#### I.P. CLARKE & CO. LTD.

(Company No. 93416)

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The Secretary was instructed to complete the necessary formalities".

The foregoing is certified to be a true extract of the board minutes above referred to.

Director

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THE COMPANIES ACTS

\_\_ Director / Secretary

COMPANY LIMITED BY SHARES

CERTIFIED THAT THESE REGULATIONS .
ARE UP TO DATE INCLUDING CORES
OF ALL RESOLUTIONS AFFECTING THEM

Date

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# Memorandum

AND

Articles of Association

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#### I.P. CLARKE & CO. LIMITED

Minutes of an Extraordinary General Meeting held at S5 Basinghall Sheet, London EC2V

Present: Paul Delanen (In the Chair)

As proxy for Brenda Booth

and

As proxy for Samuel Dow

- 1. That the authorised share capital of the Company be increased from £100,000 to £50,100,000 by the creation of 50,000,000 Preference Shares of £1 each having the rights set out in 2 below.
- 2. That the articles of association of the Company be amended by the inclusion of the following new article 3 and thereafter renumber following articles as necessary:-

"The Preference Shares shall have the rights and be subject to the limitations and restrictions set out below and shall have such other rights and be subject to such other limitations and restrictions (not being inconsistent with the rights or limitations and restrictions set out in this Article 3) as the Directors may determine prior to allotment:-

#### (a) Income

- (i) Out of profits available for distribution and resolved to be distributed, the holders of the Preference Shares shall be entitled, in priority to the transfer of any sum to reserves and to any payment of dividend to the holders of any other class of shares or stock, to be paid a preferential dividend, payable in Sterling in the amount of £ 3, 221,213, such dividend to be payable on the Dividend Payment Date.
- (ii) If the Dividend Payment Date is not a Business
  Day, then payment of the dividend otherwise
  payable on such Dividend Payment Date will be made
  on the following Business Day.
- (iii) Each dividend on the Preference Shares shall ipso facto and without any resolution of the Directors or of the Company in General Meeting become a debt due from and immediately payable by the Company to the holders of the Preference Shares registered in the books of the Company on the Dividend Payment Date. If and to the extent that any debt so constituted is not paid in full on the Dividend Payment Date the unpaid amount thereof shall carry interest at the rate per annum equal to the sum of one per cent. and LIBOR applicable from time to time in respect of the period from the Dividend Payment Date to the date of actual payment compounded with quarterly rests. Such interest shall be due and payable on demand by the holders of the Preference Shares.
  - (iv) As used in this paragraph (a), except to the extent that the context requires otherwise:-

Business Day means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks are generally open for business in London;

Dividend Payment Date means 6th July 1995; and

LIBOR means in relation to any period for which any sum is overdue, the British Bankers Association settlement rate for a three month period for deposits in sterling at or about 11.00 am on the first day of such period, as shown on Telerate page 3750 on the Telerate Service that day.

#### (b) Capital

- (i) On a return of capital on a winding up, the holders of the Preference Shares shall be entitled, in priority to any payment to the holders of any other class of shares, to receive an amount in respect of each Preference Share equal to the nominal amount paid up on such Preference Share together with all arrears and accruals (if any) of the dividend payable thereon, whether pursuant to Article 3(a)(i) or Article 3(e)(iii) or not such dividend has become due and payable.
- (ii) On a return of capital (otherwise than on a winding up or on a redemption or purchase by the Company of any of its own shares of any class), the holders of the Preference Shares shall be entitled, in priority to any payment to the holders of any other class of shares, to receive an amount in respect of each Preference Share equal to the nominal amount paid on such Preference Share together with all arrears and accruals (if any) of the dividend payable thereon pursuant to Article 3(a)(i) or Article 3(e)(iii), whether or not such dividend has become due and payable.

#### (c) Voting and General Meetings

The holders of the Preference Shares shall, by virtue of and in respect of their holdings of Preference Shares, have the right to receive notice of and attend every General Meeting of the Company but, without prejudice to the rights of the holders of the Preference Shares pursuant to Sections 125 to 129 of the Companies Act 1985, shall not have the right to speak and vote at a General Meeting of the Company.

#### (d) Limitations

No Preference Share shall:-

- (i) confer any right to participate in the profits or assets of the Company other than as set out in paragraphs (a) and (b) above;
- (ii) confer any right to participate in any offer or invitation by way of rights or otherwise to subscribe for shares in the Company; or
- (iii) confer any right to receive any shares credited as paid up wholly or in part by way of a capitalisation of profits or reserves.

#### (e) Redemption

- $(\psi)$  Subject to the Companies Act 1985 (as amended):
  - (aa) the Company may redeem all the Preference Shares on the giving of not less than two Business Days (as defined in Article 3(a)(iv)) notice in writing to the holder(s) of all the Preference Shares (the date on which such redemption takes effect being

referred to in these Articles as the Early Redemption Date); and

- (bb) the Company shall redeem all the Preference
  Shares, if not redeemed pursuant to sub-paragraph
  (i)(aa) above, on 1996 (the Final Redemption Date) (either of the Early Redemption Date and the Final Redemption Date being referred to herein as the Redemption Date).
- (vi) If redemption is on the Early Redemption Date, there shall be paid on each Preference Share an amount (the Adjusted Redemption Value) found by subtracting the amount of the Rebate Proportion of £3,024,213 from the amount of capital paid up on the Preference Share. For these purposes the term Rebate Proportion means the proportion which the period from and including the Early Redemption Date to and including the Final Redemption Date bears to 365 days. In such a case the Adjusted Redemption Value shall be paid together with a sum equal to all arrears and accruals (if any) of the preferential dividend thereon irrespective of whether or not such dividend has been declared or earned or has become due and payable.
- (vii) If redemption is on the Final Redemption Date, there shall be paid on each Preference Share redeemed under sub-paragraph (i) above the amount paid up thereon, together with a sum equal to all arrears (if any) of the preferential dividend thereon irrespective of whether or not such dividend has been declared or earned or has become due and payable.
- (wii) In the case of any Preference Shares in respect of which, upon due presentation of the certificate

relating thereto, payment of the redemption monies shall be refused, a preferential dividend, payable in Sterling in the amount of  $\mathfrak{t}$ ,  $\mathfrak{C}$ ,  $\mathfrak{C}$ ,  $\mathfrak{C}$ ,  $\mathfrak{C}$ ,  $\mathfrak{C}$ , shall be payable on each anniversary of the Dividend Payment Date until the actual date of payment of such redemption monies. Preference Shares shall not be treated as having been redeemed until the monies and all arrears or deficiencies or accruals of the preferential dividend have been paid.

- ( 38%) If any holder of any of the Preference Shares to be redeemed shall fail or refuse to deliver up the certificate or certificates held at the Redemption Date or shall fail or refuse to accept payment of the redemption monies payable in respect thereof, the redemption monies payable to such holder shall be set aside and paid into a separate interest-bearing account with the Company's bankers (designated for the benefit of such holder) and such setting aside shall be deemed for all purposes hereof to be a payment to such holder and all the said holder's rights as a holder of the relevant Preference Shares shall cease and determine as from the date fixed for the redemption of such shares and the Company shall thereby be discharged from all obligations in respect thereof. The Company shall not be responsible for the safe custody of the monies so placed on deposit or for interest thereon except such interest as the said monies may earn while on deposit less any expenses incurred by the Company in connection therewith.
  - The receipt of the registered holder for the time being of any Preference Shares or in the case of joint registered holders the receipt of any of them for the monies payable on redemption thereof shall constitute

an absolute discharge to the Company in respect thereof.

(f) Further Issues and Variation of Rights

The special rights attached to the Preference Shares may be varied with the consent in writing of the holder or holders of all the Preference Shares but not otherwise.

If at any time there are Preference Shares in issue, no additional Preference Shares may be issued except pro rata to the then existing holders thereof or with the consent in writing of all such holders."

- 3. That the application to subscribe for shares contained in the subscription agreement between the Company and Barclays Bank plc be accepted and 50,000,000 Preference Shares of £1 each be allotted and issued at par to Barclays Bank plc and that the relative share certificate be issued in due course.
- 4. That the following documents and any documents ancillary to them are approved and all actions required thereunder then authorised and Paul Delaney and Philip Peacock or either of them be authorised to make such amendments as they deem necessary and thereafter execute the documents on behalf of the Company:-

A subscription agreement for the above mentioned Preference Shares between the Company and Barclays Bank plc.

The Redemption Side Letter relative to the Preference Shares addressed to Barclays Bank plc.

5. That Paul Delaney and Philip Peacock or either of them be authorised to subscribe on behalf of the Company for £50,000,000 preference shares of £1 each in Coats Viyella Finance Co. Limited at par.

On a show of hands, such resolutions were passed unanimously.

There be no further business the meeting closed.

The chairman

### COMPANY LIMITED BY SHARES

# Memorandum of Association

OF

# I. P. CLARKE & CO. LIMITED.

- 1. The name of the Company is "I. P. CLARKE & Co. LIMITED."
- 2. The Registered Office of the Company will be situated in England.
- 3. The objects for which the Company is established are :-
  - (1) To acquire and take over as a going concern the business of sewing cotton manufacturers carried on by Joseph Crisp Clarke, Ethelbert Leonard Clarke, and George Hodges Clarke, at Belgrave Mills, Leicester, and elsewhere, in co-partnership under the style or firm of "I. P. Clarke & Co.," and all or any of the assets and liabilities of the proprietors of that business in connection therewith, and with a view thereto to enter into the agreement referred to in Clause 3 of the Company's Articles of Association\*, and to carry the same into effect with or without modification.
  - (2) To carry on the business so to be acquired, and to develop and extend the same, and generally to carry on, in all or any of their branches, all or any one or more of the following businesses, that is to say, thread manufacturers and merchants, cotton spinners and doublers, flax, hemp, and jute spinners, linen manufacturers, flax, hemp, jute, and wool merchants, wool combers, worsted spinners, woollen spinners, yarn merchants, worsted stuff manufacturers, and to purchase, comb, prepare, spin, twist, dye, and deal in flax, hemp, jute, wool, cotton, silk, and other fibrous substances, bleachers and dyers, makers of vitriol, bleaching and dyeing material, manufacturers of and dealers in blocks, spools, bobbins, boxes, tickets, labels, wrappers, showcards, machines, tools, appliances, and materials required in and connected with any of the said businesses, and to trade in, deal in, sell, and dispose of the articles purchased or manufactured by the Company.

<sup>\*</sup> Dated 15th May, 1907.

- (3) To buy, sell, manufacture, use, licence, hire, refine, manipulate, import, export, and deal in engines, machinery, fittings, substances, apparatus, and things capable of being used in such businesses as aforesaid, or required by any customers or persons having dealings with the Company, either by wholesale or retail.
- (4) To purchase, take in exchange or on lease, rent, hire, occupy, or otherwise acquire any lands, machinery, plant, and stock-in-trade, and any easements, licences, or other rights or interests in or with respect to any lands, buildings, and premises, for the purposes of the Company, and as to any purchase of land or buildings either in consideration of a gross sum or of a rent charge, or partly in one way and partly in the other, and to erect on any land purchased, leased, or otherwise acquired, any houses, shops, mills, or other buildings, and to purchase machinery, utensils, materials, and plant for carrying on any trade or business for the time being carried on by the Company.
- (5) To supply power for turning machinery, and to manufacture any articles or goods for the time being dealt in or intended to be dealt in by the Company, and to carry on any other business, whether manufacturing or otherwise, which may seem to the Company capable of being conveniently carried on in connection with any of the businesses above referred to, or calculated directly or indirectly to enhance the value of or render profitable any of the Company's property or rights.
- (6) To enter into and carry out arrangements for the purpose of having any business which this Company is authorised to carry on, or in which it may for the time being be interested, carried on by any other person or company on behalf of and for the benefit of this Company, and in such name and under such style as may be thought expedient, and to enter into any arrangements for indemnifying the person or company by whom any such business may be so carried on against the debts, liabilities, and expenses of such business.
- (7) To construct or contribute towards the construction of railways, canals, tramways, or other roads and ways for the more convenient access to and occupation and use of the lands and buildings for the time being of the Company, and to drain, pave, build upon, or otherwise extend or improve all or any part of the land and buildings of the Company.
- (8) To sell, dispose of, and transfer the undertaking and property of the Company, or any part thereof, for such consideration as the Company may think fit, and in particular for shares, fully or partly paid up, debentures, or securities of any other company.
- (9) To borrow, raise, or secure money by the issue of or upon bonds, debentures, debenture stock, whether perpetual or redeemable or otherwise, and whether charged or not charged on the undertaking, or all or any part of the property and assets of the Company, both present and future, including its uncalled capital, or by mortgage or charge of all or any part of the property and assets of the Company both present and future, including its uncalled capital, or in such other manner and upon such terms as the Company shall think fit,

and to confer upon any incumbrancer, or any trustee for an incumbrancer of uncalled capital, such powers of making and enforcing calls as the Company may think fit.

- (10) To draw, make, accept, endorse, discount, and negotiate promissory notes, bills of exchange, and other negotiable instruments.
- (11) To remunerate any person or company for services rendered or to be rendered in placing or assisting to place, or guaranteeing the placing of any of the shares in the Company's capital, or any debentures, debenture stock, or other securities of, or for negotiating any advance or loan to the Company.
- (12) To issue any shares of the Company as fully or partly paid up in consideration of any property acquired by or services rendered to the Company, or for any other reason whatsoever.
- (13) To purchase or otherwise acquire and undertake all or any part of the goodwill, business, property, and liabilities of, and carry into effect arrangements for amalgamation or union of or sharing in interests, whether in whole or in part, with any other company or person possessed of property suitable for the purposes of this Company, or carrying on any business the objects of which shall be altogether or in part similar to those of this Company, and to conduct and develop or wind up and liquidate such business.
- (14) To apply for, purchase, or otherwise acquire, work, sell, grant licences to use or otherwise dispose of or deal with any patent or patent rights or inventions, or secret processes, or any licence or licences to use any patent, invention, or process which may be considered desirable for the interests of the Company.
- (15) To take or otherwise acquire and hold or sell shares and stock in any other company, and to advance money with or without security to individuals, private firms, public companies, public bodies, and others, and to discount bills and receive from tenants and customers of the Company and others money, securities, and valuables on deposit or for safe custody, or at interest or otherwise, and to guarantee the performance of contracts by persons having or likely to have dealings with the Company, and to act as bankers in relation thereto, and to undertake and carry into effect all such financial, commercial, trading, or other operations or businesses in connection with the objects of the Company as may be deemed expedient.
- (16) To enter into any arrangements for sharing profits, co-operation, joint adventure, or reciprocal concession with any other person or company carrying on or about to carry on or engage in any business or transaction which may seem calculated directly or indirectly to benefit this Company, and to amalgamate with any other company, and to give to any other person or company special rights and privileges in connection with or control over this Company, and in particular the right to nominate one or more Directors of this Company.
- (17) To invest the money of the Company not immediately required in such manner as may from time to time be determined.

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- (18) To subscribe to or become a member of, or join in establishing any association or company formed for the purpose of insuring the property of the members thereof against fire, explosion, or other risk.
- (19) To apply for, promote, or obtain any provisional order of the Board of Trade or Act of Parliament for enabling the Company to carry any of its objects into effect, and to pay the expenses of opposing any bill in Parliament which may be deemed prejudicial to the interests of the Company, and to undertake, subscribe to, or otherwise aid undertakings and associations for purposes of opening out or protecting trade, or making experiments or investigations in connection with any of the objects of the Company or any class or department of its business, directly or indirectly, and to join with any other person or persons or company or companies in doing the above, and contribute to the expenses thereof.
- (20) To aid in the establishment and support of associations for the benefit of the Company as employers of persons employed by or having dealings with the Company.
- (21) To give to any officers, servants, or employees of the Company any share or interest in the profits of the Company's business, or any branch thereof, and for that purpose to enter into any arrangements the Company may think fit.
- (22) To establish and support, or to aid in the establishment and support of hospitals, infirmaries, and other charities, friendly societies, reading rooms, libraries, educational institutions, and any other institutions or associations whereby benefit may be derived by persons employed by or having dealings with the Company, and to subscribe or guarantee money for any exhibition, or any public or useful purpose.
- (23) To promote or assist in the promotion of any other company for the purpose of acquiring all or any of the property and liabilities of this Company, or for any other purpose which may seem directly or indirectly calculated to benefit the Company.
- (24) To establish and regulate agencies at home and abroad for the purposes of the Company, and to procure the Company to be registered, incorporated, or recognised in any colony or foreign country.
- (25) To distribute any of the property of the Company among the members in specie.
- (26) To pay all or any expenses incurred in connection with the formation, promotion, or incorporation, of the Company, or of any other company, or of or incidental to the winding up of any company the whole or part of the property whereof is acquired by this Company, or in which this Company may be interested.
- (27) To do all or any of the above things in any part of the world, and as principals, agents, trustees, contractors, or otherwise, and by or through agents, trustees, or otherwise, and either alone or in conjunction with others.

- (28) To appoint from time to time any person or persons or corporation, English or foreign, the attorney or attorneys of this Company, and confer upon any such attorney or attorneys any powers of this Company.
- (29) Generally to do all such other things as are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the aforesaid objects, or any of them, and so that the word "company" in this clause, except where used in reference to this Company, shall be deemed to include any partnership or other body of persons, whether incorporated or not incorporated, and whether domiciled in the United Kingdom or elsewhere.
- 4. The liability of the members is limited.
- 5. The capital of the Company is £100,000, divided into 100,000 shares of £1 each, of which 50,000 are preference shares and 50,000 ordinary shares, with such respective rights as are or may for the time being be determined by or in accordance with the Articles of Association registered herewith. Any new shares to be from time to time created may from time to time be issued with any such guarantee or any such right of preference, whether in respect of dividend or repayment of capital, or both, or any such other special privilege or advantage over any shares previously issued, or with such deferred rights as compared with any shares previously issued or then about to be issued, or subject to any such conditions or provisions, or with any special right or without any right of voting, and generally upon such terms as may from time to time be determined by or in accordance with the regulations of the Company, but so that the preferential rights or privileges belonging to the holders of the said preference shares, or any other shares issued with a preference, shall not be affected, modified, or dealt with except with such sanction as is required for an alteration of their special rights and privileges by the said Articles of Association.

Note: The Share Capital of the Company as at 28th March 1974, is £100,000 divided into 100,000 Ordinary Shares of £1 each.

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nd ∃by in WE, the several persons whose names and addresses are subscribed, are desirous of being formed into a company in pursuance of this Memorandum of Association, and we respectively agree to take the number of shares in the capital of the Company set opposite our respective names.

NAMES, ADDRESSES, AND DESCRIPTIONS OF ORIGINAL SUBSCRIBERS	Number of Shares taken by each Subscriber
J. CRISP CLARKE, Belgrave Thread Mills, Leicester, Cotton Manufacturer	One
E. LEONARD CLARKE, Belgrave Thread Mills, Leicester, Cotton Manufacturer	One
GEORGE H. CLARKE, Belgrave Thread Mills, Leicester, Cotton Manufacturer	One
ASTLEY VAVASOUR CLARKE, 37 London Road, Leicester, Doctor of Medicine	One
MARY EMILY McGILLIVRAY, Birstall Hall, Leicester, Spinster	One
ETHEL MARY CLARKE, London Road, Leicester, Married Woman	One
JOHN WILLIAM EARP, Birstall Hall, Leicester, Valet	One

Dated 15th day of May, 1907.

Witness to all the above Signatures:—

J. W. H. Addleshaw, Solicitor,

Manchester.

1. P CLARKE & CO. Limited

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The Companies Acts

COMPANY LIMITED BY SHARES

# Articles of Association

OF

# I. P. CLARKE & CO. LIMITED.

shall apply, with the following alterations:—

a) Regulations 24 and 53 shall not apply.

b) Regulation 75 shall be deleted and the following shall be read in its place:

1. The regulations contained in Part 1 of Table A of the Companies Act, 1948

- "The number of Directors shall not be less than three nor more than twelve."
  (c) The proviso to Regulation 79 shall not apply.
  (d) In Regulation 86 the words 'and every director present at any meeting of
  - - (a) the right to transfer shares is restricted in manner hereinafter prescribed;
    - (b) the number of members of the company (exclusive of persons who are in the employment of the company and of persons who having been formerly in the employment of the company were while in such employment and have continued after the determination of such employment to be members of the company) is limited to fifty. Provided that where two or more persons hold one or more shares in the company jointly they shall for the purpose of this regulation be treated as a single member;
    - (c) any invitation to the public to subscribe for any shares or debentures of the company is prohibited;
    - (d) the company shall not have power to issue share warrants to bearer.

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- 4. The Directors may, in their absolute discretion and without assigning any reason therefor, decline to register any transfer of any share, whether or not it is a fully paid share.
- 5. No business shall be transacted at any general meeting unless a quorum of members is present at the time when the meeting proceeds to business; save as herein otherwise provided two members present in person or by proxy shall be a quorum.
- 6. Subject to the provisions of the Act, a resolution in writing signed by all the members for the time being entitled to receive notice of and to attend and vote at general meetings (or being corporations by their duly authorised representatives) shall be as valid and effective as if the same has been passed at a general meeting of the company duly convened and held.

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MARY EMILY McGillivray, Birstall Hall, Leicester, Spinster.

ETHEL MARY CLARKE, London Road, Leicester, Married Woman.

JOHN WILLIAM EARP, Birstall Hall, Leicester, Valet.

Dated 15th day of May, 1907.

Witness to all the above Signatures :--

J. W. H. Addleshaw, Solicitor, Manchester.

# FIRST SCHEDULE

TO

# THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948

(11 & 12 GEO. 6, CH. 38)

## TABLE A

#### PART I

REGULATIONS FOR MANAGEMENT OF A COMPANY LIMITED BY SHARES, NOT BEING A PRIVATE COMPANY

## INTERPRETATION.

1. In these regulations:—

"the Act" means the Companies Act, 1948.

"the seal" means the common seal of the company.

"secretary" means any person appointed to perform the duties of the secretary of the company.

"the United Kingdom" means Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

Expressions referring to writing shall, unless the contrary intention appears, be construed as including references to printing, lithography, photography, and other modes of representing or reproducing words in a visible form.

Unless the context otherwise requires, words or expressions contained in these regulations shall bear the same meaning as in the Act or any statutory modification thereof in force at the date at which these regulations become binding on the company.

# SHARE CAPITAL AND VARIATION OF RIGHTS.

- 2. Without prejudice to any special rights previously conferred on the holders of any existing shares or class of shares, any share in the company may be issued with such preferred, deferred or other special rights or such restrictions, whether in regard to dividend, voting, return of capital or otherwise as the company may from time to time by ordinary resolution determine.
- 3. Subject to the provisions of section 58 of the Act, any preference shares may, with the sanction of an ordinary resolution, be issued on the terms that they are, or at the option of the company are liable, to be redeemed on such terms and in such manner as the company before the issue of the shares may by special resolution determine.
- 4. If at any time the share capital is divided into different classes of shares, the rights attached to any class (unless otherwise provided by the terms of issue of the shares of that class) may, whether or not the company is being wound up, be varied with the consent in writing of the holders of three-fourths of the issued shares of that class, or with the sanction of an extraordinary resolution passed at a separate general meeting of the holders of the shares of the class. To every such separate general meeting the provisions of these regulations relating to general meetings shall apply, but so that the necessary quorum shall be two persons at least holding or

representing by proxy one-third of the issued shares of the class and that any holder of shares of the class present in person or by proxy may demand a poll.

- 5. The rights conferred upon the holders of the shares of any class issued with preferred or other rights shall not, unless otherwise expressly provided by the terms of issue of the shares of that class, be deemed to be varied by the creation or issue of further shares ranking pari passu therewith.
- 6. The company may exercise the powers of paying commissions conferred by section 53 of the Act, provided that the rate per cent. or the amount of the commission paid or agreed to be paid shall be disclosed in the manner required by the said section and the rate of the commission shall not exceed the rate of 10 per cent. of the price at which the shares in respect whereof the same is paid are issued or an amount equal to 10 per cent. of such price (as the case may be). Such commission may be satisfied by the payment of cash or the allotment of fully or partly paid shares or partly in one way and partly in the other. The company may also on any issue of shares pay such brokerage as may be lawful.
- 7. Except as required by law, no person shall be recognised by the company as holding any share upon any trust, and the company shall not be bound by or be compelled in any way to recognise (even when having notice thereof) any equitable, contingent, future or partial interest in any share or any interest in any fractional part of a share or (except only as by these regulations or by law otherwise provided) any other rights in respect of any share except an absolute right to the entirety thereof in the registered holder.
- 8. Every person whose name is entered as a member in the register of members shall be entitled without payment to receive within two months after allotment or lodgment of transfer (or within such other period as the conditions of issue shall provide) one certificate for all his shares or several certificates each for one or more of his shares upon payment of 2s. 6d. for every certificate after the first or such less sum as the directors shall from time to time determine. Every certificate shall be under the seal and shall specify the shares to which it relates and the amount paid up thereon. Provided that in respect of a share or shares held jointly by several persons the company shall not be bound to issue more than one certificate, and delivery of a certificate for a share to one of several joint holders shall be sufficient delivery to all such holders.
- 9. If a share certificate be defaced, lost or destroyed, it may be renewed on payment of a fee of 2s. 6d. or such less sum and on such terms (if any) as to evidence and indemnity and the payment of out-of-pocket expenses of the company of investigating evidence as the directors think fit.
- 10. The company shall not give, whether directly or indirectly, and whether by means of a loan, guarantee, the provision of security or otherwise, any financial assistance for the purpose of or in connection with a purchase or subscription made or to be made by any person of or for any shares in the company or in its holding company nor shall the company make a loan for any purpose whatsoever on the security of its shares or those of its holding company, but nothing in this regulation shall prohibit transactions mentioned in the proviso to section 54 (1) of the Act.

### LIEN.

11. The company shall have a first and paramount lien on every share (not being a fully paid share) for all moneys (whether presently payable or not) called or payable at a fixed time in respect of that share,

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- 12. The company may sell, in such manner as the directors think fit, any shares on which the company has a lien, but no sale shall be made unless a sum in respect of which the lien exists is presently payable, nor until the expiration of fourteen days after a notice in writing, stating and demanding payment of such part of the amount in respect of which the lien exists as is presently payable, has been given to the registered holder for the time being of the share, or the person entitled thereto by reason of his death or bankruptcy.
- 13. To give effect to any such sale the directors may authorise some person to transfer the shares sold to the purchaser thereof. The purchaser shall be registered as the holder of the shares comprised in any such transfer, and he shall not be bound to see to the application of the purchase money, nor shall his title to the shares be affected by any irregularity or invalidity in the proceedings in reference to the sale.
- 14. The proceeds of the sale shall be received by the company and applied in payment of such part of the amount in respect of which the lien exists as is presently payable, and the residue, if any, shall (subject to a like lien for sums not presently payable as existed upon the shares before the sale) be paid to the person entitled to the shares at the date of the sale.

#### CALLS ON SHARES.

- 15. The directors may from time to time make calls upon the members in respect of any moneys unpaid on their shares (whether on account of the nominal value of the shares or by way of premium) and not by the conditions of allotment thereof made payable at fixed times, provided that no call shall exceed one-fourth of the nominal value of the share or be payable at less than one month from the date fixed for the payment of the last preceding call, and each member shall (subject to receiving at least fourteen days' notice specifying the time or times and place of payment) pay to the company at the time or times and place so specified the amount called on his shares. A call may be revoked or postponed as the directors may determine.
- 16. A call shall be deemed to have been made at the time when the resolution of the directors authorising the call was passed and may be required to be paid by instalments.
- 17. The joint holders of a share shall be jointly and severally liable to pay all calls in respect thereof.
- 18. If a sum called in respect of a share is not paid before or on the day appointed for payment thereof, the person from whom the sum is due shall pay interest on the sum from the day appointed for payment thereof to the time of actual payment at such rate not exceeding 5 per cent. per annum as the directors may determine, but the directors shall be at liberty to waive payment of such interest wholly or in part.
- 19. Any sum which by the terms of issue of a share becomes payable on allotment or at any fixed date, whether on account of the nominal value of the share or by way of premium, shall for the purposes of these regulations be deemed to be a call duly made and payable on the date on

which by the terms of issue the same becomes payable, and in case of non-payment all the relevant provisions of these regulations as to payment of interest and expenses, forfeiture or otherwise shall apply as if such sum had become payable by virtue of a call duly made and notified.

- 20. The directors may, on the issue of shares, differentiate between the holders as to the amount of calls to be paid and the times of payment.
- 21. The directors may, if they think fit, receive from any member willing to advance the same, all or any part of the moneys uncalled and unpaid upon any shares held by him, and upon all or any of the moneys so advanced may (until the same would, but for such advance, become payable) pay interest at such rate not exceeding (unless the company in general meeting shall otherwise direct) 5 per cent. per annum, as may be agreed upon between the directors and the member paying such sum in advance.

## TRANSFER OF SHARES.

- 22. The instrument of transfer of any share shall be executed by or on behalf of the transferor and transferee, and, except as provided by sub-paragraph (4) of paragraph 2 of the Seventh Schedule to the Act, the transferor shall be deemed to remain a holder of the share until the name of the transferee is entered in the register of members in respect thereof.
- 23. Subject to such of the restrictions of these regulations as may be applicable, any member may transfer all or any of his shares by instrument in writing in any usual or common form or any other form which the directors may approve.
- 24. The directors may decline to register the transfer of a share (not being a fully paid share) to a person of whom they shall not approve, and they may also decline to register the transfer of a share on which the company has a lien.
- 25. The directors may also decline to recognise any instrument of transfer unless:—
  - (a) a fee of 2s. 6d. or such lesser sum as the directors may from time to time require is paid to the company in respect thereof;
  - (b) the instrument of transfer is accompanied by the certificate of the shares to which it relates, and such other evidence as the Directors may reasonably require to show the right of the transferor to make the transfer; and
  - (c) the instrument of transfer is in respect of only one class of share.
- 26. If the directors refuse to register a transfer they shall within two months after the date on which the transfer was lodged with the company send to the transferee notice of the refusal.
- 27. The registration of transfers may be suspended at such times and for such periods as the directors may from time to time determine, provided always that such registration shall not be suspended for more than thirty days in any year.
- 28. The company shall be entitled to charge a fee not exceeding 2s. 6d. on the registration of every probate, letters of administration, certificate of death or marriage, power of attorney, notice in lieu of distringas, or other instrument.

### TRANSMISSION OF SHARES.

- 29. In case of the death of a member the survivor or survivors where the deceased was a joint holder, and the legal personal representatives of the deceased where he was a sole holder, shall be the only persons recognised by the company as having any title to his interest in the shares; but nothing herein contained shall release the estate of a deceased joint holder from any liability in respect of any share which had been jointly held by him with other persons.
- 30. Any person becoming entitled to a share in consequence of the death or bankruptcy of a member may, upon such evidence being produced as may from time to time properly be required by the directors and subject as hereinafter provided, elect either to be registered himself as holder of the share or to have some person nominated by him registered as the transferee thereof, but the directors shall, in either case, have the same right to decline or suspend registration as they would have had in the case of a transfer of the share by that member before his death or bankruptcy, as the case may be.
- 31. If the person so becoming entitled shall elect to be registered himself, he shall deliver or send to the company a notice in writing signed by him stating that he so elects. If he shall elect to have another person registered he shall testify his election by executing to that person a transfer of the share. All the limitations, restrictions and provisions of these regulations relating to the right to transfer and the registration of transfers of shares shall be applicable to any such notice or transfer as aforesaid as if the death or bankruptcy of the member had not occurred and the notice or transfer were a transfer signed by that member.
- 32. A person becoming entitled to a share by reason of the death or bankruptcy of the holder shall be entitled to the same dividends and other advantages to which he would be entitled if he were the registered holder of the share, except that he shall not, before being registered as a member in respect of the share, be entitled in respect of it to exercise any right conferred by membership in relation to meetings of the company:

Provided always that the directors may at any time give notice requiring any such person to elect either to be registered himself or to transfer the share, and if the notice is not complied with within ninety days the directors may thereafter withhold payment of all dividends, bonuses or other moneys payable in respect of the share until the requirements of the notice have been complied with.

### FORFEITURE OF SHARES.

- 33. If a member fails to pay any call or instalment of a call on the day appointed for payment thereof, the directors may, at any time thereafter during such time as any part of the call or instalment remains unpaid, serve a notice on him requiring payment of so much of the call or instalment as is unpaid, together with any interest which may have accrued.
- 34. The notice shall name a further day (not earlier than the expiration of fourteen days from the date of service of the notice) on or before which the payment required by the notice is to be made, and shall state that in the event of non-payment at or before the time appointed the shares in respect of which the call was made will be liable to be forfeited.
- 35. If the requirements of any such notice as aforesaid are not complied with, any share in respect of which the notice has been given may at any time thereafter, before the payment required by the notice has been made, be forfeited, by a resolution of the directors to that effect.

- 36. A forfeited share may be sold or otherwise disposed of on such terms and in such manner as the directors think fit, and at any time before a sale or disposition the forfeiture may be cancelled on such terms as the directors think fit.
- 37. A person whose shares have been forfeited shall cease to be a member in respect of the forfeited shares, but shall, notwithstanding, remain liable to pay to the company all moneys which, at the date of forfeiture, were payable by him to the company in respect of the shares, but his liability shall cease if and when the company shall have received payment in full of all such moneys in respect of the shares.
- 38. A statutory declaration in writing that the declarant is a director or the secretary of the company, and that a share in the company has been duly forfeited on a date stated in the declaration, shall be conclusive evidence of the facts therein stated as against all persons claiming to be entitled to the share. The company may receive the consideration, if any, given for the share on any sale or disposition thereof and may execute a transfer of the share in favour of the person to whom the share is sold or disposed of and he shall thereupon be registered as the holder of the share, and shall not be bound to see to the application of the purchase money, if any, nor shall his title to the share be affected by any irregularity or invalidity in the proceedings in reference to the forfeiture, sale or disposal of the share.
- 39. The provisions of these regulations as to forfeiture shall apply in the case of non-payment of any sum which, by the terms of issue of a share, becomes payable at a fixed time, whether on account of the nominal value of the share or by way of premium, as if the same had been payable by virtue of a call duly made and notified.

### CONVERSION OF SHARES INTO STOCK.

- 40. The company may by ordinary resolution convert any paid-up shares into stock, and reconvert any stock into paid-up shares of any denomination.
- 41. The holders of stock may transfer the same, or any part thereof, in the same manner, and subject to the same regulations, as and subject to which the shares from which the stock arose might previously to conversion have been transferred, or as near thereto as circumstances admit; and the directors may from time to time fix the minimum amount of stock transferable but so that such minimum shall not exceed the nominal amount of the shares from which the stock arose.
- 42. The holders of stock shall, according to the amount of stock held by them, have the same rights, privileges and advantages as regards dividends, voting at meetings of the company and other matters as if they held the shares from which the stock arose, but no such privilege or advantage (except participation in the dividends and profits of the company and in the assets on winding up) shall be conferred by an amount of stock which would not, if existing in shares, have conferred that privilege or advantage.
- 43. Such of the regulations of the company as are applicable to paid-up shares shall apply to stock, and the words "share" and "shareholder" therein shall include "stock" and "stockholder."

#### ALTERATION OF CAPITAL.

44. The company may from time to time by ordinary resolution increase the share capital by such sum, to be divided into shares of such amount, as the resolution shall prescribe.

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- 45. The company may by ordinary resolution—
  - (a) consolidate and divide all or any of its share capital into shares of larger amount than its existing shares;
  - (b) sub-divide its existing shares, or any of them, into shares of smaller amount than is fixed by the memorandum of association subject, nevertheless, to the provisions of section 61 (1) (d) of the Act;
  - (c) cancel any shares which, at the date of the passing of the resolution, have not been taken or agreed to be taken by any person.
- 46. The company may by special resolution reduce its share capital, any capital redemption reserve fund or any share premium account in any manner, and with, and subject to, any incident authorised, and consent required, by law.

### GENERAL MEETINGS.

- 47. The company shall in each year hold a general meeting as its annual general meeting in addition to any other meetings in that year, and shall specify the meeting as such in the notices calling it; and not more than fifteen months shall elapse between the date of one annual general meeting of the company and that of the next. Provided that so long as the company holds its first annual general meeting within eighteen months of its incorporation, it need not hold it in the year of its incorporation or in the following year. The annual general meeting shall be held at such time and place as the directors shall appoint.
- 48. All general meetings other than annual general meetings shall be called extraordinary general meetings.
- 49. The directors may, whenever they think fit, convene an extraordinary general meeting, and extraordinary general meetings shall also be convened on such requisition, or, in default, may be convened by such requisitionists, as provided by section 132 of the Act. If at any time there are not within the United Kingdom sufficient directors capable of acting to form a quorum, any director or any two members of the company may convene an extraordinary general meeting in the same manner as nearly as possible as that in which meetings may be convened by the directors.

### NOTICE OF GENERAL MEETINGS.

50. An annual general meeting and a meeting called for the passing of a special resolution shall be called by twenty-one days' notice in writing at the least, and a meeting of the company other than an annual general meeting or a meeting for the passing of a special resolution shall be called by fourteen days' notice in writing at the least. The notice shall be exclusive of the day on which it is served or deemed to be served and of the day for which it is given, and shall specify the place, the day and the hour of meeting and, in case of special business, the general nature of that business, and shall be given, in manner hereinafter mentioned or in such other manner, if any, as may be prescribed by the company in general meeting, to such persons as are, under the regulations of the company, entitled to receive such notices from the company:

Provided that a meeting of the company shall, notwithstanding that it is called by shorter notice than that specified in this regulation, be deemed to have been duly called if it is so agreed—

(a) in the case of a meeting called as the annual general meeting, by all the members entitled to attend and vote thereat; and

51. The accidental omission to give notice of a meeting to, or the non-receipt of notice of a meeting by, any person entitled to receive notice shall not invalidate the proceedings at that meeting.

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### PROCEEDINGS AT GENERAL MEETINGS.

- 52. All business shall be deemed special that is transacted at an extraordinary general meeting, and also all that is transacted at an annual general meeting, with the exception of declaring a dividend, the consideration of the accounts, balance sheets, and the reports of the directors and auditors, the election of directors in the place of those retiring and the appointment of, and the fixing of the remuneration of, the auditors.
- 53. No business shall be transacted at any general meeting unless a quorum of members is present at the time when the meeting proceeds to business; save as herein otherwise provided, three members present in person shall be a quorum.
- 54. If within half an hour from the time appointed for the meeting a quorum is not present, the meeting, if convened upon the requisition of members, shall be dissolved; in any other case it shall stand adjourned to the same day in the next week, at the same time and place or to such other day and at such other time and place as the directors may determine, and if at the adjourned meeting a quorum is not present within half an hour from the time appointed for the meeting, the members present shall be a quorum.
- 55. The chairman, if any, of the board of directors shall preside as chairman at every general meeting of the company, or if there is no such chairman, or if he shall not be present within fifteen minutes after the time appointed for the holding of the meeting or is unwilling to act the directors present shall elect one of their number to be chairman of the meeting.
- 56. If at any meeting no director is willing to act as chairman or if no director is present within fifteen minutes after the time appointed for holding the meeting, the members present shall choose one of their number to be chairman of the meeting.
- 57. The chairman may, with the consent of any meeting at which a quorum is present (and shall if so directed by the meeting), adjourn the meeting from time to time and from place to place, but no business shall be transacted at any adjourned meeting other than the business left unfinished at the meeting from which the adjournment took place. When a meeting is adjourned for thirty days or more, notice of the adjourned meeting shall be given as in the case of an original meeting. Save as aforesaid it shall not be necessary to give any notice of an adjournment or of the business to be transacted at an adjourned meeting.
- 58. At any general meeting a resolution put to the vote of the meeting shall be decided on a show of hands unless a poll is (before or on the declaration of the result of the show of hands) demanded—
  - (a) by the chairman; or
  - (b) by at least three members present in person or by proxy; or
  - (c) by any member or members present in person or by proxy and representing not less than one-tenth of the total voting rights of all the members having the right to vote at the meeting; or

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(d) by a member or members holding shares in the company conferring a right to vote at the meeting being shares on which an aggregate sum has been paid up equal to not less than one-tenth of the total sum paid up on all the shares conferring that right.

Unless a poll be so demanded a declaration by the chairman that a resolution has on a show of hands been carried or carried unanimously, or by a particular majority, or lost and an entry to that effect in the book containing the minutes of the proceedings of the company shall be conclusive evidence of the fact without proof of the number or proportion of the votes recorded in favour of or against such resolution.

The demand for a poll may be withdrawn.

- 59. Except as provided in regulation 61, if a poll is duly demanded it shall be taken in such manner as the chairman directs, and the result of the poll shall be deemed to be the resolution of the meeting at which the poll was demanded.
- 60. In the case of an equality of votes, whether on a show of hands or on a poll, the chairman of the meeting at which the show of hands takes place or at which the poll is demanded, shall be entitled to a second or casting vote.
- 61. A poll demanded on the election of a chairman or on a question of adjournment shall be taken forthwith. A poll demanded on any other question shall be taken at such time as the chairman of the meeting directs, and any business other than that upon which a poll has been demanded may be proceeded with pending the taking of the poll.

### VOTES OF MEMBERS.

- 62. Subject to any rights or restrictions for the time being attached to any class or classes of shares, on a show of hands every member present in person shall have one vote, and on a poll every member shall have one vote for each share of which he is the holder.
- 63. In the case of joint holders the vote of the senior who tenders a vote, whether in person or by proxy, shall be accepted to the exclusion of the votes of the other joint holders; and for this purpose seniority shall be determined by the order in which the names stand in the register of members.
- 64. A member of unsound mind, or in respect of whom an order has been made by any court having jurisdiction in lunacy, may vote, whether on a show of hands or on a poll, by his committee, receiver, curator bonis, or other person in the nature of a committee, receiver or curator bonis appointed by that court, and any such committee, receiver, curator bonis or other person may, on a poll, vote by proxy.
- 65. No member shall be entitled to vote at any general meeting unless all calls or other sums presently payable by him in respect of shares in the company have been paid.
- 66. No objection shall be raised to the qualification of any voter except at the meeting or adjourned meeting at which the vote objected to is given or tendered, and every vote not disallowed at such meeting shall be valid for all purposes. Any such objection made in due time shall be referred to the chairman of the meeting, whose decision shall be final and conclusive.
  - 67. On a poll votes may be given either personally or by proxy

- 68. The instrument appointing a proxy shall be in writing under the hand of the appointor or of his attorney duly authorised in writing, or, if the appointor is a corporation, either under seal, or under the hand of an officer or attorney duly authorised. A proxy need not be a member of the company.
- The instrument appointing a proxy and the power of attorney or other authority, if any, under which it is signed or a notarially certified copy of that power or authority shall be deposited at the registered office of the company or at such other place within the United Kingdom as is specified for that purpose in the notice convening the meeting, not less than 48 hours before the time for holding the meeting or adjourned meeting, at which the person named in the instrument proposes to vote, or, in the case of a poll, not less than 24 hours before the time appointed for the taking of the poll, and in default the instrument of proxy shall not be treated as valid.
- 70. An instrument appointing a proxy shall be in the following form or a form as near thereto as circumstances admit-

Limited I/We in the county of , being a member/members of the above-named company, hereby appoint or failing him. of as my/our proxy to vote for me/us on my/our behalf at the [annual or extraordinary, as the case may be] general meeting of the company to be held on the 0f 19 , and at any adjournment thereof. Signed this day of

Where it is desired to afford members an opportunity of voting for or against a resolution the instrument appointing a proxy shall be in the following form or a form as near thereto as circumstances admit-

Limited I/We in the county of , being a member/members of the above-named company, hereby appoint

or failing him as my/our proxy to vote for me/us on my/our behalf at the [annual or extraordinary, as the case may be] general meeting of the company, to be held on the

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- The instrument appointing a proxy shall be deemed to confer authority to demand or join in demanding a poll.
- 73. A vote given in accordance with the terms of an instrument of proxy shall be valid notwithstanding the previous death or insanity of the principal or revocation of the proxy or of the authority under which the

proxy was executed, or the transfer of the share in respect of which the proxy is given, provided that no intimation in writing of such death, insanity, revocation or transfer as aforesaid shall have been received by the company at the office before the commencement of the meeting or adjourned meeting at which the proxy is used.

# CORPORATIONS ACTING BY REPRESENTATIVES AT MEETINGS.

74. Any corporation which is a member of the company may by resolution of its directors or other governing body authorise such person as it thinks fit to act as its representative at any meeting of the company or of any class of members of the company, and the person so authorised shall be entitled to exercise the same powers on behalf of the corporation which he represents as that corporation could exercise if it were an individual member of the company.

### DIRECTORS.

- 75. The number of the directors and the names of the first directors shall be determined in writing by the subscribers of the memorandum of association or a majority of them.
- 76. The remuneration of the directors shall from time to time be determined by the company in general meeting. Such remuneration shall be deemed to accrue from day to day. The directors may also be paid all travelling, hotel and other expenses properly incurred by them in attending and returning from meetings of the directors or any committee of the directors or general meetings of the company or in connection with the business of the company.
- 77. The shareholding qualification for directors may be fixed by the company in general meeting, and unless and until so fixed no qualification shall be required.
- 78. A director of the company may be or become a director or other officer of, or otherwise interested in, any company promoted by the company or in which the company may be interested as shareholder or otherwise, and no such director shall be accountable to the company for any remuneration or other benefits received by him as a director or officer of, or from his interest in, such other company unless the company otherwise direct.

## BORROWING POWERS.

79. The directors may exercise all the powers of the company to borrow money, and to mortgage or charge its undertaking, property and uncalled capital, or any part thereof, and to issue debentures, debenture stock, and other securities whether outright or as security for any debt, liability or obligation of the company or of any third party:

Provided that the amount for the time being remaining undischarged of moneys borrowed or secured by the directors as aforesaid (apart from temporary loans obtained from the company's bankers in the ordinary course of business) shall not at any time, without the previous sanction of the company in general meeting, exceed the nominal amount of the share capital of the company for the time being issued, but nevertheless no lender or other person dealing with the company shall be concerned to see or inquire whether this limit is observed. No debt incurred or security given in excess of such limit shall be invalid or ineffectual except in the case of express notice to the lender or the recipient of the security at the time when the debt was incurred or security given that the limit hereby imposed had been or was thereby exceeded.

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# POWERS AND DUTIES OF DIRECTORS.

- 80. The business of the company shall be managed by the directors, who may pay all expenses incurred in promoting and registering the company, and may exercise all such powers of the company as are not, by the Act or by these regulations, required to be exercised by the company in general meeting, subject, nevertheless, to any of these regulations, to the provisions of the Act and to such regulations, being not inconsistent with the aforesaid regulations or provisions, as may be prescribed by the company in general meeting; but no regulation made by the company in general meeting shall invalidate any prior act of the directors which would have been valid if that regulation had not been made.
- 81. The directors may from time to time and at any time by power of attorney appoint any company, firm or person or body of persons, whether nominated directly or indirectly by the directors, to be the attorney or attorneys of the company for such purposes and with such powers, authorities and discretions (not exceeding those vested in or exercisable by the directors under these regulations) and for such period and subject to such conditions as they may think fit, and any such powers of attorney may contain such provisions for the protection and convenience of persons dealing with any such attorney as the directors may think fit and may also authorise any such attorney to delegate all or any of the powers, authorities and discretions vested in him.
- 82. The company may exercise the powers conferred by section 35 of the Act with regard to having an official seal for use abroad, and such powers shall be vested in the directors.
- 83. The company may exercise the powers conferred upon the company by sections 119 to 123 (both inclusive) of the Act with regard to the keeping of a dominion register, and the directors may (subject to the provisions of those sections) make and vary such regulations as they may think fit respecting the keeping of any such register.
- 84. (1) A director who is in any way, whether directly or indirectly, interested in a contract or proposed contract with the company shall declare the nature of his interest at a meeting of the directors in accordance with section 199 of the Act.
- (2) A director shall not vote in respect of any contract or arrangement in which he is interested, and if he shall do so his vote shall not be counted, nor shall he be counted in the quorum present at the meeting, but neither of these prohibitions shall apply to—
  - (a) any arrangement for giving any director any security or indemnity in respect of money lent by him to or obligations undertaken by him for the benefit of the company; or
  - (b) to any arrangement for the giving by the company of any security to a third party in respect of a debt or obligation of the company for which the director himself has assumed responsibility in whole or in part under a guarantee of indemnity or by the deposit of a security; or
  - (c) any contract by a director to subscribe for or underwrite shares or debentures of the company; or
  - (d) any contract or arrangement with any other company in which he is interested only as an officer of the company or as holder of shares or other securities;

and these prohibitions may at any time be suspended or relaxed to any extent, and either generally or in respect of any particular contract, arrangement or transaction, by the company in general meeting.

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- (3) A director may hold any other office or place of profit under the company (other than the office of auditor) in conjunction with his office of director for such period and on such terms (as to remuneration and otherwise) as the directors may determine and no director or intending director shall be disqualified by his office from contracting with the company either with regard to his tenure of any such other office or place of profit or as vendor, purchaser or otherwise, nor shall any such contract or any contract or arrangement entered into by or on behalf of the company in which any director is in any way interested, be liable to be avoided, nor shall any director so contracting or being so interested be liable to account to the company for any profit realised by any such contract or arrangement by reason of such director holding that office or of the fiduciary relation thereby established.
- (4) A director, notwithstanding his interest, may be counted in the quorum present at any meeting whereat he or any other director is appointed to hold any such office or place of profit under the company or whereat the terms of any such appointment are arranged, and he may vote on any such appointment or arrangement other than his own appointment or the arrangement of the terms thereof.
- (5) Any director may act by himself or his firm in a professional capacity for the company, and he or his firm shall be entitled to remuneration for professional services as if he were not a director; provided that nothing herein contained shall authorise a director or his firm to act as auditor to the company.
- 85. All cheques, promissory notes, drafts, bills of exchange and other negotiable instruments, and all receipts for moneys paid to the company, shall be signed, drawn, accepted, endorsed, or otherwise executed, as the case may be, in such manner as the directors shall from time to time by resolution determine.
- 86. The directors shall cause minutes to be made in books provided for the purpose—
  - (a) of all appointments of officers made by the directors;
  - (b) of the names of the directors present at each meeting of the directors and of any committee of the directors;
- (c) of all resolutions and proceedings at all meetings of the company, and of the directors, and of committees of directors; and every director present at any meeting of directors or committee of directors shall sign his name in a book to be kept for that purpose.
- 87. The directors on behalf of the company may pay a gratuity or pension or allowance on retirement to any director who has held any other salaried office or place of profit with the company or to his widow or dependents and may make contributions to any fund and pay premiums for the purchase or provision of any such gratuity, pension or allowance.

# DISQUALIFICATION OF DIRECTORS.

- 88. The office of director shall be vacated if the director-
  - (a) ceases to be a director by virtue of section 182 or 185 of the Act; or
  - (b) becomes bankrupt or makes any arrangement or composition with his creditors generally; or
  - (c) becomes prohibited from being a director by reason of any order made under section 188 of the Act; or
  - (d) becomes of unsound mind; or
  - (e) resigns his office by notice in writing to the company; or
  - (f) shall for more than six months have been absent without permission of the directors from meetings of the directors held during that period.

# ROTATION OF DIRECTORS.

- 89. At the first annual general meeting of the company all the directors shall retire from office, and at the annual general meeting in every subsequent year one-third of the directors for the time being, or, if their number is not three or a multiple of three, then the number nearest one-third, shall retire from office.
- 90. The directors to retire in every year shall be those who have been longest in office since their last election, but as between persons who became directors on the same day those to retire shall (unless they otherwise agree among themselves) be determined by lot.
  - 91. A retiring director shall be eligible for re-election.
- 92. The company at the meeting at which a director retires in manner aforesaid may fill the vacated office by electing a person thereto, and in default the retiring director shall if offering himself for re-election be deemed to have been re-elected, unless at such meeting it is expressly resolved not to fill such vacated office or unless a resolution for the re-election of such director shall have been put to the meeting and lost.
- 93. No person other than a director retiring at the meeting shall unless recommended by the directors be eligible for election to the office of director at any general meeting unless not less than three nor more than twenty-one days before the date appointed for the meeting there shall have been left at the registered office of the company notice in writing, signed by a member duly qualified to attend and vote at the meeting for which such notice is given, of his intention to propose such person for election, and also notice in writing signed by that person of his willingness to be elected.
- 94. The company may from time to time by ordinary resolution increase or reduce the number of directors, and may also determine in what rotation the increased or reduced number is to go out of office.
- 95. The directors shall have power at any time, and from time to time, to appoint any person to be a director, either to fill a casual vacancy or as an addition to the existing directors, but so that the total number of directors shall not at any time exceed the number fixed in accordance with these regulations. Any director so appointed shall hold office only until the next following annual general meeting, and shall then be eligible for re-election but shall not be taken into account in determining the directors who are to retire by rotation at such meeting.
- 96. The company may by ordinary resolution, of which special notice has been given in accordance with section 142 of the Act, remove any director before the expiration of his period of office notwithstanding anything in these regulations or in any agreement between the company and such director. Such removal shall be without prejudice to any claim such director may have for damages for breach of any contract of service between him and the company.
- 97. The company may by ordinary resolution appoint another person in place of a director removed from office under the immediately preceding regulation, and without prejudice to the powers of the directors under regulation 95 the company in general meeting may appoint any person to be a director either to fill a casual vacancy or as an additional director. A person appointed in place of a director so removed or to fill such a vacancy shall be subject to retirement at the same time as if he had become a director on the day on which the director in whose place he is appointed was last elected a director.

## PROCEEDINGS OF DIRECTORS.

- 98. The directors may meet together for the despatch of business, adjourn, and otherwise regulate their meetings, as they think fit. Questions arising at any meeting shall be decided by a majority of votes. In case of an equality of votes, the chairman shall have a second or casting vote. A director may, and the secretary on the requisition of a director shall, at any time summon a meeting of the directors. It shall not be necessary to give notice of a meeting of directors to any director for the time being absent from the United Kingdom.
- 99. The quorum necessary for the transaction of the business of the directors may be fixed by the directors, and unless so fixed shall be two.
- 100. The continuing directors may act notwithstanding any vacancy in their body, but, if and so long as their number is reduced below the number fixed by or pursuant to the regulations of the company as the necessary quorum of directors, the continuing directors or director may act for the purpose of increasing the number of directors to that number, or of summoning a general meeting of the company, but for no other purpose.
- 101. The directors may elect a chairman of their meetings and determine the period for which he is to hold office; but if no such chairman is elected, or if at any meeting the chairman is not present within five minutes after the time appointed for holding the same, the directors present may choose one of their number to be chairman of the meeting.
- 102. The directors may delegate any of their powers to committees consisting of such member or members of their body as they think fit; any committee so formed shall in the exercise of the powers so delegated conform to any regulations that may be imposed on it by the directors.
- 103. A committee may elect a chairman of its meetings; if no such chairman is elected, or if at any meeting the chairman is not present within five minutes after the time appointed for holding the same, the members present may choose one of their number to be chairman of the meeting.
- 104. A committee may meet and adjourn as it thinks proper. Questions arising at any meeting shall be determined by a majority of votes of the members present, and in the case of an equality of votes the chairman shall have a second or casting vote.
- 105. All acts done by any meeting of the directors or of a committee of directors or by any person acting as a director shall; notwithstanding that it be afterwards discovered that there was some defect in the appointment of any such director or person acting as aforesaid, or that they or any of them were disqualified, be as valid as if every such person had been duly appointed and was qualified to be a director.
- 106. A resolution in writing, signed by all the directors for the time being entitled to receive notice of a meeting of the directors, shall be as valid and effectual as if it had been passed at a meeting of the directors duly convened and held.

#### MANAGING DIRECTOR.

107. The directors may from time to time appoint one or more of their body to the office of managing director for such period and on such terms as they think fit, and, subject to the terms of any agreement entered into in any particular case, may revoke such appointment. A director so appointed shall not, whilst holding that office, be subject to retirement

by rotation or be taken into account in determining the rotation of retirement of directors, but his appointment shall be automatically determined if he cease from any cause to be a director.

- 108. A managing director shall receive such remuneration (whether by way of salary, commission or participation in profits, or partly in one way and partly in another) as the directors may determine.
- 109. The directors may entrust to and confer upon a managing director any of the powers exercisable by them upon such terms and conditions and with such restrictions as they may think fit, and either collaterally with or to the exclusion of their own powers and may from time to time revoke, withdraw, alter or vary all or any of such powers.

#### SECRETARY.

- 110. The secretary shall be appointed by the directors for such term, at such remuneration and upon such conditions as they may think fit; and any secretary so appointed may be removed by them.
- 111. No person shall be appointed or hold office as secretary who
  - (a) the sole director of the company; or
  - (b) a corporation the sole director of which is the sole director of the company; or
  - (c) the sole director of a corporation which is the sole director of the company.
- 112. A provision of the Act or these regulations requiring or authorising a thing to be done by or to a director and the secretary shall not be satisfied by its being done by or to the same person acting both as director and as, or in place of, the secretary.

#### THE SEAL.

113. The directors shall provide for the safe custody of the seal, which shall only be used by the authority of the directors or of a committee of the directors authorised by the directors in that behalf, and every instrument to which the seal shall be affixed shall be signed by a director and shall be countersigned by the secretary or by a second director or by some other person appointed by the directors for the purpose.

# DIVIDENDS AND RESERVE.

- 114. The company in general meeting may declare dividends, but no dividend shall exceed the amount recommended by the directors.
- 115. The directors may from time to time pay to the members such interim dividends as appear to the directors to be justified by the profits of the company.
  - 116. No dividend shall be paid otherwise than out of profits.
- 117. The directors may, before recommending any dividend, set aside out of the profits of the company such sums as they think proper as a reserve or reserves which shall, at the discretion of the directors, be applicable for any purpose to which the profits of the company may be properly applied, and pending such application may, at the like discretion, either be employed in the business of the company or be invested in such investments (other than shares of the company) as the directors may from time to time think fit. The directors may also without placing the same to reserve carry forward any profits which they may think prudent not to divide.

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- 118. Subject to the rights of persons, if any, entitled to shares with special rights as to dividend, all dividends shall be declared and paid according to the amounts paid or credited as paid on the shares in respect whereof the dividend is paid, but no amount paid or credited as paid on a share in advance of calls shall be treated for the purposes of this regulation as paid on the share. All dividends shall be apportioned and paid proportionately to the amounts paid or credited as paid on the shares during any portion or portions of the period in respect of which the dividend is paid; but if any share is issued on terms providing that it shall rank for dividend as from a particular date such share shall rank for dividend accordingly.
- 119. The directors may deduct from any dividend payable to any member all sums of money (if any) presently payable by him to the company on account of calls or otherwise in relation to the shares of the company.
- 120. Any general meeting declaring a dividend or bonus may direct payment of such dividend or bonus wholly or partly by the distribution of specific assets and in particular of paid up shares, debentures or debenture stock of any other company or in any one or more of such ways, and the directors shall give effect to such resolution, and where any difficulty arises in regard to such distribution, the directors may settle the same as they think expedient, and in particular may issue fractional certificates and fix the value for distribution of such specific assets or any part thereof and may determine that cash payments shall be made to any members upon the footing of the value so fixed in order to adjust the rights of all parties, and may vest any such specific assets in trustees as may seem expedient to the directors.
- 121. Any dividend, interest or other moneys payable in cash in respect of shares may be paid by cheque or warrant sent through the post directed to the registered address of the holder or, in the case of joint holders, to the registered address of that one of the joint holders who is first named on the register of members or to such person and to such address as the holder or joint holders may in writing direct. Every such cheque or warrant shall be made payable to the order of the person to whom it is sent. Any one, two or more joint holders may give effectual receipts for any dividends, bonuses or other moneys payable in respect of the shares held by them as joint holders.
  - 122. No dividend shall bear interest against the company.

## ACCOUNTS.

- 123. The directors shall cause proper books of account to be kept with respect to:—
  - (a) all sums of money received and expended by the company and the matters in respect of which the receipt and expenditure takes place;
  - (b) all sales and purchases of goods by the company; and
  - (c) the assets and liabilities of the company.

Proper books shall not be deemed to be kept if there are not kept such books of account as are necessary to give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs and to explain its transactions.

- 124. The books of account shall be kept at the registered office of the company, or, subject to section 147 (3) of the Act, at such other place or places as the directors think fit, and shall always be open to the inspection of the directors.
- 125. The directors shall from time to time determine whether and to what extent and at what times and places and under what conditions or regulations the accounts and books of the company or any of them shall

be open to the inspection of members not being directors, and no member (not being a director) shall have any right of inspecting any account or book or document of the company except as conferred by statute or authorised by the directors or by the company in general meeting.

- 126. The directors shall from time to time, in accordance with sections 148, 150 and 157 of the Act, cause to be prepared and to be laid before the company in general meeting such profit and loss accounts, balance sheets, group accounts (if any) and reports as are referred to in those sections.
- 127. A copy of every balance sheet (including every document required by law to be annexed thereto) which is to be laid before the company in general meeting, together with a copy of the auditors' report, shall not less than twenty-one days before the date of the meeting be sent to every member of, and every holder of debentures of, the company and to every person registered under regulation 31. Provided that this regulation shall not require a copy of those documents to be sent to any person of whose address the company is not aware or to more than one of the joint holders of any shares or debentures.

### CAPITALISATION OF PROFITS.

128. The company in general meeting may upon the recommendation of the directors resolve that it is desirable to capitalise any part of the amount for the time being standing to the credit of any of the company's reserve accounts or to the credit of the profit and loss account or otherwise available for distribution, and accordingly that such sum be set free for distribution amongst the members who would have been entitled thereto if distributed by way of dividend and in the same proportions on condition that the same be not paid in cash but be applied either in or towards paying up any amounts for the time being unpaid on any shares held by such members respectively or paying up in full unissued shares or debentures of the company to be allotted and distributed credited as fully paid up to and amongst such members in the proportion aforesaid, or partly in the one way and partly in the other, and the directors shall give effect to such resolution:

Provided that a share premium account and a capital redemption reserve fund may, for the purposes of this regulation, only be applied in the paying up of unissued shares to be issued to members of the company as fully paid bonus shares.

129. Whenever such a resolution as aforesaid shall have been passed the directors shall make all appropriations and applications of the undivided profits resolved to be capitalised thereby, and all allotments and issues of fully-paid shares or debentures, if any, and generally shall do all acts and things required to give effect thereto, with full power to the directors to make such provision by the issue of fractional certificates or by payment in cash or otherwise as they think fit for the case of shares or debentures becoming distributable in fractions, and also to authorise any person to enter on behalf of all the members entitled thereto into an agreement with the company providing for the allotment to them respectively, credited as fully paid up, of any further shares or debentures to which they may be entitled upon such capitalisation, or (as the case may require) for the payment up by the company on their behalf, by the application thereto of their respective proportions of the profits resolved to be capitalised, of the amounts or any part of the amounts remaining unpaid on their existing shares, and any agreement made under such authority shall be effective and binding on all such members.

#### AUDIT.

130. Auditors shall be appointed and their duties regulated in accordance with sections 159 to 162 of the Act.

#### NOTICES.

- 131. A notice may be given by the company to any member either personally or by sending it by post to him or to his registered address, or (if he has no registered address within the United Kingdom) to the address, if any, within the United Kingdom supplied by him to the company for the giving of notice to him. Where a notice is sent by post, service of the notice shall be deemed to be effected by properly addressing, prepaying, and posting a letter containing the notice, and to have been effected in the case of a notice of a meeting at the expiration of 24 hours after the letter containing the same is posted, and in any other case at the time at which the letter would be delivered in the ordinary course of post.
- 132. A notice may be given by the company to the joint holders of a share by giving the notice to the joint holder first named in the register of members in respect of the share.
- 133. A notice may be given by the company to the persons entitled to a share in consequence of the death or bankruptcy of a member by sending it through the post in a prepaid letter addressed to them by name, or by the title of representatives of the deceased, or trustee of the bankrupt, or by any like description, at the address, if any, within the United Kingdom supplied for the purpose by the persons claiming to be so entitled, or (until such an address has been so supplied) by giving the notice in any manner in which the same might have been given if the death or bankruptcy had not occurred.
- 134. Notice of every general meeting shall be given in any manner hereinbefore authorised to—
  - (a) every member except those members who (having no registered address within the United Kingdom) have not supplied to the company an address within the United Kingdom for the giving of notices to them;
  - (b) every person upon whom the ownership of a share devolves by reason of his being a legal personal representative or a trustee in bankruptcy of a member where the member but for his death or bankruptcy would be entitled to receive notice of the meeting; and
  - (c) the auditor for the time being of the company.

No other person shall be entitled to receive notices of general meetings.

### WINDING UP.

135. If the company shall be wound up the liquidator may, with the sanction of an extraordinary resolution of the company and any other sanction required by the Act, divide amongst the members in specie or kind the whole or any part of the assets of the company (whether they shall consist of property of the same kind or not) and may, for such purpose set such value as he deems fair upon any property to be divided as aforesaid and may determine how such division shall be carried out as between the members or different classes of members. The liquidator may, with the like sanction, vest the whole or any part of such assets in trustees upon such trusts for the benefit of the contributories as the liquidator, with the like sanction, shall think fit, but so that no member shall be compelled to accept any shares or other securities whereon there is any liability.

## INDEMNITY.

136. Every director, managing director, agent, auditor, secretary and other officer for the time being of the company shall be indemnified out of the assets of the company against any liability incurred by him

in defending any proceedings, whether civil or criminal, in which judgment is given in his favour or in which he is acquitted or in connection with any application under section 448 of the Act in which relief is granted to him by the court.

#### PART II

REGULATIONS FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF A PRIVATE COMPANY LIMITED BY SHARES

- The regulations contained in Part I of Table A (with the exception of regulations 24 and 53) shall apply.
  - The company is a private company and accordingly—
    - (a) the right to transfer shares is restricted in manner hereinafter prescribed:
    - (b) the number of members of the company (exclusive of persons who are in the employment of the company and of persons who having been formerly in the employment of the company were while in such employment and have continued after the determination of such employment to be members of the company) is limited to fifty. Provided that where two or more persons hold one or more shares in the company jointly they shall for the purpose of this regulation be treated as a single member;
    - (c) any invitation to the public to subscribe for any shares or debentures of the company is prohibited;
    - (d) the company shall not have power to issue share warrants to bearer.
- The directors may, in their absolute discretion and without assigning any reason therefor, decline to register any transfer of any share, whether or not it is a fully paid share.
- 4. No business shall be transacted at any general meeting unless a quorum of members is present at the time when the meeting proceeds to business; save as herein otherwise provided two members present in person or by proxy shall be a quorum.
- Subject to the provisions of the Act, a resolution in writing signed by all the members for the time being entitled to receive notice of and to attend and vote at general meetings (or being corporations by their duly authorised representatives) shall be as valid and effective as if the same had been passed at a general meeting of the company duly convened and held.
- The directors may at any time require any person whose name is entered in the register of members of the company to furnish them with any information, supported (if the directors so require) by a statutory declaration, which they may consider necessary for the purpose of determining whether or not the company is an exempt private company within the meaning of subsection (4) of section 129 of the Act.

Note.—Regulations 3 and 4 of this Part are alternative to regulations 24 and 53 respectively of Part I.

#### I.P. CLARKE & CO. LTD.

(Company No. 93416)

Extract of Minutes of an extraordinary general meeting of Shareholders held at Lees Street, Swinton, Manchester, M27 6DA on 10th November 1995

### 1. "Quorum

There being a quorum of members present the meeting proceeded to business.

### 2. <u>Memorandum of Association</u>

The shareholders resolved the following resolution as a SPECIAL RESOLUTION:

That the Memorandum of Association of the Company be amended as follows:-

Following Clause 3 (9) the following clause is to be inserted and identified as Clause 3(9)(a):

"Either with or without the Company receiving any consideration or advantage direct or indirect, from giving any such guarantee or indemnity and so as to be an independent object of the Company to guarantee the performance of the obligations of others including the payment of capital or principal together with any premium of and any dividends or interest on or other payment in respect of loans, credits, stocks, shares, or securities or other obligations of any nature whatsoever and without limiting the generality of the foregoing obligations for the repayment of money and/or discharge of liabilities both present and future, actual or contingent and insofar as the same is not prohibited by law, obligations and liabilities incurred in connection with or for the purpose of the acquisition of shares in the Company or in any company which is for the time being the Company's Holding Company as defined by Section 736 of the Companies Act 1985 due, owing or incurred to bankers or any other person of any company, firm or person, and in particular, (but not by way of limitation) of the Company's Holding Company or any company which is contemplated to become the Company's Holding Company or a subsidiary, as defined by Section 736 of the Companies Act 1985 of the Company or of the Company's Holding Company, or otherwise associated with the Company in business or of any company, firm or person which the directors of the Company shall think appropriate and to create mortgages, charges or liens upon all or any of the property or assets of the Company (both present and future) including its uncalled capital in support of such guarantees or otherwise as security for any such obligations and liabilities of others".

The Secretary was instructed to complete the necessary formalities".

The foregoing is certified to be a true extract of the board minutes above referred to.

Director