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CERTIFICATE OF THE REGISTRATION OF A CHARGE

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The Registrar of Companies for England and Wales hereby certifies that a charge dated 25th April 2019 and created by QD UK MINORITY HOLDINGS LIMITED was delivered pursuant to Chapter A1 Part 25 of the Companies Act 2006 on 30th April 2019.

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Assignment of membership interests

by way of security in respect of all the membership interests in 30 GS GP LLP

Dated 25 April **2019**

QD UK Holdings GP LLP and QD UK Minority Holdings Limited (the Assignors)

30 GS GP LLP (the LLP)

HSBC Corporate Trustee Company (UK) Limited (the Security Agent)

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Assignment

Dated 25 April **2019**

Between

- (1) The entities listed in Schedule 1 (*The Assignors*) (the **Assignors**);
- (2) 30 GS GP LLP, a limited liability partnership registered in England and Wales, with registered number OC425097 and having its registered office at 16 Grosvenor Street, London, W1K 4QF (the LLP); and
- (3) **HSBC Corporate Trustee Company (UK) Limited** as security trustee for the Secured Parties (as defined in the Facility Agreement as defined below) pursuant to the Facility Agreement (as defined below) (the **Security Agent**).

Recitals

- A. The Finance Parties have agreed to make credit facilities available to the Borrower on the terms of the Facility Agreement, a copy of which has been made available to the Assignors.
- B. The Assignors have agreed to provide Security to the Security Agent (as trustee for the Secured Parties) over their Membership Interests to secure the payment and discharge of the Secured Liabilities.
- C. The LLP has agreed to enter into this Assignment to acknowledge the Security created under it and to provide certain undertakings and confirmations relating to it.

This deed witnesses

1 Definitions and construction

1.1 Definitions

Words and expressions defined in the Facility Agreement shall have the same meanings in this Assignment unless they are expressly defined in it and, in addition, in this Assignment:

Act means the Law of Property Act 1925.

Assigning Company means QD UK Minority Holdings Limited, a limited company incorporated in England and Wales with registered number 10705773.

Assigning LLP means QD UK Holdings GP LLP, a limited liability partnership incorporated in Scotland with registered number SO306050.

Borrower means 30 GS LP (acting by its general partner, the LLP), registered in England and Wales as a limited partnership under the Limited Partnership Act 1907 with registered number LP019900 and having its registered office at 16 Grosvenor Street, London, W1K 4QF.

Default Rate means the rate of interest specified in, and calculated in accordance with, clause 8.3 (*Default interest*) of the Facility Agreement.

Facility Agreement means the facility agreement dated on or around the date of this Assignment between, among others, the Borrower and the Security Agent.

Governance Interest means the rights of a member of the LLP to participate in the management, administration and governance of the LLP, including the member's voting rights.

LLP Agreement means the limited liability partnership agreement dated 3 December 2018 relating to the LLP, between the LLP and the Assignors.

Membership Interest means an Assignor's present and future right, title and interest in the LLP (other than its Governance Interest), whether arising under the LLP Agreement or otherwise, including:

- (a) its right to receive profits, distributions and other moneys from the LLP;
- (b) any claim or action it may have against the LLP; and
- (c) any other rights of the relevant Assignor as a member of the LLP, or arising in connection with that Assignor's membership of the LLP (other than, in each case, its Governance Interest).

PSC Regime means the regime relating to "people with significant control", as it applies to limited liability partnerships, set out in the Limited Liability Partnerships (Register of People with Significant Control) Regulations 2016.

Receiver means a receiver appointed pursuant to this Assignment or to any applicable law, whether alone or jointly, and includes a receiver and/or manager.

Relevant Jurisdiction has the same meaning as in the Facility Agreement, but as applied to the Assignors.

Secured Liabilities means all present and future obligations and liabilities (whether actual or contingent and whether owed jointly or severally or in any other capacity whatsoever) of each Transaction Obligor to any Secured Party under each Finance Document.

Security means a mortgage, charge, pledge, lien, assignment by way of security, assignation, standard security, retention of title provision, trust or flawed asset arrangement (for the purpose of, or which has the effect of, granting security) or other security interest securing any obligation of any person or any other agreement or arrangement in any jurisdiction having a similar effect.

Security Period means the period beginning on the date of this Assignment and ending on the date on which all the Secured Liabilities have been unconditionally and irrevocably paid and discharged in full.

1.2 Construction

- 1.2.1 The principles of construction set out in clause 1.2 (*Construction*) of the Facility Agreement shall apply to this Assignment, insofar as they are relevant to it and subject to any necessary changes, as they apply to the Facility Agreement.
- 1.2.2 Unless a contrary intention appears, any reference in this Assignment to:

- (a) this **Assignment** is a reference to this Assignment as amended, varied, novated, supplemented and replaced from time to time;
- (b) an **Assignor**, the **Security Agent** or any other **Secured Party** includes any one or more of its assigns, transferees and successors in title (in the case of an Assignor, so far as any such is permitted); and
- (c) the **Security Agent** or any other **Secured Party** (except for the references in Clause 17 (*Power of attorney*)), includes its duly appointed nominees, attorneys, correspondents, trustees, advisers, agents, delegates and sub-delegates.

1.3 Third party rights

- 1.3.1 Unless expressly provided to the contrary in this Assignment, a person who is not a party to this Assignment has no right under the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 (the **Third Parties Act**) to enforce or to enjoy the benefit of any term of this Assignment.
- 1.3.2 The parties to this Assignment may rescind, vary, waive, release, assign, novate or otherwise dispose of all or any of their respective rights or obligations under this Assignment without the consent of any person that is not a party (without prejudice to the terms of the other Finance Documents).
- 1.3.3 Any Secured Party or any person described in Clauses 12 (*Protection of purchasers*), 13 (*Protection of the Security Agent and others*) or 20 (*Disclosure of information*) may, subject to this Clause 1.3 (*Third party rights*) and the Third Parties Act, rely on any Clause of this Assignment which expressly confers rights on it.

1.4 Effect as a deed

This Assignment shall take effect as a deed even if it is signed under hand on behalf of the Security Agent.

2 Covenant to pay

Each Assignor covenants with the Security Agent and the other Secured Parties that it will on demand pay and discharge the Secured Liabilities when due.

3 Limited recourse

3.1 Limit

Subject to Clause 3.2 (*Exceptions*), the total amount recoverable by the Security Agent and the other Secured Parties from an Assignor under this Assignment shall be limited to the amount realised or recovered from that Assignor's Membership Interest pursuant to this Assignment.

3.2 Exceptions

The limit referred to in Clause 3.1 (*Limit*) on the amount recoverable from the Assignor under this Assignment from an Assignor shall not apply to the extent any breach by that Assignor of its obligations under this Assignment reduces the amount realised or recovered from that Assignor's Membership Interest pursuant to this Assignment which is available to be applied in satisfaction of the Secured Liabilities.

4 Assignment

4.1 Assignment

As security for the payment and discharge of the Secured Liabilities, each Assignor assigns absolutely, subject to a proviso for re-assignment on redemption, its Membership Interest to the Security Agent.

4.2 Trust

If or to the extent that the assignment of any Membership Interest is ineffective because of a prohibition on that assignment (and without prejudice to the representation and warranty in Clause 6.8.4 (*Membership Interest*)), the relevant Assignor holds it on trust for the Security Agent.

5 Nature of Security created

The Security created under this Assignment is created:

- (a) as a continuing security to secure the payment and discharge of the Secured Liabilities;
- (b) in favour of the Security Agent as trustee for the Secured Parties; and
- (c) with full title guarantee.

6 Representations and warranties

Each Assignor makes the representations and warranties set out in this Clause 6 to the Security Agent. The Security Agent and the other Secured Parties have relied on these representations when entering into the Finance Documents to which they are a party.

6.1 Status

- 6.1.1 In respect of the Assigning Company, it is a limited liability corporation, duly incorporated and validly existing under the law of its Original Jurisdiction.
- 6.1.2 In respect of the Assigning LLP, it is a limited liability partnership, duly incorporated and validly existing under the laws of its Original Jurisdiction.
- 6.1.3 It has the power to sue and be sued in its own name and to own its assets and carry on its business as that business is being and will be conducted.

6.2 Binding obligations

Subject to the Legal Reservations:

- (a) the obligations expressed to be assumed by it in this Assignment are legal, valid, binding and enforceable obligations;
- (b) (without limiting the generality of paragraph (a) above), the security interests which this Assignment purports to create are valid and effective.

6.3 Non-conflict with other obligations

The entry into and performance by it of, and the transactions contemplated by, this Assignment and the granting of the Security created or expressed to be created in favour of the Security Agent pursuant to this Assignment do not and will not conflict with:

- (a) any law or regulation applicable to it or binding on its assets;
- (b) its constitutional documents; or
- (c) any agreement or instrument binding upon it or any of its assets or constitute a default or termination event (however described) under any such agreement or instrument to the extent that such default or termination event has or is reasonably likely to have a Material Adverse Effect.

6.4 Power and authority

- 6.4.1 It has the power to enter into, perform and deliver, and has taken all necessary action to authorise its entry into, performance and delivery of, this Assignment and the transactions contemplated by it.
- 6.4.2 No limit on its powers will be exceeded as a result of the grant of Security contemplated by this Assignment.

6.5 Validity and admissibility in evidence

All Authorisations required or desirable:

- (a) to enable it lawfully to enter into, exercise its rights and comply with its obligations under this Assignment; and
- (b) to make this Assignment admissible in evidence in each Relevant Jurisdiction,

have been obtained or effected and are in full force and effect except by Authorisations, referred to in Clause 7 which Authorisations will be promptly obtained or effected after the date of this Assignment.

6.6 Governing law and enforcement

- 6.6.1 Subject to the Legal Reservations, the choice of English law as the governing law of this Assignment will be recognised and enforced in its Relevant Jurisdictions.
- 6.6.2 Subject to the Legal Reservations, any judgment obtained in England in relation to this Assignment will be recognised and enforced in its Relevant Jurisdictions.

6.7 No filing or stamp taxes

Under the law of its Relevant Jurisdictions it is not necessary that this Assignment be filed, recorded or enrolled with any court or other authority in that jurisdiction, or that any stamp, registration or similar tax be paid on or in relation to it or any of the transactions contemplated by it except registration of particulars of this Assignment at:

(a) Companies House in England and Wales against the name of the Assigning Company in accordance with Part 25 (Company Charges) of the Act or any

- regulations relating to the registration of charges made under, or applying the provisions of, the Act and payment of associated fees; and
- (b) Companies House in Scotland against the name of the Assigning LLP in accordance with The Limited Liability Partnerships (Application of Companies Act 2006) (Amendment) Regulations 2013 or any regulations relating to the registration of charges made under, or applying the provisions of, The Limited Liability Partnerships (Application of Companies Act 2006) (Amendment) Regulations 2013 and payment of associated fees,

and in each case such registration and fees will be made and paid promptly after the date of this Assignment.

6.8 Membership Interests

- 6.8.1 It is a member of the LLP.
- 6.8.2 There are no members of the LLP other than the Assignors.
- 6.8.3 Immediately before the assignment in Clause 4.1 (*Assignment*), it was the sole legal and beneficial owner of its Membership Interest.
- 6.8.4 Its Membership Interest is fully and freely assignable.

6.9 The LLP Agreement

- 6.9.1 The LLP Agreement is in full force and effect and represents the entire agreement between the LLP and its members in relation to the LLP.
- 6.9.2 It is not in breach of its obligations under the LLP Agreement and nothing has occurred:
 - (a) which is, or would constitute (with the giving of notice or passage of time, or both), an event of default (however described) under the LLP Agreement; or
 - (b) which would entitle a person to terminate or rescind the LLP Agreement.
- 6.9.3 It has duly performed all its obligations under the LLP Agreement, including paying all calls and other moneys payable under the LLP Agreement.
- 6.9.4 It has disclosed all material facts to each other party to the LLP Agreement.
- 6.9.5 It has not made any false declaration or mis-statement in the course of entering into the LLP Agreement.

6.10 Solvency

It is not deemed to be unable to pay its debts for the purpose of section 123 of the Insolvency Act 1986 (but ignoring any requirement that any matter referred to in that section be proved to the satisfaction of the court) or under any other applicable law, nor will it become so in consequence of entering into this Assignment.

6.11 Security

It has not created, nor has it permitted to be created, any Security over the Membership Interest other than pursuant to this Assignment.

6.12 PSC Regime

On the date of this Assignment:

- (a) it has complied in full with any obligations it has to provide information to the LLP under the PSC Regime; and
- (b) it has received neither a "warning notice" nor a "restrictions notice" (each as defined in Schedule 1B to the Companies Act 2006, as applied to limited liability partnerships by paragraph 31N of Schedule 1 to the Limited Liability Partnerships (Register of People with Significant Control) Regulations 2016) in relation to the Membership Interest which remains in effect.

6.13 Repetition

Each Assignor makes all the representations and warranties set out in this Clause 6 on the date of this Assignment. The representations and warranties in Clauses 6.1 (*Status*) to 6.7 (*No filing or stamp taxes*) and 6.9 (*The LLP Agreement*) are deemed to be repeated by reference to the facts and circumstances then existing on each date on which the Repeating Representations are deemed to be repeated.

7 Positive covenants

The covenants in this Clause 7 remain in force from the date of this Assignment until the expiry of the Security Period.

7.1 The LLP Agreement and Membership Interest

Each Assignor shall:

- (a) provide the Security Agent with all information relating to the Membership Interest which the Security Agent reasonably requests;
- (b) duly and promptly perform all obligations to be performed and pay all calls and other moneys to be paid by it from time to time under the LLP Agreement and promptly produce to the Security Agent on reasonable request all receipts for any such payments;
- (c) do all things necessary to maintain the LLP Agreement in full force and effect;
- (d) promptly inform the Security Agent if the LLP Agreement becomes void or unenforceable or subject to any material dispute;
- (e) observe and perform all covenants, undertakings, laws and regulations from time to time affecting the Membership Interest;
- (f) use all reasonable endeavours to defend any proceedings brought by a third party relating to the LLP Agreement or Membership Interest;

- (g) use reasonable endeavours to procure that the LLP performs its obligations under the LLP Agreement and in relation to the Membership Interest;
- (h) notify the Security Agent of any material default by the LLP under the LLP Agreement and at its own cost institute and maintain any proceedings necessary or expedient to preserve or protect the interest of the Secured Parties in the Membership Interest; and
- (i) promptly and duly pay all existing and future taxes, duties, fees, charges, assessments, impositions and outgoings (whether imposed by deed or statute or otherwise and whether in the nature of capital or revenue and even though of a wholly novel character) which are properly payable by it in respect of the Membership Interest as and when the same shall fall due.

7.2 Third party claims

Each Assignor shall promptly inform the Security Agent of any claim or notice relating to it Membership Interest which it receives from any third party.

7.3 Payments without deduction

Each Assignor shall calculate and make all payments to be made by it under this Assignment without (and free and clear of any deduction for) set-off or counterclaim.

7.4 PSC Regime

Each Assignor agrees:

- (a) to comply in full with any obligations it has to provide information to the LLP under the PSC Regime; and
- (b) (without prejudice to its obligation under paragraph (a)) to inform the Security Agent promptly if it receives either a "warning notice" or a "restrictions notice" (each as defined in Schedule 1B to the Companies Act 2006 as applied to limited liability partnerships by paragraph 31N of Schedule 1 to the Limited Liability Partnerships (Register of People with Significant Control) Regulations 2016) in relation to the Membership Interest.

8 Negative covenants

The covenants in this Clause 8 remain in force from the date of this Assignment until the expiry of the Security Period.

8.1 Disposals

No Assignor shall enter into a single transaction or a series of transactions (whether related or not), whether voluntary or involuntary and whether at the same time or over a period of time, to sell, lease, license, transfer, assign, loan or otherwise dispose of its Membership Interest or enter into an agreement to make any such disposal.

8.2 Negative pledge

No Assignor shall create or permit to subsist any Security over its Membership Interest except for the Security created pursuant to this Assignment.

8.3 The LLP Agreement and Membership Interest

No Assignor shall, without the written consent of the Security Agent, make, or consent or agree to:

- (a) any modification, amendment (other than a modification or amendment which is administrative and mechanical in nature), suspension, cancellation or termination of the LLP Agreement;
- (b) any claim that the LLP Agreement is frustrated or avoided;
- (c) any waiver or release of any obligation of any party (other than itself) under the LLP Agreement;
- (d) any change in the membership of the LLP, other than pursuant to Clause 16.3 (Further action); or
- (e) any step that may reasonably be expected to depreciate, jeopardise or otherwise prejudice the value of its Membership Interest.

9 Notices, acknowledgements and consents in relation to this Assignment

9.1 Consent to assignment

Each Assignor and the LLP consents to:

- (a) each (other) Assignor:
 - (i) entering into this Assignment;
 - (ii) assigning its Membership Interest to the Security Agent pursuant to this Assignment; and
 - (i) performing its obligations under this Assignment (including under Clause 16.2 (Action to change membership of the LLP)); and
- (b) the assignment of any Assignor's Membership Interest to any other person:
 - (i) pursuant to the enforcement of the Security created by this Assignment; or
 - (ii) otherwise consented to by the Security Agent at any time after the Security created by this Assignment has become enforceable.

9.2 Notice of assignment

Each Assignor:

- (a) notifies the LLP of the assignment of its Membership Interest to the Security Agent pursuant to this Assignment;
- (b) confirms to the LLP that it (the Assignor) remains liable to perform all obligations it has assumed in relation to its Membership Interest and otherwise as a member of the LLP;

- (c) following the occurrence of an Event of Default which is continuing, irrevocably authorises and instructs the LLP to pay to the Security Agent, or as it directs, all moneys which may become payable under or arising from its Membership Interest until the expiry of the Security Period;
- (d) requests the LLP to inform the Security Agent in writing promptly if at any time:
 - (i) that Assignor fails duly and promptly to pay any calls or other moneys payable from time to time in respect of the Membership Interest or otherwise breaches any obligation relating to the Membership Interest; or
 - the LLP becomes aware of any actual, potential or asserted assignment, encumbrance, interest, claim or right over or in respect of the Membership Interest in favour of a third party;
- (e) requests the LLP to disclose to the Security Agent any information relating to the Membership Interest which the Security Agent may from time to time reasonably request the LLP to disclose to it.

9.3 LLP's acknowledgment and confirmations

For the benefit of the Security Agent, the LLP:

- (a) acknowledges that it has received notice of the assignment of each Assignor's Membership Interest to the Security Agent pursuant to this Assignment;
- (b) agrees to comply with each Assignor's instructions and requests in Clause 9.2 (*Notice of assignment*);
- (c) confirms that:
 - (i) the LLP Agreement is in full force and effect;
 - (ii) each Membership Interest is fully and freely assignable;
 - (iii) there are no members of the LLP other than the Assignors.
 - (iv) all liabilities of the Assignors and moneys due or payable by the Assignors in respect of their Membership Interests have been duly and promptly performed or paid in full; and
 - (v) it has not received notice of any assignment, encumbrance, interest, claim or right, in favour of any third party, of, over or in respect of the Membership Interests or any part of them.

10 Enforcement

10.1 When Security becomes enforceable

The Security created by this Assignment shall become enforceable on the occurrence of an Event of Default which is continuing.

10.2 Powers on enforcement

At any time after the Security created by this Assignment has become enforceable the Security Agent may, pursuant to the Facility Agreement, without prejudice to any other of its rights and remedies and without notice to any Assignor, do all or any of the following:

- (a) sell or otherwise dispose of the Membership Interests or any of them, and otherwise exercise all the other powers and rights conferred on mortgagees by the Act, as varied and extended by this Assignment, without the restrictions contained in sections 103 or 109(1) of the Act;
- (b) take any step to recover any amounts owed pursuant to the Membership Interests;
- (c) subject to Clause 11.1.1 (*Method of appointment and removal*), appoint one or more persons to be a Receiver or Receivers of all or any of the Membership Interests.

10.3 Application of moneys

- 10.3.1 The Security Agent shall apply any moneys received or recovered by it pursuant to this Assignment in accordance with the Facility Agreement.
- 10.3.2 Any Receiver shall apply any moneys received or recovered by it pursuant to this Assignment to the Security Agent for application in accordance with Clause 10.3.1 and section 109(8) of the Act shall not apply.
- 10.3.3 Clauses 10.3.1 and 10.3.2 will override any appropriation made by an Assignor.

11 Appointment and powers of Receivers

11.1 Method of appointment and removal

- 11.1.1 Subject to Clause 11.1.2 below, the Security Agent may appoint one or more persons to be a Receiver
- 11.1.2 The Security Agent may not appoint a Receiver by reason only of a moratorium being obtained, or anything being done with a view to a moratorium being obtained, under section 1A of the Insolvency Act 1986.
- 11.1.3 The Security Agent may remove a Receiver appointed by it and may, whenever it thinks fit, appoint a new Receiver in place of any Receiver whose appointment has been terminated for any reason.
- 11.1.4 Every appointment or removal of a Receiver, of any Delegate or of any other person by the Security Agent pursuant to this Assignment may be made in writing under the hand of any officer or manager of the Security Agent.

11.2 Powers of Receiver

Every Receiver shall have all the powers:

- (a) of the Security Agent under this Assignment;
- (b) conferred by the Act on mortgagees in possession and on receivers appointed under the Act;

- (c) which are specified in Schedule 1 of the Insolvency Act 1986 in relation to, and to the extent applicable to, the Membership Interests or any of them (whether or not the Receiver is an administrative receiver within the meaning of that Act); and
- (d) in relation to the Membership Interest, which he would have if he were its absolute owner.

11.3 Joint or several

If two or more persons are appointed as Receivers of the same assets, they may act jointly and/or severally so that (unless any instrument appointing them specifies to the contrary) each of them may exercise individually all the powers and discretions conferred on Receivers by this Assignment.

11.4 Receiver as agent

Every Receiver shall be the agent of the relevant Assignor which shall be solely responsible for his contracts, engagements, acts and defaults and for the payment of his remuneration.

11.5 Receiver's remuneration

Every Receiver shall be entitled to remuneration for his services at a rate to be fixed by agreement between him and the Security Agent, and the maximum rate specified in section 109(6) of the Act shall not apply.

11.6 No liability

No Secured Party will incur any liability either to any Assignor or to any other person by reason of the appointment of any Receiver.

12 Protection of purchasers

No purchaser or other person dealing with the Security Agent or any Receiver shall be bound or concerned:

- (a) to see or enquire whether the right of the Security Agent or any Receiver to exercise any of the powers conferred by this Assignment has arisen or not;
- (b) with the propriety of the exercise or purported exercise of those powers; or
- (c) with the application of any moneys paid to the Security Agent, to any Receiver or to any other person.

13 Protection of the Secured Parties

13.1 Exclusion of liability

None of the Security Agent, the other Secured Parties or any of their respective officers or employees shall have any responsibility or liability:

- (a) for any action taken in relation to all or any of the Membership Interests;
- (b) for any failure to take any action in relation to all or any of the Membership Interests, and in particular any failure to:

- (i) forward to an Assignor any report, circular or other communication received by the Security Agent in relation to the LLP Agreement;
- (ii) accept or decline any offer made in respect of the LLP Agreement;
- (iii) make any payment in relation to the LLP Agreement;
- (iv) enforce the payment of any moneys which may become payable under the LLP Agreement; or
- (v) make any enquiries as to the nature or sufficiency of any payments which it receives;
- (c) to account as mortgagee in possession or for any loss on realisation of any Membership Interest;
- (d) for any loss resulting from any fluctuation in exchange rates in connection with any purchase of currencies under Clause 18 (*Currency*); or
- (e) for any other default or omission in relation to all or any of the Membership Interests for which a mortgagee in possession might be liable.

13.2 General indemnity

- 13.2.1 Each Assignor shall indemnify the Security Agent, the other Secured Parties and their respective officers and employees against all actions, proceedings, demands, claims, costs, expenses, and other liabilities incurred by them in respect of all or any of the following:
 - (a) any breach by an Assignor of any of its obligations under this Assignment;
 - (b) taking or holding the Security intended to be created under this Assignment;
 - (c) carrying out or purporting to carry out any of the rights, powers and discretions conferred on them by or permitted under this Assignment;
 - (d) any stamp, registration or similar Tax which becomes payable in connection with the entry into, or the performance or enforcement of, this Assignment; and
 - (e) any act or omission by any of them in relation to all or any of the Membership Interests, except in the case of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on the part of that person.
- 13.2.2 Each Assignor shall pay interest at the Default Rate on the sums payable under this Clause from the date on which the liability was incurred to the date of actual payment (both before and after judgment).

14 Preservation of Security

14.1 Reinstatement

If any payment by an Assignor or discharge given by the Security Agent (whether in respect of the obligations of any Obligor or any Security for those obligations or otherwise) is avoided or reduced as a result of insolvency, liquidation, administration or any similar event:

- (a) the liabilities of the Assignors and the Security created by this Assignment shall continue as if the payment, discharge, avoidance or reduction had not occurred; and
- (b) the Secured Parties shall be entitled to recover the value or amount of that Security or payment from the Assignors, as if the payment, discharge, avoidance or reduction had not occurred.

14.2 Waiver of defences

Neither the Security created by this Assignment nor the obligations of the Assignors under this Assignment shall be affected by an act, omission, matter or thing which, but for this Clause, would reduce, release or prejudice that Security or any of those obligations (whether or not known to it, the Security Agent or any other Secured Party) including:

- (a) any time, waiver or consent granted to, or composition with, any Obligor or other person;
- (b) the release of any Obligor or any other person under the terms of any composition or arrangement with any person;
- (c) the taking, variation, compromise, exchange, renewal, enforcement or release of, or refusal or neglect to perfect, take up or enforce, any rights against, or Security over, assets of any Obligor or other person or any non-presentation or non-observance of any formality or other requirement in respect of any instrument or any failure to realise the full value of any Security;
- (d) any incapacity or lack of power, authority or legal personality of or dissolution or change in the members or status of an Obligor or any other person;
- (e) any amendment (however fundamental), replacement, variation, novation, assignment or the avoidance or termination of a Finance Document or any other document or Security;
- (f) any unenforceability, illegality or invalidity of any obligation of, or any Security created by, any person under any Finance Document or any other document; or
- (g) any insolvency, liquidation, administration or similar procedure.

14.3 Assignor intent

Without prejudice to the generality of Clause 14.2 (*Waiver of defences*), each Assignor expressly confirms that it intends that the Security created by this Assignment shall extend from time to time to any (however fundamental) variation, increase, extension or addition of or to any of the Finance Documents and/or any facility or amount made available under any of the Finance Documents for the purposes of or in connection with any of the following:

- (a) acquisitions of any nature;
- (b) increasing working capital;
- (c) enabling investor distributions to be made;
- (d) carrying out restructurings;

- (e) refinancing existing facilities;
- (f) refinancing any other indebtedness;
- (g) making facilities available to new borrowers;
- (h) any other variation or extension of the purposes for which any such facility or amount might be made available from time to time; and
- (i) any fees, costs and/or expenses associated with any of the foregoing.

14.4 Immediate recourse

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

14.5 Appropriations

During the Security Period each Secured Party may:

- (a) refrain from applying or enforcing any moneys, Security or rights held or received by it (or any trustee or agent on its behalf) in respect of the Secured Liabilities, or, subject to Clause 10.3 (*Application of moneys*), apply and enforce the same in such manner and order as it sees fit (whether against the Secured Liabilities or otherwise) and no Assignor shall be entitled to the benefit of the same; and
- (b) hold in an interest-bearing suspense account any moneys received from an Assignor or on account of the Secured Liabilities.

14.6 Deferral and waiver of Assignors' rights

During the Security Period, unless the Security Agent otherwise directs, no Assignor shall be entitled to exercise any rights which it may have by reason of performance by it of its obligations under this Assignment or the enforcement of the Security created by this Assignment:

- (a) to receive or claim payment from, or be indemnified by an Obligor;
- (b) to claim any contribution from any guarantor of, or provider of Security in respect of, any Obligor's obligations under the Finance Documents;
- (c) to take the benefit (in whole or in part and whether by way of subrogation or otherwise) of any rights of any Secured Party under any Finance Document or of any guarantee or Security taken pursuant to, or in connection with, the Finance Documents by any Secured Party;
- (d) to exercise any right of set-off against any Obligor; and/or
- (e) to claim or prove as a creditor of any Obligor in competition with any Secured Party.

14.7 Additional Security

This Assignment is in addition to, is not in any way prejudiced by and shall not merge with any contractual right or remedy or other Security now or in the future held by or available to any Secured Party.

14.8 New accounts

If any Secured Party receives notice (actual or otherwise) of any subsequent Security over or affecting all or any of the Membership Interests it may open a new account or accounts in the name of the Borrower and, if it does not do so, it shall nevertheless be treated as if it had done so at the time when it received or was deemed to have received notice of that subsequent Security, and as from that time all payments made by or on behalf of the Borrower to that Secured Party:

- (a) shall be credited or be treated as having been credited to the new account; and
- (b) shall not operate to reduce the Secured Liabilities at the time when the Secured Party received or was deemed to have received such notice.

15 Tacking

For the purposes of section 94(1) of the Act the Security Agent confirms on behalf of the Lenders that the Lenders shall make further advances to the Borrower on the terms and subject to the conditions of the Finance Documents.

16 Further assurance

16.1 Registration at Companies House

Each Assignor consents to the registration of this Assignment and any other Security Document to which it is a party at Companies House pursuant to Part 25 of the Companies Act 2006 or The Limited Liability Partnerships (Application of Companies Act 2006) (Amendment) Regulations 2013, as applicable.

16.2 Action to change membership of the LLP

At any time after the Security created by this Assignment has become enforceable, if the Security Agent so requests, each Assignor shall, at its own expense, promptly take any action and sign or execute any documents which the Security Agent may require to:

- (a) enable any person or persons nominated by the Security Agent to become a member or members of the LLP; and
- (b) procure that that Assignor or any other Assignor ceases to be a member of the LLP.

16.3 Other further action

Without prejudice to Clause 16.2 (*Action to change membership of the LLP*), each Assignor shall, at its own expense, promptly take any action and sign or execute any further documents which the Security Agent may require in order to:

(a) give effect to the requirements of this Assignment;

- (b) create, protect, preserve and perfect the Security intended to be created by or pursuant to this Assignment;
- (c) create, protect and preserve the ranking of the Security intended to be created by or pursuant to this Assignment with any other Security over the Membership Interests; or
- (d) facilitate the realisation of all or any of the Membership Interests or the exercise of any rights, powers and discretions conferred on the Security Agent or any Receiver in connection with all or any of the Membership Interests,

and any such document may disapply section 93 of the Act.

17 Power of attorney

Each Assignor, by way of security, irrevocably appoints the Security Agent, each Receiver and any of their respective delegates or sub-delegates jointly and severally to be its attorney with the full power and authority of that Assignor to execute, deliver and perfect all deeds, instruments and other documents in its name and otherwise on its behalf and to do or cause to be done all acts and things, in each case which may be required or which any attorney may in its absolute discretion deem necessary for carrying out any obligation of the relevant Assignor under or pursuant to this Assignment or generally for enabling the Security Agent or any Receiver to exercise the respective powers conferred on them under this Assignment or by law provided that any power of attorney granted under this Clause 17 shall only be exercisable on the earlier of (i) on or after an Event of Default which is continuing; or (ii) following a failure by an Assignor to comply with its obligations under this Assignment promptly after receipt by it of a written request from the Security Agent to do so. Each Assignor ratifies and confirms whatever any attorney does or purports to do under its appointment under this Clause 17.

18 Currency

18.1 The Spot Rate

In this Clause 18, the **Spot Rate** means, in relation to the Security Agent or any other Finance Party:

- (a) the spot rate of exchange of that Finance Party for the purchase of any currency with any other currency in the London foreign exchange market; or
- (b) if that Finance Party does not have such a spot rate of exchange, any other spot rate of exchange selected by that Finance Party (acting reasonably).

18.2 Conversion of moneys received

The Security Agent or any other Finance Party may convert any moneys received, recovered or realised in any currency under this Assignment (including the proceeds of any previous conversion under this Clause 18) from their existing currency into any other currency, by purchasing that other currency at the Spot Rate.

19 Resignation of the Security Agent

The Security Agent may resign, and a successor Security Agent may be appointed, in accordance with the Facility Agreement.

20 Disclosure of information

The Security Agent or any other Secured Party may disclose any information about the Assignors or this Assignment in accordance with the Facility Agreement.

21 Re-assignment of Membership Interests

21.1 Time of re-assignment

At the end of the Security Period, the Security Agent shall, or shall procure that its appointees will, at the request and cost of the Assignors, re-assign all interest which it then has in each Membership Interest to the relevant Assignor. Section 93 of the Act shall not apply to this Assignment.

21.2 Representations on re-assignment

The Security Agent shall make and give no representations, warranties or covenants in relation to the Membership Interests re-assigned pursuant to Clause 21.1 (*Time of re-assignment*).

22 Notices

22.1 Communications in writing

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

22.2 Addresses

- 22.2.1 The address and fax number (and the department or officer, if any, for whose attention the communication is to be made) of each party for any communication or document to be made or delivered under or in connection with this Assignment is that identified with its name below or any substitute address, fax number or department or officer as either party may notify to the other by not less than five Business Days' notice.
- 22.2.2 The addresses referred to in Clause 22.2.1 are:
 - (a) The Assigning LLP:

QD UK Holdings GP LLP C/O Cms Cameron Mckenna Nabarro Olswang Llp Saltire Court, 20 Castle Terrace Edinburgh, Scotland, EH1 2EN

Attention: Colin Lawrie

Fax: +44 131 228 8888

(b) The Assigning Company:

QD UK Minority Holdings Limited 16 Grosvenor Street London, W1K 4QF

Attention: The Directors

Fax: 020-7408 9701

(c) The Security Agent:

HSBC Corporate Trustee Company (UK) Limited Level 28 8 Canada Square London, E14 5HQ

Attention: Issuer Services Trustee Administration

Fax: +44 20 7991 4350

Email: <u>Ctla.trustee.admin@hsbc.com</u>

22.3 Delivery

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

and, if a particular department or officer is specified as part of its address details provided under Clause 22.2 (*Addresses*), if addressed to that department or officer.

22.3.2 Any communication or document to be made or delivered to the Security Agent will be effective only when actually received by the Security Agent and then only if it is expressly marked for the attention of the department or officer identified in Clause 22.2.2 (or any substitute department or officer as the Security Agent shall specify for this purpose).

22.4 English language

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

23 Calculations and certificates

23.1 Accounts

In any litigation or arbitration proceedings arising out of or in connection with this Assignment, the entries made in the accounts maintained by the Security Agent or any other Secured Party are *prima facie* evidence of the matters to which they relate.

23.2 Certificates and determinations

Any certification or determination by the Security Agent or any other Secured Party of a rate or amount under this Assignment is, in the absence of manifest error, conclusive evidence of the matters to which it relates.

24 Partial invalidity

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

25 Remedies and waivers

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

26 Amendments and waivers

Any term of this Assignment may be amended or waived only with the written consent of the Assignors and the Security Agent.

27 Counterparts

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

28 Governing law and enforcement

28.1 Governing law

English law governs this Assignment, its interpretation and any non-contractual obligations arising from or connected with it.

28.2 Jurisdiction

28.2.1 The courts of England have exclusive jurisdiction to settle any dispute arising out of or in connection with this Assignment (including a dispute regarding the existence, validity or termination of this Assignment) (a **Dispute**).

- 28.2.2 The parties agree that the courts of England are the most appropriate and convenient courts to settle Disputes and accordingly no party will argue to the contrary.
- 28.2.3 Notwithstanding Clause 28.2.1, neither the Security Agent nor any other Secured Party shall be prevented from taking proceedings relating to a Dispute in any other courts with jurisdiction. To the extent allowed by law, the Security Agent and the other Secured Parties may take concurrent proceedings in any number of jurisdictions.

28.3 Service of process

28.3.1 Subject to Clause 28.3.3, the address for service of the Assigning LLP in England and Wales under this Clause is:

FAO: the Members

30 GS GP LLP 16 Grosvenor Street London, W1K 4QF.

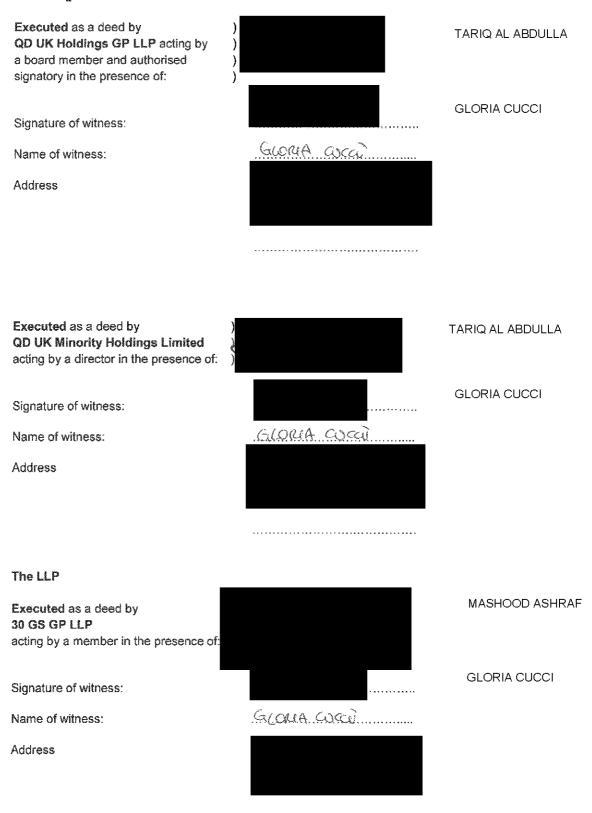
- 28.3.2 Without prejudice to any other mode of service allowed under any relevant law, any Service Document relating to proceedings before the English courts may be served on an Assignor at its address for service. That service may be made by pre-paid first class recorded delivery post or any other method allowed by law.
- 28.3.3 If an Assignor wishes to change its address for service to a different address in England or Wales, it may do so by giving the Security Agent at least 20 Business Days' written notice of its new address for service.
- 28.3.4 In this Clause, "Service Document" means any claim form, application notice, judgment, order or other notice of legal process relating to this Assignment.

Executed as a deed and delivered on the date appearing at the beginning of this Assignment.

Schedule 1 - The Assignors

Name of Assignor	Registered number (or equivalent, if any) and jurisdiction of incorporation
QD UK Holdings GP LLP	A limited liability partnership incorporated in Scotland with registered number SO306050.
QD UK Minority Holdings Limited	A limited company incorporated in England and Wales with registered number 10705773

The Assignors



EXECUTION VERSION

The Security Agent			SIMON LAZARUS
Signed for and on behalf of HSBC Corporate Trustee Company (UK) Limited)))	Simon Lazarus Authorised Signatory	