfer) all or any of its rights and obligations under this Agreement;

- (b) with (or through) whom that Lender enters into (or may potentially enter into) any sub-participation in relation to, or any other transaction under which payments are to be made by reference to, this Agreement or any Obligor; or
- (c) to whom, and to the extent that, information is required to be disclosed by any applicable law or regulation,

any information about any Obligor, the Group and the Finance Documents as that Lender shall consider appropriate [if, in relation to paragraphs (a) and (b) above, the person to whom the information is to be given has entered into a Confidentiality Undertaking].

#### 25. CHANGES TO THE OBLIGORS

### 25.1 Assignments and transfer by Obligors

No Obligor may assign any of its rights or transfer any of its rights or obligations under the Finance Documents.

#### 25.2 Additional Borrowers

- (a) Subject to compliance with the provisions of paragraphs (c) and (d) of Clause 20.7 ("Know your customer" checks), the Company may request that any of its [wholly owned] Subsidiaries becomes an Additional Borrower. That Subsidiary shall become an Additional Borrower if:
  - (i) [all the Lenders]/[the Majority Lenders] approve the addition of that Subsidiary;
  - (ii) the Company delivers to the Agent a duly completed and executed Accession Letter;
  - (iii) the Company confirms that no Default is continuing or would occur as a result of that Subsidiary becoming an Additional Borrower; and
  - (iv) the Agent has received all of the documents and other evidence listed in Part II of Schedule 2 (*Conditions precedent*) in relation to that Additional Borrower, each in form and substance satisfactory to the Agent.
- (b) The Agent shall notify the Company and the Lenders promptly upon being satisfied that it has received (in form and substance satisfactory to it) all the documents and other evidence listed in Part II of Schedule 2 (*Conditions precedent*).

### 25.3 Resignation of a Borrower

- (a) The Company may request that a Borrower (other than the Company) ceases to be a Borrower by delivering to the Agent a Resignation Letter.
- (b) The Agent shall accept a Resignation Letter and notify the Company and the Lenders of its acceptance if:
  - (i) no Default is continuing or would result from the acceptance of the Resignation Letter (and the Company has confirmed this is the case); and

(ii) the Borrower is under no actual or contingent obligations as a Borrower under any Finance Documents,

whereupon that company shall cease to be a Borrower and shall have no further rights or obligations under the Finance Documents.

### 25.4 Additional Guarantors

- Subject to compliance with the provisions of paragraphs (c) and (d) of Clause 20.7 ("Know your customer" checks), the Company may request that any of its [wholly owned] Subsidiaries become an Additional Guarantor. That Subsidiary shall become an Additional Guarantor if:
  - (i) the Company delivers to the Agent a duly completed and executed Accession Letter; and
  - (ii) the Agent has received all of the documents and other evidence listed in Part II of Schedule 2 (*Conditions precedent*) in relation to that Additional Guarantor, each in form and substance satisfactory to the Agent.
- (b) The Agent shall notify the Company and the Lenders promptly upon being satisfied that it has received (in form and substance satisfactory to it) all the documents and other evidence listed in Part II of Schedule 2 (*Conditions precedent*).

### 25.5 **Repetition of Representations**

Delivery of an Accession Letter constitutes confirmation by the relevant Subsidiary that the Repeating Representations are true and correct in relation to it as at the date of delivery as if made by reference to the facts and circumstances then existing.

### 25.6 Resignation of a Guarantor

- (a) The Company may request that a Guarantor (other than the Company) ceases to be a Guarantor by delivering to the Agent a Resignation Letter.
- (b) The Agent shall accept a Resignation Letter and notify the Company and the Lenders of its acceptance if:
  - (i) no Default is continuing or would result from the acceptance of the Resignation Letter (and the Company has confirmed this is the case);

(ii)	all the Lenders have consented to the Company's request; and

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# SECTION 10 THE FINANCE PARTIES

### 26. ROLE OF THE AGENT AND THE ARRANGER

### 26.1 **Appointment of the Agent**

- (a) Each other Finance Party appoints the Agent to act as its agent under and in connection with the Finance Documents.
- (b) Each other Finance Party authorises the Agent to exercise the rights, powers, authorities and discretions specifically given to the Agent under or in connection with the Finance Documents together with any other incidental rights, powers, authorities and discretions.

### 26.2 **Duties of the Agent**

- (a) The Agent shall promptly forward to a Party the original or a copy of any document which is delivered to the Agent for that Party by any other Party.
- (b) Except where a Finance Document specifically provides otherwise, the Agent is not obliged to review or check the adequacy, accuracy or completeness of any document it forwards to another Party.
- (c) If the Agent receives notice from a Party referring to this Agreement, describing a Default and stating that the circumstance described is a Default, it shall promptly notify the Finance Parties.
- (d) If the Agent is aware of the non-payment of any principal, interest, commitment fee or other fee payable to a Finance Party (other than the Agent or the Arranger) under this Agreement it shall promptly notify the other Finance Parties.
- (e) The Agent's duties under the Finance Documents are solely mechanical and administrative in nature.

### 26.3 Role of the Arranger

Except as specifically provided in the Finance Documents, the Arranger has no obligations of any kind to any other Party under or in connection with any Finance Document.

### 26.4 No fiduciary duties

- (a) Nothing in this Agreement constitutes the Agent or the Arranger as a trustee or fiduciary of any other person.
- (b) Neither the Agent nor the Arranger shall be bound to account to any Lender for any sum or the profit element of any sum received by it for its own account.

### 26.5 **Business with the Group**

The Agent and the Arranger may accept deposits from, lend money to and generally engage in any kind of banking or other business with any member of the Group.

### 26.6 Rights and discretions of the Agent

- (a) The Agent may rely on:
  - (i) any representation, notice or document believed by it to be genuine, correct and appropriately authorised; and
  - (ii) any statement made by a director, authorised signatory or employee of any person regarding any matters which may reasonably be assumed to be within his knowledge or within his power to verify.
- (b) The Agent may assume (unless it has received notice to the contrary in its capacity as agent for the Lenders) that:
  - (i) no Default has occurred (unless it has actual knowledge of a Default arising under Clause 23.1 (*Non-payment*));
  - (ii) any right, power, authority or discretion vested in any Party or the Majority Lenders has not been exercised; and
  - (iii) any notice or request made by the Company (other than a Utilisation Request or Selection Notice) is made on behalf of and with the consent and knowledge of all the Obligors.
- (c) The Agent may engage, pay for and rely on the advice or services of any lawyers, accountants, surveyors or other experts.
- (d) The Agent may act in relation to the Finance Documents through its personnel and agents.
- (e) The Agent may disclose to any other Party any information it reasonably believes it has received as agent under this Agreement.
- (f) Notwithstanding any other provision of any Finance Document to the contrary, neither the Agent nor the Arranger is obliged to do or omit to do anything if it would or might in its reasonable opinion constitute a breach of any law or regulation or a breach of a fiduciary duty or duty of confidentiality.

### 26.7 **Majority Lenders' instructions**

- (a) Unless a contrary indication appears in a Finance Document, the Agent shall (i) exercise any right, power, authority or discretion vested in it as Agent in accordance with any instructions given to it by the Majority Lenders (or, if so instructed by the Majority Lenders, refrain from exercising any right, power, authority or discretion vested in it as Agent) and (ii) not be liable for any act (or omission) if it acts (or refrains from taking any action) in accordance with an instruction of the Majority Lenders.
- (b) Unless a contrary indication appears in a Finance Document, any instructions given by the Majority Lenders will be binding on all the Finance Parties.
- (c) The Agent may refrain from acting in accordance with the instructions of the Majority Lenders (or, if appropriate, the Lenders) until it has received such

- security as it may require for any cost, loss or liability (together with any associated VAT) which it may incur in complying with the instructions.
- (d) In the absence of instructions from the Majority Lenders, (or, if appropriate, the Lenders) the Agent may act (or refrain from taking action) as it considers to be in the best interest of the Lenders.
- (e) The Agent is not authorised to act on behalf of a Lender (without first obtaining that Lender's consent) in any legal or arbitration proceedings relating to any Finance Document.

### 26.8 Responsibility for documentation

Neither the Agent nor the Arranger:

- (a) is responsible for the adequacy, accuracy and/or completeness of any information (whether oral or written) supplied by the Agent, the Arranger, an Obligor or any other person given in or in connection with any Finance Document or the Information Memorandum; or
- (b) is responsible for the legality, validity, effectiveness, adequacy or enforceability of any Finance Document or any other agreement, arrangement or document entered into, made or executed in anticipation of or in connection with any Finance Document.

### 26.9 Exclusion of liability

- (a) Without limiting paragraph (b) below [(and without prejudice to the provisions of paragraph (e) of Clause 29.10 (Disruption to Payment Systems etc.)]<sup>11</sup>, the Agent will not be liable [(including, without limitation, for negligence or any other category of liability whatsoever)]<sup>11</sup> for any action taken by it under or in connection with any Finance Document, unless directly caused by its gross negligence or wilful misconduct.
- No Party (other than the Agent) may take any proceedings against any officer, employee or agent of the Agent in respect of any claim it might have against the Agent or in respect of any act or omission of any kind by that officer, employee or agent in relation to any Finance Document and any officer, employee or agent of the Agent may rely on this Clause [subject to Clause 1.3 (*Third Party Rights*) and the provisions of the Third Parties Act]. 12
- (c) The Agent will not be liable for any delay (or any related consequences) in crediting an account with an amount required under the Finance Documents to be paid by the Agent if the Agent has taken all necessary steps as soon as reasonably practicable to comply with the regulations or operating procedures of any recognised clearing or settlement system used by the Agent for that purpose.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> Only include words in brackets if the optional Clause 29.10 has been included.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> Only include words in brackets if second option in Clause 1.3 has been used.

(d) Nothing in this Agreement shall oblige the Agent or the Arranger to carry out any "know your customer" or other checks in relation to any person on behalf of any Lender and each Lender confirms to the Agent and the Arranger that it is solely responsible for any such checks it is required to carry out and that it may not rely on any statement in relation to such checks made by the Agent or the Arranger.

### 26.10 Lenders' indemnity to the Agent

Each Lender shall (in proportion to its share of the Total Commitments or, if the Total Commitments are then zero, to its share of the Total Commitments immediately prior to their reduction to zero) indemnify the Agent, within three Business Days of demand, against any cost, loss or liability [(including, without limitation, for negligence or any other category of liability whatsoever)]<sup>13</sup> incurred by the Agent (otherwise than by reason of the Agent's gross negligence or wilful misconduct)[ (or, in the case of any cost, loss or liability pursuant to Clause 29.10 (*Disruption to Payment Systems etc.*) notwithstanding the Agent's negligence, gross negligence or any other category of liability whatsoever but not including any claim based on the fraud of the Agent)]<sup>14</sup> in acting as Agent under the Finance Documents (unless the Agent has been reimbursed by an Obligor pursuant to a Finance Document).

### 26.11 **Resignation of the Agent**

- (a) The Agent may resign and appoint one of its Affiliates acting through an office [in the United Kingdom] as successor by giving notice to the other Finance Parties and the Company.
- (b) Alternatively the Agent may resign by giving notice to the other Finance Parties and the Company, in which case the Majority Lenders (after consultation with the Company) may appoint a successor Agent.
- (c) If the Majority Lenders have not appointed a successor Agent in accordance with paragraph (b) above within 30 days after notice of resignation was given, the Agent (after consultation with the Company) may appoint a successor Agent [(acting through an office in the United Kingdom)].
- (d) The retiring Agent shall, at its own cost, make available to the successor Agent such documents and records and provide such assistance as the successor Agent may reasonably request for the purposes of performing its functions as Agent under the Finance Documents.
- (e) The Agent's resignation notice shall only take effect upon the appointment of a successor.
- (f) Upon the appointment of a successor, the retiring Agent shall be discharged from any further obligation in respect of the Finance Documents but shall remain entitled to the benefit of this Clause 26. Its successor and each of the

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> Only include words in brackets if the optional Clause 29.10 has been included.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> Parties to consider if appropriate if the optional Clause 29.10 has been included.

other Parties shall have the same rights and obligations amongst themselves as they would have had if such successor had been an original Party.

(g) After consultation with the Company, the Majority Lenders may, by notice to the Agent, require it to resign in accordance with paragraph (b) above. In this event, the Agent shall resign in accordance with paragraph (b) above.

### 26.12 Confidentiality

- (a) In acting as agent for the Finance Parties, the Agent shall be regarded as acting through its agency division which shall be treated as a separate entity from any other of its divisions or departments.
- (b) If information is received by another division or department of the Agent, it may be treated as confidential to that division or department and the Agent shall not be deemed to have notice of it.

### 26.13 Relationship with the Lenders

- (a) The Agent may treat each Lender as a Lender, entitled to payments under this Agreement and acting through its Facility Office unless it has received not less than five Business Days prior notice from that Lender to the contrary in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.
- (b) Each Lender shall supply the Agent with any information required by the Agent in order to calculate the Mandatory Cost in accordance with Schedule 4 (Mandatory Cost formulae).

### 26.14 Credit appraisal by the Lenders

Without affecting the responsibility of any Obligor for information supplied by it or on its behalf in connection with any Finance Document, each Lender confirms to the Agent and the Arranger that it has been, and will continue to be, solely responsible for making its own independent appraisal and investigation of all risks arising under or in connection with any Finance Document including but not limited to:

- (a) the financial condition, status and nature of each member of the Group;
- (b) the legality, validity, effectiveness, adequacy or enforceability of any Finance Document and any other agreement, arrangement or document entered into, made or executed in anticipation of, under or in connection with any Finance Document;
- (c) whether that Lender has recourse, and the nature and extent of that recourse, against any Party or any of its respective assets under or in connection with any Finance Document, the transactions contemplated by the Finance Documents or any other agreement, arrangement or document entered into, made or executed in anticipation of, under or in connection with any Finance Document; and
- (d) the adequacy, accuracy and/or completeness of the Information Memorandum and any other information provided by the Agent, any Party or by any other person under or in connection with any Finance Document, the transactions contemplated by the Finance Documents or any other agreement, arrangement

or document entered into, made or executed in anticipation of, under or in connection with any Finance Document.

### 26.15 Reference Banks

If a Reference Bank (or, if a Reference Bank is not a Lender, the Lender of which it is an Affiliate) ceases to be a Lender, the Agent shall (in consultation with the Company) appoint another Lender or an Affiliate of a Lender to replace that Reference Bank.

### 26.16 [Agent's Management Time

Any amount payable to the Agent under Clause 15.3 (*Indemnity to the Agent*), Clause 17 (*Costs and expenses*) and Clause 26.10 (*Lenders' indemnity to the Agent*) shall include the cost of utilising the Agent's management time or other resources and will be calculated on the basis of such reasonable daily or hourly rates as the Agent may notify to the Company and the Lenders, and is in addition to any fee paid or payable to the Agent under Clause 12 (*Fees*).]

### 26.17 Deduction from amounts payable by the Agent

If any Party owes an amount to the Agent under the Finance Documents the Agent may, after giving notice to that Party, deduct an amount not exceeding that amount from any payment to that Party which the Agent would otherwise be obliged to make under the Finance Documents and apply the amount deducted in or towards satisfaction of the amount owed. For the purposes of the Finance Documents that Party shall be regarded as having received any amount so deducted.

### 27. CONDUCT OF BUSINESS BY THE FINANCE PARTIES

No provision of this Agreement will:

- (a) interfere with the right of any Finance Party to arrange its affairs (tax or otherwise) in whatever manner it thinks fit;
- (b) oblige any Finance Party to investigate or claim any credit, relief, remission or repayment available to it or the extent, order and manner of any claim; or
- oblige any Finance Party to disclose any information relating to its affairs (tax or otherwise) or any computations in respect of Tax.

### 28. SHARING AMONG THE FINANCE PARTIES

### 28.1 **Payments to Finance Parties**

If a Finance Party (a "**Recovering Finance Party**") receives or recovers any amount from an Obligor other than in accordance with Clause 29 (*Payment mechanics*) and applies that amount to a payment due under the Finance Documents then:

- (a) the Recovering Finance Party shall, within three Business Days, notify details of the receipt or recovery to the Agent;
- (b) the Agent shall determine whether the receipt or recovery is in excess of the amount the Recovering Finance Party would have been paid had the receipt or recovery been received or made by the Agent and distributed in accordance with Clause 29 (*Payment mechanics*), without taking account of any Tax which

would be imposed on the Agent in relation to the receipt, recovery or distribution; and

the Recovering Finance Party shall, within three Business Days of demand by the Agent, pay to the Agent an amount (the "**Sharing Payment**") equal to such receipt or recovery less any amount which the Agent determines may be retained by the Recovering Finance Party as its share of any payment to be made, in accordance with Clause 29.5 (*Partial payments*).

### 28.2 **Redistribution of payments**

The Agent shall treat the Sharing Payment as if it had been paid by the relevant Obligor and distribute it between the Finance Parties (other than the Recovering Finance Party) in accordance with Clause 29.5 (*Partial payments*).

### 28.3 Recovering Finance Party's rights

- (a) On a distribution by the Agent under Clause 28.2 (*Redistribution of payments*), the Recovering Finance Party will be subrogated to the rights of the Finance Parties which have shared in the redistribution.
- (b) If and to the extent that the Recovering Finance Party is not able to rely on its rights under paragraph (a) above, the relevant Obligor shall be liable to the Recovering Finance Party for a debt equal to the Sharing Payment which is immediately due and payable.

### 28.4 Reversal of redistribution

If any part of the Sharing Payment received or recovered by a Recovering Finance Party becomes repayable and is repaid by that Recovering Finance Party, then:

- each Finance Party which has received a share of the relevant Sharing Payment pursuant to Clause 28.2 (*Redistribution of payments*) shall, upon request of the Agent, pay to the Agent for account of that Recovering Finance Party an amount equal to the appropriate part of its share of the Sharing Payment (together with an amount as is necessary to reimburse that Recovering Finance Party for its proportion of any interest on the Sharing Payment which that Recovering Finance Party is required to pay); and
- (b) that Recovering Finance Party's rights of subrogation in respect of any reimbursement shall be cancelled and the relevant Obligor will be liable to the reimbursing Finance Party for the amount so reimbursed.

#### 28.5 Exceptions

(a) This Clause 28 shall not apply to the extent that the Recovering Finance Party would not, after making any payment pursuant to this Clause, have a valid and enforceable claim against the relevant Obligor.

- (b) A Recovering Finance Party is not obliged to share with any other Finance Party any amount which the Recovering Finance Party has received or recovered as a result of taking legal or arbitration proceedings, if:
  - (i) it notified that other Finance Party of the legal or arbitration proceedings;
  - (ii) that other Finance Party had an opportunity to participate in those legal or arbitration proceedings but did not do so as soon as reasonably practicable having received notice and did not take separate legal or arbitration proceedings.

### SECTION 11 ADMINISTRATION

#### 29. PAYMENT MECHANICS

### 29.1 Payments to the Agent

- On each date on which an Obligor or a Lender is required to make a payment under a Finance Document, that Obligor or Lender shall make the same available to the Agent (unless a contrary indication appears in a Finance Document) for value on the due date at the time and in such funds specified by the Agent as being customary at the time for settlement of transactions in the relevant currency in the place of payment.
- (b) Payment shall be made to such account in the principal financial centre of the country of that currency (or, in relation to euro, in a principal financial centre in a Participating Member State or London) with such bank as the Agent specifies.

### 29.2 **Distributions by the Agent**

Each payment received by the Agent under the Finance Documents for another Party shall, subject to Clause 29.3 (*Distributions to an Obligor*) and Clause 29.4 (*Clawback*) be made available by the Agent as soon as practicable after receipt to the Party entitled to receive payment in accordance with this Agreement (in the case of a Lender, for the account of its Facility Office), to such account as that Party may notify to the Agent by not less than five Business Days' notice with a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of that currency (or, in relation to euro, in the principal financial centre of a Participating Member State or London).

### 29.3 **Distributions to an Obligor**

The Agent may (with the consent of the Obligor or in accordance with Clause 30 (*Set-off*)) apply any amount received by it for that Obligor in or towards payment (on the date and in the currency and funds of receipt) of any amount due from that Obligor under the Finance Documents or in or towards purchase of any amount of any currency to be so applied.

### 29.4 Clawback

- (a) Where a sum is to be paid to the Agent under the Finance Documents for another Party, the Agent is not obliged to pay that sum to that other Party (or to enter into or perform any related exchange contract) until it has been able to establish to its satisfaction that it has actually received that sum.
- (b) If the Agent pays an amount to another Party and it proves to be the case that the Agent had not actually received that amount, then the Party to whom that amount (or the proceeds of any related exchange contract) was paid by the Agent shall on demand refund the same to the Agent together with interest on that amount from the date of payment to the date of receipt by the Agent, calculated by the Agent to reflect its cost of funds.

### 29.5 **Partial payments**

(a) If the Agent receives a payment that is insufficient to discharge all the amounts then due and payable by an Obligor under the Finance Documents, the Agent

shall apply that payment towards the obligations of that Obligor under the Finance Documents in the following order:

- (i) **first**, in or towards payment pro rata of any unpaid fees, costs and expenses of the Agent under the Finance Documents;
- (ii) **secondly**, in or towards payment pro rata of any accrued interest, fee or commission due but unpaid under this Agreement;
- (iii) **thirdly**, in or towards payment pro rata of any principal due but unpaid under this Agreement; and
- (iv) **fourthly**, in or towards payment pro rata of any other sum due but unpaid under the Finance Documents.
- (b) The Agent shall, if so directed by the Majority Lenders, vary the order set out in paragraphs (a)(ii) to (iv) above.
- (c) Paragraphs (a) and (b) above will override any appropriation made by an Obligor.

### 29.6 No set-off by Obligors

All payments to be made by an Obligor under the Finance Documents shall be calculated and be made without (and free and clear of any deduction for) set-off or counterclaim.

### 29.7 Business Days

- (a) Any payment which is due to be made on a day that is not a Business Day shall be made on the next Business Day in the same calendar month (if there is one) or the preceding Business Day (if there is not).
- (b) During any extension of the due date for payment of any principal or Unpaid Sum under this Agreement interest is payable on the principal or Unpaid Sum at the rate payable on the original due date.

### 29.8 Currency of account

- (a) Subject to paragraphs (b) to (e) below, the Base Currency is the currency of account and payment for any sum due from an Obligor under any Finance Document.
- (b) A repayment of a Loan or Unpaid Sum or a part of a Loan or Unpaid Sum shall be made in the currency in which that Loan or Unpaid Sum is denominated on its due date.
- (c) Each payment of interest shall be made in the currency in which the sum in respect of which the interest is payable was denominated when that interest accrued.
- (d) Each payment in respect of costs, expenses or Taxes shall be made in the currency in which the costs, expenses or Taxes are incurred.
- (e) Any amount expressed to be payable in a currency other than the Base Currency shall be paid in that other currency.

### 29.9 Change of currency

- (a) Unless otherwise prohibited by law, if more than one currency or currency unit are at the same time recognised by the central bank of any country as the lawful currency of that country, then:
  - (i) any reference in the Finance Documents to, and any obligations arising under the Finance Documents in, the currency of that country shall be translated into, or paid in, the currency or currency unit of that country designated by the Agent (after consultation with the Company); and
  - (ii) any translation from one currency or currency unit to another shall be at the official rate of exchange recognised by the central bank for the conversion of that currency or currency unit into the other, rounded up or down by the Agent (acting reasonably).
- (b) If a change in any currency of a country occurs, this Agreement will, to the extent the Agent (acting reasonably and after consultation with the Company) specifies to be necessary, be amended to comply with any generally accepted conventions and market practice in the Relevant Interbank Market and otherwise to reflect the change in currency.

### 29.10 [Disruption to Payment Systems etc.

If either the Agent determines (in its discretion) that a Disruption Event has occurred or the Agent is notified by the Company that a Disruption Event has occurred:

- (a) the Agent may, and shall if requested to do so by the Company, consult with the Company with a view to agreeing with the Company such changes to the operation or administration of the Facilities as the Agent may deem necessary in the circumstances;
- (b) the Agent shall not be obliged to consult with the Company in relation to any changes mentioned in paragraph (a) if, in its opinion, it is not practicable to do so in the circumstances and, in any event, shall have no obligation to agree to such changes;
- (c) the Agent may consult with the Finance Parties in relation to any changes mentioned in paragraph (a) but shall not be obliged to do so if, in its opinion, it is not practicable to do so in the circumstances;
- any such changes agreed upon by the Agent and the Company shall (whether or not it is finally determined that a Disruption Event has occurred) be binding upon the Parties as an amendment to (or, as the case may be, waiver of) the terms of the Finance Documents notwithstanding the provisions of Clause 35 (Amendments and Waivers);
- (e) the Agent shall not be liable for any damages, costs or losses whatsoever (including, without limitation for negligence, gross negligence or any other category of liability whatsoever but not including any claim based on the fraud of the Agent) arising as a result of its taking, or failing to take, any actions pursuant to or in connection with this Clause 29.10; and

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(f) the Agent shall notify the Finance Parties of all changes agreed pursuant to paragraph (d) above.]

#### 30. **SET-OFF**

A Finance Party may set off any matured obligation due from an Obligor under the Finance Documents (to the extent beneficially owned by that Finance Party) against any matured obligation owed by that Finance Party to that Obligor, regardless of the place of payment, booking branch or currency of either obligation. If the obligations are in different currencies, the Finance Party may convert either obligation at a market rate of exchange in its usual course of business for the purpose of the set-off.

### 31. **NOTICES**

### 31.1 Communications in writing

Any communication to be made under or in connection with the Finance Documents shall be made in writing and, unless otherwise stated, may be made by fax or letter.

### 31.2 Addresses

The address and fax number (and the department or officer, if any, for whose attention the communication is to be made) of each Party for any communication or document to be made or delivered under or in connection with the Finance Documents is:

- (a) in the case of the Company, that identified with its name below;
- (b) in the case of each Lender or any other Original Obligor, that notified in writing to the Agent on or prior to the date on which it becomes a Party; and
- (c) in the case of the Agent, that identified with its name below,

or any substitute address or fax number or department or officer as the Party may notify to the Agent (or the Agent may notify to the other Parties, if a change is made by the Agent) by not less than five Business Days' notice.

### 31.3 **Delivery**

- (a) Any communication or document made or delivered by one person to another under or in connection with the Finance Documents will only be effective:
  - (i) if by way of fax, when received in legible form; or
  - (ii) if by way of letter, when it has been left at the relevant address or [five] Business Days after being deposited in the post postage prepaid in an envelope addressed to it at that address;

and, if a particular department or officer is specified as part of its address details provided under Clause 31.2 (*Addresses*), if addressed to that department or officer.

(b) Any communication or document to be made or delivered to the Agent will be effective only when actually received by the Agent and then only if it is expressly marked for the attention of the department or officer identified with

the Agent's signature below (or any substitute department or officer as the Agent shall specify for this purpose).

- (c) All notices from or to an Obligor shall be sent through the Agent.
- (d) Any communication or document made or delivered to the Company in accordance with this Clause will be deemed to have been made or delivered to each of the Obligors.

### 31.4 Notification of address and fax number

Promptly upon receipt of notification of an address or fax number or change of address or fax number pursuant to Clause 31.2 (*Addresses*) or changing its own address or fax number, the Agent shall notify the other Parties.

### 31.5 Electronic communication

- (a) Any communication to be made between the Agent and a Lender under or in connection with the Finance Documents may be made by electronic mail or other electronic means, if the Agent and the relevant Lender:
  - (i) agree that, unless and until notified to the contrary, this is to be an accepted form of communication;
  - (ii) notify each other in writing of their electronic mail address and/or any other information required to enable the sending and receipt of information by that means; and
  - (iii) notify each other of any change to their address or any other such information supplied by them.
- (b) Any electronic communication made between the Agent and a Lender will be effective only when actually received in readable form and in the case of any electronic communication made by a Lender to the Agent only if it is addressed in such a manner as the Agent shall specify for this purpose.

## 31.6 **English language**

- (a) Any notice given under or in connection with any Finance Document must be in English.
- (b) All other documents provided under or in connection with any Finance Document must be:
  - (i) in English; or
  - (ii) if not in English, and if so required by the Agent, accompanied by a certified English translation and, in this case, the English translation will prevail unless the document is a constitutional, statutory or other official document.

#### 32. CALCULATIONS AND CERTIFICATES

#### 32.1 Accounts

In any litigation or arbitration proceedings arising out of or in connection with a Finance Document, the entries made in the accounts maintained by a Finance Party are prima facie evidence of the matters to which they relate.

#### **Certificates and Determinations** 32.2

Any certification or determination by a Finance Party of a rate or amount under any Finance Document is, in the absence of manifest error, conclusive evidence of the matters to which it relates.

#### Day count convention 32.3

Any interest, commission or fee accruing under a Finance Document will accrue from day to day and is calculated on the basis of the actual number of days elapsed and a year of 360 days or, in any case where the practice in the Relevant Interbank Market differs, in accordance with that market practice.

#### 33. PARTIAL INVALIDITY

If, at any time, any provision of the Finance Documents is or becomes illegal, invalid or unenforceable in any respect under any law of any jurisdiction, neither the legality, validity or enforceability of the remaining provisions nor the legality, validity or enforceability of such provision under the law of any other jurisdiction will in any way be affected or impaired.

#### 34. REMEDIES AND WAIVERS

No failure to exercise, nor any delay in exercising, on the part of any Finance Party, any right or remedy under the Finance Documents shall operate as a waiver, nor shall any single or partial exercise of any right or remedy prevent any further or other exercise or the exercise of any other right or remedy. The rights and remedies provided in this Agreement are cumulative and not exclusive of any rights or remedies provided by law.

#### AMENDMENTS AND WAIVERS 35.

#### 35.1 **Required consents**

- (a) Subject to Clause 35.2 (Exceptions) any term of the Finance Documents may be amended or waived only with the consent of the Majority Lenders and the Obligors and any such amendment or waiver will be binding on all Parties.
- The Agent may effect, on behalf of any Finance Party, any amendment or (b) waiver permitted by this Clause.

#### 35.2 **Exceptions**

- An amendment or waiver that has the effect of changing or which relates to: (a)
  - (i) the definition of "Majority Lenders" in Clause 1.1 (*Definitions*);
  - an extension to the date of payment of any amount under the Finance (ii) Documents:

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- (iii) a reduction in the Margin or a reduction in the amount of any payment of principal, interest, fees or commission payable;
- (iv) an increase in or an extension of any Commitment;
- (v) a change to the Borrowers or Guarantors other than in accordance with Clause 25 (*Changes to the Obligors*);
- (vi) any provision which expressly requires the consent of all the Lenders;
- (vii) Clause 2.2 (Finance Parties' rights and obligations), Clause 24 (Changes to the Lenders) or this Clause 35; or
- (viii) [\_\_\_\_],

shall not be made without the prior consent of all the Lenders.

(b) An amendment or waiver which relates to the rights or obligations of the Agent or the Arranger may not be effected without the consent of the Agent or the Arranger.

## 36. COUNTERPARTS

Each Finance Document may be executed in any number of counterparts, and this has the same effect as if the signatures on the counterparts were on a single copy of the Finance Document.

## **SECTION 12**

## GOVERNING LAW AND ENFORCEMENT

#### 37. **GOVERNING LAW**

This Agreement is governed by English law.

#### **ENFORCEMENT** 38.

#### 38.1 Jurisdiction

- The courts of England have exclusive jurisdiction to settle any dispute arising (a) out of or in connection with this Agreement (including a dispute regarding the existence, validity or termination of this Agreement) (a "Dispute").
- The Parties agree that the courts of England are the most appropriate and (b) convenient courts to settle Disputes and accordingly no Party will argue to the contrary.
- This Clause 38.1 is for the benefit of the Finance Parties only. As a result, no (c) Finance Party shall be prevented from taking proceedings relating to a Dispute in any other courts with jurisdiction. To the extent allowed by law, the Finance Parties may take concurrent proceedings in any number of jurisdictions.

#### 38.2 **Service of process**

Without prejudice to any other mode of service allowed under any relevant law, each Obligor (other than an Obligor incorporated in England and Wales):

- irrevocably appoints [the Company]/[ ] as its agent for service of process (a) in relation to any proceedings before the English courts in connection with any Finance Document; and
- agrees that failure by a process agent to notify the relevant Obligor of the (b) process will not invalidate the proceedings concerned.

This Agreement has been entered into on the date stated at the beginning of this Agreement.

# THE ORIGINAL PARTIES

# Part I The Original Obligors

Name of Original Borrower

Registration number (or equivalent, if any)

Name of Original Guarantor

Registration number (or equivalent, if any)

# Part II The Original Lenders - other than UK Non-Bank Lenders

Name of Original Lender

Facility A Commitment

Facility B Commitment

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# Part III The Original Lenders - UK Non-Bank Lenders

Name of Original Lender Facility A Commitment Facility B Commitment

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## CONDITIONS PRECEDENT

# Part I

### **Conditions Precedent To Initial Utilisation**

## 1. **Original Obligors**

- (a) A copy of the constitutional documents of each Original Obligor.
- (b) A copy of a resolution of the board of directors of each Original Obligor:
  - (i) approving the terms of, and the transactions contemplated by, the Finance Documents to which it is a party and resolving that it execute the Finance Documents to which it is a party;
  - (ii) authorising a specified person or persons to execute the Finance Documents to which it is a party on its behalf; and
  - (iii) authorising a specified person or persons, on its behalf, to sign and/or despatch all documents and notices (including, if relevant, any Utilisation Request and Selection Notice) to be signed and/or despatched by it under or in connection with the Finance Documents to which it is a party.
- (c) A specimen of the signature of each person authorised by the resolution referred to in paragraph (b) above.
- (d) [A copy of a resolution signed by all the holders of the issued shares in each Original Guarantor, approving the terms of, and the transactions contemplated by, the Finance Documents to which the Original Guarantor is a party.]
- (e) A certificate of the Company (signed by a director) confirming that borrowing or guaranteeing, as appropriate, the Total Commitments would not cause any borrowing, guaranteeing or similar limit binding on any Original Obligor to be exceeded.
- (f) A certificate of an authorised signatory of the relevant Original Obligor certifying that each copy document relating to it specified in this Part I of Schedule 2 is correct, complete and in full force and effect as at a date no earlier than the date of this Agreement.

## 2. Legal opinions

- (a) A legal opinion of [\_\_\_\_\_], legal advisers to the Arranger and the Agent in England, substantially in the form distributed to the Original Lenders prior to signing this Agreement.
- (b) If an Original Obligor is incorporated in a jurisdiction other than England and Wales, a legal opinion of the legal advisers to [the Arranger and the Agent] in

the relevant jurisdiction, substantially in the form distributed to the Original Lenders prior to signing this Agreement.

## 3. Other documents and evidence

- (a) Evidence that any process agent referred to in Clause 38.2 (*Service of process*), if not an Original Obligor, has accepted its appointment.
- (b) A copy of any other Authorisation or other document, opinion or assurance which the Agent considers to be necessary or desirable (if it has notified the Company accordingly) in connection with the entry into and performance of the transactions contemplated by any Finance Document or for the validity and enforceability of any Finance Document.
- (c) The Original Financial Statements of each Original Obligor.
- (d) Evidence that the fees, costs and expenses then due from the Company pursuant to Clause 12 (*Fees*) and Clause 17 (*Costs and expenses*) have been paid or will be paid by the first Utilisation Date.

## Part II

# Conditions Precedent Required To Be Delivered By An Additional Obligor

- 1. An Accession Letter, duly executed by the Additional Obligor and the Company.
- 2. A copy of the constitutional documents of the Additional Obligor.
- 3. A copy of a resolution of the board of directors of the Additional Obligor:
  - (a) approving the terms of, and the transactions contemplated by, the Accession Letter and the Finance Documents and resolving that it execute the Accession Letter:
  - (b) authorising a specified person or persons to execute the Accession Letter on its behalf; and
  - (c) authorising a specified person or persons, on its behalf, to sign and/or despatch all other documents and notices (including, in relation to an Additional Borrower, any Utilisation Request or Selection Notice) to be signed and/or despatched by it under or in connection with the Finance Documents.
- 4. A specimen of the signature of each person authorised by the resolution referred to in paragraph 3 above.
- 5. [A copy of a resolution signed by all the holders of the issued shares of the Additional Guarantor, approving the terms of, and the transactions contemplated by, the Finance Documents to which the Additional Guarantor is a party.]
- 6. A certificate of the Additional Obligor (signed by a director) confirming that borrowing or guaranteeing, as appropriate, the Total Commitments would not cause any borrowing, guaranteeing or similar limit binding on it to be exceeded.
- 7. A certificate of an authorised signatory of the Additional Obligor certifying that each copy document listed in this Part II of Schedule 2 is correct, complete and in full force and effect as at a date no earlier than the date of the Accession Letter.
- 8. A copy of any other Authorisation or other document, opinion or assurance which the Agent considers to be necessary or desirable in connection with the entry into and performance of the transactions contemplated by the Accession Letter or for the validity and enforceability of any Finance Document.
- 9. If available, the latest audited financial statements of the Additional Obligor.
- 10. A legal opinion of [\_\_\_\_\_\_], legal advisers to the Arranger and the Agent in England.
- 11. If the Additional Obligor is incorporated in a jurisdiction other than England and Wales, a legal opinion of the legal advisers to the Arranger and the Agent in the jurisdiction in which the Additional Obligor is incorporated.

12. If the proposed Additional Obligor is incorporated in a jurisdiction other than England and Wales, evidence that the process agent specified in Clause 38.2 (*Service of process*), if not an Obligor, has accepted its appointment in relation to the proposed Additional Obligor.

# REQUESTS

# Part I Utilisation Request

From:	[Borrower]		
To:	[Agent]		
Dated:	:		
Dear S	Sirs		
		acility Agreement "Agreement")	
1.	We refer to the Agreement. This is a Utilisation Request. Terms defined in the Agreement have the same meaning in this Utilisation Request unless given a different meaning in this Utilisation Request.		
2.	2. We wish to borrow a Loan on the following terms:		
	Proposed Utilisation Date:	[ ] (or, if that is not a Business Day, the next Business Day)	
	Facility to be utilised:	[Facility A]/[Facility B]*	
	Currency of Loan:	[ ]	
	Amount:	[ ] or, if less, the Available Facility	
	Interest Period:	[ ]	
3.	We confirm that each condition specified in Clause 4.2 (Further conditions precedent) is satisfied on the date of this Utilisation Request.		
4.	The proceeds of this Loan should be credited	to [account].	
5.	This Utilisation Request is irrevocable.		
	Yours faith	fully	
	authorised sign [name of relevant	•	

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<sup>\*</sup> Delete as appropriate.

# **PART II**

# **Selection Notice**

# APPLICABLE TO A FACILITY A LOAN

From:	[Borrower]
To:	[Agent]
Dated:	
Dear S	irs
	[Company] - [ ] Facility Agreement dated [ ] (the "Agreement")
	We refer to the Agreement. This is a Selection Notice. Terms defined in the Agreement have the same meaning in this Selection Notice unless given a different meaning in this Selection Notice.
	We refer to the following Facility A Loan[s] in [identify currency] with an Interest Period ending on [ ]*
3.	[We request that the above Facility A Loan[s] be divided into [
	or
	[We request that the next Interest Period for the above Facility A Loan[s] is [ ]].***
4.	We request that the above Facility A Loan[s] [is]/[are] [denominated in the same currency for the next Interest Period]/[denominated in the following currencies:  [] As this results in a change of currency we confirm that each condition specified in Clause 4.2 (Further conditions precedent) is satisfied on the date of this Selection Notice. The proceeds of any change in currency should be credited to [account].]
5.	This Selection Notice is irrevocable.
	Yours faithfully
	authorised signatory for [the Company on behalf of] [name of relevant Borrower]

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<sup>\*</sup> Insert details of all Facility A Loans in the same currency which have an Interest Period ending on the same date.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Use this option if division of Loans is requested.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Use this option if sub-division is not required.

# MANDATORY COST FORMULAE

Current LMA Mandatory Cost Schedule to be inserted.

# FORM OF TRANSFER CERTIFICATE

To:	[	] as Agent
From:	[The I	Existing Lender] (the "Existing Lender") and [The New Lender] (the "New $r$ ")
Dated:	:	
		[Company] – [ ] Facility Agreement dated [ ] (the "Agreement")
1.	Agreem	er to the Agreement. This is a Transfer Certificate. Terms defined in the tent have the same meaning in this Transfer Certificate unless given a different g in this Transfer Certificate.
2.	We refer to Clause 24.5 ( <i>Procedure for transfer</i> ):	
	(a)	The Existing Lender and the New Lender agree to the Existing Lender transferring to the New Lender by novation all or part of the Existing Lender's Commitment, rights and obligations referred to in the Schedule in accordance with Clause 24.5 ( <i>Procedure for transfer</i> ).
	(b)	The proposed Transfer Date is [ ].
	(c)	The Facility Office and address, fax number and attention details for notices of the New Lender for the purposes of Clause 31.2 ( <i>Addresses</i> ) are set out in the Schedule.
3.	The New Lender expressly acknowledges the limitations on the Existing Lender's obligations set out in paragraph (c) of Clause 24.4 ( <i>Limitation of responsibility of Existing Lenders</i> ).	
4.	[The New Lender confirms that the person beneficially entitled to interest payable to that Lender in respect of an advance under a Finance Document is either:	
	(a) <u>a company resident in the United Kingdom for United Kingdom tax purposes;</u>	
	(b) <u>a partnership each member of which is:</u>	
		(i) <u>a company so resident in the United Kingdom; or</u>
		(ii) a company not so resident in the United Kingdom which carries on a trade in the United Kingdom through a permanent establishment and which brings into account in computing its chargeable profits (for the purposes of section 11(2) of the Taxes Act) the whole of any share of interest

payable in respect of that advance that falls to it by reason of sections 114 and 115 of the Taxes Act; or

- (c) <u>a company not so resident in the United Kingdom which carries on a trade in the United Kingdom through a permanent establishment and which brings into account interest payable in respect of that advance in computing the chargeable profits (for the purposes of section 11(2) of the Taxes Act) of that company.]<sup>1</sup></u>
- [4/5]. This Transfer Certificate may be executed in any number of counterparts and this has the same effect as if the signatures on the counterparts were on a single copy of this Transfer Certificate.
- [5/6]. This Transfer Certificate is governed by English law.

## THE SCHEDULE

# Commitment/rights and obligations to be transferred

[insert relevant details]
[Facility Office address, fax number and attention details for notices and account details for payments,]

	payments,]		
	[Existing Lender]	[New Lender]	
	Ву:	By:	
	This Transfer Certificate is accepted by the Agent and the Transfer Date is confirmed  [		

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Include if New Lender comes within sub-paragraph (i)(B) of the definition of Qualifying Lender in Clause 13.1 (*Definitions*)

# FORM OF ACCESSION LETTER

To:	[	] as Agent
From:	[Sub	sidiary] and [Company]
Dated:	:	
Dear S	Sirs	
		[Company] – [ ] Facility Agreement dated [ ] (the "Agreement")
1.	Agree	efer to the Agreement. This is an Accession Letter. Terms defined in the ement have the same meaning in this Accession Letter unless given a differenting in this Accession Letter.
2.	the te [25.2 [Subs	idiary] agrees to become an Additional [Borrower]/[Guarantor] and to be bound by rms of the Agreement as an Additional [Borrower]/[Guarantor] pursuant to Clause (Additional Borrowers)]/[Clause 25.4 (Additional Guarantors)] of the Agreement. idiary] is a company duly incorporated under the laws of [name of relevant liction].
3.	[Subs	idiary's] administrative details are as follows:
	Addre	ess:
	Fax N	[o:
	Atten	tion:
4.	This A	Accession Letter is governed by English law.
	[This	Guarantor Accession Letter is entered into by deed.]
	[Com	pany] [Subsidiary]

# FORM OF RESIGNATION LETTER

To:	[	] as Agent
From:	[resi	gning Obligor] and [Company]
Dated:	:	
Dear S	Sirs	
		[Company] – [ ] Facility Agreement dated [ ] (the "Agreement")
1.	Agree	efer to the Agreement. This is a Resignation Letter. Terms defined in the ement have the same meaning in this Resignation Letter unless given a differenting in this Resignation Letter.
2.	Pursuant to [Clause 25.3 (Resignation of a Borrower)]/[Clause 25.6 (Resignation of a Guarantor), we request that [resigning Obligor] be released from its obligations as a [Borrower]/[Guarantor] under the Agreement.	
3.	We confirm that:	
	(a)	no Default is continuing or would result from the acceptance of this request; and
	(b)	[ ]*
4.	This l	Resignation Letter is governed by English law.
	[Com	pany] [Subsidiary]
	By:	By:

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<sup>\*</sup> Insert any other conditions required by the Facility Agreement.

## FORM OF COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATE

To:	[ ] as Agent		
From:	[Company]		
Dated:	:		
Dear S	Sirs		
	[Company dated	[ ] (the "Agreement")	
1.	We refer to the Agreement. This is a Compliance Certificate. Terms defined in the Agreement have the same meaning when used in this Compliance Certificate unless given a different meaning in this Compliance Certificate.		
2.	We confirm that: [Insert details of covenants to be certified]		
3.	[We confirm that no Default is	continuing.]*	
Signed	i:		
C	Director	Director	
	Of	of	
	[Company]	[Company]	
[insert	t applicable certification langua	$ge]^{**}$	
[for an	and on behalf of		
[name	of auditors of the Company]***		

<sup>\*</sup> If this statement cannot be made, the certificate should identify any Default that is continuing and the steps, if any, being taken to remedy it.

<sup>\*\*</sup> To be agreed with the Company's auditors and the Lenders prior to signing the Agreement.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Only applicable if the Compliance Certificate accompanies the audited financial statements and is to be signed by the auditors. To be agreed with the Company's auditors prior to signing the Agreement.

# EXISTING SECURITY

Name of Obligor Security Total

Total Principal Amount of Indebtedness Secured

# LMA FORM OF CONFIDENTIALITY UNDERTAKING

### TIMETABLES\*

Loans in euro Loans in sterling Loans in other currencies

Agent notifies the Company if a currency is approved as an Optional Currency in accordance with Clause 4.3 (*Conditions relating to Optional Currencies*)

Delivery of a duly completed Utilisation Request (Clause 5.1 (Delivery of a Utilisation Request) or a Selection Notice (Clause 10.1 (Selection of Interest Periods))

Agent determines (in relation to a Utilisation) the Base Currency Amount of the Loan, if required under Clause 5.4 (*Lenders'* participation) and notifies the Lenders of the Loan in accordance with Clause 5.4 (*Lenders'* participation)

Agent receives a notification from a Lender under Clause 6.2 (*Unavailability of a currency*)

Agent gives notice in accordance with Clause 6.2 (*Unavailability of a currency*)

Agent determines amount of the Facility A Loan in Optional Currency in accordance with Clause 6.3 (*Change of currency*)

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<sup>\* [</sup>When completing the timetables, not all times should be determined by reference to the Utilisation Date. In certain cases (ie in relation to Clause 6.2 (*Unavailability of a Currency*), Clause 6.3 (*Change of Currency*) and paragraphs (a) and (b) of Clause 6.4 (*Same Optional Currency during successive Interest Periods*) the time inserted should be determined by reference to the Quotation Day or the relevant day during the Interest Period.]

# Loans in euro Loans in other Loans in sterling currencies Agent determines amount of the Facility A Loan in Optional Currency in accordance with Clause 6.4(a) (Same Optional Currency during Successive Interest Periods) Agent determines amount of Facility A Loan in Optional Currency converted into Base Currency in accordance with Clause 6.4(b) (Same Optional Currency during Successive Interest Periods). LIBOR or EURIBOR is fixed **Quotation Day** Quotation Day as Quotation Day as of 11:00 a.m. of 11:00 a.m. as of 11:00 a.m. London time in respect of LIBOR and as of 11:00 am (Brussels time) in respect of **EURIBOR**