



Registration of a Charge

Company Name: **LEVENSEAT RENEWABLE ENERGY LTD**

Company Number: **SC480543**



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Persons entitled: **INVESTEC BANK PLC (AS SECURITY AGENT)**

Brief description:

Contains floating charge(s) (floating charge covers all the property or undertaking of the company).

Contains negative pledge.

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CERTIFICATE OF THE REGISTRATION OF A CHARGE

Company number: 480543

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The Registrar of Companies for Scotland hereby certifies that a charge dated 22nd March 2024 and created by LEVENSEAT RENEWABLE ENERGY LTD was delivered pursuant to Chapter A1 Part 25 of the Companies Act 2006 on 28th March 2024 .

Given at Companies House, Edinburgh on 28th March 2024

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Companies House



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REGISTRAR OF COMPANIES**

Bond and Floating Charge

between

Levenseat Renewable Energy Ltd

and

Investec Bank PLC (as security agent)

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This bond and floating charge is delivered on 22 MARCH 2024

between

1. Levenseat Renewable Energy Ltd, a company incorporated in Scotland with company number SC480543 and having its registered address at Levenseat Waste Management Site Wilsontown, Forth, Lanark, ML11 8EP as chargor (the "Chargor"); and
2. Investec Bank PLC, as trustee for each of the Secured Parties (as defined in the Facility Agreement) on the terms and conditions set out in the Facility Agreement (as defined below) (the "Security Agent").

It is agreed as follows:

1 Definitions and Interpretation

1.1 Definitions

In this Instrument:

"**Charged Property**" means the whole of the property and assets (including without limitation, uncalled capital) which is or may be from time to time while this Instrument is in force comprised in the property and undertaking of the Chargor;

"**Collateral Rights**" means all rights, powers and remedies of the Security Agent provided by or pursuant to this Instrument or by law;

"**Delegate**" means a delegate or sub-delegate appointed pursuant to Clause 26.2 (Delegation);

"**Facility Agreement**" means the facility agreement originally dated 20 March 2015, as amended on 7 December 2015 and on 28 March 2018, as amended and restated on 28 August 2018, as further amended on 21 December 2018, 2 August 2019, 10 July 2020 and 30 June 2021, and as further amended and restated on 30 June 2022 and on or about the date of delivery of this Instrument between, amongst others, Levenseat Renewable Energy Ltd as borrower, Investec Bank Plc as facility agent, the Security Agent, Investec Bank Plc as account bank, and Investec Bank Plc as hedge counterparty;

"**Instrument**" means this floating charge;

"**Receiver**" means a receiver, receiver and manager or, where permitted by law, an administrative receiver, and that term will include any appointee under a joint or several appointment;

"**Secured Obligations**" means all present and future obligations and liabilities (whether actual or contingent, whether owed jointly, severally or alone) of the Chargor to the Security Agent (whether for its own account or as trustee for the Secured Parties) or any of the other Secured Parties under or pursuant to the Finance Documents including any liability in respect of any further advances made under the Finance Documents;

"**Security**" has the meaning given in the Facility Agreement; and

"**Security Period**" means the period beginning on the date of delivery of this Instrument and ending on the date on which:

- (a) the Security Agent is satisfied that the Secured Obligations have been irrevocably and unconditionally paid and discharged in full; and

- (b) no Finance Party is under any further actual or contingent obligation to make advances or provide other financial accommodation to the Chargor or any other person under any of the Finance Documents.

1.2 Terms defined in other Finance Documents

Unless defined in this Instrument, or the context otherwise requires, a term defined in the Facility Agreement or in any other Finance Document has the same meaning in this Instrument, or any notice given under or in connection with this Instrument.

1.3 Construction and interpretation

1.3.1 In this Instrument:

1.3.1.1 any reference to "this Instrument", a "Finance Document", a "Hedging Agreement", a "Transaction Document" or any other agreement or instrument is a reference to this Instrument, that Finance Document, Hedging Agreement, Transaction Document or other agreement or instrument as amended, novated, supplemented, extended, restated (however fundamentally and whether or not more onerously) or replaced and includes any change in the purpose of, any extension of or any increase in any facility or the addition of any new facility under that Finance Document or other agreement or instrument; and

1.3.1.2 the rules of interpretation contained in clause 1.2 (*Construction*) of the Facility Agreement (other than Clause 1.2(d)) shall apply to the construction of this Instrument, or in any notice given under or in connection with this Instrument, and, for the purposes of this Clause 1.3.1.2, references to the Facility Agreement shall be construed as references to this Instrument.

1.4 Inconsistency

If there is any conflict or inconsistency between any provision of this Instrument and any provision of the Intercreditor Deed, the provision of the Intercreditor Deed shall prevail.

1.5 Third party rights

1.5.1 Unless expressly provided to the contrary in a Finance Document, a person who is not a party to this Instrument has no right under the Contract (Third Party Rights) (Scotland) Act 2017 to enforce or enjoy the benefit of any term of this Instrument.

1.5.2 Notwithstanding any term of any Finance Document, the consent of any person who is not a party to this Instrument is not required to rescind or vary this Instrument at any time. For the purposes of any Bail-In Legislation, each Finance Party may enforce and enjoy the benefit of Clause 28 (*Contractual Recognition of Bail-In*) of this Instrument.

1.5.3 Any Secured Party, Receiver or Delegate may enforce and enjoy the benefit of any Clause which expressly confers rights on it, subject to paragraph 1.5.2 above and the provisions of the Contract (Third Party Rights) (Scotland) Act 2017.

1.6 Incorporation of provisions from Facility Agreement

1.7 Clauses 14 (Tax gross up and indemnities), 16 (Other indemnities), 31.6 (No set-off by Obligors), 35.1 (Accounts), 35.2 (Certificates and determinations), 37 (Remedies and waivers) of the Facility Agreement are deemed to form part of this Instrument as if expressly incorporated into it and as if all references in those clauses to the Facility Agreement were references to this Instrument.

1.8 Present and future assets

A reference in this Instrument to any Charged Property or other asset includes, unless the contrary intention appears, present and future Charged Property and other assets.

1.9 Security Agent assumes no obligation

The Security Agent shall not be under any obligation in relation to the Charged Property as a consequence of this Instrument and the Chargor shall at all times remain liable to perform all obligations expressed to be assumed by it in respect of the Charged Property.

2 Covenant to Pay

The Chargor shall pay and discharge the Secured Obligations at the time or times when, in the manner in which, and in the currencies in which, they are expressed to be due and payable in accordance with and as provided for in the Finance Documents.

3 Default interest

If the Chargor fails to pay any amount payable by it under this Instrument on its due date, interest shall accrue on the overdue amount (both before and after judgment) on a daily basis at the rate specified in, determined in accordance with, and on the terms set out in, clause 10.4 (*Default interest*) of the Facility Agreement.

4 Common Provisions

4.1 All the Security created by or pursuant to this Instrument is:

- 4.1.1 created with the Chargor granting absolute warrandice;
- 4.1.2 created in favour of the Security Agent as trustee for the Secured Parties;
- 4.1.3 continuing security for the payment and discharge of all the Secured Obligations;
and
- 4.1.4 (unless otherwise stated) created over present and future assets of the Chargor.

5 Security

5.1 The Chargor charges to the Security Agent, by way of floating charge and as continuing security for the payment and discharge of the Secured Obligations, all of its rights, title and interest from time to time in and to the Charged Property.

5.2 The floating charge hereby created is a qualifying floating charge for the purpose of paragraph 14 of Schedule B1 to the Insolvency Act 1986.

6 Further Assurance

6.1 The Chargor shall, at its own cost, immediately do all such acts and execute all such documents (including assignments, transfers, deeds, standard securities, mortgages, pledges, conveyances, dispositions, charges, powers of attorney, notices, orders, instructions, proxies, corporate approvals and the making of registrations and filings) as the Security Agent or any Receiver or Delegate may reasonably specify (and in such form and at such times as the Security Agent or any Receiver or Delegate may reasonably require):

- 6.1.1 following the occurrence of an Event of Default which is continuing, to effect the transfer and registration of all or any part of the Charged Property in the name of the Security Agent or such nominee(s) or other person(s) as the Security Agent or any Receiver or Delegate may require;

- 6.1.2 to create, perfect, protect and maintain the Security created or intended to be created in respect of the Charged Property and its priority (which may include the execution by the Chargor of a standard security, mortgage, charge, pledge or assignation over all or any of the assets constituting, or intended to constitute, the Charged Property in favour of the Security Agent or its nominee(s)) or for the exercise of the Collateral Rights;
 - 6.1.3 to ensure that the Security created by or pursuant to this Instrument is and remains valid, legally binding and enforceable;
 - 6.1.4 to confer on the Security Agent security over any asset or undertaking of the Chargor located in any jurisdiction outside Scotland equivalent or similar to the Security intended to be conferred by or pursuant to this Instrument;
 - 6.1.5 following the occurrence of an Event of Default which is continuing, to facilitate the realisation of the Charged Property; and/or
 - 6.1.6 to facilitate the exercise of any right, power, remedy or discretion exercisable by the Security Agent or any Receiver, Delegate or any of their respective nominees or sub-delegates in respect of any Charged Property.
- 6.2 Implied covenants for title
- It shall be implied in respect of Clause 5 (*Security*) that the Chargor is disposing of the Charged Property free from all charges and encumbrances (whether monetary or not) and from all other rights exercisable by third parties (including liabilities imposed and rights conferred by or under any enactment).
- 7 Representations**
- 7.1 The Chargor makes the representations and warranties set out in this Clause 7.1 (*Representations*) to the Security Agent on the date of this Instrument.
- 7.1.1 It is a limited liability corporation, duly incorporated and validly existing under the law of its jurisdiction of incorporation.
 - 7.1.2 Subject to the Legal Reservations:
 - 7.1.2.1 the obligations expressed to be assumed by it in this Instrument are legal, valid, binding and enforceable obligations; and
 - 7.1.2.2 (without limiting the generality of paragraph (i)), this Instrument creates the security interests which it purports to create and those security interests are valid and effective.
 - 7.1.3 It has the power to own its assets and carry on its business as it is being conducted.
 - 7.1.4 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 Instrument.
 - 7.1.5 It has taken all necessary corporate action to authorise the execution and delivery of this Instrument and the performance of its obligations hereunder.
 - 7.1.6 It has not save as provided in the Facility Agreement and except for liens or retention of title provisions arising in the ordinary course of its trading activities, granted or created any other Security, charge or encumbrance over the Charged Property or any interest therein, or agreed, conditionally or unconditionally, to do so; and

7.1.7 It has not, save in the ordinary course of its trading activities, for market value, on an arm's length basis and for consideration payable in cash on normal commercial terms, entered into any agreement or granted any option to sell or otherwise dispose of the Charged Property or any interest therein, or agreed, conditionally or unconditionally, to do so.

7.2 The representations and warranties set out in this Clause 7 (*Representations*) are deemed repeated on each date on which the representations and warranties in the Facility Agreement are repeated by reference to the facts or circumstances existing on the date of deemed repetition.

8 Undertakings by the Chargor

8.1 Negative Pledge and Disposals

8.1.1 The Chargor shall not do or agree to do any of the following without the prior written consent of the Security Agent:

8.1.1.1 create or permit to subsist any Security or Quasi-Security on any part of the Charged Property other than any Permitted Security or as otherwise permitted by the Facility Agreement; or

8.1.1.2 sell, transfer, lend or otherwise dispose of (whether by a single transaction or a number of transactions and whether related or not), the whole or any part of its interest in the Charged Property, save as permitted by the Facility Agreement.

8.1.2 The floating charge created by this instrument shall, if the Chargor grants another charge in breach of Clause 8.1.1, subject to section 464(2) of the Companies Act 1985, rank in priority to any other fixed security which shall be created by the Chargor after its execution of this Instrument (other than a fixed security in favour of the Security Agent) and to any other floating charge which shall be created by the Chargor after its execution of this Instrument and (subject as aforesaid) no such fixed security or other floating charge shall rank in priority to or equally with the floating charge hereby created by it.

8.2 Insurance

8.2.1 The Chargor shall at all times comply with its obligations as to insurance contained in the Facility Agreement (and in particular, schedule 9 (*Insurances*) to the Facility Agreement).

8.2.2 If at any time the Chargor defaults in:

8.2.2.1 effecting or keeping up the insurances (A) required under the Facility or (B) referred to in this clause;

8.2.2.2 producing any insurance policy or receipt (save for any insurance policy or receipt held by or on behalf of the Security Agent or the Agent pursuant to the terms of this Instrument, the Facility Agreement or any other Finance Document) to the Security Agent within five Business Days of demand,

the Security Agent may take out or renew such policies of insurance in any sum which the Security Agent may reasonably think expedient. All monies which are expended by the Security Agent in doing so shall be deemed to be properly paid by the Security Agent and shall be reimbursed by the Chargor on demand.

8.2.3 The Chargor shall diligently pursue its rights under the Insurances in accordance with the terms of the Facility Agreement.

- 8.2.4 All claims and monies received or receivable under any Insurances shall be applied in accordance with the Facility Agreement.

8.3 Charged Property

- 8.3.1 The Chargor undertakes to the Security Agent that it shall, save as expressly provided in the Facility Agreement:

8.3.1.1 not take or omit to take any action which would materially prejudice the Charged Property or materially impair the value of the Charged Property and shall, at its own cost, promptly take all action which is at any time necessary or which the Security Agent may request (acting reasonably), to protect the value of the interests of the Chargor and the Security Agent in the Charged Property; and

8.3.1.2 not dispose of the Charged Property or any part of it or to agree to do so.

9 Enforcement of Security

- 9.1 On or at any time after the occurrence of an Event of Default (which is continuing) the Security created by or pursuant to this Instrument is immediately enforceable and the Security Agent may (without notice to the Chargor or prior authorisation from any court):

9.1.1 enforce all or any part of that Security at the times, in the manner and on the terms it thinks fit (including whether for cash consideration or otherwise); and

9.1.2 exercise all or any of the rights, powers, authorities and discretions conferred by this Instrument or otherwise conferred by law on mortgagees, creditors, chargees or Receivers in the manner and on the terms it thinks fit.

10 Extension of Powers and Right of Appropriation

10.1 Extension of powers

The power of sale or other disposal conferred on any Receiver by this Instrument shall arise (and the Secured Obligations shall be deemed due and payable for that purpose) on the date of delivery of this Instrument.

10.2 Right of Appropriation

10.2.1 To the extent that the Charged Property constitutes "financial collateral" and this Instrument and the obligations of the Chargor under this Instrument constitute a "security financial collateral arrangement" (in each case, for the purpose of and as defined in the Financial Collateral Arrangements (No. 2) Regulations 2003 (the "Regulations")), the Security Agent will have the right after the Security has become enforceable to appropriate all or any part of that financial collateral in or towards the satisfaction of the Secured Obligations and may exercise such right to appropriate upon giving written notice to the Chargor. For this purpose, the parties agree that the value of that Charged Property so appropriated shall be:

- (i) the amount standing to the credit of the relevant bank account (where the property is the benefit of a bank account); or
- (ii) in the case of any other financial collateral (as defined in the Regulations), the market value of such financial collateral determined (after appropriation) by the Security Agent by reference to a public index or by such other process as the Security Agent may select in a commercially reasonable manner.

- 10.2.2 In the case of Clauses 10.2.1(i) and 10.2.1(ii) the parties agree that the method of valuation provided for in this Instrument shall constitute a commercially reasonable method of valuation for the purposes of the Regulations.

11 Appointment of Receiver or Administrator

11.1 Appointment and removal

- 11.1.1 After the Security created by or pursuant to this Instrument has become enforceable in accordance with Clause 9 (*Enforcement of Security*) or if requested by the Chargor, the Security Agent may by deed or otherwise in writing (acting through an authorised officer of the Security Agent):

11.1.1.1 without prior notice to the Chargor:

- (a) appoint one or more persons to be a Receiver of the whole or any part of the Charged Property; or
- (b) appoint two or more Receivers of separate parts of the Charged Property; or
- (c) remove (so far as it is lawfully able) any Receiver so appointed; or
- (d) appoint another person(s) as an additional or replacement Receiver(s); or

- 11.1.2 following notice to the Chargor, appoint one or more persons to be an administrator of the Chargor pursuant to paragraph 12 of Schedule B1 of the Insolvency Act 1986.

11.2 Capacity of Receivers

- 11.2.1 Each person appointed to be a Receiver pursuant to Clause 11.1 (*Appointment and removal*) shall:

11.2.1.1 be entitled to act individually or together with any other person appointed or substituted as Receiver;

11.2.1.2 for all purposes be the agent of the Chargor and the Chargor shall be solely responsible for the acts, defaults and liabilities of the Receiver and for the payment of its remuneration. No Receiver shall at any time act as, or be deemed to be, agent for the Security Agent; and

11.2.1.3 be entitled to remuneration for his services at a rate to be fixed by the Security Agent from time to time.

11.3 Statutory powers of appointment

- 11.3.1 The powers of appointment of a Receiver shall be in addition to all statutory and other powers of appointment of the Security Agent under the Insolvency Act 1986 or otherwise and such powers shall be exercisable and shall remain exercisable from time to time by the Security Agent in respect of any part of the Charged Property.

- 11.3.2 The Security Agent is not entitled to appoint a Receiver solely as a result of the obtaining of a moratorium (or anything done with a view to obtaining a moratorium) under Part A1 of the Insolvency Act 1986 other than in respect of a floating charge referred to in subsection (4) of section A52 of Part A1 of the Insolvency Act 1986.

- 11.3.3 The Security Agent may not appoint an administrative receiver (as defined in section 29(2) of the Insolvency Act 1986) over the Charged Property if the Security Agent is prohibited from so doing by section 72A of the Insolvency Act 1986 and no exception to the prohibition on appointing an administrative receiver applies.

12 Powers of Receivers

12.1 General

- 12.1.1 Every Receiver shall have all of the rights, powers and discretions set out below in this Clause 12 (*Powers of Receivers*) in addition to those conferred on it by any law. A Receiver shall have:

12.1.1.1 all the powers of an administrative receiver set out in Schedule 1 to the Insolvency Act 1986 as in force at the date of this Instrument (whether or not in force at the date of exercise) and all the powers of an administrative receiver as may be added to Schedule 1 of the Insolvency Act 1986 after the date of this Instrument (in each case, whether or not the Receiver is an administrative receiver);

12.1.1.2 If there is more than one Receiver holding office at the same time, each Receiver may (unless the document appointing him/her states otherwise) exercise all of the powers conferred on a Receiver under this Instrument individually and to the exclusion of any other Receiver.

12.2 Possession

- A Receiver may take immediate possession of, get in and realise any Charged Property (and any assets of the Chargor which, when got in, would be Charged Property).

12.3 Carry on business

- A Receiver may carry on any business of the Chargor in any manner he/she thinks fit.

12.4 Employees

- 12.4.1 A Receiver may appoint and discharge managers, officers, agents, accountants, servants, workmen and others for the purposes of this Instrument upon such terms as to remuneration or otherwise as he/she thinks fit.

- 12.4.2 A Receiver may discharge any person appointed by the Chargor.

12.5 Borrow money

A Receiver may raise and borrow money either unsecured or on the security of any Charged Property either in priority to the security constituted by this Instrument or otherwise and generally on any terms and for whatever purpose which he/she thinks fit.

12.6 Sale of assets

- 12.6.1 A Receiver may sell, exchange, convert into money and realise any Charged Property by public auction or private contract and generally in any manner and on any terms which he/she thinks fit.

- 12.6.2 The consideration for any such transaction may consist of cash or non-cash consideration and any such consideration may be payable in a lump sum or by instalments spread over any period which he/she thinks fit.

12.7 Redemption of Security

A Receiver may redeem any Security (whether or not having priority to the Security constituted by or pursuant to this Instrument) over all or any part of the Charged Property and to settle the accounts of any person with an interest in all or any part of the Charged Property.

12.8 Compromise

A Receiver may settle, adjust, refer to arbitration, compromise and arrange any claim, account, dispute, question or demand with or by any person who is or claims to be a creditor of the Chargor or relating in any way to any Charged Property.

12.9 Legal actions

A Receiver may bring, prosecute, enforce, defend and abandon any action, suit or proceedings in relation to any Charged Property which he/she thinks fit.

12.10 Receipts

A Receiver may give a valid receipt for any moneys and execute any assurance or thing which may be proper or desirable for realising any Charged Property.

12.11 Subsidiaries

A Receiver may form a Subsidiary of the Chargor and transfer to that Subsidiary any Charged Property.

12.12 Delegation

A Receiver may delegate his/her powers in accordance with this Instrument.

12.13 Lending

A Receiver may lend money or advance credit to any person.

12.14 Other powers

A Receiver may:

12.14.1 do all other acts and things which he/she may consider necessary or desirable for realising any Charged Property or incidental or conducive to any of the rights, powers or discretions conferred on a Receiver under or by virtue of this Instrument or law;

12.14.2 exercise in relation to any Charged Property all the powers, authorities and things which he/she would be capable of exercising if he/she were the absolute beneficial owner of that Charged Property; and

12.14.3 use the name of the Chargor for any of the above purposes.

13 Application of Proceeds

13.1 All monies received by the Security Agent or any Receiver under or in connection with this Instrument after this Instrument has become enforceable shall (subject to the rights and claims of any person having a security ranking in priority to this and subject to the Intercreditor Deed and the Ranking Agreement and the 2024 Supplemental Ranking Agreement) be applied in the following order:

- 13.1.1 *first*, in satisfaction of, or provision for, all costs, charges and expenses incurred and payments made by the Security Agent, any other Secured Party or Delegate and of all remuneration due to the Receiver in connection with this Instrument or the Charged Property;
- 13.1.2 *secondly*, in or towards satisfaction of the remaining Secured Obligations in accordance with clause 14 (*Appropriation, Intercreditor Deed and Ranking Agreement*); and
- 13.1.3 *thirdly*, in payment of any surplus to the Chargor or other person entitled to it.
- 13.2 Clause 13.1 above:
 - 13.2.1 is subject to the payment of any claims having priority over this Security; and
 - 13.2.2 does not prejudice the right of any Secured Party to recover any shortfall from the Chargor.
- 14 **Appropriation, Intercreditor Deed and Ranking Agreement**
 - 14.1 Subject to the Intercreditor Deed and the Ranking Agreement and Clause 13 (*Application of Proceeds*), the Security Agent shall apply all payments received in respect of the Secured Obligations in reduction of any part of the Secured Obligations in any order or manner which it may determine.
 - 14.2 Any such appropriation shall override any appropriation by the Chargor.
 - 14.3 All monies received, recovered or realised by the Security Agent under or in connection with this Instrument may at the discretion of the Security Agent be credited to a separate interest-bearing suspense account for so long as the Security Agent determines (with interest accruing thereon at such rate (if any) as the Security Agent may determine without the Security Agent having any obligation to apply such monies and interest or any part of it in or towards the discharge of any of the Secured Obligations).
- 15 **Protection of Purchasers**
 - 15.1 **Consideration**

The receipt of the Security Agent or any Receiver or Delegate shall be conclusive discharge to a purchaser and, in making any sale or disposal of any of the Charged Property or making any acquisition, the Security Agent or any Receiver or Delegate may do so for such consideration, in such manner and on such terms as it thinks fit.
 - 15.2 **Protection of purchasers**
 - 15.2.1 No purchaser or other person dealing with the Security Agent or any Receiver or Delegate shall be bound to inquire whether any right conferred by or pursuant to this Instrument has arisen or become exercisable or be concerned with any propriety or regularity on the part of the Security Agent or such Receiver or Delegate in such dealings.
 - 15.2.2 All the protections for purchasers contained in section 42(3) of the Insolvency Act 1986 or in any other applicable law or regulation shall apply to any person purchasing from or dealing with the Security Agent or any Receiver or Delegate.
- 16 **Power of Attorney**
 - 16.1 **Appointment and powers**

The Chargor by way of security irrevocably and severally appoints the Security Agent and any Receiver to be its mandatory and attorney and in its name, on its behalf and as its act and deed to execute, deliver and perfect all documents and do all things which the mandatory and attorney may consider to be required for:

- 16.1.1 carrying out any obligation imposed on the Chargor by this Instrument or any other agreement binding on the Chargor to which the Security Agent is party (including the execution and delivery of any deeds, standard securities, mortgages, charges, pledges, assignments or other security and any transfers of the Charged Property and perfecting and/or releasing the Security created or intended to be created in respect of the Charged Property);
- 16.1.2 to take any action required or desirable to enable the Security Agent to exercise all or any of the Collateral Rights; and
- 16.1.3 enabling the Security Agent and any Receiver to exercise, or delegate the exercise of, any of the rights, powers and authorities conferred on them by or pursuant to this Instrument or by law (including, after the occurrence of an Event of Default, the exercise of any right of an owner of the Charged Property).

16.2 Ratification

The Chargor ratifies and confirms and agrees to ratify and confirm all things done and all documents executed by any attorney in the exercise or purported exercise of all or any of his powers.

17 Effectiveness of Security

17.1 Continuing security

- 17.1.1 The Security created by or pursuant to this Instrument shall remain in full force and effect as a continuing security for the Secured Obligations unless and until discharged by the Security Agent in writing.
- 17.1.2 No part of the Security from time to time intended to be constituted by this Instrument will be considered satisfied or discharged by an intermediate payment, discharge or satisfaction of the whole or any part of the Secured Obligations.

17.2 Cumulative rights

- 17.2.1 The Security created by or pursuant to this Instrument and the Collateral Rights shall be cumulative, in addition to and independent of every other Security which the Security Agent or any Secured Party may at any time hold for the Secured Obligations or any other obligations or any rights, powers and remedies provided by law and shall operate as an independent security notwithstanding any receipt, release or discharge endorsed on or given in respect of or under any such other Security.
- 17.2.2 No prior Security held by the Security Agent (whether in its capacity as trustee or otherwise) or any of the other Secured Parties over the whole or any part of the Charged Property shall merge into the Security constituted by this Instrument.

17.3 No prejudice

The Security created by or pursuant to this Instrument, and the Collateral Rights, shall not be prejudiced by any unenforceability or invalidity of any other agreement or document or by any time or indulgence granted to the Chargor or any other person, or the Security Agent (whether in its capacity as trustee or otherwise) or any of the other Secured Parties or by any variation of the terms of the trust upon which the Security Agent holds the Security or by any other thing which might otherwise prejudice that Security or any Collateral Right.

17.4 Trusts

If any trust intended to arise pursuant to any provision of this Instrument fails or for any reason (including the laws of any jurisdiction in which any assets, moneys, payments or distributions may be situated) cannot be given effect to, the Chargor will pay to the Security Agent for application in accordance with Clause 13 (*Application of Proceeds*) an amount equal to the amount (or the value of the relevant assets) intended to be so held on trust for the Security Agent.

17.5 Remedies and waivers

17.5.1 No failure on the part of the Security Agent to exercise, nor any delay on its part in exercising, any Collateral Right, shall operate as a waiver of that Collateral Right or constitute an election to affirm this Instrument.

17.5.2 No election to affirm this Instrument on the part of the Security Agent shall be effective unless it is in writing.

17.5.3 No single or partial exercise of any Collateral Right shall preclude any further or other exercise of that or any other Collateral Right.

17.6 No liability

17.6.1 None of the Security Agent, its nominees(s) or any Receiver or Delegate nor any officer, agent or employee of any of them shall be liable:

17.6.1.1 to account as a heritable creditor or heritable creditor in possession or for any loss on realisation; or

17.6.1.2 for any default or omission for which a heritable creditor in possession might be liable.

17.6.2 None of the Security Agent, its nominees(s) or any Receiver or Delegate nor any officer, agent or employee of any of them shall be liable (including, without limitation, for negligence or any other category of liability whatsoever) for any loss arising by reason of taking any action permitted by this Instrument or any neglect, default or omission in connection with the Charged Property or taking possession of or realising all or any part of the Charged Property, except to the extent caused by fraud, wilful default or gross negligence upon its part including his/her or its officers, employees or agents.

17.7 Partial invalidity

If, at any time, any provision of this Instrument is or becomes illegal, invalid or unenforceable in any respect under the law of any jurisdiction, neither the legality, validity or enforceability of the remaining provisions of this Instrument nor of such provision under the laws of any other jurisdiction shall in any way be affected or impaired thereby and, if any part of the Security intended to be created by or pursuant to this Instrument is invalid, unenforceable or ineffective for any reason, that shall not affect or impair any other part of the Security or any other security.

17.8 Waiver of defences

The obligations assumed, and the Security created, by the Chargor under this Instrument, and the Collateral Rights, will not be affected by any act, omission, matter or thing which, but for this Clause 17.8 (*Waiver of defences*), would reduce, release or prejudice any of its obligations under, or the Security created by or pursuant to, this Instrument (without limitation and whether or not known to the Chargor or any Secured Party) including:

- 17.8.1 any time, waiver or consent granted to, or composition with, the Chargor or any other person;
- 17.8.2 the release of the Chargor or any other person under the terms of any composition or arrangement with any creditor;
- 17.8.3 the taking, variation, compromise, exchange, renewal or release of, or refusal or neglect to perfect, take up or enforce, any rights against, or Security over assets of, the Chargor or any other person;
- 17.8.4 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;
- 17.8.5 any incapacity or lack of power, authority or legal personality of or dissolution or change in the members or status of the Chargor or any other person;
- 17.8.6 any amendment, novation, supplement, extension, restatement (in each case, however fundamental and whether or not more onerous) or replacement of a Finance Document or any other document or security or of the Secured Obligations including, without limitation, any change in the purpose of, any extension of or increase in any facility or the addition of any new facility under any Finance Document or other document or security;
- 17.8.7 any unenforceability, illegality or invalidity of any obligation of any person under any Finance Document or any other document or security or of the Secured Obligations; and
- 17.8.8 any insolvency or similar proceedings.

17.9 **Chargor intent**

Without prejudice to the generality of Clause 17.8 (*Waiver of defences*), the Chargor expressly confirms that it intends that the Security created by or pursuant to this Instrument, and the Collateral Rights, shall extend from time to time to any (however fundamental and of whatsoever nature, and whether or not more onerous) 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: business acquisitions of any nature, increasing working capital, enabling investor distributions to be made, carrying out restructurings, refinancing existing facilities, refinancing any other indebtedness, making facilities available to new borrowers, any other variation or extension of the purposes for which any such facility or amount might be made available from time to time, and any fees, costs and/or expenses associated with any of the foregoing.

17.10 **Immediate recourse**

The Chargor 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 other person before claiming from the Chargor. This waiver applies irrespective of any law or any provision of a Finance Document to the contrary.

17.11 **Deferral of rights**

Until the end of the Security Period, the Chargor will not exercise any rights which it may have by reason of performance by it of its obligations under this Instrument:

- 17.11.1 to be indemnified by any other Obligor;
- 17.11.2 to claim any contribution from any guarantor of any Obligor's obligations under the Finance Documents;

- 17.11.3 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 the Finance Documents or of any other guarantee or Security taken pursuant to, or in connection with, the Finance Documents by any Secured Party;
- 17.11.4 to bring legal or other proceedings for an order requiring any Obligor to make any payment, or perform any obligation, in respect of which any Obligor has given a guarantee, undertaking or indemnity under any Finance Document;
- 17.11.5 to exercise any right of set-off against any Obligor; or
- 17.11.6 to claim, rank, vote or prove as a creditor of any Obligor in competition with any Secured Party.

17.12 Turnover trust

- 17.12.1 The Chargor shall not accept or permit to subsist any security or collateral from any person in respect of any rights the Chargor may have arising out of this Instrument. If, despite this provision, any such security or collateral shall be accepted or subsisting, the Chargor acknowledges that the Chargor's rights under such collateral shall be held on trust for the Security Agent and the Secured Parties, to the extent necessary to enable the Secured Obligations to be repaid in full, and the Chargor shall, if requested, promptly transfer the same to the Security Agent (or as the Security Agent may direct) for application in accordance with Clause 13 (*Application of proceeds*).
- 17.12.2 If the Chargor receives any benefit, payment or distribution relating to the rights described in Clause 17.11 (*Deferral of rights*) above, it shall hold that benefit, payment or distribution to the extent necessary to enable the Secured Obligations to be repaid in full on trust for the Security Agent and the Secured Parties and shall promptly pay or transfer the same to the Security Agent (or as the Security Agent may direct) for application in accordance with Clause 13 (*Application of proceeds*).
- 17.12.3 If the Chargor exercises any right of set-off described in paragraph 17.11.5 of Clause 17.11 (*Deferral of rights*) above, it will immediately pay or transfer to the Security Agent an amount equal to the amount set-off.

18 Prior Security Interests

- 18.1 In the event of any action, proceeding or step being taken to exercise any powers or remedies conferred by any prior ranking Security against any of the Charged Property or in case of exercise by the Security Agent or any Receiver or Delegate of any power of sale under this Instrument, the Security Agent may redeem such prior Security or procure the transfer thereof to itself.
- 18.2 The Security Agent may settle and agree the accounts of the prior Security and any accounts so settled and agreed will be conclusive and binding on the Chargor.
- 18.3 All principal monies, interest, costs, charges and expenses of and incidental to any redemption or transfer will be paid by the Chargor to the Security Agent on demand together with accrued interest thereon calculated in accordance with Clause 3 (*Default interest*).

19 Subsequent Security Interests and Further Advances

19.1 Subsequent security interests

- 19.1.1 If the Security Agent (acting in its capacity as trustee or otherwise) or any of the other Secured Parties at any time receives or is deemed to have received notice of any subsequent Security, assignment or transfer affecting all or any part of the Charged Property which is prohibited by the terms of any Finance Document, all

payments thereafter by or on behalf of the Chargor to the Security Agent (whether in its capacity as trustee or otherwise) or any of the other Secured Parties will be treated as having been credited to a new account of the Chargor and not as having been applied in reduction of the Secured Obligations.

19.2 Further advances

19.2.1 The Security is intended to secure further advances.

19.2.2 The Security Agent confirms:

19.2.2.1 on behalf of each Lender that, subject to the terms of the Facility Agreement, each Lender is under an obligation to make further advances to the Chargor and that obligation shall be deemed to be incorporated in this Instrument as if set out in this Instrument; and

19.2.2.2 on behalf of each Hedge Counterparty that, subject to the terms of each relevant Hedging Agreement, each Hedge Counterparty, upon entry into a transaction or transactions under and forming part of the Hedging Agreement, may have an obligation to make payments to the relevant counterparty to the Hedging Agreement and that obligation shall be deemed to be incorporated in this Instrument as if set out in this Instrument.

20 Release of Security

20.1 Release of Security

Upon the expiry of the Security Period, the Security Agent shall, at the request and cost of the Chargor, take whatever action is necessary to discharge, release and cancel the Security constituted by this Instrument and procure the release to the Chargor of the Charged Property, in each case subject to Clause 20.2 (*Reinstatement*) and without recourse to, or any representation or warranty by, the Security Agent or any of its nominees.

20.2 Reinstatement

If the Security Agent considers that any amount paid or credited to, or any security or guarantee provided to, it or any other Secured Party under a Finance Document is capable of being avoided or reduced by virtue of any bankruptcy, insolvency, liquidation or similar laws in any jurisdiction, the liability of the Chargor under this Instrument and the Security constituted by this Instrument shall continue as if such amounts had not been paid or as if any such security or guarantee had not been provided.

21 Set-Off

The Chargor authorises the Security Agent (but the Security Agent shall not be obliged to exercise such right), following the occurrence of an Event of Default which is continuing, to set-off against the Secured Obligations any amount or other obligation (contingent or otherwise) owing by the Security Agent to the Chargor and apply any credit balance to which the Chargor is entitled on any account with the Security Agent in accordance with Clause 13 (*Application of Proceeds*) (notwithstanding any specified maturity of any deposit standing to the credit of any such account).

22 Assignment

22.1 The Chargor may not assign, transfer nor otherwise dispose of any of its rights and/or obligations under this Instrument.

22.2 The Security Agent may, at any time, without the consent of the Chargor, assign, transfer and/or otherwise dispose of all or any of its rights and obligations under this Instrument to any

- successor additional Security Agent appointed in accordance with clause 28 of the Facility Agreement. The Security Agent shall be entitled to disclose such information concerning the Chargor and this Instrument as the Security Agent considers appropriate to any actual or proposed direct or indirect successor or to any person to whom information may be required to be disclosed by any applicable law.
- 23 **Notices**
- Each communication to be made under or in connection with this Instrument shall be made in writing and in accordance with clause 34 (*Notices*) of the Facility Agreement.
- 24 **Expenses**
- Without double-counting, clause 18.4 (Enforcement and preservation costs) of the Facility Agreement shall apply, mutatis mutandis, to this Instrument as if set out in full here
- 25 **Currency Conversion for the Purposes of Set-Off**
- If the obligations are in different currencies, the Security Agent or such other Secured Party may convert either obligation at a market rate of exchange in its usual course of business for the purpose of the set-off.
- 26 **Discretion and Delegation**
- 26.1 **Discretion**
- Unless a contrary indication appears, in this Instrument, a reference to "determines" or "determined" means a determination made in the absolute discretion of the person making the determination (subject to the terms of the Facility Agreement).
- 26.2 **Delegation**
- Each of the Security Agent and any Receiver shall have full power to delegate (either generally or specifically) the powers, authorities and rights conferred on it by this Instrument (including the power of attorney) on such terms and conditions as it shall see fit (including the power to sub-delegate) which delegation shall not preclude the subsequent exercise, any subsequent delegation or any revocation of such power, authority or right by the Security Agent or the Receiver itself.
- 26.3 **Liability**
- Neither the Security Agent nor any Receiver shall be bound to supervise, or be in any way responsible or liable for any damages, costs or losses incurred by reason of any misconduct, omission or default on the part of, any such Delegate or sub-Delegate.
- 27 **Counterparts**
- 27.1 This Instrument 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 Instrument.
- 27.2 Where executed in counterparts:
- 27.2.1 This Instrument will not take effect until each of the counterparts has been delivered;
- 27.2.2 each counterpart will be held as undelivered until the Parties agree a date on which the counterparts are to be treated as delivered;
- 27.2.3 the date of delivery may be inserted in the testing clause in the blank provided for the delivery date; and

27.2.4 if the Parties have nominated a person to take delivery of one or more of the counterparts, the Parties hereby agree that the terms of s.2(3) of the Legal Writings (Counterparts and Delivery) (Scotland) Act 2015 shall not apply.

28 Contractual Recognition of Bail-In

28.1 In this Clause:

"Article 55 BRRD" means Article 55 of Directive 2014/59/EU establishing a framework for the recovery and resolution of credit institutions and investment firms;

"Bail-In Action" means the exercise of any Write-down and Conversion Powers;

"Bail-In Legislation" means:

- (a) in relation to an EEA Member Country which has implemented, or which at any time implements, Article 55 BRRD, the relevant implementing law or regulation as described in the EU Bail-In Legislation Schedule from time to time;
- (b) in relation to the United Kingdom, the UK Bail-In Legislation; and
- (c) in relation to any state other than such an EEA Member Country and the United Kingdom, any analogous law or regulation from time to time which requires contractual recognition of any Write-down and Conversion Powers contained in that law or regulation;

"EEA Member Country" means any member state of the European Union, Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway;

"EU Bail-In Legislation Schedule" means the document described as such and published by the Loan Market Association (or any successor person) from time to time;

"Resolution Authority" means any body which has authority to exercise any Write-down and Conversion Powers;

"UK Bail-In Legislation" means Part I of the United Kingdom Banking Act 2009 and any other law or regulation applicable in the United Kingdom relating to the resolution of unsound or failing banks, investment firms or other financial institutions or their affiliates (otherwise than through liquidation, administration or other insolvency proceedings); and

"Write-down and Conversion Powers" means:

- (d) in relation to any Bail-In Legislation described in the EU Bail-In Legislation Schedule from time to time, the powers described as such in relation to that Bail-In Legislation in the EU Bail-In Legislation Schedule;
- (e) in relation to the UK Bail-In Legislation, any powers under that UK Bail-In Legislation to cancel, transfer or dilute shares issued by a person that is a bank or investment firm or other financial institution or affiliate of a bank, investment firm or other financial institution, to cancel, reduce, modify or change the form of a liability of such a person or any contract or instrument under which that liability arises, to convert all or part of that liability into shares, securities or obligations of that person or any other person, to provide that any such contract or instrument is to have effect as if a right had been exercised under it or to suspend any obligation in respect of that liability or any of the powers under that UK Bail-In Legislation that are related to or ancillary to any of those powers; and
- (f) in relation to any other applicable Bail-In Legislation;

- (i) any powers under that Bail-In Legislation to cancel, transfer or dilute shares issued by a person that is a bank or investment firm or other financial institution or affiliate of a bank, investment firm or other financial institution, to cancel, reduce, modify or change the form of a liability of such a person or any contract or instrument under which that liability arises, to convert all or part of that liability into shares, securities or obligations of that person or any other person, to provide that any such contract or instrument is to have effect as if a right had been exercised under it or to suspend any obligation in respect of that liability or any of the powers under that Bail-In Legislation that are related to or ancillary to any of those powers; and
- (ii) any similar or analogous powers under that Bail-In Legislation.

28.2 Notwithstanding any other term of any Finance Document or any other agreement, arrangement or understanding between the parties, each party acknowledges and accepts that any liability of any party to any other party under or in connection with the Finance Documents may be subject to Bail-In Action by the relevant Resolution Authority and acknowledges and accepts to be bound by the effect of:

28.2.1 any Bail-In Action in relation to any such liability, including (without limitation):

28.2.1.1 a reduction, in full or in part, in the principal amount, or outstanding amount due (including any accrued but unpaid interest) in respect of any such liability;

28.2.1.2 a conversion of all, or part of, any such liability into shares or other instruments of ownership that may be issued to, or conferred on, it; and

28.2.1.3 a cancellation of any such liability; and

28.2.2 a variation of any term of any Finance Document to the extent necessary to give effect to any Bail-In Action in relation to any such liability.

29 Registration

The Chargor consents to the registration for preservation in the Books of Council and Session of this Instrument and of any certificate referred to in clause 35.2 (*Certificates and determinations*) of the Facility Agreement.

30 Governing Law

This Instrument and all non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with it are governed by Scots law.

31 Jurisdiction

31.1 The courts of Scotland have exclusive jurisdiction to settle any dispute arising out of or in connection with this Instrument (including a dispute relating to the existence, validity or termination of this Instrument or any non-contractual obligation arising out of or in connection with this Instrument) (a "Dispute").

31.2 The parties agree that the courts of Scotland are the most appropriate and convenient courts to settle Disputes and accordingly no party will argue to the contrary.

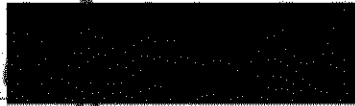
31.3 Notwithstanding paragraphs 31.1 and 31.2 above, the Security Agent shall not be prevented from taking proceedings relating to a Dispute in any other courts with jurisdiction. To the extent allowed by law, the Security Agent may take concurrent proceedings in any number of jurisdictions.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF these presents consisting of and the preceding 18 pages are subscribed as follows, with a delivery date of 22 MARCH 2024:

Subscribed for and on behalf of

Levenseat Renewable Energy Ltd

by



* Director

Full Name of Signatory (Please Print)

PETER MACLAREN

at EDINBURGH

on 21 March 2024

before



Witness (Signature)

Witness Name (Please Print)

ROSS KEOHANE

Witness Address

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Subscribed for and on behalf of
Investec Bank PLC (as security agent)

by

Attorney

Full Name of Signatory (Please Print)

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Witness (Signature)

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Bond and Floating Charge

between

Levenseat Renewable Energy Ltd

and

Investec Bank PLC (as security agent)

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This bond and floating charge is delivered on 22 MARCH 2024

between

1. **Levenseat Renewable Energy Ltd**, a company incorporated in Scotland with company number SC480543 and having its registered address at Levenseat Waste Management Site Wilsontown, Forth, Lanark, ML11 8EP as chargor (the "**Chargor**"); and
2. **Investec Bank PLC**, as trustee for each of the Secured Parties (as defined in the Facility Agreement) on the terms and conditions set out in the Facility Agreement (as defined below) (the "**Security Agent**").

It is agreed as follows:

1 Definitions and Interpretation

1.1 Definitions

In this Instrument:

"Charged Property" means the whole of the property and assets (including without limitation, uncalled capital) which is or may be from time to time while this Instrument is in force comprised in the property and undertaking of the Chargor;

"Collateral Rights" means all rights, powers and remedies of the Security Agent provided by or pursuant to this Instrument or by law;

"Delegate" means a delegate or sub-delegate appointed pursuant to Clause 26.2 (*Delegation*);

"Facility Agreement" means the facility agreement originally dated 20 March 2015, as amended on 7 December 2015 and on 28 March 2018, as amended and restated on 28 August 2018, as further amended on 21 December 2018, 2 August 2019, 10 July 2020 and 30 June 2021, and as further amended and restated on 30 June 2022 and on or about the date of delivery of this Instrument between, amongst others, Levenseat Renewable Energy Ltd as borrower, Investec Bank Plc as facility agent, the Security Agent, Investec Bank Plc as account bank, and Investec Bank Plc as hedge counterparty;

"Instrument" means this floating charge;

"Receiver" means a receiver, receiver and manager or, where permitted by law, an administrative receiver, and that term will include any appointee under a joint or several appointment;

"Secured Obligations" means all present and future obligations and liabilities (whether actual or contingent, whether owed jointly, severally or alone) of the Chargor to the Security Agent (whether for its own account or as trustee for the Secured Parties) or any of the other Secured Parties under or pursuant to the Finance Documents including any liability in respect of any further advances made under the Finance Documents;

"Security" has the meaning given in the Facility Agreement; and

"Security Period" means the period beginning on the date of delivery of this Instrument and ending on the date on which:

- (a) the Security Agent is satisfied that the Secured Obligations have been irrevocably and unconditionally paid and discharged in full; and

- (b) no Finance Party is under any further actual or contingent obligation to make advances or provide other financial accommodation to the Chargor or any other person under any of the Finance Documents.

1.2 Terms defined in other Finance Documents

Unless defined in this Instrument, or the context otherwise requires, a term defined in the Facility Agreement or in any other Finance Document has the same meaning in this Instrument, or any notice given under or in connection with this Instrument.

1.3 Construction and interpretation

1.3.1 In this Instrument:

- 1.3.1.1 any reference to "this Instrument", a "Finance Document", a "Hedging Agreement", a "Transaction Document" or any other agreement or instrument is a reference to this Instrument, that Finance Document, Hedging Agreement, Transaction Document or other agreement or instrument as amended, novated, supplemented, extended, restated (however fundamentally and whether or not more onerously) or replaced and includes any change in the purpose of, any extension of or any increase in any facility or the addition of any new facility under that Finance Document or other agreement or instrument; and
- 1.3.1.2 the rules of interpretation contained in clause 1.2 (*Construction*) of the Facility Agreement (other than Clause 1.2(d)) shall apply to the construction of this Instrument, or in any notice given under or in connection with this Instrument, and, for the purposes of this Clause 1.3.1.2, references to the Facility Agreement shall be construed as references to this Instrument.

1.4 Inconsistency

If there is any conflict or inconsistency between any provision of this Instrument and any provision of the Intercreditor Deed, the provision of the Intercreditor Deed shall prevail.

1.5 Third party rights

- 1.5.1 Unless expressly provided to the contrary in a Finance Document, a person who is not a party to this Instrument has no right under the Contract (Third Party Rights) (Scotland) Act 2017 to enforce or enjoy the benefit of any term of this Instrument.
- 1.5.2 Notwithstanding any term of any Finance Document, the consent of any person who is not a party to this Instrument is not required to rescind or vary this Instrument at any time. For the purposes of any Bail-In Legislation, each Finance Party may enforce and enjoy the benefit of Clause 28 (*Contractual Recognition of Bail-In*) of this Instrument.
- 1.5.3 Any Secured Party, Receiver or Delegate may enforce and enjoy the benefit of any Clause which expressly confers rights on it, subject to paragraph 1.5.2 above and the provisions of the Contract (Third Party Rights) (Scotland) Act 2017.

1.6 Incorporation of provisions from Facility Agreement

1.7 Clauses 14 (Tax gross up and indemnities), 16 (Other indemnities), 31.6 (No set-off by Obligors), 35.1 (Accounts), 35.2 (Certificates and determinations), 37 (Remedies and waivers) of the Facility Agreement are deemed to form part of this Instrument as if expressly incorporated into it and as if all references in those clauses to the Facility Agreement were references to this Instrument.

1.8 Present and future assets

A reference in this Instrument to any Charged Property or other asset includes, unless the contrary intention appears, present and future Charged Property and other assets.

1.9 Security Agent assumes no obligation

The Security Agent shall not be under any obligation in relation to the Charged Property as a consequence of this Instrument and the Chargor shall at all times remain liable to perform all obligations expressed to be assumed by it in respect of the Charged Property.

2 Covenant to Pay

The Chargor shall pay and discharge the Secured Obligations at the time or times when, in the manner in which, and in the currencies in which, they are expressed to be due and payable in accordance with and as provided for in the Finance Documents.

3 Default Interest

If the Chargor fails to pay any amount payable by it under this Instrument on its due date, interest shall accrue on the overdue amount (both before and after judgment) on a daily basis at the rate specified in, determined in accordance with, and on the terms set out in, clause 10.4 (*Default interest*) of the Facility Agreement.

4 Common Provisions

4.1 All the Security created by or pursuant to this Instrument is:

4.1.1 created with the Chargor granting absolute warrandice;

4.1.2 created in favour of the Security Agent as trustee for the Secured Parties;

4.1.3 continuing security for the payment and discharge of all the Secured Obligations; and

4.1.4 (unless otherwise stated) created over present and future assets of the Chargor.

5 Security

5.1 The Chargor charges to the Security Agent, by way of floating charge and as continuing security for the payment and discharge of the Secured Obligations, all of its rights, title and interest from time to time in and to the Charged Property.

5.2 The floating charge hereby created is a qualifying floating charge for the purpose of paragraph 14 of Schedule B1 to the Insolvency Act 1986.

6 Further Assurance

6.1 The Chargor shall, at its own cost, immediately do all such acts and execute all such documents (including assignments, transfers, deeds, standard securities, mortgages, pledges, conveyances, dispositions, charges, powers of attorney, notices, orders, instructions, proxies, corporate approvals and the making of registrations and filings) as the Security Agent or any Receiver or Delegate may reasonably specify (and in such form and at such times as the Security Agent or any Receiver or Delegate may reasonably require):

6.1.1 following the occurrence of an Event of Default which is continuing, to effect the transfer and registration of all or any part of the Charged Property in the name of the Security Agent or such nominee(s) or other person(s) as the Security Agent or any Receiver or Delegate may require;

- 6.1.2 to create, perfect, protect and maintain the Security created or intended to be created in respect of the Charged Property and its priority (which may include the execution by the Chargor of a standard security, mortgage, charge, pledge or assignation over all or any of the assets constituting, or intended to constitute, the Charged Property in favour of the Security Agent or its nominee(s)) or for the exercise of the Collateral Rights;
- 6.1.3 to ensure that the Security created by or pursuant to this Instrument is and remains valid, legally binding and enforceable;
- 6.1.4 to confer on the Security Agent security over any asset or undertaking of the Chargor located in any jurisdiction outside Scotland equivalent or similar to the Security intended to be conferred by or pursuant to this Instrument;
- 6.1.5 following the occurrence of an Event of Default which is continuing, to facilitate the realisation of the Charged Property; and/or
- 6.1.6 to facilitate the exercise of any right, power, remedy or discretion exercisable by the Security Agent or any Receiver, Delegate or any of their respective nominees or sub-delegates in respect of any Charged Property.

6.2 Implied covenants for title

It shall be implied in respect of Clause 5 (*Security*) that the Chargor is disposing of the Charged Property free from all charges and encumbrances (whether monetary or not) and from all other rights exercisable by third parties (including liabilities imposed and rights conferred by or under any enactment).

7 Representations

7.1 The Chargor makes the representations and warranties set out in this Clause 7.1 (*Representations*) to the Security Agent on the date of this Instrument.

- 7.1.1 It is a limited liability corporation, duly incorporated and validly existing under the law of its jurisdiction of incorporation.
- 7.1.2 Subject to the Legal Reservations:
 - 7.1.2.1 the obligations expressed to be assumed by it in this Instrument are legal, valid, binding and enforceable obligations; and
 - 7.1.2.2 (without limiting the generality of paragraph (i)), this Instrument creates the security interests which it purports to create and those security interests are valid and effective.
- 7.1.3 It has the power to own its assets and carry on its business as it is being conducted.
- 7.1.4 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 Instrument.
- 7.1.5 It has taken all necessary corporate action to authorise the execution and delivery of this Instrument and the performance of its obligations hereunder.
- 7.1.6 It has not save as provided in the Facility Agreement and except for liens or retention of title provisions arising in the ordinary course of its trading activities, granted or created any other Security, charge or encumbrance over the Charged Property or any interest therein, or agreed, conditionally or unconditionally, to do so; and

7.1.7 It has not, save in the ordinary course of its trading activities, for market value, on an arm's length basis and for consideration payable in cash on normal commercial terms, entered into any agreement or granted any option to sell or otherwise dispose of the Charged Property or any interest therein, or agreed, conditionally or unconditionally, to do so.

7.2 The representations and warranties set out in this Clause 7 (*Representations*) are deemed repeated on each date on which the representations and warranties in the Facility Agreement are repeated by reference to the facts or circumstances existing on the date of deemed repetition.

8 Undertakings by the Chargor

8.1 Negative Pledge and Disposals

8.1.1 The Chargor shall not do or agree to do any of the following without the prior written consent of the Security Agent:

8.1.1.1 create or permit to subsist any Security or Quasi-Security on any part of the Charged Property other than any Permitted Security or as otherwise permitted by the Facility Agreement; or

8.1.1.2 sell, transfer, lend or otherwise dispose of (whether by a single transaction or a number of transactions and whether related or not), the whole or any part of its interest in the Charged Property, save as permitted by the Facility Agreement.

8.1.2 The floating charge created by this instrument shall, if the Chargor grants another charge in breach of Clause 8.1.1, subject to section 464(2) of the Companies Act 1985, rank in priority to any other fixed security which shall be created by the Chargor after its execution of this Instrument (other than a fixed security in favour of the Security Agent) and to any other floating charge which shall be created by the Chargor after its execution of this Instrument and (subject as aforesaid) no such fixed security or other floating charge shall rank in priority to or equally with the floating charge hereby created by it.

8.2 Insurance

8.2.1 The Chargor shall at all times comply with its obligations as to insurance contained in the Facility Agreement (and in particular, schedule 9 (*Insurances*) to the Facility Agreement).

8.2.2 If at any time the Chargor defaults in:

8.2.2.1 effecting or keeping up the insurances (A) required under the Facility or (B) referred to in this clause;

8.2.2.2 producing any insurance policy or receipt (save for any insurance policy or receipt held by or on behalf of the Security Agent or the Agent pursuant to the terms of this Instrument, the Facility Agreement or any other Finance Document) to the Security Agent within five Business Days of demand,

the Security Agent may take out or renew such policies of insurance in any sum which the Security Agent may reasonably think expedient. All monies which are expended by the Security Agent in doing so shall be deemed to be properly paid by the Security Agent and shall be reimbursed by the Chargor on demand.

8.2.3 The Chargor shall diligently pursue its rights under the Insurances in accordance with the terms of the Facility Agreement.

- 8.2.4 All claims and monies received or receivable under any Insurances shall be applied in accordance with the Facility Agreement.

8.3 Charged Property

- 8.3.1 The Chargor undertakes to the Security Agent that it shall, save as expressly provided in the Facility Agreement:

8.3.1.1 not take or omit to take any action which would materially prejudice the Charged Property or materially impair the value of the Charged Property and shall, at its own cost, promptly take all action which is at any time necessary or which the Security Agent may request (acting reasonably), to protect the value of the interests of the Chargor and the Security Agent in the Charged Property; and

8.3.1.2 not dispose of the Charged Property or any part of it or to agree to do so.

9 Enforcement of Security

- 9.1 On or at any time after the occurrence of an Event of Default (which is continuing) the Security created by or pursuant to this Instrument is immediately enforceable and the Security Agent may (without notice to the Chargor or prior authorisation from any court):

9.1.1 enforce all or any part of that Security at the times, in the manner and on the terms it thinks fit (including whether for cash consideration or otherwise); and

9.1.2 exercise all or any of the rights, powers, authorities and discretions conferred by this Instrument or otherwise conferred by law on mortgagees, creditors, chargees or Receivers in the manner and on the terms it thinks fit.

10 Extension of Powers and Right of Appropriation

10.1 Extension of powers

The power of sale or other disposal conferred on any Receiver by this Instrument shall arise (and the Secured Obligations shall be deemed due and payable for that purpose) on the date of delivery of this Instrument.

10.2 Right of Appropriation

10.2.1 To the extent that the Charged Property constitutes "financial collateral" and this Instrument and the obligations of the Chargor under this Instrument constitute a "security financial collateral arrangement" (in each case, for the purpose of and as defined in the Financial Collateral Arrangements (No. 2) Regulations 2003 (the "Regulations")), the Security Agent will have the right after the Security has become enforceable to appropriate all or any part of that financial collateral in or towards the satisfaction of the Secured Obligations and may exercise such right to appropriate upon giving written notice to the Chargor. For this purpose, the parties agree that the value of that Charged Property so appropriated shall be:

- (i) the amount standing to the credit of the relevant bank account (where the property is the benefit of a bank account; or
- (ii) in the case of any other financial collateral (as defined in the Regulations); the market value of such financial collateral determined (after appropriation) by the Security Agent by reference to a public index or by such other process as the Security Agent may select in a commercially reasonable manner.

- 10.2.2 In the case of Clauses 10.2.1(i) and 10.2.1(ii) the parties agree that the method of valuation provided for in this Instrument shall constitute a commercially reasonable method of valuation for the purposes of the Regulations.

11 Appointment of Receiver or Administrator

11.1 Appointment and removal

- 11.1.1 After the Security created by or pursuant to this Instrument has become enforceable in accordance with Clause 9 (*Enforcement of Security*) or if requested by the Chargor, the Security Agent may by deed or otherwise in writing (acting through an authorised officer of the Security Agent):

11.1.1.1 without prior notice to the Chargor:

- (a) appoint one or more persons to be a Receiver of the whole or any part of the Charged Property; or
- (b) appoint two or more Receivers of separate parts of the Charged Property; or
- (c) remove (so far as it is lawfully able) any Receiver so appointed; or
- (d) appoint another person(s) as an additional or replacement Receiver(s); or

- 11.1.2 following notice to the Chargor, appoint one or more persons to be an administrator of the Chargor pursuant to paragraph 12 of Schedule B1 of the Insolvency Act 1986.

11.2 Capacity of Receivers

- 11.2.1 Each person appointed to be a Receiver pursuant to Clause 11.1 (*Appointment and removal*) shall:

11.2.1.1 be entitled to act individually or together with any other person appointed or substituted as Receiver;

11.2.1.2 for all purposes be the agent of the Chargor and the Chargor shall be solely responsible for the acts, defaults and liabilities of the Receiver and for the payment of its remuneration. No Receiver shall at any time act as, or be deemed to be, agent for the Security Agent; and

11.2.1.3 be entitled to remuneration for his services at a rate to be fixed by the Security Agent from time to time.

11.3 Statutory powers of appointment

- 11.3.1 The powers of appointment of a Receiver shall be in addition to all statutory and other powers of appointment of the Security Agent under the Insolvency Act 1986 or otherwise and such powers shall be exercisable and shall remain exercisable from time to time by the Security Agent in respect of any part of the Charged Property.

- 11.3.2 The Security Agent is not entitled to appoint a Receiver solely as a result of the obtaining of a moratorium (or anything done with a view to obtaining a moratorium) under Part A1 of the Insolvency Act 1986 other than in respect of a floating charge referred to in subsection (4) of section A52 of Part A1 of the Insolvency Act 1986.

- 11.3.3 The Security Agent may not appoint an administrative receiver (as defined in section 29(2) of the Insolvency Act 1986) over the Charged Property if the Security Agent is prohibited from so doing by section 72A of the Insolvency Act 1986 and no exception to the prohibition on appointing an administrative receiver applies.

12 Powers of Receivers

12.1 General

- 12.1.1 Every Receiver shall have all of the rights, powers and discretions set out below in this Clause 12 (*Powers of Receivers*) in addition to those conferred on it by any law. A Receiver shall have:

12.1.1.1 all the powers of an administrative receiver set out in Schedule 1 to the Insolvency Act 1986 as in force at the date of this Instrument (whether or not in force at the date of exercise) and all the powers of an administrative receiver as may be added to Schedule 1 of the Insolvency Act 1986 after the date of this Instrument (in each case, whether or not the Receiver is an administrative receiver);

12.1.1.2 If there is more than one Receiver holding office at the same time, each Receiver may (unless the document appointing him/her states otherwise) exercise all of the powers conferred on a Receiver under this Instrument individually and to the exclusion of any other Receiver.

12.2 Possession

A Receiver may take immediate possession of, get in and realise any Charged Property (and any assets of the Chargor which, when got in, would be Charged Property).

12.3 Carry on business

A Receiver may carry on any business of the Chargor in any manner he/she thinks fit.

12.4 Employees

12.4.1 A Receiver may appoint and discharge managers, officers, agents, accountants, servants, workmen and others for the purposes of this Instrument upon such terms as to remuneration or otherwise as he/she thinks fit.

12.4.2 A Receiver may discharge any person appointed by the Chargor.

12.5 Borrow money

A Receiver may raise and borrow money either unsecured or on the security of any Charged Property either in priority to the security constituted by this Instrument or otherwise and generally on any terms and for whatever purpose which he/she thinks fit.

12.6 Sale of assets

12.6.1 A Receiver may sell, exchange, convert into money and realise any Charged Property by public auction or private contract and generally in any manner and on any terms which he/she thinks fit.

12.6.2 The consideration for any such transaction may consist of cash or non-cash consideration and any such consideration may be payable in a lump sum or by instalments spread over any period which he/she thinks fit.

12.7 Redemption of Security

A Receiver may redeem any Security (whether or not having priority to the Security constituted by or pursuant to this Instrument) over all or any part of the Charged Property and to settle the accounts of any person with an interest in all or any part of the Charged Property.

12.8 Compromise

A Receiver may settle, adjust, refer to arbitration, compromise and arrange any claim, account, dispute, question or demand with or by any person who is or claims to be a creditor of the Chargor or relating in any way to any Charged Property.

12.9 Legal actions

A Receiver may bring, prosecute, enforce, defend and abandon any action, suit or proceedings in relation to any Charged Property which he/she thinks fit.

12.10 Receipts

A Receiver may give a valid receipt for any moneys and execute any assurance or thing which may be proper or desirable for realising any Charged Property.

12.11 Subsidiaries

A Receiver may form a Subsidiary of the Chargor and transfer to that Subsidiary any Charged Property.

12.12 Delegation

A Receiver may delegate his/her powers in accordance with this Instrument.

12.13 Lending

A Receiver may lend money or advance credit to any person.

12.14 Other powers

A Receiver may:

12.14.1 do all other acts and things which he/she may consider necessary or desirable for realising any Charged Property or incidental or conducive to any of the rights, powers or discretions conferred on a Receiver under or by virtue of this Instrument or law;

12.14.2 exercise in relation to any Charged Property all the powers, authorities and things which he/she would be capable of exercising if he/she were the absolute beneficial owner of that Charged Property; and

12.14.3 use the name of the Chargor for any of the above purposes.

13 Application of Proceeds

13.1 All monies received by the Security Agent or any Receiver under or in connection with this Instrument after this Instrument has become enforceable shall (subject to the rights and claims of any person having a security ranking in priority to this and subject to the Intercreditor Deed and the Ranking Agreement and the 2024 Supplemental Ranking Agreement) be applied in the following order:

- 13.1.1 **first**, in satisfaction of, or provision for, all costs, charges and expenses incurred, and payments made by the Security Agent, any other Secured Party or Delegate and of all remuneration due to the Receiver in connection with this Instrument or the Charged Property;
- 13.1.2 **secondly**, in or towards satisfaction of the remaining Secured Obligations in accordance with clause 14 (*Appropriation, Intercreditor Deed and Ranking Agreement*); and
- 13.1.3 **thirdly**, in payment of any surplus to the Chargor or other person entitled to it.
- 13.2 Clause 13.1 above:
- 13.2.1 is subject to the payment of any claims having priority over this Security; and
- 13.2.2 does not prejudice the right of any Secured Party to recover any shortfall from the Chargor.
- 14 **Appropriation, Intercreditor Deed and Ranking Agreement**
- 14.1 Subject to the Intercreditor Deed and the Ranking Agreement and Clause 13 (*Application of Proceeds*), the Security Agent shall apply all payments received in respect of the Secured Obligations in reduction of any part of the Secured Obligations in any order or manner which it may determine.
- 14.2 Any such appropriation shall override any appropriation by the Chargor.
- 14.3 All monies received, recovered or realised by the Security Agent under or in connection with this Instrument may at the discretion of the Security Agent be credited to a separate interest-bearing suspense account for so long as the Security Agent determines (with interest accruing thereon at such rate (if any) as the Security Agent may determine without the Security Agent having any obligation to apply such monies and interest or any part of it in or towards the discharge of any of the Secured Obligations).
- 15 **Protection of Purchasers**
- 15.1 **Consideration**
- The receipt of the Security Agent or any Receiver or Delegate shall be conclusive discharge to a purchaser and, in making any sale or disposal of any of the Charged Property or making any acquisition, the Security Agent or any Receiver or Delegate may do so for such consideration, in such manner and on such terms as it thinks fit.
- 15.2 **Protection of purchasers**
- 15.2.1 No purchaser or other person dealing with the Security Agent or any Receiver or Delegate shall be bound to inquire whether any right conferred by or pursuant to this Instrument has arisen or become exercisable or be concerned with any propriety or regularity on the part of the Security Agent or such Receiver or Delegate in such dealings.
- 15.2.2 All the protections for purchasers contained in section 42(3) of the Insolvency Act 1986 or in any other applicable law or regulation shall apply to any person purchasing from or dealing with the Security Agent or any Receiver or Delegate.
- 16 **Power of Attorney**
- 16.1 **Appointment and powers**

The Chargor by way of security irrevocably and severally appoints the Security Agent and any Receiver to be its mandatory and attorney and in its name, on its behalf and as its act and deed to execute, deliver and perfect all documents and do all things which the mandatory and attorney may consider to be required for:

- 16.1.1 carrying out any obligation imposed on the Chargor by this Instrument or any other agreement binding on the Chargor to which the Security Agent is party (including the execution and delivery of any deeds, standard securities, mortgages, charges, pledges, assignments or other security and any transfers of the Charged Property and perfecting and/or releasing the Security created or intended to be created in respect of the Charged Property);
- 16.1.2 to take any action required or desirable to enable the Security Agent to exercise all or any of the Collateral Rights; and
- 16.1.3 enabling the Security Agent and any Receiver to exercise, or delegate the exercise of, any of the rights, powers and authorities conferred on them by or pursuant to this Instrument or by law (including, after the occurrence of an Event of Default, the exercise of any right of an owner of the Charged Property).

16.2 Ratification

The Chargor ratifies and confirms and agrees to ratify and confirm all things done and all documents executed by any attorney in the exercise or purported exercise of all or any of his powers.

17 Effectiveness of Security

17.1 Continuing security

- 17.1.1 The Security created by or pursuant to this Instrument shall remain in full force and effect as a continuing security for the Secured Obligations unless and until discharged by the Security Agent in writing.
- 17.1.2 No part of the Security from time to time intended to be constituted by this Instrument will be considered satisfied or discharged by an intermediate payment, discharge or satisfaction of the whole or any part of the Secured Obligations.

17.2 Cumulative rights

- 17.2.1 The Security created by or pursuant to this Instrument and the Collateral Rights shall be cumulative, in addition to and independent of every other Security which the Security Agent or any Secured Party may at any time hold for the Secured Obligations or any other obligations or any rights, powers and remedies provided by law and shall operate as an independent security notwithstanding any receipt, release or discharge endorsed on or given in respect of or under any such other Security.
- 17.2.2 No prior Security held by the Security Agent (whether in its capacity as trustee or otherwise) or any of the other Secured Parties over the whole or any part of the Charged Property shall merge into the Security constituted by this Instrument.

17.3 No prejudice

The Security created by or pursuant to this Instrument, and the Collateral Rights, shall not be prejudiced by any unenforceability or invalidity of any other agreement or document or by any time or indulgence granted to the Chargor or any other person, or the Security Agent (whether in its capacity as trustee or otherwise) or any of the other Secured Parties or by any variation of the terms of the trust upon which the Security Agent holds the Security or by any other thing which might otherwise prejudice that Security or any Collateral Right.

17.4 Trusts

If any trust intended to arise pursuant to any provision of this Instrument fails or for any reason (including the laws of any jurisdiction in which any assets, moneys, payments or distributions may be situated) cannot be given effect to, the Chargor will pay to the Security Agent for application in accordance with Clause 13 (*Application of Proceeds*) an amount equal to the amount (or the value of the relevant assets) intended to be so held on trust for the Security Agent.

17.5 Remedies and waivers

17.5.1 No failure on the part of the Security Agent to exercise, nor any delay on its part in exercising, any Collateral Right, shall operate as a waiver of that Collateral Right or constitute an election to affirm this Instrument.

17.5.2 No election to affirm this Instrument on the part of the Security Agent shall be effective unless it is in writing.

17.5.3 No single or partial exercise of any Collateral Right shall preclude any further or other exercise of that or any other Collateral Right.

17.6 No liability

17.6.1 None of the Security Agent, its nominees(s) or any Receiver or Delegate nor any officer, agent or employee of any of them shall be liable:

17.6.1.1 to account as a heritable creditor or heritable creditor in possession or for any loss on realisation; or

17.6.1.2 for any default or omission for which a heritable creditor in possession might be liable.

17.6.2 None of the Security Agent, its nominees(s) or any Receiver or Delegate nor any officer, agent or employee of any of them shall be liable (including, without limitation, for negligence or any other category of liability whatsoever) for any loss arising by reason of taking any action permitted by this Instrument or any neglect, default or omission in connection with the Charged Property or taking possession of or realising all or any part of the Charged Property, except to the extent caused by fraud, wilful default or gross negligence upon its part including his/her or its officers, employees or agents.

17.7 Partial invalidity

If, at any time, any provision of this Instrument is or becomes illegal, invalid or unenforceable in any respect under the law of any jurisdiction, neither the legality, validity or enforceability of the remaining provisions of this Instrument nor of such provision under the laws of any other jurisdiction shall in any way be affected or impaired thereby and, if any part of the Security intended to be created by or pursuant to this Instrument is invalid, unenforceable or ineffective for any reason, that shall not affect or impair any other part of the Security or any other security.

17.8 Waiver of defences

The obligations assumed, and the Security created, by the Chargor under this Instrument, and the Collateral Rights, will not be affected by any act, omission, matter or thing which, but for this Clause 17.8 (*Waiver of defences*), would reduce, release or prejudice any of its obligations under, or the Security created by or pursuant to, this Instrument (without limitation and whether or not known to the Chargor or any Secured Party) including:

- 17.8.1 any time, waiver or consent granted to, or composition with, the Chargor or any other person;
- 17.8.2 the release of the Chargor or any other person under the terms of any composition or arrangement with any creditor;
- 17.8.3 the taking, variation, compromise, exchange, renewal or release of, or refusal or neglect to perfect, take up or enforce, any rights against, or Security over assets of, the Chargor or any other person;
- 17.8.4 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;
- 17.8.5 any incapacity or lack of power, authority or legal personality of or dissolution or change in the members or status of the Chargor or any other person;
- 17.8.6 any amendment, novation, supplement, extension, restatement (in each case, however fundamental and whether or not more onerous) or replacement of a Finance Document or any other document or security or of the Secured Obligations including, without limitation, any change in the purpose of, any extension of or increase in any facility or the addition of any new facility under any Finance Document or other document or security;
- 17.8.7 any unenforceability, illegality or invalidity of any obligation of any person under any Finance Document or any other document or security or of the Secured Obligations; and
- 17.8.8 any insolvency or similar proceedings.

17.9 Chargor intent

Without prejudice to the generality of Clause 17.8 (*Waiver of defences*), the Chargor expressly confirms that it intends that the Security created by or pursuant to this Instrument, and the Collateral Rights, shall extend from time to time to any (however fundamental and of whatsoever nature, and whether or not more onerous) 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: business acquisitions of any nature, increasing working capital, enabling investor distributions to be made, carrying out restructurings, refinancing existing facilities, refinancing any other indebtedness, making facilities available to new borrowers, any other variation or extension of the purposes for which any such facility or amount might be made available from time to time, and any fees, costs and/or expenses associated with any of the foregoing.

17.10 Immediate recourse

The Chargor 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 other person before claiming from the Chargor. This waiver applies irrespective of any law or any provision of a Finance Document to the contrary.

17.11 Deferral of rights

Until the end of the Security Period, the Chargor will not exercise any rights which it may have by reason of performance by it of its obligations under this Instrument:

- 17.11.1 to be indemnified by any other Obligor;
- 17.11.2 to claim any contribution from any guarantor of any Obligor's obligations under the Finance Documents;

- 17.11.3 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 the Finance Documents or of any other guarantee or Security taken pursuant to, or in connection with, the Finance Documents by any Secured Party;
- 17.11.4 to bring legal or other proceedings for an order requiring any Obligor to make any payment, or perform any obligation, in respect of which any Obligor has given a guarantee, undertaking or indemnity under any Finance Document;
- 17.11.5 to exercise any right of set-off against any Obligor; or
- 17.11.6 to claim, rank, vote or prove as a creditor of any Obligor in competition with any Secured Party.

17.12 Turnover trust

- 17.12.1 The Chargor shall not accept or permit to subsist any security or collateral from any person in respect of any rights the Chargor may have arising out of this Instrument. If, despite this provision, any such security or collateral shall be accepted or subsisting, the Chargor acknowledges that the Chargor's rights under such collateral shall be held on trust for the Security Agent and the Secured Parties, to the extent necessary to enable the Secured Obligations to be repaid in full, and the Chargor shall, if requested, promptly transfer the same to the Security Agent (or as the Security Agent may direct) for application in accordance with Clause 13 (*Application of proceeds*).
- 17.12.2 If the Chargor receives any benefit, payment or distribution relating to the rights described in Clause 17.11 (*Deferral of rights*) above, it shall hold that benefit, payment or distribution to the extent necessary to enable the Secured Obligations to be repaid in full on trust for the Security Agent and the Secured Parties and shall promptly pay or transfer the same to the Security Agent (or as the Security Agent may direct) for application in accordance with Clause 13 (*Application of proceeds*).
- 17.12.3 If the Chargor exercises any right of set-off described in paragraph 17.11.5 of Clause 17.11 (*Deferral of rights*) above, it will immediately pay or transfer to the Security Agent an amount equal to the amount set-off.

18 Prior Security Interests

- 18.1 In the event of any action, proceeding or step being taken to exercise any powers or remedies conferred by any prior ranking Security against any of the Charged Property or in case of exercise by the Security Agent or any Receiver or Delegate of any power of sale under this Instrument, the Security Agent may redeem such prior Security or procure the transfer thereof to itself.
- 18.2 The Security Agent may settle and agree the accounts of the prior Security and any accounts so settled and agreed will be conclusive and binding on the Chargor.
- 18.3 All principal monies, interest, costs, charges and expenses of and incidental to any redemption or transfer will be paid by the Chargor to the Security Agent on demand together with accrued interest thereon calculated in accordance with Clause 3 (*Default interest*).

19 Subsequent Security Interests and Further Advances

19.1 Subsequent security interests

- 19.1.1 If the Security Agent (acting in its capacity as trustee or otherwise) or any of the other Secured Parties at any time receives or is deemed to have received notice of any subsequent Security, assignation or transfer affecting all or any part of the Charged Property which is prohibited by the terms of any Finance Document, all

payments thereafter by or on behalf of the Chargor to the Security Agent (whether in its capacity as trustee or otherwise) or any of the other Secured Parties will be treated as having been credited to a new account of the Chargor and not as having been applied in reduction of the Secured Obligations.

19.2 Further advances

19.2.1 The Security is intended to secure further advances.

19.2.2 The Security Agent confirms:

19.2.2.1 on behalf of each Lender that, subject to the terms of the Facility Agreement, each Lender is under an obligation to make further advances to the Chargor and that obligation shall be deemed to be incorporated in this Instrument as if set out in this Instrument; and

19.2.2.2 on behalf of each Hedge Counterparty that, subject to the terms of each relevant Hedging Agreement, each Hedge Counterparty, upon entry into a transaction or transactions under and forming part of the Hedging Agreement, may have an obligation to make payments to the relevant counterparty to the Hedging Agreement and that obligation shall be deemed to be incorporated in this Instrument as if set out in this Instrument.

20 Release of Security

20.1 Release of Security

Upon the expiry of the Security Period, the Security Agent shall, at the request and cost of the Chargor, take whatever action is necessary to discharge, release and cancel the Security constituted by this Instrument and procure the release to the Chargor of the Charged Property, in each case subject to Clause 20.2 (*Reinstatement*) and without recourse to, or any representation or warranty by, the Security Agent or any of its nominees.

20.2 Reinstatement

If the Security Agent considers that any amount paid or credited to, or any security or guarantee provided to, it or any other Secured Party under a Finance Document is capable of being avoided or reduced by virtue of any bankruptcy, insolvency, liquidation or similar laws in any jurisdiction, the liability of the Chargor under this Instrument and the Security constituted by this Instrument shall continue as if such amounts had not been paid or as if any such security or guarantee had not been provided.

21 Set-Off

The Chargor authorises the Security Agent (but the Security Agent shall not be obliged to exercise such right), following the occurrence of an Event of Default which is continuing, to set-off against the Secured Obligations any amount or other obligation (contingent or otherwise) owing by the Security Agent to the Chargor and apply any credit balance to which the Chargor is entitled on any account with the Security Agent in accordance with Clause 13 (*Application of Proceeds*) (notwithstanding any specified maturity of any deposit standing to the credit of any such account).

22 Assignment

22.1 The Chargor may not assign, transfer nor otherwise dispose of any of its rights and/or obligations under this Instrument.

22.2 The Security Agent may, at any time, without the consent of the Chargor, assign, transfer and/or otherwise dispose of all or any of its rights and obligations under this Instrument to any

successor additional Security Agent appointed in accordance with clause 28 of the Facility Agreement. The Security Agent shall be entitled to disclose such information concerning the Chargor and this instrument as the Security Agent considers appropriate to any actual or proposed direct or indirect successor or to any person to whom information may be required to be disclosed by any applicable law.

23 Notices

Each communication to be made under or in connection with this Instrument shall be made in writing and in accordance with clause 34 (*Notices*) of the Facility Agreement.

24 Expenses

Without double-counting, clause 18.4 (Enforcement and preservation costs) of the Facility Agreement shall apply, *mutatis mutandis*, to this Instrument as if set out in full here

25 Currency Conversion for the Purposes of Set-Off

If the obligations are in different currencies, the Security Agent or such other Secured Party may convert either obligation at a market rate of exchange in its usual course of business for the purpose of the set-off.

26 Discretion and Delegation

26.1 Discretion

Unless a contrary indication appears, in this Instrument, a reference to "determines" or "determined" means a determination made in the absolute discretion of the person making the determination (subject to the terms of the Facility Agreement).

26.2 Delegation

Each of the Security Agent and any Receiver shall have full power to delegate (either generally or specifically) the powers, authorities and rights conferred on it by this Instrument (including the power of attorney) on such terms and conditions as it shall see fit (including the power to sub-delegate) which delegation shall not preclude the subsequent exercise, any subsequent delegation or any revocation of such power, authority or right by the Security Agent or the Receiver itself.

26.3 Liability

Neither the Security Agent nor any Receiver shall be bound to supervise, or be in any way responsible or liable for any damages, costs or losses incurred by reason of any misconduct, omission or default on the part of, any such Delegate or sub-Delegate.

27 Counterparts

27.1 This Instrument 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 Instrument.

27.2 Where executed in counterparts:

27.2.1 this Instrument will not take effect until each of the counterparts has been delivered;

27.2.2 each counterpart will be held as undelivered until the Parties agree a date on which the counterparts are to be treated as delivered;

27.2.3 the date of delivery may be inserted in the testing clause in the blank provided for the delivery date; and

27.2.4 If the Parties have nominated a person to take delivery of one or more of the counterparts, the Parties hereby agree that the terms of s.2(3) of the Legal Writings (Counterparts and Delivery) (Scotland) Act 2015 shall not apply.

28 Contractual Recognition of Bail-In

28.1 In this Clause:

"Article 55 BRRD" means Article 55 of Directive 2014/59/EU establishing a framework for the recovery and resolution of credit institutions and investment firms;

"Bail-In Action" means the exercise of any Write-down and Conversion Powers;

"Bail-In Legislation" means:

- (a) in relation to an EEA Member Country which has implemented, or which at any time implements, Article 55 BRRD, the relevant implementing law or regulation as described in the EU Bail-In Legislation Schedule from time to time;
- (b) in relation to the United Kingdom, the UK Bail-In Legislation; and
- (c) in relation to any state other than such an EEA Member Country and the United Kingdom, any analogous law or regulation from time to time which requires contractual recognition of any Write-down and Conversion Powers contained in that law or regulation;

"EEA Member Country" means any member state of the European Union, Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway;

"EU Bail-In Legislation Schedule" means the document described as such and published by the Loan Market Association (or any successor person) from time to time;

"Resolution Authority" means any body which has authority to exercise any Write-down and Conversion Powers;

"UK Bail-In Legislation" means Part I of the United Kingdom Banking Act 2009 and any other law or regulation applicable in the United Kingdom relating to the resolution of unsound or failing banks, investment firms or other financial institutions or their affiliates (otherwise than through liquidation, administration or other insolvency proceedings); and

"Write-down and Conversion Powers" means:

- (d) in relation to any Bail-In Legislation described in the EU Bail-In Legislation Schedule from time to time, the powers described as such in relation to that Bail-In Legislation in the EU Bail-In Legislation Schedule;
- (e) in relation to the UK Bail-In Legislation, any powers under that UK Bail-In Legislation to cancel, transfer or dilute shares issued by a person that is a bank or investment firm or other financial institution or affiliate of a bank, investment firm or other financial institution, to cancel, reduce, modify or change the form of a liability of such a person or any contract or instrument under which that liability arises, to convert all or part of that liability into shares, securities or obligations of that person or any other person, to provide that any such contract or instrument is to have effect as if a right had been exercised under it or to suspend any obligation in respect of that liability or any of the powers under that UK Bail-In Legislation that are related to or ancillary to any of those powers; and
- (f) in relation to any other applicable Bail-In Legislation:

- (i) any powers under that Bail-In Legislation to cancel, transfer or dilute shares issued by a person that is a bank or investment firm or other financial institution or affiliate of a bank, investment firm or other financial institution, to cancel, reduce, modify or change the form of a liability of such a person or any contract or instrument under which that liability arises, to convert all or part of that liability into shares, securities or obligations of that person or any other person, to provide that any such contract or instrument is to have effect as if a right had been exercised under it or to suspend any obligation in respect of that liability or any of the powers under that Bail-In Legislation that are related to or ancillary to any of those powers; and
- (ii) any similar or analogous powers under that Bail-In Legislation.

28.2 Notwithstanding any other term of any Finance Document or any other agreement, arrangement or understanding between the parties, each party acknowledges and accepts that any liability of any party to any other party under or in connection with the Finance Documents may be subject to Bail-In Action by the relevant Resolution Authority and acknowledges and accepts to be bound by the effect of:

28.2.1 any Bail-In Action in relation to any such liability, including (without limitation):

28.2.1.1 a reduction, in full or in part, in the principal amount, or outstanding amount due (including any accrued but unpaid interest) in respect of any such liability;

28.2.1.2 a conversion of all, or part of, any such liability into shares or other instruments of ownership that may be issued to, or conferred on, it; and

28.2.1.3 a cancellation of any such liability; and

28.2.2 a variation of any term of any Finance Document to the extent necessary to give effect to any Bail-In Action in relation to any such liability.

29 Registration

The Chargor consents to the registration for preservation in the Books of Council and Session of this Instrument and of any certificate referred to in clause 35.2 (*Certificates and determinations*) of the Facility Agreement.

30 Governing Law

This Instrument and all non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with it are governed by Scots law.

31 Jurisdiction

31.1 The courts of Scotland have exclusive jurisdiction to settle any dispute arising out of or in connection with this Instrument (including a dispute relating to the existence, validity or termination of this Instrument or any non-contractual obligation arising out of or in connection with this Instrument) (a "Dispute").

31.2 The parties agree that the courts of Scotland are the most appropriate and convenient courts to settle Disputes and accordingly no party will argue to the contrary.

31.3 Notwithstanding paragraphs 31.1 and 31.2 above, the Security Agent shall not be prevented from taking proceedings relating to a Dispute in any other courts with jurisdiction. To the extent allowed by law, the Security Agent may take concurrent proceedings in any number of jurisdictions.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF these presents consisting of and the preceding 18 pages are subscribed as follows, with a delivery date of 22 MARCH 2024:

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by

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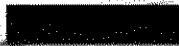
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