Company Number. 8903881

# **THE COMPANIES ACT 2006**



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# PRIVATE COMPANY LIMITED BY SHARES

#### WRITTEN RESOLUTIONS

**OF** 

# **CLAPGATE FARM ENERGY LIMITED (the "Company")**

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Pursuant to Chapter 2 of Part 13 of the Companies Act 2006 (the "Act"), the directors of the Company propose that the following Resolutions (the "Resolutions") are passed as special resolutions

# **SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS**

- 1 That the Company's articles of association be amended, deleting the existing articles in their entirety and the articles of association circulated with this resolution be approved and adopted in substitution for and to the exclusion of the existing articles of association
- 2 That 10 of the ordinary shares of £0 01 in the Company which are registered in the name of Seed Energy Limited be converted into 10 deferred shares of £0 01 having the rights set out under the new articles of association to be adopted pursuant to resolution 1 above

#### AGREEMENT TO WRITTEN RESOLUTIONS

Please read the notes at the end of this document before signifying your agreement to the Resolutions

We the undersigned (being the persons entitled to vote on the Resolutions on the Circulation Date) hereby irrevocably agree to the passing of the Resolutions

Signed

Dated

May

2014

For and on behalf of Seed Energy

Limited

#### **Notes**

- You can choose to agree with both of the proposed Resolutions or none of them but you cannot agree to only one of them
- If you agree with the Resolutions, please indicate your agreement by signing and dating this document where indicated on the previous page and returning it to the Company before the end of the period of 28 days beginning with the Circulation Date (the "Lapse Period") using one of the following methods
  - 2 1 By Hand delivering the signed copy to the Registered Office of the Company
  - 22 Post returning the signed copy by post to the Registered Office of the Company
- If you do not agree with the Resolutions, you do not need to do anything. You will not be deemed to agree if you fail to reply
- Once you have indicated your agreement to the Resolutions, you may not revoke your agreement
- The Resolutions are passed when the required majority of eligible members have signified their agreement to them
- If the Resolutions are not passed by the Lapse Date then they will lapse. If the Company receives your signed document after the Lapse Date your agreement to the Resolutions will be ineffective.
- If you are signing this document on behalf of a person under a power of attorney or other authority please send a copy of the relevant power of attorney or authority when returning this document

# The Companies Act 2006

# Private Company Limited by Shares

# Articles of Association of Clapgate Farm Energy Limited (Company number: 8903881)

(Adopted on May 1st 2014)

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#### 1 APPLICATION OF MODEL ARTICLES

- 1 1 The model articles of association for private companies limited by shares contained in Schedule 1 of the Companies (Model Articles) Regulations 2008 (SI 2008/3229) as amended at the date of adoption of these Articles ("the Model Articles") shall apply to the company save in so far as they are excluded or modified by these Articles
- Notwithstanding that the company is a private company, certain Articles contained in the model articles of association for public companies contained in Schedule 3 of the Companies (Model Articles) Regulations 2008 (SI 2008/3229) as amended at the date of adoption of these Articles ("the Model PLC Articles") shall apply to the company, but only where expressly incorporated into these Articles. Where so expressly incorporated, any reference in a Model PLC Article to a "member" shall in these Articles be deemed to be a reference to a "shareholder"

#### 2 INTERPRETATION

Without prejudice to any other definitions contained elsewhere in these articles, the following words and expressions shall in these articles have the meanings set out or referred to opposite each respectively (unless the context otherwise requires)

"Act"	the Companies Act 2006.
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"acting in concert" has the meaning ascribed to it by the City Code on Take-

overs and Mergers (as amended from time to time),

"Actual ITS Capex means the aggregate return received (or then receivable)

Return" by the ITS Capex Lenders on the ITS Capex Loans

(whether by payment of interest or repayment of principal

amount),

"ADCo" means Chillingham Power Limited,

"ADCo Group" ADCo and its subsidiaries from time to time (each being

an "ADCo Group Company"),

"ADCo Shares" means ordinary shares (of whatever class) in the capital of

ADCo (and each an "ADCo Share"),

"AD Plant" an organic waste treatment and energy generation plant

(comprising at least an anaerobic digestion plant for the treatment of organic waste, combustion of resultant gases in an engine and the generation and supply over private wire and/or (if applicable) export of electricity therefrom to

the local distribution network),

"Articles"

these articles of association,

"Asset Sale"

the sale or transfer of the whole or a substantial part of the assets and/or business and/or goodwill and/or undertaking of the Company other than to a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company,

"borrowings"

shall be deemed to include the principal amount of the relevant loans together with any and all interest accrued thereon and other amounts payable thereunder,

"Called Shareholders"

as defined in Article 12 1(b),

"company"

includes any body corporate,

"Company Value"

as defined in Article 11 2(a)(i),

"Completion Date"

means the date of adoption of these Articles,

"Conflicting Situation"

a situation in which a Director has, or can have, a direct or indirect interest that conflicts, or may possibly conflict, with the interests of the Company, including in relation to the exploitation of any property, information or opportunity and regardless of whether the Company could take advantage of the property, information or opportunity itself,

"Connected"

as defined by section 993 of the Tax Act,

"Deductions"

in respect of any distribution (whether by repayment of loan and interest or distribution or return of capital or otherwise) by the Company or ADCo of any net Sale proceeds or net Asset Sale proceeds

- (a) any and all third party costs and expenses related to the mechanics of the making of such distribution reasonably suffered or incurred by any ADCo Group Company or any Investors or Investor Affiliates (on behalf of the Investors) (excluding, for the avoidance of doubt, any taxation and any costs and expenses payable to any Investor Affiliates other than in respect of third party costs and expenses (incurred in connection with the making of such distribution)),
- (b) any and all liabilities to taxation related to the receipt

thereof suffered or incurred by any ADCo Group Company, and

(c) any and all amounts of such distribution applied or to be applied in repaying and/or paying (as the case may be) any borrowings pursuant to any ITS Loans and/or the Finance Documents.

"Deferred Shareholder Majority"

the holders of, in aggregate, more than 50% of the Deferred Shares for the time being in issue,

"Deferred Shareholders"

the holders for the time being of the issued Deferred Shares (and each a "Deferred Shareholder"),

"Deferred Shares"

the deferred shares of 1p each in the capital of the Company and having the rights (and being subject to the restrictions) ascribed thereto as set out in these Articles (and each a "Deferred Share"),

"Directors"

the directors for the time being of the Company or (as the context shall require) any of them (each a "Director") acting as the board of directors of the Company,

"Drag Along Price"

as defined in Article 12 1(b),

"Drag Along Right"

as defined in Article 12 1(b),

"eligible director"

in relation to any matter, a director who would be entitled to vote on the matter concerned at a meeting of directors, but excluding any director whose vote is not to be counted in respect of the matter concerned,

"Encumbrance"

any mortgage, charge, pledge, assignment, title retention, lien, hypothecation or other form of security, trust, right of set off or other third party right, claim or encumbrance including any right of option or pre-emption howsoever created or arising or any other arrangement having similar effect (or an agreement or commitment to create any of them),

"Expert"

the auditors for the time being of the Company or an independent firm of accountants or other entity capable of acting as the Company's auditors nominated by a Shareholder Majority and agreed by a Deferred

Shareholder Majority or failing such agreement within 14 days after such nomination, nominated by the President (or, if he is unavailable for any reason, the next most senior available officer) from time to time of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales upon the application at any time of any Member,

"equity share capital", and "subsidiary undertaking" shall have the meanings set out in sections 548, and 1162 of the 2006 Act,

# "Finance Documents"

any agreement pursuant to which any bank or financial institution (other than any Octopus Entity) has agreed to provide, or is providing, loan or other facilities to any ADCo Group Company together with any documents entered into between any ADCo Group Company and any such bank or financial institution pursuant to any such agreement and identified between the ADCo Group Company concerned and such bank or financial institution as being included among the Finance Documents (but on the basis that, if and for so long as there are no agreements or other documents which would fall within such definition, then references in these Articles to "the Finance Documents" shall not apply),

# "Group"

means, in relation to a company, the company, any holding company of the company for the time being, and any subsidiary of the company and/or any such holding company for the time being,

#### "Investors"

the holders for the time being of ADCo Shares (provided that where any ADCo Shares are held by a trustee or custodian for any person, that person shall (unless the context requires otherwise) be treated for the purposes of these Articles as the holder of those ADCo Shares) (and each an "Investor"),

# "Investor Affiliate"

- (a) the fund manager or advisor to any Investor or to any fund in which any Investor participates,
- (b) any member of the same Group as any person referred to in (a), or
- (c) any employee, member or partner of any person

# referred to in (a) or (b),

#### "Investor Loans"

#### means any

- (a) loans advanced from time to time by any Investor to any ADCo Group Company, or
- (b) loans advanced from time to time to any ADCo Group Company by any other person, firm or company, in respect of which the right to receive repayment has been assigned, novated or otherwise transferred to such investor

but excluding any ITS Loans,

#### "Investor Return"

#### means in respect of

- (a) an ADCo Share an amount equal to the Issue Price on such ADCo Share multiplied by the Investor Return Rate and accrued daily on the basis of a 365 day year from the Completion Date or, if later, the date of issue of such ADCo Share, and
- (b) in respect of an Investor Loan an amount equal to the aggregate principal amount of such Investor Loan advanced to the relevant ADCo Group Company from time to time multiplied by the Investor Return Rate and accrued daily on the basis of a 365 day year from the Completion Date or, if later, the date on which the relevant principal amount was advanced (or (if earlier) made available to be advanced to the relevant ADCo Group Company (whether or not subject to any conditions)),

# "Investor Return Rate"

means such rate per annum as may be agreed in writing between Octopus Investments Limited, ADCo and a Deferred Shareholder Majority from time to time,

# "Investors Specified Total Return"

**Specified** a Total Return to the Investors of an amount not less than an amount equal to

- (a) the aggregate of
  - (i) the Issue Price and the Investor Return on each

ADCo Share held by the Investors,

- (ii) the aggregate principal amount of each Investor Loan advanced by the Investors to any ADCo Group Company (or advanced to any ADCo Group Company by any other person, firm or company, in respect of which the right to receive repayment has been assigned, novated or otherwise transferred to any Investor) and the Investor Return on such Investor Loan.
- (b) plus, if the Actual ITS Capex Return is less than the Target ITS Capex Return, the ITS Capex Return Shortfall, or
- (c) less, if the Actual ITS Capex Return is more than the Target ITS Capex Return, the ITS Capex Return Excess,

(as the case may be),

"Issue Price"

in respect of any ADCo Share the amount paid-up or credited as paidup (including any premium on issue) on the ADCo Share concerned,

"ITS Capex Lenders"

means the ITS Entities which advance the ITS Capex Loans to the Company,

"ITS Capex Loans"

means loans (or such amount of a loan as is) advanced to the Company by the ITS Capex Lenders and designated therein as a "Capex Facility Commitment" (and each being an "ITS Capex Loan"),

"ITS Capex Return Shortfall"

means an amount equal to the Target ITS Capex Return less the Actual ITS Capex Return,

"ITS Capex Return Excess"

means an amount equal to the Actual ITS Capex Return less the Target ITS Capex Return,

"ITS Entities"

Fern Trading Limited (company no 06447318), Bracken Holdings Limited (company no 06447011) or Terido LLP (company no OC378171) or any other entity in which investors in any investment portfolio management service managed or advised by an Octopus Group Company have

invested (and each being an "ITS Entity"),

"ITS Loans"

any loans advanced to any ADCo Group Company by an ITS Entity (including any ITS Capex Loan), but on the basis that, if and for so long as there are no agreements or other documents which would fall within this definition, then references in these Articles to "the ITS Loans" shall not apply,

"Member"

a holder of shares in the Company;

"Model Articles"

has the meaning given in Article 1 1,

"Model PLC Articles"

has the meaning given in Article 1 2,

"net Asset Sale the proceeds of any Asset Sale net of proceeds"

- (a) any and all third party costs, charges and expenses related to such Asset Sale reasonably suffered or incurred by any ADCo Group Company or any Investors or Investor Affiliates (including the costs of any warranty and/or indemnity insurance in relation to such Sale but excluding, for the avoidance of doubt, any charges payable to any Investor Affiliates other than in respect of third party costs, charges and expenses),
- (b) any and all liabilities to taxation related to such Asset Sale suffered or incurred by the Company, and
- (c) any and all amounts of such proceeds applied or to be applied in repaying and/or paying (as the case may be) any borrowings pursuant to any ITS Loans and/or the Finance Documents.

"net Sale proceeds"

the proceeds of any Sale net of

(a) any and all third party costs, charges and expenses related to such Sale reasonably suffered or incurred by any ADCo Group Company or any Investors or Investor Affiliates (including the costs of any warranty and/or indemnity insurance in relation to such Asset Sale but excluding, for the avoidance of doubt, any charges payable to any Investor Affiliates other than in respect of third party costs, charges and expenses),

- (b) any and all liabilities to taxation related to such Sale suffered or incurred by any ADCo Group Company, and
- (c) any and all amounts of such proceeds applied or to be applied in repaying any borrowings pursuant to any ITS Loans and/or any Finance Documents

and for the avoidance of doubt the proceeds of Sale shall be deemed to include in respect of any loans made to the Company by ADCo

- (i) all consideration paid by the Offeror to ADCo in respect of any such loans acquired by the Offeror on completion of the Sale, and (but without double counting)
- (ii) all amounts of such loans (including interest accrued thereon) which are repaid by the Company on completion of the Sale.

"net proceeds"

in respect of

- (a) a Sale, the net Sale proceeds from such Sale, and
- (a) an Asset Sale, the net Asset Sale proceeds from such Asset Sale,

"New Member"

has the meaning given in Article 128,

"Octopus Group"

means Octopus Investments Limited, the ultimate holding company of Octopus Investments Limited and any subsidiary of the ultimate holding company of Octopus Investments Limited from time to time, each being an "Octopus Group Company",

"Offer"

either

(a) an offer to purchase all the issued share capital of the Company other than those already held by the offeror and/or any persons acting in concert with him (as defined in the City Code on Takeovers and Mergers), or

(b) the entering into of one or more agreements which will result in any persons who are acting in concert acquiring all the issued share capital of the Company, which agreements are (or have become) unconditional or subject only to conditions in the sole control of any or all of the persons who are acting in concert,

"Offeror"

as defined in Article 12 1(b),

"Ordinary Shareholders"

the holders for the time being of the issued Ordinary Shares (and each an "Ordinary Shareholder"),

"Ordinary Shares"

the ordinary shares of 1p each in the capital of the Company and having the rights ascribed thereto as set out in these Articles (and each an "Ordinary Share"),

"Permitted Transfer"

a transfer made pursuant to Article 9 3 or Article 10,

"Property"

land and premises at Clapgate Farm, Ashby Peurorum

Horncastle LN9 6QU,

"Property Owner"

the owner of the freehold of the Property,

"Proposing Transferee"

as defined in Article 11 1,

"Proposing Transferor"

a Member proposing to transfer or dispose of Ordinary Shares or any interest therein,

"Relevant Company"

as defined in Article 24 4,

"Relevant Interest"

an interest in 50% or more of the Ordinary Shares in issue

for the time being,

"Relevant Loss"

as defined in Article 21 4,

"Relevant Officer"

as defined in Article 21 4.

"Relevant Transaction"

as defined in Article 11 1,

"Sale"

completion of the transaction(s) by which an Offer has

arısen,

"Shares"

the Ordinary Shares and the Deferred Shares (and each a

"Share"),

"Shareholder Majority"

the holders of, in aggregate, not less than 50% of the ADCo Shares for the time being in issue,

"Supplier"

Qıla Energy LLP,

"Supplier Associate"

- any person, firm or company which is for the time being Connected with the Supplier (other than Seed Energy Limited),
- (b) any member of the same Group as any person referred to in (a), or
- (c) any person or persons acting in concert with any person referred to in (a) or (b)

and, if, at the time when the application of this definition falls to be considered, there are any contractual or other arrangements in place (whether conditional or unconditional and including any option or similar arrangement) which, when implemented, would lead to any person, firm or company becoming a Supplier Associate, then such person, firm or company shall be deemed to be a Supplier Associate,

"Target ITS Capex Return"

Capex means an amount equal to the aggregate principal amount of the ITS Capex Loans advanced to any ADCo Group Company from time to time multiplied by the Investor Return Rate and accrued daily on the basis of a 365 day year from the Completion Date or, if later, the date on which the relevant principal amount was advanced,

"Tax Act"

the Income Tax Act 2007 as amended,

"Total Return"

the aggregate total return in pounds sterling (whether such return takes the form of (i) a distribution of any of the profits of ADCo, or (ii) a return of assets by ADCo on a liquidation or capital reduction or similar, or (iii) payment of interest or repayment of principal in respect of any Investor Loans) received by each Investor in respect of their total investment in ADCo or any other ADCo Group Company (whether such investment takes place by way of subscription for ADCo Shares and/or the making of any Investor Loan) or which they would receive in respect of



such investment, assuming (where applicable) that

- (a) In the case of a Sale the net proceeds of such Sale were to be distributed (whether by repayment of loan or distribution or return of capital or otherwise) by ADCo to the Investors in each case in accordance with the terms of any such loans and/or its articles of association for the time being,
- (b) In the case of an Asset Sale, the net proceeds of such Asset Sale were to be distributed (whether by repayment of loan or distribution or return of capital or otherwise) by the Company so as to be received by ADCo and then so distributed by ADCo to the Investors in each case in accordance with the terms of any such loans and/or its articles of association for the time being

in each case calculated net of any Deductions on any such distributions (whether by repayment of loan or distribution or return of capital or otherwise) of such net proceeds,

"Trade Date"

means the date on which the Company commences its trade of energy generation and organic waste treatment including by any one or more of the following

- (a) accepting organic waste from the Property Owner
   (as well as possibly others), to be clamped or composted, in return for gate fee revenues, and/or
- (b) the generation of electricity from a solar installation at the Property, such electricity to be sold to the Property Owner (with revenues being generated from sales), and/or
- (c) the generation of electricity from the CHP engine installed for the AD Plant at the Property, such electricity to be sold to the Property Owner and/or other third party and/or exported to the grid with revenues being generated from sales (and during the first phase of operations, the CHP engine may be run from bottled gas, to be moved onto biogas

generated by the AD Plant over a short period of time)

or otherwise the date on which a qualifying trade is commenced for the purposes of Part 5 of the Income Tax Act 2007, and

"Vendors"

as defined in Article 12 1(b)

Save as otherwise specifically provided in these Articles, words and expressions which have particular meanings in the Model Articles shall have the same meanings in these Articles, subject to which and unless the context otherwise requires, words and expressions which have particular meanings in the Act shall have the same meanings in these Articles

# 23 The expressions

- (a) "holding company" shall mean a holding company (as defined by section 1159 of the Companies Act 2006) or a parent undertaking (as defined by section 1162 of the Companies Act 2006), and
- (b) "subsidiary" shall mean a subsidiary (as defined by section 1159 of the Companies Act 2006) or a subsidiary undertaking (as defined by section 1162 of the Companies Act 2006) and "subsidiaries" shall be construed accordingly
- Any reference in these Articles to any provision of any statute or to any other legislative provision shall be deemed to include a reference to any statutory or other legislative modification or re-enactment of that provision from time to time in force
- The headings to each of the Articles are inserted for ease of reference only and shall not affect the construction or interpretation of these Articles
- All references in these Articles to an "Article" followed by a particular number is a reference to the relevant Article of these Articles bearing that number A reference in these Articles to a "Model Article" followed by a particular number is a reference to the relevant article of the Model Articles bearing that number A reference in these Articles to a "Model PLC Article" followed by a particular number is a reference to the relevant article of the Model PLC Articles bearing that number
- Where provisions of the Model PLC Articles are expressly incorporated into these Articles, words and expressions ascribed a particular meaning by the Model PLC Articles shall have the same meanings in these Articles in relation thereto

- Any phrase introduced by the terms "including", "include", "in particular" or any similar expression shall be construed as illustrative and shall not limit the sense of the words preceding those terms
- 2 9 In these Articles unless the context requires otherwise
  - a person includes a natural person, corporate or unincorporated body (whether or not having separate legal personality),
  - a reference to a company shall include any company, corporation or other body corporate, wherever and however incorporated or established,
  - (c) unless the context otherwise requires, words in the singular shall include the plural and in the plural shall include the singular,
  - (d) unless the context otherwise requires, a reference to one gender shall include a reference to the other genders, and
  - (e) a reference to any party shall include that party's personal representatives successors and permitted assigns
- 2 10 A reference in these Articles to the transfer of any Share shall mean the transfer of either or both of the legal and beneficial ownership in such Share and/or the grant of an option to acquire either or both of the legal and beneficial ownership in such Share and the following shall be deemed (but without limitation) to be a transfer of a Share
  - (a) any direction (by way of renunciation or otherwise) by a holder of Shares entitled to an allotment or issue of any Share that such Share be allotted or issued to some person other than himself,
  - (b) any sale or other disposition of any legal or equitable interest in a Share (including any voting right attached thereto) and whether or not by the registered holder thereof and whether or not for consideration or otherwise and whether or not effected by an instrument in writing, and
  - (c) any grant of a legal or equitable mortgage or charge over any Share
- 2 11 For the purpose of applying the provisions of these Articles
  - the amount of any and all distributions shall be calculated as if made net of any Deductions relating thereto,
  - (b) In calculating any net proceeds or Deductions, the relevant proceeds of a Sale or an Asset Sale or distribution (as the case may be) shall be deemed to be applied first in repaying or paying (as the case may be) any and all borrowings

- pursuant to any ITS Loans and/or the Finance Documents (whether or not so applied) before being distributed to ADCo or any Investors (as applicable), and
- (c) all calculations shall be rounded up or (as the case may be) down to the two nearest decimal places
- 2 12 For the purposes of these Articles any consent of the Shareholder Majority can be given by the Shareholder Majority or by any person authorised on their behalf whether pursuant to a shareholders agreement or otherwise

#### 3 SHARE CAPITAL

- In these Articles, unless the context requires otherwise, references to Ordinary Shares shall include Ordinary Shares issued (or re-designated as Ordinary Shares) after the date of adoption of these Articles
- In these Articles, unless the context requires otherwise, references to Deferred Shares shall include Deferred Shares issued (or re-designated as Deferred Shares) after the date of adoption of these Articles
- No Member shall grant to any person (or vary) any Encumbrance over any Share(s) other than with the written consent of a Shareholder Majority

# 4 ORDINARY SHARE RIGHTS

The Ordinary Shares shall have, and be subject to, the following rights and restrictions

#### 4.1 Income

- (a) The distribution of any profits of the Company shall require the prior approval of the Members by special resolution and shall be made in accordance with the Finance Documents
- (b) No dividend shall be payable (unless a Shareholder Majority consents in writing (such consent not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed)) unless on the proposed payment date all amounts of capital and interest on the ITS Loans which have by then become due and payable have been paid in full
- (c) Subject to the provisions of Articles 41(a) and 41(b), the profits of the Company which the Company may so resolve to distribute shall be distributed amongst the Ordinary Shareholders pari passu in proportion to the amounts paid up or credited as paid up in relation to the nominal value only of the Ordinary Shares held by them respectively
- (d) Model Articles 30 to 34 (inclusive) shall be subject to this Article 4.1

# 42 Capital

Save as provided in Article 4.3 below, on a return of assets on a liquidation or capital reduction or similar, the assets of the Company remaining after the payment of its liabilities shall be distributed amongst the Ordinary Shareholders pari passu in proportion to the amounts paid up or credited as paid up in relation to the nominal value only of the Ordinary Shares held by them respectively

#### 43 Sale or Asset Sale

- (a) In the case of a Sale, the net Sale proceeds shall be distributed amongst the Ordinary Shareholders and Deferred Shareholders in accordance with the provisions of Article 4 3(b). For the avoidance of doubt, in the event of a Sale, this Article 4 3 shall apply notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the terms of such Sale, whether in the agreement for Sale or otherwise.
- (b) If the Sale takes place on or before the end of the forty-second month after the Trade Date and
  - (i) the Sale would (assuming that all such net Sale proceeds were to be distributed by ADCo (whether by repayment of loan or distribution or return of capital or otherwise) so as to be received by the Investors in accordance with the terms of any such loans and/or its articles of association for the time being) give the Investors a Total Return equal to or greater than the Investors Specified Total Return on or before the end of the forty-second month after the Trade Date, or
  - (ii) the Investors (assuming that all such net Sale proceeds were to be distributed (whether by repayment of loan or distribution or return of capital or otherwise) by the Company so as to be received by ADCo and then so distributed by ADCo to the Investors in accordance with the terms of any such loans and/or its articles of association for the time being) have already achieved a Total Return equal to or greater than the Investors Specified Total Return within the period referred to in Article 4 3(b)(i)

the net Sale proceeds shall be distributed between the Ordinary Shareholders and the Deferred Shareholders on the basis that

(A) firstly, the amount of the net proceeds of the Sale required to give the Investors the Investors Specified Total Return shall be distributed (whether by repayment of loan or distribution or return of capital or otherwise) to the Ordinary Shareholders pari passu in proportion to the amounts paid up or credited as paid

up in relation to the nominal value only of the Ordinary Shares held by them respectively, and

# (B) secondly

- 1) 80% of any net proceeds of the Sale remaining after making the payment referred to in Article 4 3(b)(ii)(A) shall be distributed to the Deferred Shareholders pari passu in proportion to the amounts paid up or credited as paid up in relation to the nominal value only of the Deferred Shares held by them respectively, and
- 2) 20% of any net proceeds of the Sale remaining after making the payment referred to in Article 4 3(b)(ii)(A) shall be distributed to the Ordinary Shareholders pari passu in proportion to the amounts paid up or credited as paid up in relation to the nominal value only of the Ordinary Shares held by them respectively
- (c) If the Sale takes place after the end of the forty-second month after the Trade Date or Articles 4 3(b)(i) and (ii) do not apply then the net Sale proceeds shall be distributed to the Ordinary Shareholders pari passu in proportion to the amounts paid up or credited as paid up in relation to the nominal value only of the Ordinary Shares held by them respectively
- (d) In the case of an Asset Sale, the Members shall use all reasonable endeavours to procure that the net Asset Sale proceeds are distributed by the Company to its shareholders as soon as possible after such Asset Sale takes place (whether by repayment of loans and/or placing the Company into members' voluntary liquidation or otherwise) and the provisions of Articles 43(b) and 43(c) shall apply as if the amount so distributed represented the proceeds of a Sale
- (e) On a Sale or an Asset Sale the relevant Members shall procure that the consideration (whenever received) or, as the case may be, amounts available for distribution (whenever received) and including any amounts which are received following the date of the completion of the Sale or an Asset Sale (including but not limited to deferred consideration, earn out amounts or the release of escrowed amounts)) shall be placed in a designated trustee account pending payment or distribution amongst the relevant Members in accordance with this Article 4.3
- (f) Any disagreement as to the distribution of proceeds following a Sale or an Asset Sale in accordance with this Article 4.3 shall be referred to the Expert

(acting as experts and not arbitrators) whose decision shall be final and binding (in the absence of manifest error) and the costs of the Expert shall be borne by the Company

# 4 4 Voting

Subject to the special rights or restrictions as to voting attached to any shares

- (a) on a show of hands every Ordinary Shareholder who (being an individual) is present in person or (being a corporation) is present by a representative shall have one vote, and
- (b) on a poll every Ordinary Shareholder who is present in person or by a proxy or (being a corporation) by a representative shall have one vote for every Ordinary Share of which he is the holder, and
- (c) on a vote on a written resolution, every Ordinary Shareholder shall have one vote in respect of each such Ordinary Share of which he is the holder

## 5 DEFERRED SHARE RIGHTS

- 5 1 Without prejudice to Article 4 3, the Deferred Shares shall
  - (a) confer no right to a dividend or other distribution of the revenue profits of the Company,
  - (b) confer the right to receive notice of, and to attend but not vote at, general meetings (and, for the avoidance of doubt, the holding of Deferred Shares shall not result in a Member being an "eligible member" for the purposes of section 289 of the Act), and
  - (c) not confer any right to participate in any surplus assets of the Company on a winding-up or other return of assets
- 5 2 The Company shall not be obliged to
  - (a) Issue share certificates in respect of the Deferred Shares,
  - (b) give any prior notice to the holders of Deferred Shares that such shares are to be purchased in accordance with Article 5 4, or
  - (c) account to any Deferred Shareholder for the purchase monies in respect of such shares
- 5 3 Subject to Article 5 5 below, the Deferred Shares may not be transferred other than with the consent of a Shareholder Majority

- 5 4 Subject to Article 5.5 below, if the Investors Specified Total Return is not achieved on or prior to the end of the forty second month after the Trade Date such person as a Shareholder Majority shall nominate shall be entitled at any time to purchase all of the Deferred Shares (including full legal and beneficial ownership thereof) free from all Encumbrances and with all rights accruing thereto for an aggregate consideration of 1p and the Company shall do so if directed to do so by a Shareholder Majority. For the purposes of this Article 54, a Shareholder Majority or the Directors (or any of them) may authorise any person to undertake on behalf of and as agent for the relevant holder(s) of Deferred Shares any action required to complete the transfer of the Deferred Shares In particular (but without limitation) a Shareholder Majority or the Directors (or any of them) may authorise any person to execute on behalf of and as attorney for the relevant holder(s) of Deferred Shares any necessary instruments of transfer and an indemnity in respect of any lost or missing share certificates in such form as the Directors or a Shareholder Majority may reasonably specify and shall register the transferee as the holder of the Deferred Shares. The Company's receipt of the purchase money for the Deferred Shares shall be a good discharge to the relevant holder(s) of Deferred Shares and the Company shall thereafter hold the purchase money on trust for the relevant holder(s) of Deferred Shares. After the name of the transferee has been entered in the Register of Members in purported exercise of these powers, the validity of the proceedings shall not be questioned by any person
- If at the time of any transfer of Deferred Shares pursuant to Articles 5 3 or 5 4 any of the Deferred Shares or Ordinary Shares are subject to a charge or mortgage (granted in accordance with Article 3 3) in favour of any bank or institution, then any such transfer shall only be permitted with (if and to the extent required under such charge or mortgage) the prior written consent of that bank or institution and the Company and the Directors shall not give effect to any such transfer without such prior written consent having been obtained

#### 6 ISSUE OF SHARES

- No new shares may be issued save with the prior approval of the Members by special resolution, provided that, if at the time of such issuance any of the Deferred Shares or Ordinary Shares already in issue are subject to a charge or mortgage (granted in accordance with Article 3.3) in favour of any bank or institution, then no new shares may be issued save (if and to the extent required under such charge or mortgage) with the prior written consent of that bank or institution
- Subject to Article 6.1 and to the provisions of section 549 of the Act, the shares in the capital of the Company shall be at the disposal of the Directors who may issue, grant options over or otherwise dispose of them to such persons at such times and generally on such terms and conditions as they think proper, provided that no shares shall be

issued at a discount, that no shares shall be issued to any person who is not already a holder of Shares unless that person has first executed and delivered to the Company a deed of adherence to any shareholders' agreement made between the holders of Shares from time to time in a form acceptable to a Shareholder Majority and no shares shall be issued if at the time of such issuance any of the Deferred Shares or Ordinary Shares already in issue are subject to a charge or mortgage (granted in accordance with Article 3.3) in favour of any bank or institution without (if and to the extent required under such charge or mortgage) the prior written consent of that bank or institution

- 6 3 The provisions of section 561(1) and 562(1) to (6) of the Act shall not apply to the Company
- 6 4 Any new shares shall take the form of Ordinary Shares

# 7 VARIATION OF CLASS RIGHTS

- Subject to Article 7.2 below, whenever the capital of the Company is divided into different classes of shares the special rights attached to any class may be varied or abrogated, either whilst the Company is a going concern or during or in contemplation of a winding-up with the consent in writing of the holders of at least 50% of the issued shares of that class or with the sanction of an ordinary resolution passed at a meeting of the holders of the class
- Where any of the Deferred Shares or Ordinary Shares are subject to a charge or mortgage (granted in accordance with Article 3.3) in favour of any bank or institution, the rights attached to any class of shares may not be varied or abrogated in accordance with Article 7.1 or any other Article except (if and to the extent required under such charge or mortgage) with the prior written consent of that bank or financial institution
- 73 To every such separate meeting referred to in Article 71, all the provisions of these Articles relating to general meetings of the Company shall apply (mutatis mutandis) except that
  - (a) the necessary quorum shall be at least one person holding or representing by proxy at least one-third in nominal amount of the issued shares of the class, but so that at any adjourned meeting of such holders at which such a quorum is not present the holder or holders present shall be a quorum, and
  - (b) the holders of shares of the class in question shall on a poll have one vote in respect of every share of the class held by them respectively
- 7 4 Without prejudice to the generality of this Article, it is a term of issue of the Ordinary Shares that the following events shall be deemed to be an attempted variation of the

rights attaching to such shares and shall therefore require class consent in accordance with Article 7 1

- (a) any increase in the issued capital of the Company,
- (b) the grant by the Company of a right to subscribe for or to convert securities into shares in the capital of the Company,
- (c) the application by way of capitalisation of any sum in or towards paying up any debenture or debenture stock of the Company,
- (d) the redemption of any of the Company's shares or the entering into of a contract by the Company to purchase any of its shares,
- (e) the subscription for or other acquisition of shares in any company, the acquisition of all or substantially all of the assets of any other company or of any unincorporated business, the disposal of any share in any other company, the disposal of the Company's undertaking and assets or any substantial part thereof or the making of any capital investment in any partnership or the disposal of any such interest,
- (f) any act or transaction committed or proposed to be committed by a Director within the terms of Article 17 7 (other than as provided in Article 17 11)
- 7 5 Without prejudice to the generality of this Article, it is a term of issue of the Deferred Shares that until the end of the forty-second month after the Trade Date the following events shall be deemed to be an attempted variation of the rights attaching to such shares and shall therefore require class consent in accordance with Article 7 1
  - (a) any amendment to (or any deletion of) Articles 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 10, 11 or 12,
  - (b) the conversion of any shares of any other class into Deferred Shares (save for the conversion of 10 Ordinary Shares into Deferred Shares on the Completion Date),
  - (c) any alteration or variation of any of the rights attached to any of the shares for the time being in the capital of the Company (excluding the matters set out at Article 7.4),
  - (d) any sale of any subsidiary of the Company or any Asset Sale,
  - (e) any resolution to wind-up the Company or any subsidiary of the Company other than for the purposes of effecting the distribution of any proceeds of an Asset Sale in accordance with Article 4 3(d), or

(f) any reduction of the Company's share capital or the making of any other return of capital by the Company to its members other than for the purposes of effecting the distribution of any proceeds of an Asset Sale in accordance with Article 4 3(d)

#### 8 LIEN

- The Company shall have a first and paramount lien on every share (whether or not fully paid) for all and any indebtedness of any holder thereof to the Company (whether a sole holder or one of two or more joint holders) in respect of the shares concerned Notwithstanding the foregoing, however, so long as any share is subject to a charge or mortgage (granted in accordance with Article 3.3) in favour of any bank or institution, such share shall (if and to the extent required under such charge or mortgage) be exempt from the provisions of this Article
- The Company's lien over a share takes priority over any third party's interest in that share and extends to any dividend or other money payable by the Company in respect of that share, and (if the lien is enforced and the share is sold by the Company) the proceeds of sale of that share
- The Directors may at any time decide that a share which is or would otherwise be subject to the Company's lien shall not be subject to it, either wholly or in part
- 8 4 Model PLC Article 53 shall apply to the Company and shall govern the enforcement of the Company's lien, save that
  - (a) In Model PLC Article 53(2)(c), the word "clear" shall be inserted between the words "14" and "days", and
  - (b) In Model PLC Article 53(4)(b), the words "a suitable indemnity" shall be deleted and replaced by the words "an indemnity in a form reasonably satisfactory to the Directors" and the words "over the shares before the sale for any money payable in respect of the shares" shall be deleted and replaced by the words "for any money payable (whether payable immediately or at some time in the future) as existed upon the shares before the sale in respect of all shares registered in the name of such person (whether as the sole registered holder or as one of several joint holders)"

# 9 REGISTRATION OF TRANSFERS

9 1 The Directors shall be required (subject only to Article 9 2) to register promptly any transfer of shares made in accordance with the provisions of these Articles provided in all cases where the transferee is not already a holder of Shares a deed of adherence to any shareholders' agreement made between the holders of Shares from time to time in



a form acceptable to a Shareholder Majority duly executed by the transferee is laid before the meeting at which the transfer is to be approved, but shall not register any transfer of shares otherwise Model Article 26(5) shall not apply to the Company

- 9 2 The Directors may refuse to register a transfer of a share to a bankrupt, a minor or a person of unsound mind
- 9 3 Notwithstanding anything contained in these Articles, the Directors shall not decline to register any transfer of shares where such transfer is executed by or in favour of any bank or institution to whom such shares have been charged or mortgaged in accordance with Article 3.3 (or by or in favour of any nominee of such bank or institution) nor may the Directors suspend registration of any member which is a bank or institution (or nominee thereof) to whom such shares have been charged or mortgaged in accordance with Article 3.3. A certificate by any official of such bank or institution that the relevant shares are charged or mortgaged shall be conclusive evidence of that fact

#### 10 PERMITTED TRANSFERS

- Other than as provided in Article 9.3 or with the prior consent in writing of a Shareholder Majority, (and, if within forty two months from the Trade Date, a Deferred Shareholder Majority), no Member may transfer (and the Board shall not register the transfer of) any Share or any interest in any Share unless the transfer
  - (a) is permitted by Article 10 2, or
  - (b) Is made in accordance with Article 11 (Tag Along) or 12 (Drag Along)
- An Ordinary Shareholder may transfer any Ordinary Shares to any member of the ADCo Group, save that, so long as any Ordinary Shares are subject to a charge or mortgage (granted in accordance with Article 3.3) in favour of any bank or institution, then any transfer of such Ordinary Shares shall (if and to the extent required under such charge or mortgage) only be permitted with the prior written consent of that bank or institution

#### 11 TAG ALONG

No sale or transfer of the legal or beneficial interest in any Ordinary Shares ("the Relevant Transaction") (other than one made pursuant to Article 9.3 or Article 10) may be made or validly registered if as a result of such sale or transfer a Relevant Interest is obtained by a person (or persons acting in concert) where such person(s) did not have a Relevant Interest immediately prior to the Relevant Transaction, unless the Proposing Transferor shall have procured a written offer complying with the provisions of Article 11.3 to have been made by the proposed transferee (or any person or persons acting in concert with it) ("the Proposing Transferee") to the holders of all the other issued

Ordinary Shares and all the issued Deferred Shares to acquire their entire holding of Ordinary Shares and/or Deferred Shares (as the case may be)

# 11.2 For the purpose of this Article 11

- (a) the expression "the Specified Price" shall be calculated on the basis that
  - (i) a price per Ordinary Share shall be determined by valuing all the Ordinary Shares in issue for the time being ("the **Company Value**") by reference to the aggregate of
    - the amount offered or paid or payable by the proposed transferee or transferees or his or their nominees respectively for each of the Ordinary Shares comprised in the Relevant Interest to the holder or holders thereof, and
    - an amount equal to the relevant proportion of any other consideration (in cash or otherwise) received or receivable by the holder or holders of the Ordinary Shares comprised in the Relevant Interest which, having regard to the substance of the transaction as a whole, can reasonably be regarded as an addition to the price paid or payable for the Relevant Interest (and, for the avoidance of doubt and without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing any additional consideration (to the extent actually received) which is linked to future profits, turnover or some other measure of the future performance of the Company shall be regarded as consideration which is an addition to the price paid or payable for the Relevant Interest), and
  - (ii) a price per Deferred Share shall be determined by valuing all the Deferred Shares in issue for the time being at an amount of 1 pence in aggregate

# 11.3 The offer referred to in Article 11.1 above shall be on terms that

- (a) It will be open for acceptance in England and Wales for a period of at least 28 days following the making of the offer,
- (b) without prejudice to Article 11 4, each Member to whom it is made shall be entitled to receive for each of the Shares held by him a sum per share equal to

- the Specified Price which shall be payable in the same manner and at the same time as the consideration referred to in Article 11.2(a)(i),
- (c) provide for the immediate repayment of any loan(s) advanced to the Company by each Member to whom such offer is made in full together with any accrued or unpaid interest thereon and all other amounts payable thereunder or the acquisition of such loan(s) for a consideration equal to the full principal amount then outstanding, together with any accrued or unpaid interest thereon and all other amounts payable thereunder,
- (d) the purchase of any shares in respect of which such offer is accepted shall be completed at the same time as the Relevant Transaction,
- (e) and otherwise on the same terms for all Ordinary Shareholders (and for this purpose any offer which provides for any warranties or indemnities (other than warranties as to title and capacity) or restrictive covenants from some, but not all, Ordinary Shareholders shall be deemed to comply with this Article 11 3), and
- (f) no Investor or Ordinary Shareholder shall be required to give warranties or indemnities (other than warranties as to title and capacity) or restrictive covenants
- The total aggregate consideration which those Members selling shares pursuant to the Relevant Transaction and the offer referred to in Article 11.1 above shall be distributed amongst those Members pursuant to the provisions of Article 4.3 as if the Company Value were the proceeds of a Sale (notwithstanding anything to the contrary in Article 11.2 and/or Article 11.3 or in the terms of the Relevant Transaction or the offer referred to in Article 11.1 (whether in the relevant transaction or offer document) or otherwise) and shall be payable to all such Members in the same manner and at the same time as such consideration is received
- Any disagreement as to the calculation of the Company Value or as to the Specified Price which each Member is entitled to receive in respect of each share held by him or to the distribution of the relevant proceeds for the purposes of this Article shall be referred to the Expert (acting as experts and not arbitrators) whose decision shall be final and binding (in the absence of manifest error) and the costs of the Expert shall be borne by the Company
- Notwithstanding anything contained in this Article 11, for so long as any of the Ordinary Shares or any Deferred Shares are subject to a charge or mortgage (granted in accordance with Article 3.3) in favour of any bank or institution, the provisions of this Article 11, and the rights granted pursuant to this Article 11, shall (if and to the extent

required under such charge or mortgage) be deemed to have no effect and neither the Company nor the Directors shall permit any sale or transfer, nor shall they register any sale or transfer, of any Ordinary Shares or of any of the Deferred Shares in question pursuant to this Article 11 except (if and to the extent required under such charge or mortgage) with the prior written consent of that bank or institution

# 12 DRAG ALONG

#### 12.1 If

subject always to Article 12 11 and provided that the Investors have achieved (a) the Investors Specified Total Return (assuming that all amounts distributed by the Company (whether by repayment of loan or distribution or return of capital or otherwise) to ADCo have then been so distributed to the Investors in accordance with the terms of any such loans and/or its articles of association for the time being (in each case net of any Deductions)) within the period referred to in Article 43(b)(i) or would achieve the Investors Specified Total Return following the sale of all of the Ordinary Shares in accordance with the provisions of this Article 12.1 (assuming that all of the resulting net Sale proceeds were to be distributed (whether by repayment of loan or distribution or return of capital or otherwise) by ADCo to the Investors in accordance with the terms of any such loans and/or its articles of association for the time being (in each case net of any Deductions)) within the period specified in Article 4 3(b)(i) then at any time between the end of the thirty-sixth month and the end of the forty-second month after the Trade Date, one or more Members holding between them not less than 75% of the Deferred Shares, or

#### (b) provided that

- (i) the Investors have not achieved the Investors Specified Total Return (and would not have done so if all amounts distributed by the Company (whether by repayment of loan or distribution or return of capital or otherwise) to ADCo had then been so distributed to the Investors in accordance with the terms of any such loans and/or its articles of association for the time being (in each case net of any Deductions)), within the period referred to in Article 4 3(b)(i), or
- (ii) the Investors would not achieve the Investors Specified Total Return following the sale of all of the Ordinary Shares in accordance with the provisions of Article 12 1 and on the assumption referred to in Article 12 1(a),

then at any time after the end of the forty-second month after the Trade Date, one or more Members holding between them not less than 70% of the Ordinary Shares for the time being in issue propose to sell the legal or beneficial interest in their entire holdings of shares in the capital of the Company to any person or one or more such persons acting in concert ("the Offeror") then the Members in question ("the Vendors") shall have the right to require the holders of all other issued shares in the capital of the Company ("the Called Shareholders") to sell and transfer their entire holdings of shares in the capital of the Company to the Offeror (or as the Offeror shall direct) free from all Encumbrances in accordance with this Article 12 ("the Drag Along Right") at a price per share ("the Drag Along Price") to be determined on the basis set out in Articles 11 2(a)(i) and 11 2(a)(ii) (as appropriate) (without prejudice to the requirement for the total aggregate consideration which each Member shall be entitled to receive from such sale to be distributed in accordance with the provisions of Article 43) and otherwise on the terms specified in Articles 11 3(e) and 11 3(f) (as if the Vendors' proposed sale was a Relevant Transaction and references to Ordinary Shareholders were references to Members), provided that the Drag Along Right contained in Article 12 1(a) may only be exercised if the proposed sale to the Offeror is a bona fide sale on arm's length terms and provided that an Ordinary Shareholder may only be required to sell and transfer its Ordinary Shares pursuant to an exercise of the Drag Along Right if all loans advanced by it to the Company (and any loans advanced to the Company by any other person, firm or company, in respect of which the right to receive repayment has been assigned, novated or otherwise transferred to such Ordinary Shareholder) and all ITS Loans are, upon completion of the sale and transfer, repaid in full, together with any accrued or unpaid interest thereon and all other amounts payable thereunder or acquired by the Offeror for a consideration equal to the full principal amount then outstanding, together with any accrued or unpaid interest thereon and all other amounts payable thereunder (and the provisions of this Article 12.1 shall apply notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the terms of the sale by the Vendors of their Shares to the Offeror, whether in the agreement for the sale of the Shares to the Offeror or otherwise)

- The Drag Along Right may be exercised by the Vendors serving written notice to that effect ("a **Drag Along Notice**") on the Called Shareholders at any time before the transfer of the Vendors' Ordinary Shares to the Offeror
- A Drag Along Notice shall specify the identity of the Offeror (including in the case of Article 12 1(a) whether or not it is the Supplier or a Supplier Affiliate) and that the Called Shareholders are, or will in accordance with this Article 12 be, required to sell and transfer their shares to the Offeror on or about the date specified in the Drag Along Notice (which shall be not less than 10 days after the date of the Drag Along Notice or (if no such date is specified in the Drag Along Notice) on or about such date as the

Vendors may subsequently specify by notice in writing to the Called Shareholders (which shall be not less than 10 days after the date of the Drag Along Notice)) (the "Drag-Along Completion Date")

- Subject to Article 12 14, a Drag Along Notice once given shall be irrevocable but shall lapse (and the obligations thereunder shall lapse) in the event that for any reason the Vendors do not transfer their entire holdings of Ordinary Shares or Deferred Shares (as the case may be) to the Offeror or the Offeror's nominee on or before the Drag-Along Completion Date
- Subject to Article 12 4, each of the Called Shareholders shall be bound to sell his entire holding of shares in the capital of the Company and to transfer such shares in accordance with the provisions of the Drag Along Notice and the Directors shall take all such action as may be reasonably necessary on their part in order to enable such sale and transfer to take place including (but without limitation) such steps as may (where appropriate) be necessary in order to obtain the release of any security held by any third party over the undertaking and/or assets of the Company
- If any Called Shareholder fails to complete the sale of any of his shares pursuant to the Drag Along Notice or otherwise fails to take any action required of him under the terms of the Drag Along Right, the Directors (or any of them) may authorise any person to undertake on his behalf any action required under the terms of the Drag Along Right. In particular (but without limitation) the Directors may authorise any person to execute on behalf of and as attorney for such Called Shareholder any necessary instruments of transfer and an indemnity in respect of any lost or missing share certificates in such form as the Directors may reasonably specify and shall register the transferee as the holder of the relevant shares. The Company's receipt of the purchase money shall be a good discharge to the transferee and the Company shall thereafter hold the purchase money on trust for the Called Shareholder in question. After the name of the transferee has been entered in the Register of Members in purported exercise of these powers, the validity of the proceedings shall not be questioned by any person.
- If holders of Deferred Shares are the Vendors and they (acting reasonably) give to the Called Shareholders notice in writing stating that, in their opinion, any Called Shareholder has failed to take (or unreasonably delayed in taking) any action required of him under the terms of the Drag Along Right, then the time period within which the sale of the shares in question is required to be completed under this Article 12 shall be extended by such number of days as a Shareholder Majority (acting reasonably) may agree
- 12.8 Upon any person, following the giving of a Drag Along Notice becoming a member of the Company pursuant to the exercise of a pre-existing option to subscribe for or

otherwise acquire Ordinary Shares in the Company ("a **New Member**"), a Drag Along Notice shall be deemed to have been given to the New Member forthwith on the same terms as the previous Drag Along Notice and the New Member shall thereupon be bound to sell and transfer all such shares acquired by him to the Offeror or as the Offeror may direct and the provisions of this Article shall apply mutatis mutandis to the New Member save that, if later than the Drag-Along Completion Date, completion of the sale of such shares shall take place forthwith upon the Drag Along Notice being deemed to have been given to the New Member

- 12.9 If the Vendors exercise the Drag Along Right, it shall not be necessary for them first to have complied with the provisions of Article 11
- Notwithstanding anything contained in this Article 12, for so long as any of the Ordinary Shares or any of the Deferred Shares are subject to a charge or mortgage (granted in accordance with Article 3.3) in favour of any bank or institution, the provisions of this Article 12 and any purported exercise of the Drag Along Right shall be ineffective unless and until (if and to the extent required under such charge or mortgage) the prior written consent of that bank or institution is obtained to the sale and purchase of shares pursuant to the Drag Along Right, and (if and to the extent required under such charge or mortgage) neither the Company nor the Directors shall permit any sale or transfer, nor shall they register any sale or transfer, of any Deferred Shares or Ordinary Shares pursuant to this Article 12 except (if and to the extent required under such charge or mortgage) with the prior written consent of that bank or institution
- 12 11 If the Vendors are holders of Deferred Shares and the Offeror is the Supplier or a Supplier Associate then any of the Called Shareholders may within seven days of the date of the Drag Along Notice serve notice on the Company (a "Determination Notice") stating that they require the Expert to determine and certify the fair market value of each Ordinary Share (the "Fair Market Value") in accordance with Article 12 12, in which case the determination of the Fair Market Value shall be referred by the Company to the Expert (acting as experts and not arbitrators) whose decision shall be final and binding (in the absence of manifest error) and the costs of the Expert shall be borne by the Company
- The Fair Market Value shall be the sum as at the date of Drag Along Completion which a willing buyer would agree with a willing seller to be the purchase price for all the entire issued share capital of the Company, divided by the number of Ordinary Shares then in issue and there shall be no addition of any premium or subtraction of any discount by reference to the size of the holding the subject of the Drag Along Notice or in relation to any restrictions on the transferability of the relevant Ordinary Shares or on whether the Offeror will increase his shareholding in the Company to or beyond any particular

- percentage Any difficulty in applying the foregoing bases shall be resolved by the Expert as they think fit in their absolute discretion
- 12 13 The Company will use its reasonable endeavours to procure that the Expert deliver their written opinion of the Fair Market Value to the Company, the Vendors and the Called Shareholders within 28 days of being requested to do so
- 12 14 If the Fair Market Value is so reported on by the Expert to be more than the Drag Along Price per Ordinary Share determined in accordance with Article 12 1, the Vendors may revoke the Drag Along Notice by written notice (a "Withdrawal Notice") given to the Company and the Called Shareholders within the period ("the Withdrawal Period") of 7 days after the date the Company serves on the Vendors and the Called Shareholders the Expert's written opinion of the Fair Market Value
- 12 15 If any of the Called Shareholders serve a Determination Notice pursuant to Article 12 11, then unless the Vendors serve a Withdrawal Notice within the Withdrawal Period in accordance with Article 12 4 then
  - (a) the Drag Along Price payable for each Ordinary Share for the purposes of the Drag Along Right will be the higher of
    - (i) the Fair Market Value as so determined by the Expert, and
    - (ii) the Drag-Along Price determined in accordance with Article 12 1, and
  - (b) the Drag-Along Completion Date shall be the later of
    - (i) the date specified in the Drag Along Notice, and
    - (ii) such date as is 14 days after the date the Company serves on the Vendors and the Called Shareholders the Expert's written opinion of the Fair Market Value or such later date as a Shareholder Majority (acting reasonably) may agree

# 13 PROCEEDINGS AT GENERAL MEETINGS

- The quorum for general meetings shall be one person being either an individual who is an Ordinary Shareholder, a person duly authorised to act as the representative of a corporation which is an Ordinary Shareholder in relation to the meeting, or a person appointed as a proxy of an Ordinary Shareholder in relation to the meeting
- 13.2 In the case of any equality of votes at a general meeting, whether on a show of hands or on a poll, the chairman of the meeting shall not be entitled to a second or casting vote

# 14 ALTERNATE DIRECTORS

- Subject to Article 14.2 below, Model PLC Article 25 shall apply to the Company, however, any meeting of the Directors shall not be invalid because notice thereof or of any business to be transacted at that meeting was not given to any alternate director if his appointor attends such meeting
- 14.2 No Director shall be entitled to appoint an alternate director

#### 15 APPOINTMENT AND REMOVAL OF DIRECTORS

- Notwithstanding any other provisions of these Articles but subject to Article 16 1, the holders of, in aggregate, not less than 50% of the Ordinary Shares shall have the right to appoint one or more Directors and to remove from office any person so appointed, such appointment or removal to be by notice in writing to the Company which will take effect on delivery at the registered office of the Company or at any meeting of the board of Directors
- No person shall be appointed or removed as a Director without the prior written approval of a Shareholder Majority and Model Article 17(1) shall be modified accordingly
- Subject to Article 15.2, any Director may be removed from office at any time by a resolution passed by, or written notice given to the Company by the holders of, in aggregate, not less than 50% of the Ordinary Shares

# 16 DIRECTORS AND THEIR POWERS

- 16.1 Unless otherwise determined by ordinary resolution, the maximum number of Directors shall not be more than eight
- Model Article 5(1) shall be amended by the insertion of the words "as they resolve to do, subject to approval by a Shareholder Majority" in place of the words "as they think fit" and Model Article 5(1)(c) shall be amended by the insertion of the words "(including collaterally with or to the exclusion of their own powers)" at the end of that Model Article
- No alteration of the Articles invalidates anything which the Directors have done which would have been valid had that alteration not been made

## 17 PROCEEDINGS OF DIRECTORS

17 In relation to any proposal to authorise a Conflicting Situation pursuant to Article 17 10 (Actual or Potential Conflicts) if, other than the Director(s) to which the Conflicting Situation relates, there is only one director in office, the quorum shall be one eligible director

- Directors may waive their entitlement to notice of a Director's meeting at any time and in Model Article 9(4) the words "not more than seven days after the date on which the meeting is held" shall be deleted and replaced with the words "at any time"
- 17.3 If the numbers of votes for and against a proposal are equal, the chairman shall not have a casting vote. Model Article 13 shall not apply to the company
- 17.4 Model Article 8(3) shall not apply to the Company and references in Model Article 8 to "eligible directors" shall be to such term as defined in Article 1
- Subject to Article 17.7, the quorum necessary for the transaction of business of the Directors shall be two provided that if a meeting of the Directors is adjourned because a quorum is not present, and at the adjourned meeting a quorum is not present within half an hour from the time appointed for the meeting the quorum shall be one
- 17 6 At any meeting of the Directors each Director (or his alternate director) present at the meeting shall be entitled to one vote
- Subject to the provisions of the Act and to Article 7 and (save as provided in Article 17.11) provided that he has disclosed to the Directors the nature and extent of any interest of his, a Director notwithstanding his office
  - (a) may be a party to or otherwise interested in any transaction or arrangement with the Company or in which the Company is in any way interested,
  - (b) may be a director or other officer of or employed by or be a party to any transaction or arrangement with or otherwise interested in any body corporate promoted by the Company or in which the Company is in any way interested,
  - (c) may, or any firm or company of which he is a member or director may, act in a professional capacity for the Company or any body corporate in which the Company is in any way interested,
  - (d) shall not by reason of his office be accountable to the Company for any benefit which he derives from such office, service or employment or from any such transaction or arrangement or from any interest in any such body corporate and no such transaction or arrangement shall be liable to be avoided on the ground of any such interest or benefit, and
  - (e) shall be entitled to vote on any resolution and (whether or not he shall vote) be counted in the quorum on any matter referred to in any of Articles 17 7(a) to 17 7(d) (inclusive) or on any resolution which in any way concerns or relates to a matter in which he has, directly or indirectly, any kind of interest whatsoever and if he shall vote on any resolution as aforesaid his vote shall be counted

#### 17.8 For the purposes of Article 17.7

- (a) a general notice to the Directors that a Director is to be regarded as having an interest of the nature and extent specified in the notice in any transaction or arrangement in which a specified person or class of persons is interested shall be deemed to be a disclosure that the Director has an interest in any such transaction of the nature and extent so specified,
- (b) an interest of which a Director has no knowledge and of which it is unreasonable to expect him to have knowledge shall not be treated as an interest of his, and
- (c) an interest of a person who is Connected with a Director shall be treated as an interest of the Director and in relation to an alternate Director an interest of his appointor shall be treated as an interest of the alternate Director without prejudice to any interest which the alternate Director has otherwise
- Model Article 14 shall not apply to the Company Save as otherwise specified in these Articles or the Act and subject to any limitations, conditions or terms attaching to any authorisation given by the Directors for the purposes of section 175(4)(b) of the Act, a Director may vote on, and be counted in the quorum in relation to, any resolution relating to a matter in which he has, or can have
  - (a) a direct or indirect interest or duty which conflicts, or possibly may conflict, with the interests of the Company, and
  - (b) a conflict of interest arising in relation to an existing or a proposed transaction or arrangement with the Company
- 17 10 If a Conflict Situation arises, the Directors may authorise it for the purposes of section 175(4)(b) of the Act by a resolution of the Directors made in accordance with that section and these Articles At the time of the authorisation, or at any time afterwards, the Directors may impose any limitations or conditions or grant the authority subject to such terms as (in each case) they consider appropriate and reasonable in all circumstances. Any authorisation may be revoked or varied at any time at the discretion of the Directors

# 17 11 It is recognised that a Director

- (a) may be an employee, consultant, director, member or other officer of an Investor, an Investor Affiliate or DevCo.
- (b) may be taken to have, through previous or existing dealings, a commercial relationship with an Investor or with an Investor Affiliate,

- (c) may be a director or other officer of, or be employed by, or otherwise involved in the business of other entities in which an Investor or an Investor Affiliate has or may have an interest from time to time, and
- (d) shall not, by reason of his office, be accountable to the Company for any benefit which he derives from any such other directorship, membership, office, employment, relationship or his involvement with an Investor, with an Investor Affiliate, DevCo or with any entity referred to in Article 17 11(c)

and he shall not be in breach of the duties he owes to the Company as a result of any Conflict Situation which arises from the relationships contemplated by this Article, including (without limitation) in relation to proposals for financing or otherwise promoting the business of (whether in competition with the Company or not) any such other entity and no consent shall be required under Article 17.7 or disclosure required under Article 17.7 in respect of such relationship

- 17 12 In the circumstances contemplated by Article 17 10 or 17 11 and notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, each Director affected shall
  - (a) be entitled to receive any papers or other documents in relation to, or concerning, matters to which the Conflict Situation relates,
  - (b) not be excluded from those parts of meetings of the Directors or meetings of a committee of the Directors at which matters to which the Conflict Situation relates are discussed.
  - (c) be entitled to vote (and form a part of the quorum) at any such meeting
- 17 13 Any information which a Director obtains, other than in his capacity as a Director of the Company, which is confidential in relation to an entity referred to in Article 17 11 need not be disclosed or used for the benefit of the Company where such disclosure or use would constitute a breach of confidence
- 17 14 Model Article 9 shall be amended by adding the following sentence as sub paragraph 5

"It shall not be necessary to give notice of a meeting to a director who is absent from the United Kingdom" the following sentence "Notice of every meeting of the directors shall be given to each director and his alternate, including directors and alternate directors who may for the time being be absent from the United Kingdom and have given the Company an address within the United Kingdom or an e-mail address or a facsimile number outside the United Kingdom for service"

#### 18 DIRECTORS' BORROWING POWERS

- Subject as hereinafter provided, and as set out in any shareholders' agreement made between the holders of Shares from time to time, the Directors may exercise all the powers of the Company (whether express or implied) of borrowing or securing the payment of money, of guaranteeing the payment of money and the fulfilment of obligations and the performance of contracts, and of mortgaging or charging the undertaking, property, assets and uncalled capital of the Company and (subject to section 549 of the Act) of issuing debentures
- 18.2 Except with the prior sanction of a Shareholder Majority, no mortgage or charge shall be created on any part of the undertaking, property, assets or uncalled capital of the Company or any subsidiary of the Company except for the purpose of securing money borrowed by the Company or any wholly owned subsidiaries of the Company or any holding companies of the Company from bankers (or any of the ITS Entities or Investors) together with interest thereon and costs and expenses relating thereto

#### 19 NOTICES

- 19 1 Without prejudice to the provisions of Model Article 48, the Company may also give notice to a Member by e-mail to an e-mail address or by facsimile to a facsimile number supplied by the Member for such purposes
- Where a notice is sent by facsimile a transmission report showing that the facsimile was transmitted in full to the correct number shall be conclusive evidence that the notice was given and the notice shall be deemed to have been given at the time of transmission

## 20 WRITTEN RESOLUTIONS

- Written resolutions of the company may be proposed by the Directors in accordance with section 291 of the Act. The Members may require the company to circulate a written resolution in accordance with section 292 to 295 of the Act.
- 20.2 For the purposes of section 297 of the Act, a written resolution will lapse if it is not passed before the end of such period as the Directors may determine (provided such period is detailed on the copy of the resolution circulated pursuant to section 291 of the Act), but in the absence of such determination the period shall be 28 days beginning with the circulation date of the resolution
- 20.3 In the case of a Member which is a body corporate, the signature of a director or the secretary and, in the case of joint holders of a share, the signature of any one of such joint holders shall be sufficient for the purpose of signifying a Member's agreement to a written resolution

#### 21 INDEMNITY & INSURANCE

- 21.1 Without prejudice to any indemnity to which a relevant officer is otherwise entitled
  - each Relevant Officer shall be indemnified out of the company's assets against all costs, charges, losses, expenses and liabilities incurred by him or her as a Relevant Officer in the actual or purported execution and/or discharge of his or her duties, or in relation to them and in relation to the any Relevant Company's activities as trustee of an occupational pension scheme (as defined in section 235(6) of the Act), including (in each case) any liability incurred by him or her in defending any civil or criminal proceedings, in which judgment is given in his or her favour or in which he or she is acquitted or the proceedings are otherwise disposed of without any finding or admission of any material breach of duty on his or her part or in connection with any application in which the court grants him or her, in his or her capacity as a Relevant Officer, relief from liability for negligence, default, breach of duty or breach of trust in relation to any Relevant Company's affairs, and
  - (b) the Company may provide any Relevant Officer with funds to meet expenditure incurred or to be incurred by him or her in connection with any proceedings or application referred to in Article 21 1(a) and otherwise may take any action to enable any such Relevant Officer to avoid incurring such expenditure
- The Directors may decide to purchase and maintain insurance, at the expense of the company, for the benefit of any Relevant Officer in respect of any Relevant Loss
- 21.3 Model Article 52 (save for Model Article 52(2)) and Model Article 53 shall not apply to the company

### 21.4 In this Article 21

"Relevant Company"

the company, any holding company or parent undertaking (as defined in sections 1159 and 1162 of the Act) from time to time of the company or in which the company or any such holding company or parent undertaking or any of the predecessors of the company or of any such holding company or parent undertaking has or had at any time any interest, whether direct or indirect, or which is or was at any time in any way allied to or associated with the company or any subsidiary or subsidiary undertaking (as defined in section 1159 and section 1162 of the Act) of the company or of such other company or undertaking,

"Relevant Loss"

any loss or liability which has been or may be incurred by a Relevant Officer in connection with that Relevant Officer's duties or powers in relation to any Relevant Company or any pension fund or employees' share scheme of any Relevant Company, and

"Relevant Officer"

any director or other officer or former director or other officer of any Relevant Company (including any company which is a trustee of an occupational pension scheme (as defined by section 235(6) of the Act), but excluding in each case any person engaged by the Relevant Company) as auditor (whether or not he is also a director or other officer), to the extent he acts in his capacity as auditor)