

and/or the reason for any non-payment. The Supplier shall respond within ten (10) Working Days of receipt of the returned invoice stating whether or not the Supplier accepts the Customer's proposed amendments. If it does then the Supplier shall supply with the response a replacement valid invoice.

CO-13.9 The Supplier shall accept the Government Procurement Card as a means of payment for the G-Cloud Services where such card is agreed with the Customer to be a suitable means of payment. The Supplier shall be solely liable to pay any merchant fee levied for using the Government Procurement Card and shall not be entitled to recover this charge from the Customer.

**CO-14 GUARANTEE**

CO-14.1 Where the Customer has specified in the Order Form that this Call-Off Agreement shall be conditional upon receipt of a Guarantee from the guarantor, the Supplier shall deliver to the Customer an executed Guarantee from the guarantor, on or prior to the Commencement Date; and deliver to the Customer a certified copy of the passed resolution and/or board minutes of the guarantor approving the execution of the Guarantee.

**CO-15 FORCE MAJEURE**

CO-15.1 Neither Party shall be liable to the other Party for any delay in performing, or failure to perform, its obligations under this Call-Off Agreement to the extent that such delay or failure is a result of Force Majeure.

CO-15.2 Notwithstanding Clause CO-15.1, each Party shall use all reasonable endeavours to continue to perform its obligations under the Call-Off Agreement for the duration of such Force Majeure. However, if such Force Majeure prevents either Party from performing its material obligations under this Call-Off Agreement for a period in excess of one hundred and twenty (120) calendar days, either Party may terminate this Call-Off Agreement with immediate effect by notice in writing to the other Party.

**CO-16 TRANSFER AND SUB-CONTRACTING**

CO-16.1 The Supplier shall not assign, novate, sub-contract or in any other way dispose of this Call-Off Agreement or any part of it without the Customer's prior written approval which shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed. Sub-Contracting any part of this Call-Off Agreement shall not relieve the Supplier of any obligation or duty attributable to the Supplier under this Call-Off Agreement.

CO-16.2 The Supplier shall be responsible for the acts and omissions of its Sub-Contractors as though they are its own.

CO-16.3 The Customer may assign, novate or otherwise dispose of its rights and obligations under the Call-Off Agreement or any part thereof to:

CO-16.3.1 any other body established by the Crown or under statute in order substantially to perform any of the functions that had previously been performed by the Customer; or

CO-16.3.2 any private sector body which substantially performs the functions of the Customer

provided that any such assignment, novation or other disposal shall not increase the burden of the Supplier's obligations under the Call-Off Agreement.

**CO-17 THE CONTRACTS (RIGHTS OF THIRD PARTIES) ACT 1999**

CO-17.1 A person who is not party to this Call-Off Agreement has no right under the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 to enforce any term of this Call-Off Agreement but this does not affect any right or remedy of any person which exists or is available otherwise than pursuant to that Act.

**CO-18 LAW & JURISDICTION**

CO-18.1 This Call-Off Agreement and/or any non-contractual obligations or matters arising out of or in connection with it, shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the Laws of England and Wales and without prejudice to the dispute resolution procedures set out in Clause FW-14' or CO-22 (Dispute Resolution) each Party agrees to submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of England and Wales and for all disputes to be conducted within England and Wales.

**CO-19 ADDITIONAL G-CLOUD SERVICES**

CO-19.1 The Customer may require the Supplier to provide the Additional G-Cloud Services. The Supplier acknowledges that the Customer is not obliged to take any Additional G-Cloud Services from the Supplier and that there is nothing preventing the Customer from receiving services that are the same as or similar to the Additional G-Cloud Services from any third party.

CO-19.2 The Supplier shall provide Additional G-Cloud Services in accordance with any relevant Implementation Plan(s) and the Supplier shall monitor the performance of such Additional G-Cloud Services against the Implementation Plan(s).

**CO-20 COLLABORATION AGREEMENT**

(3) CO-20.1 Where the Customer has specified in paragraph 13 of the Order Form that the Customer requires the Supplier to enter into a Collaboration Agreement, the Supplier shall deliver to the Customer an executed Collaboration Agreement on or prior to the Commencement Date.

CO-20.2 In addition to its obligations under any Collaboration Agreement, the Supplier shall:

CO-20.2.1 work pro-actively with each of the Customer's contractors in a spirit of trust and mutual confidence;

CO-20.2.2 in addition to its obligations under the Collaboration Agreement the Supplier shall cooperate with the Customer's contractors of other services to enable the efficient operation of the ICT services; and

CO-20.2.3 assist in sharing information with the Customer's contractors for the purposes of facilitating adequate provision of the G-Cloud Services and/or Additional G-Cloud Services.

**CO-21 VARIATION PROCEDURE**

CO-21.1 The Customer may request in writing a variation to this Call-Off Agreement provided that such variation does not amount to a material change of the Framework Agreement and/or this Call-Off Agreement and is within the meaning of the Regulations and the Law. Such a change once implemented is hereinafter called a "Variation".

CO-21.2 The Supplier shall notify the Customer immediately in writing of any changes proposed or in contemplation in relation to G-Cloud Services or their delivery by submitting Variation request. For the avoidance of doubt such changes would include any changes within the Supplier's supply chain.

CO-21.3 In the event that:

- (a) Either Party is unable to agree (agreement shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed) to or provide the Variation;
- (b) the Customer may:
  - (i) agree to continue to perform its obligations under this Call-Off Agreement without the Variation; or
  - (ii) terminate this Call-Off Agreement by giving thirty (30) written days notice to the Supplier.

**CO-22 DISPUTE RESOLUTION**

CO-22.1 The Customer and the Supplier shall attempt in good faith to negotiate a settlement of any dispute between them arising out of or in connection with this Call-Off Agreement within twenty (20) Working Days of either Party notifying the other of the dispute and such efforts shall involve the escalation of the dispute to the Customer Representative and the Supplier Representative.

CO-22.2 If the dispute cannot be resolved by the Parties pursuant to this Clause, the Parties shall refer it to mediation unless the Customer considers that the dispute is not suitable for resolution by mediation.

CO-22.3 If the dispute cannot be resolved by mediation the Parties may refer it to arbitration.

CO-22.4 The obligations of the Parties under this Call-Off Agreement shall not be suspended, cease or be delayed by the reference of a dispute to mediation or arbitration pursuant to this Clause and the Supplier and Supplier's Staff shall continue to comply fully with the requirements of this Call-Off Agreement at all times.