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Award Form

This Award Form creates the Contract. It summarises the main features of the procurement and includes the Buyer and the Supplier's contact details.

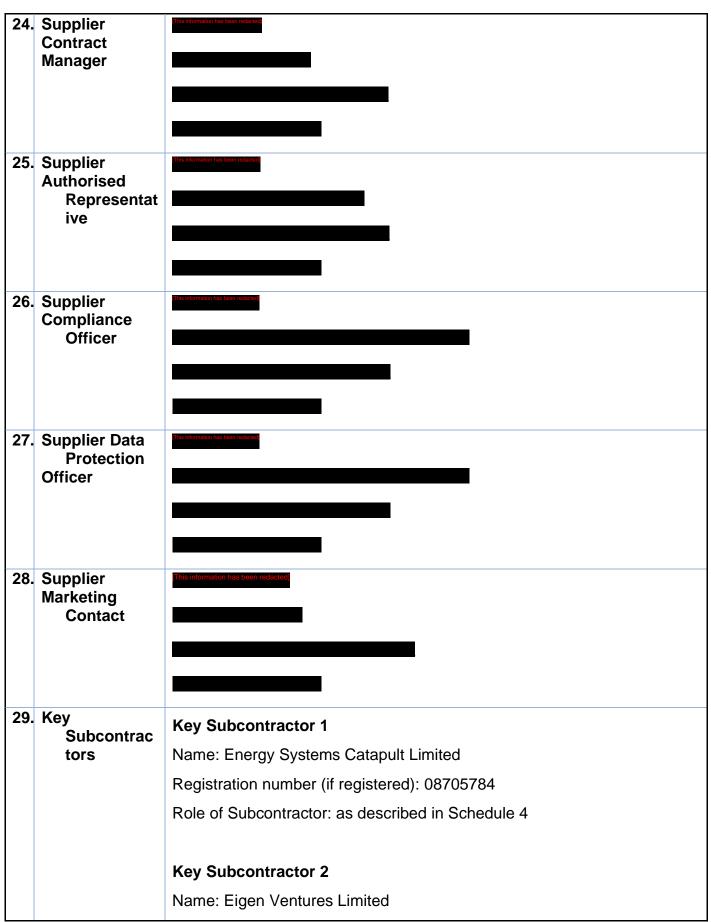
1.	Buyer	The Department of Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy (the Buyer).	
		Its offices are on: 1 Victoria Street, Westminster, SW1H 0ET	
2.	Supplier	Name:Carbon Trust Advisory Limited (the Supplier)Address:4th Floor, Dorset House, 27 – 45 Stamford Street, London SE1 9NTRegistrationCompany number 06274284number:	
3.	ontract	This Contract between the Buyer and the Supplier is for the supply of Deliverables.	
4.	Contract reference	5052/04/2021	
5.	Deliverables	 Acceleration Support focusses on identifying and filling skills gaps within companies that may prevent them from bringing innovations to market effectively and providing specialist advisors to support companies in the development of appropriate knowledge and skills. As such, the needs and requirements of the contractor have been split into four key areas: a. Identification and planning of Acceleration Support requirements, to include discovery work on 'How best to support SMEs in clean tech innovation towards commercialisation'. b. Coordination, including quality control, feedback and evaluation. c. Management of acceleration tasks. d. Delivery of acceleration) for further details. 	
6.	Start Date	17 th July 2021	
7.	End Date	31 March 2025	
8.	Extension Period	N/A	

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9. Incorporated Terms (together these documents form the 'the Contract')	 The following documents are incorporated into the Contract. Where numbers are missing we are not using these Schedules. If the documents conflict, the following order of precedence applies: This Award Form Any Special Terms (see Section 10 Special Terms in this Award Form) Core Terms (version 1.0) Schedule 1 (Definitions) Schedule 20 (Processing Data) The following Schedules (in equal order of precedence): Schedule 2 (Specification) Schedule 3 (Charges) Schedule 10 (Service Levels) Schedule 11 (Continuous Improvement) Schedule 13 (Contract Management) Schedule 16 (Security) Schedule 19 (Cyber Essentials Scheme) Schedule 20 (Processing Data)
	Schedule 22 (Insurance Requirements)
	Schedule 25 (Rectification Plan)
	Schedule 27 (Key Subcontractors)
	 Schedule 26 (Corporate Social Responsibility) Schedule 4 (Tender) as long as any part of the Tender that offers a better commercial position for the Buyer takes precedence over the documents above
10. Special Terms	N/A

11.	Buyer's	BEIS Environment Policy, Version 1.2, January 2020 available online	
	Environmen	at:	
	tal Policy	https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploa	
		ds/attachment data/file/899333/BEIS Environmental Policy 2020.pdf	
12.	Buyer's	Details in Schedule 16	
	Security		
	Policy		
13.	Social Value	The Supplier agrees, in providing the Deliverables and performing its	
	Commitmen	obligations under the Contract, that it will comply with the social value	
	t	commitments in Schedule 4 (Tender)	
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14.	Commercially	Supplier's Commercially Sensitive Information: Schedule 5	
	Sensitive Information		
15	Charges		
13.	Charges	Details in Schedule 3 (Charges)	
16.	Reimbursable	Recoverable as set out in Schedule 3 (Charges)	
	expenses		
17.	Payment	Monthly in arrears, invoice submitted by Supplier and paid by Buyer	
	method		
18.	Service Levels	Service Credits will accrue in accordance with Schedule 10 (Service	
		Levels)	
		The Service Credit Cap is: 10% of monthly invoice (excl. VAT) The Service Period is 1 month	
		A Critical Service Level Failure is: N/A	
		A Ontical Service Level 1 alure 13. TVA	
19.	Insurance	Details in Annex of Schedule 22 (Insurance Requirements).	
20.	Liability	In accordance with Clause 11.1 of the Core Terms each Party's total	
		aggregate liability in each Contract Year under the Contract (whether	
		in tort, contract or otherwise) is no more than the greater of £5 million	
		or 150% of the Estimated Yearly Charges	
21	Cyber	N/A	
21.	Essentials		
	Certificatio		
	n		
22.	Progress	The Supplier shall attend Progress Meetings with the Buyer every	
	Meetings	month	
	and		
	Progress	 The Supplier shall provide the Buyer with Progress Reports every 	
	Reports	month	
22	Guarantee	N/A	
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		Registration number (if registered): 10445251
		Role of Subcontractor: as described in Schedule 4
		Key Subcontractor 3
		Name: Mott MacDonald Limited
		Registration number (if registered): 02143967
		Role of Subcontractor: as described in Schedule 4
		Key Subcontractor 4
		Name: KPMG LLP
		Registration number (if registered): OC301540
		Role of Subcontractor: as described in Schedule 4
30.	Buyer	This information has been redacted
	Authorised	
	Representat ive	

	half of the Supplier:	For and on behalf of the Buyer:	
Signature:	[This information has been redacted	Signature:	[This information has been redacted]
Name:		Name:	
Role:		Role:	[This information has been redacted]
Date:	20/09/2021	Date:	

Core Terms – Mid-tier

1. Definitions used in the contract

1.1 Interpret this Contract using Schedule 1 (Definitions).

2. How the contract works

2.1 If the Buyer decides to buy Deliverables under the Contract it must state its requirements using the Award Form). If allowed by the Regulations, the Buyer can:

- make changes to Award Form
- create new Schedules
- exclude optional template Schedules
- use Special Terms in the Award Form to add or change terms

2.2 The Contract:

- is between the Supplier and the Buyer
- includes Core Terms, Schedules and any other changes or items in the completed Award Form

2.3 The Supplier acknowledges it has all the information required to perform its obligations under the Contract before entering into it. When information is provided by the Buyer no warranty of its accuracy is given to the Supplier.

2.4 The Supplier won't be excused from any obligation, or be entitled to additional Costs or Charges because it failed to either:

- verify the accuracy of the Due Diligence Information
- properly perform its own adequate checks

2.5 The Buyer will not be liable for errors, omissions or misrepresentation of any information.

2.6 The Supplier warrants and represents that all statements made and documents submitted as part of the procurement of Deliverables are and remain true and accurate.

3. What needs to be delivered

3.1 All deliverables

3.1.1 The Supplier must provide Deliverables:

- that comply with the Specification, the Tender Response and the Contract
- using Good Industry Practice
- using its own policies, processes and internal quality control measures as long as they don't conflict with the Contract
- on the dates agreed
- that comply with Law

3.1.2 In the event that a level of warranty is not specified in the Award Form, the Supplier must provide Deliverables with a warranty of at least 90 days from Delivery against all obvious defects.

3.2 Goods clauses

3.2.1 All Goods delivered must be new, or as new if recycled, unused and of recent origin.

3.2.2 All manufacturer warranties covering the Goods must be assignable to the Buyer on request and for free.

3.2.3 The Supplier transfers ownership of the Goods on Delivery or payment for those Goods, whichever is earlier.

3.2.4 Risk in the Goods transfers to the Buyer on Delivery of the Goods, but remains with the Supplier if the Buyer notices damage following Delivery and lets the Supplier know within 3 Working Days of Delivery.

3.2.5 The Supplier warrants that it has full and unrestricted ownership of the Goods at the time of transfer of ownership.

3.2.6 The Supplier must deliver the Goods on the date and to the specified location during the Buyer's working hours.

3.2.7 The Supplier must provide sufficient packaging for the Goods to reach the point of Delivery safely and undamaged.

3.2.8 All deliveries must have a delivery note attached that specifies the order number, type and quantity of Goods.

3.2.9 The Supplier must provide all tools, information and instructions the Buyer needs to make use of the Goods.

3.2.10 The Supplier must indemnify the Buyer against the costs of any Recall of the Goods and give notice of actual or anticipated action about the Recall of the Goods.

3.2.11 The Buyer can cancel any order or part order of Goods which has not been Delivered. If

the Buyer gives less than 14 days notice then it will pay the Supplier's reasonable and proven costs already incurred on the cancelled order as long as the Supplier takes all reasonable steps to minimise these costs.

3.2.12 The Supplier must at its own cost repair, replace, refund or substitute (at the Buyer's option and request) any Goods that the Buyer rejects because they don't conform with Clause 3. If the Supplier doesn't do this it will pay the Buyer's costs including repair or re-supply by a third party.

3.3 Services clauses

3.3.1 Late Delivery of the Services will be a Default of the Contract.

3.3.2 The Supplier must co-operate with the Buyer and third party suppliers on all aspects connected with the Delivery of the Services and ensure that Supplier Staff comply with any reasonable instructions of the Buyer or third party suppliers.

3.3.3 The Supplier must at its own risk and expense provide all Supplier Equipment required to Deliver the Services.

3.3.4 The Supplier must allocate sufficient resources and appropriate expertise to the Contract.

3.3.5 The Supplier must take all reasonable care to ensure performance does not disrupt the Buyer's operations, employees or other contractors.

3.3.6 The Supplier must ensure all Services, and anything used to Deliver the Services, are of good quality and free from defects.

3.3.7 The Buyer is entitled to withhold payment for partially or undelivered Services, but doing so does not stop it from using its other rights under the Contract.

4 Pricing and payments

4.1 In exchange for the Deliverables, the Supplier must invoice the Buyer for the Charges in the Award Form.

4.2 All Charges:

- exclude VAT, which is payable on provision of a valid VAT invoice
- include all costs connected with the Supply of Deliverables

4.3 The Buyer must pay the Supplier the Charges within 30 days of receipt by the Buyer of a valid, undisputed invoice, in cleared funds using the payment method and details stated in the Award Form.

4.4 A Supplier invoice is only valid if it:

- includes all appropriate references including the Contract reference number and other details reasonably requested by the Buyer
- includes a detailed breakdown of Delivered Deliverables and Milestone(s) (if any)

4.5 The Buyer may retain or set-off payment of any amount owed to it by the Supplier if notice and reasons are provided.

4.6 The Supplier must ensure that all Subcontractors are paid, in full, within 30 days of receipt of a valid, undisputed invoice. If this does not happen, the Buyer can publish the details of the late payment or non-payment.

4.7 N/A

4.8 N/A

4.9 The Buyer's right to enter into a direct agreement for the supply of the relevant items is subject to both:

- the relevant item being made available to the Supplier if required to provide the Deliverables
- any reduction in the Charges excludes any unavoidable costs that must be paid by the Supplier for the substituted item, including any licence fees or early termination charges

4.10 The Supplier has no right of set-off, counterclaim, discount or abatement unless they're ordered to do so by a court.

5. The buyer's obligations to the supplier

5.1 If Supplier Non-Performance arises from a Buyer Cause:

- the Buyer cannot terminate the Contract under Clause 10.4.1
- the Supplier is entitled to reasonable and proven additional expenses and to relief from Delay Payments, liability and Deduction under this Contract
- the Supplier is entitled to additional time needed to make the Delivery
- the Supplier cannot suspend the ongoing supply of Deliverables
- 5.2 Clause 5.1 only applies if the Supplier:
 - gives notice to the Buyer of the Buyer Cause within 10 Working Days of becoming aware

- demonstrates that the Supplier Non-Performance only happened because of the Buyer Cause
- mitigated the impact of the Buyer Cause

6. Record keeping and reporting

6.1 The Supplier must attend Progress Meetings with the Buyer and provide Progress Reports when specified in the Award Form.

6.2 The Supplier must keep and maintain full and accurate records and accounts in respect of the Contract for 7 years after the End Date and in accordance with the GDPR.

6.3 The Supplier must allow any Auditor access to their premises to verify all contract accounts and records of everything to do with the Contract and provide copies for an Audit.

6.4 The Supplier must provide information to the Auditor and reasonable co-operation at their request.

6.5 If the Supplier is not providing any of the Deliverables, or is unable to provide them, it must immediately:

- tell the Buyer and give reasons
- propose corrective action
- provide a deadline for completing the corrective action

7. Supplier staff

7.1 The Supplier Staff involved in the performance of the Contract must:

- be appropriately trained and qualified
- be vetted using Good Industry Practice and the Security Policy
- comply with all conduct requirements when on the Buyer's Premises

7.2 Where the Buyer decides one of the Supplier's Staff is not suitable to work on the Contract, the Supplier must replace them with a suitably qualified alternative.

7.3 If requested, the Supplier must replace any person whose acts or omissions have caused the Supplier to breach Clause 27.

7.4 The Supplier must provide a list of Supplier Staff needing to access the Buyer's Premises and say why access is required.

7.5 The Supplier indemnifies the Buyer against all claims brought by any person employed by the Supplier caused by an act or omission of the Supplier or any Supplier Staff.

8. Rights and protection

8.1 The Supplier warrants and represents that:

- it has full capacity and authority to enter into and to perform the Contract
- the Contract is executed by its authorised representative
- it is a legally valid and existing organisation incorporated in the place it was formed
- there are no known legal or regulatory actions or investigations before any court, administrative body or arbitration tribunal pending or threatened against it or its Affiliates that might affect its ability to perform the Contract
- it maintains all necessary rights, authorisations, licences and consents to perform its obligations under the Contract
- it doesn't have any contractual obligations which are likely to have a material adverse effect on its ability to perform the Contract
- it is not impacted by an Insolvency Event

8.2 The warranties and representations in Clauses 2.6 and 8.1 are repeated each time the Supplier provides Deliverables under the Contract.

8.3 The Supplier indemnifies the Buyer against each of the following:

- wilful misconduct of the Supplier, Subcontractor and Supplier Staff that impacts the Contract
- non-payment by the Supplier of any tax or National Insurance

8.4 All claims indemnified under this Contract must use Clause 26.

8.5 The Buyer can terminate the Contract for breach of any warranty or indemnity where they are entitled to do so.

8.6 If the Supplier becomes aware of a representation or warranty that becomes untrue or misleading, it must immediately notify the Buyer.

8.7 All third party warranties and indemnities covering the Deliverables must be assigned for the Buyer's benefit by the Supplier.

9. Intellectual Property Rights (IPRs)

9.1 Each Party keeps ownership of its own Existing IPRs. The Supplier gives the Buyer a nonexclusive, perpetual, royalty-free, irrevocable, transferable worldwide licence to use, change and sub-license the Supplier's Existing IPR to enable it to both:

- receive and use the Deliverables
- make use of the deliverables provided by a Replacement Supplier

9.2 Any New IPR created under the Contract is owned by the Buyer. The Buyer gives the Supplier a licence to use any Existing IPRs and New IPRs for the purpose of fulfilling its obligations during the Contract Period.

9.3 Where a Party acquires ownership of IPRs incorrectly under this Contract it must do everything reasonably necessary to complete a transfer assigning them in writing to the other Party on request and at its own cost.

9.4 Neither Party has the right to use the other Party's IPRs, including any use of the other Party's names, logos or trademarks, except as provided in Clause 9 or otherwise agreed in writing.

9.5 If there is an IPR Claim, the Supplier indemnifies the Buyer against all losses, damages, costs or expenses (including professional fees and fines) incurred as a result.

9.6 If an IPR Claim is made or anticipated the Supplier must at its own expense and the Buyer's sole option, either:

- obtain for the Buyer the rights in Clause 9.1 and 9.2 without infringing any third party IPR
- replace or modify the relevant item with substitutes that don't infringe IPR without adversely affecting the functionality or performance of the Deliverables

10. Ending the contract

10.1 The Contract takes effect on the Start Date and ends on the End Date or earlier if required by Law.

10.2 The Buyer can extend the Contract for the Extension Period by giving the Supplier no less than 3 Months' written notice before the Contract expires.

10.3 Ending the contract without a reason

10.3.1 The Buyer has the right to terminate the Contract at any time without reason or liability by giving the Supplier at least 90 days' notice and if it's terminated Clause 10.5.2 to 10.5.7 applies.

10.4 When the Buyer can end the Contract

10.4.1 If any of the following events happen, the Buyer has the right to immediately terminate

the Contract by issuing a Termination Notice to the Supplier:

- there's a Supplier Insolvency Event
- there's a Default that is not corrected in line with an accepted Rectification Plan
- the Buyer rejects a Rectification Plan or the Supplier does not provide it within 10 days of the request
- there's any material Default of the Contract
- there's any material Default of any Joint Controller Agreement relating to the Contract
- there's a Default of Clauses 2.6, 9, 14, 15, 27, 32 or Schedule 19 (Cyber Essentials) (where applicable) relating to the Contract
- there's a consistent repeated failure to meet the Service Levels in Schedule 10 (Service Levels)
- there's a Change of Control of the Supplier which isn't pre-approved by the Buyer in writing
- there's a Variation to the Contract which cannot be agreed using Clause 24 (Changing the contract) or resolved using Clause 34 (Resolving disputes)
- The Buyer discovers that the Supplier was in one of the situations in 57 (1) or 57(2) of the Regulations at the time the Contract was awarded
- the Court of Justice of the European Union uses Article 258 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (TFEU) to declare that the Contract should not have been awarded to the Supplier because of a serious breach of the TFEU or the Regulations
- the Supplier or its Affiliates embarrass or bring the Buyer into disrepute or diminish the public trust in them

10.4.2 If there is a Default, the Buyer can, without limiting its other rights, request that the Supplier provide a Rectification Plan.

10.4.3 When the Buyer receives a requested Rectification Plan it can either:

- reject the Rectification Plan or revised Rectification Plan, giving reasons
- accept the Rectification Plan or revised Rectification Plan (without limiting its rights) and the Supplier must immediately start work on the actions in the Rectification Plan at its own cost, unless agreed otherwise by the Parties

10.4.4 Where the Rectification Plan or revised Rectification Plan is rejected, the Buyer:

- must give reasonable grounds for its decision
- may request that the Supplier provides a revised Rectification Plan within 5 Working Days

10.4.5 If any of the events in 73 (1) (a) to (c) of the Regulations happen, the Buyer has the right to immediately terminate the Contract and Clause 10.5.2 to 10.5.7 applies.

10.5 What happens if the contract ends

Where the Buyer terminates the Contract under Clause 10.4.1 all of the following apply:

10.5.1 The Supplier is responsible for the Buyer's reasonable costs of procuring Replacement Deliverables for the rest of the Contract Period.

10.5.2 The Buyer's payment obligations under the terminated Contract stop immediately.

10.5.3 Accumulated rights of the Parties are not affected.

10.5.4 The Supplier must promptly delete or return the Government Data except where required to retain copies by law.

10.5.5 The Supplier must promptly return any of the Buyer's property provided under the terminated Contract.

10.5.6 The Supplier must, at no cost to the Buyer, co-operate fully in the handover and re-procurement (including to a Replacement Supplier).

10.5.7 The following Clauses survive the termination of the Contract: 3.2.10, 6, 7.2, 9, 11, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 34, 35 and any Clauses and Schedules which are expressly or by implication intended to continue.

10.6 When the supplier can end the contract

10.6.1 The Supplier can issue a Reminder Notice if the Buyer does not pay an undisputed invoice on time. The Supplier can terminate the Contract if the Buyer fails to pay an undisputed invoiced sum due and worth over 10% of the total Contract Value within 30 days of the date of the Reminder Notice.

10.6.2 If a Supplier terminates the Contract under Clause 10.6.1:

- the Buyer must promptly pay all outstanding Charges incurred to the Supplier
- the Buyer must pay the Supplier reasonable committed and unavoidable Losses as long as the Supplier provides a fully itemised and costed schedule with evidence - the maximum value of this payment is limited to the total sum payable to the Supplier if the Contract had not been terminated
- Clauses 10.5.4 to 10.5.7 apply

10.7 When subcontracts can be ended

At the Buyer's request, the Supplier must terminate any Subcontracts in any of the following events:

• there is a Change of Control of a Subcontractor which isn't pre-approved by the

Buyer in writing

- the acts or omissions of the Subcontractor have caused or materially contributed to a right of termination under Clause 10.4
- a Subcontractor or its Affiliates embarrasses or brings into disrepute or diminishes the public trust in the Buyer

10.8 Partially ending and suspending the contract

10.8.1 Where the Buyer has the right to terminate the Contract it can terminate or suspend (for any period), all or part of it. If the Buyer suspends the Contract it can provide the Deliverables itself or buy them from a third party.

10.8.2 The Buyer can only partially terminate or suspend the Contract if the remaining parts of that Contract can still be used to effectively deliver the intended purpose.

10.8.3 The Parties must agree any necessary Variation required by Clause 10.8 using the Variation Procedure, but the Supplier may not either:

- reject the Variation
- increase the Charges, except where the right to partial termination is under Clause 10.3

10.8.4 The Buyer can still use other rights available, or subsequently available to it if it acts on its rights under Clause 10.8.

11. How much you can be held responsible for

11.1 Each Party's total aggregate liability in each Contract Year under the Contract (whether in tort, contract or otherwise) is no more than the greater of £5 million or 150% of the Estimated Yearly Charges unless specified in the Award Form.

11.2 No Party is liable to the other for:

- any indirect Losses
- Loss of profits, turnover, savings, business opportunities or damage to goodwill (in each case whether direct or indirect)

11.3 In spite of Clause 11.1, neither Party limits or excludes any of the following:

• its liability for death or personal injury caused by its negligence, or that of its employees, agents or Subcontractors

- its liability for bribery or fraud or fraudulent misrepresentation by it or its employees
- any liability that cannot be excluded or limited by Law

11.4 In spite of Clause 11.1, the Supplier does not limit or exclude its liability for any indemnity given under Clauses 7.5, 8.3, 9.5, 12.2 or 14.8 or Schedule 7 (Staff Transfer) of the Contract.

11.5 Each Party must use all reasonable endeavours to mitigate any Loss or damage which it suffers under or in connection with the Contract, including any indemnities.

11.6 When calculating the Supplier's liability under Clause 11.1 the following items will not be taken into consideration:

- Deductions
- any items specified in Clause 11.4

11.7 If more than one Supplier is party to the Contract, each Supplier Party is fully responsible for both their own liabilities and the liabilities of the other Suppliers.

12. Obeying the law

12.1 The Supplier must use reasonable endeavours to comply with the provisions of Schedule 26 (Corporate Social Responsibility).

12.2 The Supplier indemnifies the Buyer against any costs resulting from any Default by the Supplier relating to any applicable Law.

12.3 The Supplier must appoint a Compliance Officer who must be responsible for ensuring that the Supplier complies with Law, Clause 12.1 and Clauses 27 to 32.

13. Insurance

The Supplier must, at its own cost, obtain and maintain the Required Insurances in Schedule 22 (Insurance Requirements).

14. Data protection

14.1 The Supplier must process Personal Data and ensure that Supplier Staff process Personal Data only in accordance with Schedule 20 (Processing Data).

14.2 The Supplier must not remove any ownership or security notices in or relating to the

Government Data.

14.3 N/A

14.4 The Supplier must ensure that any Supplier system holding any Government Data, including back-up data, is a secure system that complies with the Security Policy and any applicable Security Management Plan.

14.5 If at any time the Supplier suspects or has reason to believe that the Government Data provided under the Contract is corrupted, lost or sufficiently degraded, then the Supplier must notify the Buyer and immediately suggest remedial action.

14.6 If the Government Data is corrupted, lost or sufficiently degraded so as to be unusable the Buyer may either or both:

- tell the Supplier to restore or get restored Government Data as soon as practical but no later than 5 Working Days from the date that the Buyer receives notice, or the Supplier finds out about the issue, whichever is earlier
- restore the Government Data itself or using a third party

14.7 The Supplier must pay each Party's reasonable costs of complying with Clause 14.6 unless the Buyer is at fault.

14.8 The Supplier:

- must provide the Buyer with all Government Data in an agreed open format within 10 Working Days of a written request
- must have documented processes to guarantee prompt availability of Government Data if the Supplier stops trading
- must securely destroy all Storage Media that has held Government Data at the end of life of that media using Good Industry Practice
- securely erase all Government Data and any copies it holds when asked to do so by the Buyer unless required by Law to retain it
- indemnifies the Buyer against any and all Losses incurred if the Supplier breaches Clause 14 and any Data Protection Legislation.

15. What you must keep confidential

- 15.1 Each Party must:
 - keep all Confidential Information it receives confidential and secure
 - not disclose, use or exploit the Disclosing Party's Confidential Information without the Disclosing Party's prior written consent, except for the purposes anticipated under the Contract

• immediately notify the Disclosing Party if it suspects unauthorised access, copying, use or disclosure of the Confidential Information

15.2 In spite of Clause 15.1, a Party may disclose Confidential Information which it receives from the Disclosing Party in any of the following instances:

- where disclosure is required by applicable Law or by a court with the relevant jurisdiction if the Recipient Party notifies the Disclosing Party of the full circumstances, the affected Confidential Information and extent of the disclosure
- if the Recipient Party already had the information without obligation of confidentiality before it was disclosed by the Disclosing Party
- if the information was given to it by a third party without obligation of confidentiality
- if the information was in the public domain at the time of the disclosure
- if the information was independently developed without access to the Disclosing Party's Confidential Information
- to its auditors or for the purposes of regulatory requirements
- on a confidential basis, to its professional advisers on a need-to-know basis
- to the Serious Fraud Office where the Recipient Party has reasonable grounds to believe that the Disclosing Party is involved in activity that may be a criminal offence under the Bribery Act 2010

15.3 The Supplier may disclose Confidential Information on a confidential basis to Supplier Staff on a need-to-know basis to allow the Supplier to meet its obligations under the Contract. The Supplier Staff must enter into a direct confidentiality agreement with the Buyer at its request.

15.4 The Buyer may disclose Confidential Information in any of the following cases:

- on a confidential basis to the employees, agents, consultants and contractors of the Buyer
- on a confidential basis to any other Central Government Body, any successor body to a Central Government Body or any company that the Buyer transfers or proposes to transfer all or any part of its business to
- if the Buyer (acting reasonably) considers disclosure necessary or appropriate to carry out its public functions
- where requested by Parliament
- under Clauses 4.7 and 16

15.5 For the purposes of Clauses 15.2 to 15.4 references to disclosure on a confidential basis means disclosure under a confidentiality agreement or arrangement including terms as strict as those required in Clause 15.

15.6 Transparency Information and any Information which is exempt from disclosure by Clause 16 is not Confidential Information.

15.7 The Supplier must not make any press announcement or publicise the Contracts or any part of them in any way, without the prior written consent of the Buyer and must take all reasonable steps to ensure that Supplier Staff do not either.

16. When you can share information

16.1 The Supplier must tell the Buyer within 48 hours if it receives a Request For Information.

16.2 Within the required timescales the Supplier must give the Buyer full co-operation and information needed so the Buyer can:

- publish the Transparency Information
- comply with any Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request
- comply with any Environmental Information Regulations (EIR) request

16.3 The Buyer may talk to the Supplier to help it decide whether to publish information under Clause 16. However, the extent, content and format of the disclosure is the Buyer's decision, which does not need to be reasonable.

17. Invalid parts of the contract

If any part of the Contract is prohibited by Law or judged by a court to be unlawful, void or unenforceable, it must be read as if it was removed from that Contract as much as required and rendered ineffective as far as possible without affecting the rest of the Contract, whether it's valid or enforceable.

18. No other terms apply

The provisions incorporated into the Contract are the entire agreement between the Parties. The Contract replaces all previous statements and agreements whether written or oral. No other provisions apply.

19. Other people's rights in the Contract

No third parties may use the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act (CRTPA) to enforce any term of the Contract unless stated (referring to CRTPA) in the Contract. This does not affect third party rights and remedies that exist independently from CRTPA.

20. Circumstances beyond your control

20.1 Any Party affected by a Force Majeure Event is excused from performing its obligations under the Contract while the inability to perform continues, if it both:

- provides a Force Majeure Notice to the other Party
- uses all reasonable measures practical to reduce the impact of the Force Majeure Event

20.2 Either party can partially or fully terminate the affected Contract if the provision of the Deliverables is materially affected by a Force Majeure Event which lasts for 90 days continuously.

20.3 Where a Party terminates under Clause 20.2:

- each party must cover its own Losses
- Clause 10.5.2 to 10.5.7 applies

21. Relationships created by the contract

The Contract does not create a partnership, joint venture or employment relationship. The Supplier must represent themselves accordingly and ensure others do so.

22. Giving up contract rights

A partial or full waiver or relaxation of the terms of the Contract is only valid if it is stated to be a waiver in writing to the other Party.

23. Transferring responsibilities

23.1 The Supplier cannot assign the Contract without the Buyer's written consent.

23.2 The Buyer can assign, novate or transfer its Contract or any part of it to any Crown Body, public or private sector body which performs the functions of the Buyer.

23.3 When the Buyer uses its rights under Clause 23.2 the Supplier must enter into a novation agreement in the form that the Buyer specifies.

23.4 The Supplier can terminate the Contract novated under Clause 23.2 to a private sector body that is experiencing an Insolvency Event.

23.5 The Supplier remains responsible for all acts and omissions of the Supplier Staff as if they were its own.

23.6 If the Buyer asks the Supplier for details about Subcontractors, the Supplier must provide details of Subcontractors at all levels of the supply chain including:

• their name

- the scope of their appointment
- the duration of their appointment

24. Changing the contract

24.1 Either Party can request a Variation to the Contract which is only effective if agreed in writing and signed by both Parties

24.2 The Supplier must provide an Impact Assessment either:

- with the Variation Form, where the Supplier requests the Variation
- within the time limits included in a Variation Form requested by the Buyer

24.3 If the Variation to the Contract cannot be agreed or resolved by the Parties, the Buyer can either:

- agree that the Contract continues without the Variation
- terminate the affected Contract, unless the Supplier has already provided part or all of the provision of the Deliverables, or where the Supplier can show evidence of substantial work being carried out to provide them
- refer the Dispute to be resolved using Clause 34 (Resolving Disputes)

24.4 The Buyer is not required to accept a Variation request made by the Supplier.

24.5 If there is a General Change in Law, the Supplier must bear the risk of the change and is not entitled to ask for an increase to the Charges.

24.6 If there is a Specific Change in Law or one is likely to happen during the Contract Period the Supplier must give the Buyer notice of the likely effects of the changes as soon as reasonably practical. They must also say if they think any Variation is needed either to the Deliverables, the Charges or the Contract and provide evidence:

- that the Supplier has kept costs as low as possible, including in Subcontractor costs
- of how it has affected the Supplier's costs

24.7 Any change in the Charges or relief from the Supplier's obligations because of a Specific Change in Law must be implemented using Clauses 24.1 to 24.4.

25. How to communicate about the contract

25.1 All notices under the Contract must be in writing and are considered effective on the Working Day of delivery as long as they're delivered before 5:00pm on a Working Day. Otherwise the notice is effective on the next Working Day. An email is effective when sent

unless an error message is received.

25.2 Notices to the Buyer must be sent to the Buyer Authorised Representative's address or email address in the Award Form.

25.3 This Clause does not apply to the service of legal proceedings or any documents in any legal action, arbitration or dispute resolution.

26. Dealing with claims

26.1 If a Beneficiary is notified of a Claim then it must notify the Indemnifier as soon as reasonably practical and no later than 10 Working Days.

26.2 At the Indemnifier's cost the Beneficiary must both:

- allow the Indemnifier to conduct all negotiations and proceedings to do with a Claim
- give the Indemnifier reasonable assistance with the claim if requested

26.3 The Beneficiary must not make admissions about the Claim without the prior written consent of the Indemnifier which cannot be unreasonably withheld or delayed.

26.4 The Indemnifier must consider and defend the Claim diligently using competent legal advisors and in a way that doesn't damage the Beneficiary's reputation.

26.5 The Indemnifier must not settle or compromise any Claim without the Beneficiary's prior written consent which it must not unreasonably withhold or delay.

26.6 Each Beneficiary must take all reasonable steps to minimise and mitigate any losses that it suffers because of the Claim.

26.7 If the Indemnifier pays the Beneficiary money under an indemnity and the Beneficiary later recovers money which is directly related to the Claim, the Beneficiary must immediately repay the Indemnifier the lesser of either:

- the sum recovered minus any legitimate amount spent by the Beneficiary when recovering this money
- the amount the Indemnifier paid the Beneficiary for the Claim

27. Preventing fraud, bribery and corruption

27.1 The Supplier must not during any Contract Period:

• commit a Prohibited Act or any other criminal offence in the Regulations 57(1)

and 57(2)

- do or allow anything which would cause the Buyer, including any of their employees, consultants, contractors, Subcontractors or agents to breach any of the Relevant Requirements or incur any liability under them
- 27.2 The Supplier must during the Contract Period:
 - create, maintain and enforce adequate policies and procedures to ensure it complies with the Relevant Requirements to prevent a Prohibited Act and require its Subcontractors to do the same
 - keep full records to show it has complied with its obligations under Clause 27 and give copies to the Buyer on request
 - if required by the Buyer, within 20 Working Days of the Start Date of the Contract, and then annually, certify in writing to the Buyer, that they have complied with Clause 27, including compliance of Supplier Staff, and provide reasonable supporting evidence of this on request, including its policies and procedures

27.3 The Supplier must immediately notify the Buyer if it becomes aware of any breach of Clauses 27.1 or 27.2 or has any reason to think that it, or any of the Supplier Staff, has either:

- been investigated or prosecuted for an alleged Prohibited Act
- been debarred, suspended, proposed for suspension or debarment, or is otherwise ineligible to take part in procurement programmes or contracts because of a Prohibited Act by any government department or agency
- received a request or demand for any undue financial or other advantage of any kind related to the Contract
- suspected that any person or Party directly or indirectly related to the Contract has committed or attempted to commit a Prohibited Act

27.4 If the Supplier notifies the Buyer as required by Clause 27.3, the Supplier must respond promptly to their further enquiries, co-operate with any investigation and allow the Audit of any books, records and relevant documentation.

27.5 In any notice the Supplier gives under Clause 27.4 it must specify the:

- Prohibited Act
- identity of the Party who it thinks has committed the Prohibited Act
- action it has decided to take

28. Equality, diversity and human rights

28.1 The Supplier must follow all applicable equality Law when they perform their obligations under the Contract, including:

- protections against discrimination on the grounds of race, sex, gender reassignment, religion or belief, disability, sexual orientation, pregnancy, maternity, age or otherwise
- any other requirements and instructions which the Buyer reasonably imposes related to equality Law

28.2 The Supplier must take all necessary steps, and inform the Buyer of the steps taken, to prevent anything that is considered to be unlawful discrimination by any court or tribunal, or the Equality and Human Rights Commission (or any successor organisation) when working on the Contract.

29. Health and safety

29.1 The Supplier must perform its obligations meeting the requirements of:

- all applicable Law regarding health and safety
- the Buyer's current health and safety policy while at the Buyer's Premises, as provided to the Supplier

29.2 The Supplier must as soon as possible notify the other of any health and safety incidents or material hazards they're aware of at the Buyer Premises that relate to the performance of the Contract.

30. Environment

30.1 When working on Site the Supplier must perform its obligations under the Buyer's current Environmental Policy, which the Buyer must provide.

30.2 The Supplier must ensure that Supplier Staff are aware of the Buyer's Environmental Policy.

31. Tax

31.1 The Supplier must not breach any tax or social security obligations and must enter into a binding agreement to pay any late contributions due, including where applicable, any interest or any fines. The Buyer cannot terminate the Contract where the Supplier has not paid a minor tax or social security contribution.

31.2 Where the Charges payable under the Contract are or are likely to exceed £5 million at any point during the relevant Contract Period, and an Occasion of Tax Non-Compliance occurs, the Supplier must notify the Buyer of it within 5 Working Days including:

• the steps that the Supplier is taking to address the Occasion of Tax Non-Compliance and any mitigating factors that it considers relevant • other information relating to the Occasion of Tax Non-Compliance that the Buyer may reasonably need

31.3 Where the Supplier or any Supplier Staff are liable to be taxed or to pay National Insurance contributions in the UK relating to payment received under the Contract, the Supplier must both:

- comply with the Income Tax (Earnings and Pensions) Act 2003 and all other statutes and regulations relating to income tax, the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992 (including IR35) and National Insurance contributions
- indemnify the Buyer against any Income Tax, National Insurance and social security contributions and any other liability, deduction, contribution, assessment or claim arising from or made during or after the Contract Period in connection with the provision of the Deliverables by the Supplier or any of the Supplier Staff

31.4 If any of the Supplier Staff are Workers who receive payment relating to the Deliverables, then the Supplier must ensure that its contract with the Worker contains the following requirements:

- the Buyer may, at any time during the Contract Period, request that the Worker provides information which demonstrates they comply with Clause 31.3, or why those requirements do not apply, the Buyer can specify the information the Worker must provide and the deadline for responding
- the Worker's contract may be terminated at the Buyer's request if the Worker fails to provide the information requested by the Buyer within the time specified by the Buyer
- the Worker's contract may be terminated at the Buyer's request if the Worker provides information which the Buyer considers isn't good enough to demonstrate how it complies with Clause 31.3 or confirms that the Worker is not complying with those requirements
- the Buyer may supply any information they receive from the Worker to HMRC for revenue collection and management

32. Conflict of interest

32.1 The Supplier must take action to ensure that neither the Supplier nor the Supplier Staff are placed in the position of an actual or potential Conflict of Interest.

32.2 The Supplier must promptly notify and provide details to the Buyer if a Conflict of Interest happens or is expected to happen.

32.3 The Buyer can terminate its Contract immediately by giving notice in writing to the Supplier or take any steps it thinks are necessary where there is or may be an actual or

potential Conflict of Interest.

33. Reporting a breach of the contract

33.1 As soon as it is aware of it the Supplier and Supplier Staff must report to the Buyer any actual or suspected breach of:

- Law
- Clause 12.1
- Clauses 27 to 32

33.2 The Supplier must not retaliate against any of the Supplier Staff who in good faith reports a breach listed in Clause 33.1 to the Buyer or a Prescribed Person.

34. Resolving disputes

34.1 If there is a Dispute, the senior representatives of the Parties who have authority to settle the Dispute will, within 28 days of a written request from the other Party, meet in good faith to resolve the Dispute.

34.2 If the Dispute is not resolved at that meeting, the Parties can attempt to settle it by mediation using the Centre for Effective Dispute Resolution (CEDR) Model Mediation Procedure current at the time of the Dispute. If the Parties cannot agree on a mediator, the mediator will be nominated by CEDR. If either Party does not wish to use, or continue to use mediation, or mediation does not resolve the Dispute, the Dispute must be resolved using Clauses 34.3 to 34.5.

34.3 Unless the Buyer refers the Dispute to arbitration using Clause 34.4, the Parties irrevocably agree that the courts of England and Wales have the exclusive jurisdiction to:

- determine the Dispute
- grant interim remedies
- grant any other provisional or protective relief

34.4 The Supplier agrees that the Buyer has the exclusive right to refer any Dispute to be finally resolved by arbitration under the London Court of International Arbitration Rules current at the time of the Dispute. There will be only one arbitrator. The seat or legal place of the arbitration will be London and the proceedings will be in English.

34.5 The Buyer has the right to refer a Dispute to arbitration even if the Supplier has started or has attempted to start court proceedings under Clause 34.3, unless the Buyer has agreed to the court proceedings or participated in them. Even if court proceedings have started, the Parties must do everything necessary to ensure that the court proceedings are stayed in favour of any arbitration proceedings if they are started under Clause 34.4.

34.6 The Supplier cannot suspend the performance of the Contract during any Dispute.

35. Which law applies

This Contract and any issues arising out of, or connected to it, are governed by English law.

Schedule 1 (Definitions)

- 1.1 In the Contract, unless the context otherwise requires, capitalised expressions shall have the meanings set out in this Schedule 1 (Definitions) or the relevant Schedule in which that capitalised expression appears.
- 1.2 If a capitalised expression does not have an interpretation in this Schedule or any other Schedule, it shall, in the first instance, be interpreted in accordance with the common interpretation within the relevant market sector/industry where appropriate. Otherwise, it shall be interpreted in accordance with the dictionary meaning.
- 1.3 In the Contract, unless the context otherwise requires:
 - 1.3.1 the singular includes the plural and vice versa;
 - 1.3.2 reference to a gender includes the other gender and the neuter;
 - 1.3.3 references to a person include an individual, company, body corporate, corporation, unincorporated association, firm, partnership or other legal entity or Crown Body;
 - 1.3.4 a reference to any Law includes a reference to that Law as amended, extended, consolidated or re-enacted from time to time;
 - 1.3.5 the words "**including**", "**other**", "**in particular**", "**for example**" and similar words shall not limit the generality of the preceding words and shall be construed as if they were immediately followed by the words "**without limitation**";
 - 1.3.6 references to "**writing**" include typing, printing, lithography, photography, display on a screen, electronic and facsimile transmission and other modes of representing or reproducing words in a visible form, and expressions referring to writing shall be construed accordingly;
 - 1.3.7 references to "**representations**" shall be construed as references to present facts, to "**warranties**" as references to present and future facts and to "**undertakings**" as references to obligations under the Contract;
 - 1.3.8 references to "Clauses" and "Schedules" are, unless otherwise provided, references to the clauses and schedules of the Core Terms and references in any Schedule to parts, paragraphs, annexes and tables are, unless otherwise provided, references to the parts, paragraphs, annexes and tables of the Schedule in which these references appear;
 - 1.3.9 references to **"Paragraphs"** are, unless otherwise provided, references to the paragraph of the appropriate Schedules unless otherwise provided; and
 - 1.3.10 references to a series of Clauses or Paragraphs shall be inclusive of the clause numbers specified.

- 1.3.11 the headings in the Contract are for ease of reference only and shall not affect the interpretation or construction of the Contract; and
- 1.3.12 where the Buyer is a Crown Body it shall be treated as contracting with the Crown as a whole.
- 1.4 In the Contract, unless the context otherwise requires, the following words shall have the following meanings:

"Achieve"	in respect of a Test, to successfully pass such Test without any Test Issues and in respect of a Milestone, the issue of a Satisfaction Certificate in respect of that Milestone and " Achieved ", " Achieving " and " Achievement " shall be construed accordingly;
"Affected Party"	the party seeking to claim relief in respect of a Force Majeure Event;
"Affiliates"	in relation to a body corporate, any other entity which directly or indirectly Controls, is Controlled by, or is under direct or indirect common Control of that body corporate from time to time;
"Annex"	extra information which supports a Schedule;
"Approval"	the prior written consent of the Buyer and "Approve" and "Approved" shall be construed accordingly;
"Audit"	the Buyer's right to:
	 a) verify the accuracy of the Charges and any other amounts payable by the Buyer under a Contract (including proposed or actual variations to them in accordance with the Contract);
	 b) verify the costs of the Supplier (including the costs of all Subcontractors and any third party suppliers) in connection with the provision of the Services;
	c) verify the Open Book Data;
	 d) verify the Supplier's and each Subcontractor's compliance with the applicable Law;
	e) identify or investigate actual or suspected breach of Clauses 27 to 33 and/or Schedule 26 (Corporate Social Responsibility), impropriety or accounting mistakes or any breach or threatened breach of security and in these circumstances the Buyer shall have no obligation to inform the Supplier of the purpose or objective of its investigations;
	 f) identify or investigate any circumstances which may impact upon the financial stability of the Supplier, any Guarantor, and/or any Subcontractors or their ability to provide the Deliverables;
	g) obtain such information as is necessary to fulfil the Buyer's obligations to supply information for parliamentary, ministerial, judicial or administrative purposes including the supply of information to the Comptroller and Auditor General;

	 h) review any books of account and the internal contract management accounts kept by the Supplier in connection with the Contract;
	 carry out the Buyer's internal and statutory audits and to prepare, examine and/or certify the Buyer's annual and interim reports and accounts;
	 j) enable the National Audit Office to carry out an examination pursuant to Section 6(1) of the National Audit Act 1983 of the economy, efficiency and effectiveness with which the Buyer has used its resources.
"Auditor"	a) the Buyer's internal and external auditors;
Additor	b) the Buyer's statutory or regulatory auditors;
	 c) the Comptroller and Auditor General, their staff and/or any appointed representatives of the National Audit Office;
	d) HM Treasury or the Cabinet Office;
	 e) any party formally appointed by the Buyer to carry out audit or similar review functions; and
	f) successors or assigns of any of the above;
"Buyer Cause"	any breach of the obligations of the Buyer or any other default, act, omission, negligence or statement of the Buyer, of its employees, servants, agents in connection with or in relation to the subject- matter of the Contract and in respect of which the Buyer is liable to the Supplier;
"BACS"	the Bankers' Automated Clearing Services, which is a scheme for the electronic processing of financial transactions within the United Kingdom;
"Beneficiary"	a Party having (or claiming to have) the benefit of an indemnity under this Contract;
"Buyer Assets"	the Buyer's infrastructure, data, software, materials, assets, equipment or other property owned by and/or licensed or leased to the Buyer and which is or may be used in connection with the provision of the Deliverables which remain the property of the Buyer throughout the term of the Contract;
"Buyer Authorised Representative"	the representative appointed by the Buyer from time to time in relation to the Contract initially identified in the Award Form;
"Buyer Premises"	premises owned, controlled or occupied by the Buyer which are made available for use by the Supplier or its Subcontractors for the provision of the Deliverables (or any of them);

"Contract"	the contract between the Buyer and the Supplier, which consists of the terms set out and referred to in the Award Form;
"Contract Period"	the Contract Period in respect of the Contract;
"Central Government Body"	a body listed in one of the following sub-categories of the Central Government classification of the Public Sector Classification Guide, as published and amended from time to time by the Office for National Statistics:
	a) Government Department;
	 b) Non-Departmental Public Body or Assembly Sponsored Public Body (advisory, executive, or tribunal);
	c) Non-Ministerial Department; or
	d) Executive Agency;
"Change in Law"	any change in Law which impacts on the supply of the Deliverables and performance of the Contract which comes into force after the Start Date;
"Change of Control"	a change of control within the meaning of Section 450 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010;
"Charges"	the prices (exclusive of any applicable VAT), payable to the Supplier by the Buyer under the Contract, as set out in the Award Form, for the full and proper performance by the Supplier of its obligations under the Contract less any Deductions (which shall, notwithstanding any other term of this Contract, include amounts identified as "expenses" in Annex 1 of Schedule 3 (Charges));
"Claim"	any claim which it appears that a Beneficiary is, or may become, entitled to indemnification under this Contract;
"Commercially Sensitive Information"	the Confidential Information listed in the Award Form (if any) comprising of commercially sensitive information relating to the Supplier, its IPR or its business or which the Supplier has indicated to the Buyer that, if disclosed by the Buyer, would cause the Supplier significant commercial disadvantage or material financial loss;
"Comparable Supply"	the supply of Deliverables to another Buyer of the Supplier that are the same or similar to the Deliverables;
"Compliance Officer"	the person(s) appointed by the Supplier who is responsible for ensuring that the Supplier complies with its legal obligations;
"Confidential Information"	means any information, however it is conveyed, that relates to the business, affairs, developments, trade secrets, Know-How, personnel and suppliers of the Buyer or the Supplier, including IPRs, together with information derived from the above, and any other information clearly designated as being confidential (whether or not it is marked as "confidential") or which ought reasonably to be considered to be confidential;

"Conflict of	a conflict between the financial or personal duties of the Supplier or	
Interest"	the Supplier Staff and the duties owed to the Buyer under the Contract, in the reasonable opinion of the Buyer;	
"Contract"	the contract to be entered into between the Buyer and the Supplier for the provision of the Deliverables;	
"Contracts Finder"	the Government's publishing portal for public sector procurement opportunities and contract data;	
"Contract Period" the term of the Contract from the earlier of the:		
	a) applicable Start Date; or	
	b) the Effective Date	
	until the applicable End Date;	
"Contract Value"	the higher of the actual or expected total Charges paid or payable under the Contract where all obligations are met by the Supplier;	
"Contract Year"	a consecutive period of twelve (12) Months commencing on the Start Date or each anniversary thereof;	
"Control"	control in either of the senses defined in sections 450 and 1124 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 and " Controlled " shall be construed accordingly;	
"Controller"	has the meaning given to it in the GDPR;	
"Core Terms"	the Buyer's standard terms and conditions for common goods and services which comprise one part of the Contract the full title of which is Core Terms – Mid-tier version 1.0;	
"Costs"	the following costs (without double recovery) to the extent that they are reasonably and properly incurred by the Supplier in providing the Deliverables:	
	 a) the cost to the Supplier or the Key Subcontractor (as the context requires), calculated per Work Day, of engaging the Supplier Staff, including: 	
	i) base salary paid to the Supplier Staff;	
	ii) employer's National Insurance contributions;	
	iii) pension contributions;	
	iv) car allowances;	
	v) any other contractual employment benefits;	
	vi) staff training;	
	vii) work place accommodation;	
	viii)work place IT equipment and tools reasonably necessary to provide the Deliverables (but not including items included within limb (b) below); and	

	ix) reasonable recruitment costs, as agreed with the Buyer;
	b) costs incurred in respect of Supplier Assets which would be treated as capital costs according to generally accepted accounting principles within the UK, which shall include the cost to be charged in respect of Supplier Assets by the Supplier to the Buyer or (to the extent that risk and title in any Supplier Asset is not held by the Supplier) any cost actually incurred by the Supplier in respect of those Supplier Assets;
	 c) operational costs which are not included within (a) or (b) above, to the extent that such costs are necessary and properly incurred by the Supplier in the provision of the Deliverables; and
	 Reimbursable Expenses to the extent these have been specified as allowable in the Award Form and are incurred in delivering any Deliverables;
	but excluding:
	a) Overhead;
	b) financing or similar costs;
	 c) maintenance and support costs to the extent that these relate to maintenance and/or support Deliverables provided beyond the Contract Period whether in relation to Supplier Assets or otherwise;
	d) taxation;
	e) fines and penalties;
	f) amounts payable under Schedule 12 (Benchmarking) where such Schedule is used; and
	 g) non-cash items (including depreciation, amortisation, impairments and movements in provisions);
"Crown Body"	the government of the United Kingdom (including the Northern Ireland Assembly and Executive Committee, the Scottish Government and the National Assembly for Wales), including, but not limited to, government ministers and government departments and particular bodies, persons, commissions or agencies from time to time carrying out functions on its behalf;
"CRTPA"	the Contract Rights of Third Parties Act 1999;
"Data Protection Impact Assessment	an assessment by the Controller of the impact of the envisaged Processing on the protection of Personal Data;
"Data Protection Legislation"	(i) the GDPR, the LED and any applicable national implementing Laws as amended from time to time (ii) the DPA 2018 to the extent that it relates to Processing of personal data and privacy; (iii) all applicable Law about the Processing of personal data and privacy;

"Data Protection Officer"	has the meaning given to it in the GDPR;
"Data Subject"	has the meaning given to it in the GDPR
"Data Subject Access Request"	a request made by, or on behalf of, a Data Subject in accordance with rights granted pursuant to the Data Protection Legislation to access their Personal Data;
"Deductions"	all Service Credits, Delay Payments (if applicable), or any other deduction which the Buyer is paid or is payable to the Buyer under the Contract;
"Default"	any breach of the obligations of the Supplier (including abandonment of the Contract in breach of its terms) or any other default (including material default), act, omission, negligence or statement of the Supplier, of its Subcontractors or any Supplier Staff howsoever arising in connection with or in relation to the subject-matter of the Contract and in respect of which the Supplier is liable to the Buyer;
"Delay Payments"	the amounts (if any) payable by the Supplier to the Buyer in respect of a delay in respect of a Milestone as specified in the Implementation Plan;
"Deliverables"	Goods and/or Services that may be ordered under the Contract including the Documentation;
"Delivery"	delivery of the relevant Deliverable or Milestone in accordance with the terms of the Contract as confirmed and accepted by the Buyer by the either (a) confirmation in writing to the Supplier; or (b) where Schedule 8 (Implementation Plan and Testing) is used issue by the Buyer of a Satisfaction Certificate. " Deliver " and " Delivered " shall be construed accordingly;
"Disaster"	the occurrence of one or more events which, either separately or cumulatively, mean that the Deliverables, or a material part thereof will be unavailable (or could reasonably be anticipated to be unavailable) for the period specified in the Award Form (for the purposes of this definition the " Disaster Period ");
"Disclosing Party"	the Party directly or indirectly providing Confidential Information to the other Party in accordance with Clause 15 (What you must keep confidential);
"Dispute"	any claim, dispute or difference arises out of or in connection with the Contract or in connection with the negotiation, existence, legal validity, enforceability or termination of the Contract, whether the alleged liability shall arise under English law or under the law of some other country and regardless of whether a particular cause of action may successfully be brought in the English courts;
"Dispute Resolution Procedure"	the dispute resolution procedure set out in Clause 34 (Resolving disputes);

"Documentation"	descriptions of the Services and Service Levels, technical specifications, user manuals, training manuals, operating manuals, process definitions and procedures, system environment descriptions and all such other documentation (whether in hardcopy or electronic form) is required to be supplied by the Supplier to the Buyer under the Contract as:
	 a) would reasonably be required by a competent third party capable of Good Industry Practice contracted by the Buyer to develop, configure, build, deploy, run, maintain, upgrade and test the individual systems that provide the Deliverables
	 b) is required by the Supplier in order to provide the Deliverables; and/or
	 c) has been or shall be generated for the purpose of providing the Deliverables;
"DOTAS"	the Disclosure of Tax Avoidance Schemes rules which require a promoter of tax schemes to tell HMRC of any specified notifiable arrangements or proposals and to provide prescribed information on those arrangements or proposals within set time limits as contained in Part 7 of the Finance Act 2004 and in secondary legislation made under vires contained in Part 7 of the Finance Act 2004 and as extended to National Insurance Contributions;
"Due Diligence Information"	any information supplied to the Supplier by or on behalf of the Buyer prior to the Start Date;
"Effective Date"	the date on which the Supplier started work on the Contract (17 th July 2021);
"EIR"	the Environmental Information Regulations 2004;
"Employment Regulations"	the Transfer of Undertakings (Protection of Employment) Regulations 2006 (SI 2006/246) as amended or replaced or any other Regulations implementing the European Council Directive 77/187/EEC;
"End Date"	the earlier of:
	 a) the Expiry Date (as extended by any Extension Period exercised by the Buyer under Clause 10.2); or
	 b) if the Contract is terminated before the date specified in (a) above, the date of termination of the Contract;
"Environmental Policy"	to conserve energy, water, wood, paper and other resources, reduce waste and phase out the use of ozone depleting substances and minimise the release of greenhouse gases, volatile organic compounds and other substances damaging to health and the environment, including any written environmental policy of the Buyer;

"Estimated Year 1	the anticipated total Charges payable by the Buyer in the first Contract Year specified in the Award Form;
Charges	
"Estimated Yearly Charges"	means for the purposes of calculating each Party's annual liability under clause 11.2 :
	i) in the first Contract Year, the Estimated Year 1 Charges; or
	ii) in any subsequent Contract Years, the Charges paid or payable in the previous Contract Year; or
	iii) after the end of the Contract, the Charges paid or payable in the last Contract Year during the Contract Period;
"Equality and Human Rights	the UK Government body named as such as may be renamed or
Commission"	replaced by an equivalent body from time to time;
"Existing IPR"	any and all IPR that are owned by or licensed to either Party and which are or have been developed independently of the Contract (whether prior to the Start Date or otherwise);
"Expiry Date"	the date of the end of the Contract as stated in the Award Form;
"Extension Period"	such period or periods beyond which the Initial Period may be extended up to a maximum of the number of years in total specified in the Award Form;
"FOIA"	the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and any subordinate legislation made under that Act from time to time together with any guidance and/or codes of practice issued by the Information Commissioner or relevant Government department in relation to such legislation;
"Force Majeure Event"	any event, circumstance, matter or cause affecting the performance by either the Buyer or the Supplier of its obligations arising from:
	acts, events, omissions, happenings or non-happenings beyond the reasonable control of the Affected Party which prevent or materially delay the Affected Party from performing its obligations under a Contract;
	 a) riots, civil commotion, war or armed conflict, acts of terrorism, nuclear, biological or chemical warfare;
	b) acts of a Crown Body, local government or regulatory bodies;
	c) fire, flood or any disaster; or

	 d) an industrial dispute affecting a third party for which a substitute third party is not reasonably available but excluding:
	 any industrial dispute relating to the Supplier, the Supplier Staff (including any subsets of them) or any other failure in the Supplier or the Subcontractor's supply chain;
	 any event, occurrence, circumstance, matter or cause which is attributable to the wilful act, neglect or failure to take reasonable precautions against it by the Party concerned; and
	iii) any failure of delay caused by a lack of funds;
"Force Majeure Notice"	a written notice served by the Affected Party on the other Party stating that the Affected Party believes that there is a Force Majeure Event;
"Award Form"	the document outlining the Incorporated Terms and crucial information required for the Contract, to be executed by the Supplier and the Buyer;
" Incorporated Terms"	the contractual terms applicable to the Contract specified in the Award Form;
" Special Terms"	any additional terms and conditions specified in the Award Form incorporated into the Contract;
" Tender Response"	the tender submitted by the Supplier to the Buyer and annexed to or referred to in Schedule 4 (Tender);
"GDPR"	the General Data Protection Regulation (Regulation (EU) 2016/679)
"General Anti-	a) the legislation in Part 5 of the Finance Act 2013 and; and
Abuse Rule"	 b) any future legislation introduced into parliament to counteract tax advantages arising from abusive arrangements to avoid National Insurance contributions;
"General Change in Law"	a Change in Law where the change is of a general legislative nature (including taxation or duties of any sort affecting the Supplier) or which affects or relates to a Comparable Supply;
"Goods"	goods made available by the Supplier as specified in Schedule 2 (Specification) and in relation to a Contract as specified in the Award Form;
"Good Industry Practice"	standards, practices, methods and procedures conforming to the Law and the exercise of the degree of skill and care, diligence, prudence and foresight which would reasonably and ordinarily be expected from a skilled and experienced person or body engaged within the relevant industry or business sector;
"Government"	the government of the United Kingdom (including the Northern Ireland Assembly and Executive Committee, the Scottish Government and the National Assembly for Wales), including government ministers and government departments and other

	bodies, persons, commissions or agencies from time to time carrying out functions on its behalf;
"Government Data"	the data, text, drawings, diagrams, images or sounds (together with any database made up of any of these) which are embodied in any electronic, magnetic, optical or tangible media, including any of the Buyer's Confidential Information, and which:
	i) are supplied to the Supplier by or on behalf of the Buyer; or
	 ii) the Supplier is required to generate, process, store or transmit pursuant to the Contract;
"Government Procurement Card"	the Government's preferred method of purchasing and payment for low value goods or services https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/government- procurement-card2;
"Guarantor"	the person (if any) who has entered into a guarantee in the form set out in Schedule 23 (Guarantee) in relation to this Contract;
"Halifax Abuse Principle"	the principle explained in the CJEU Case C-255/02 Halifax and others;
"HMRC"	Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs;
"ICT Policy"	the Buyer's policy in respect of information and communications technology, referred to in the Award Form, which is in force as at the Start Date (a copy of which has been supplied to the Supplier), as updated from time to time in accordance with the Variation Procedure;
"Impact Assessment"	an assessment of the impact of a Variation request by the Buyer completed in good faith, including:
	 a) details of the impact of the proposed Variation on the Deliverables and the Supplier's ability to meet its other obligations under the Contract;
	b) details of the cost of implementing the proposed Variation;
	 c) details of the ongoing costs required by the proposed Variation when implemented, including any increase or decrease in the Charges (as applicable), any alteration in the resources and/or expenditure required by either Party and any alteration to the working practices of either Party;
	 d) a timetable for the implementation, together with any proposals for the testing of the Variation; and
	 e) such other information as the Buyer may reasonably request in (or in response to) the Variation request;

"Implementation Plan"	the plan for provision of the Deliverables set out in Schedule 8 (Implementation Plan and Testing) where that Schedule is used or otherwise as agreed between the Supplier and the Buyer;
"Indemnifier"	a Party from whom an indemnity is sought under this Contract;
"Independent Control"	where a Controller has provided Personal Data to another Party which is not a Processor or a Joint Controller because the recipient itself determines the purposes and means of Processing but does so separately from the Controller providing it with Personal Data and " Independent Controller " shall be construed accordingly;
"Indexation"	the adjustment of an amount or sum in accordance with the Award Form;
"Information"	has the meaning given under section 84 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000;
"Information Commissioner"	the UK's independent authority which deals with ensuring information relating to rights in the public interest and data privacy for individuals is met, whilst promoting openness by public bodies;
"Initial Period"	the initial term of the Contract specified in the Award Form;
"Insolvency	a) in respect of a person:
Event"	 b) a proposal is made for a voluntary arrangement within Part I of the Insolvency Act 1986 or of any other composition scheme or arrangement with, or assignment for the benefit of, its creditors; or
	 c) a shareholders' meeting is convened for the purpose of considering a resolution that it be wound up or a resolution for its winding-up is passed (other than as part of, and exclusively for the purpose of, a bona fide reconstruction or amalgamation); or
	 d) a petition is presented for its winding up (which is not dismissed within fourteen (14) Working Days of its service) or an application is made for the appointment of a provisional liquidator or a creditors' meeting is convened pursuant to section 98 of the Insolvency Act 1986; or
	 e) a receiver, administrative receiver or similar officer is appointed over the whole or any part of its business or assets; or
	 f) an application order is made either for the appointment of an administrator or for an administration order, an administrator is appointed, or notice of intention to appoint an administrator is given; or
	 g) it is or becomes insolvent within the meaning of section 123 of the Insolvency Act 1986; or
	 h) being a "small company" within the meaning of section 382(3) of the Companies Act 2006, a moratorium comes into force pursuant to Schedule A1 of the Insolvency Act 1986; or

	 i) where the person is an individual or partnership, any event analogous to those listed in limbs (a) to (g) (inclusive) occurs in relation to that individual or partnership; or
	 j) any event analogous to those listed in limbs (a) to (h) (inclusive) occurs under the law of any other jurisdiction;
"Installation Works"	all works which the Supplier is to carry out at the beginning of the Contract Period to install the Goods in accordance with the Contract;
"Intellectual Property Rights" or "IPR"	 a) copyright, rights related to or affording protection similar to copyright, rights in databases, patents and rights in inventions, semi-conductor topography rights, trade marks, rights in internet domain names and website addresses and other rights in trade or business names, goodwill, designs, Know-How, trade secrets and other rights in Confidential Information;
	 b) applications for registration, and the right to apply for registration, for any of the rights listed at (a) that are capable of being registered in any country or jurisdiction; and
	 c) all other rights having equivalent or similar effect in any country or jurisdiction;
"Invoicing Address"	the address to which the Supplier shall Invoice the Buyer as specified in the Award Form;
"IPR Claim"	any claim of infringement or alleged infringement (including the defence of such infringement or alleged infringement) of any IPR, used to provide the Deliverables or otherwise provided and/or licensed by the Supplier (or to which the Supplier has provided access) to the Buyer in the fulfilment of its obligations under the Contract;
"IR35"	the off-payroll rules requiring individuals who work through their company pay the same tax and National Insurance contributions as an employee which can be found online at: <u>https://www.gov.uk/guidance/ir35-find-out-if-it-applies;</u>
"Joint Controller Agreement"	the agreement (if any) entered into between the Buyer and the Supplier substantially in the form set out in Annex 2 of Schedule 20 (<i>Processing Data</i>);
"Joint Controllers"	where two or more Controllers jointly determine the purposes and means of Processing;
"Key Personnel"	the individuals (if any) identified as such in the Award Form;
"Key Sub- Contract"	each Sub-Contract with a Key Subcontractor;
"Key Subcontractor"	any Subcontractor: a) which is relied upon to deliver any work package within the Deliverables in their entirety; and/or

	 b) which, in the opinion of the Buyer performs (or would perform if appointed) a critical role in the provision of all or any part of the Deliverables; and/or
	c) with a Sub-Contract with the Contract value which at the time of appointment exceeds (or would exceed if appointed) 10% of the aggregate Charges forecast to be payable under the Contract,
	and the Supplier shall list all such Key Subcontractors in section 29 of the Award Form;
"Know-How"	all ideas, concepts, schemes, information, knowledge, techniques, methodology, and anything else in the nature of know-how relating to the Deliverables but excluding know-how already in the other Party's possession before the applicable Start Date;
"Law"	any law, subordinate legislation within the meaning of Section 21(1) of the Interpretation Act 1978, bye-law, enforceable right within the meaning of Section 2 of the European Communities Act 1972, regulation, order, regulatory policy, mandatory guidance or code of practice, judgment of a relevant court of law, or directives or requirements with which the Supplier is bound to comply;
"LED"	Law Enforcement Directive (Directive (EU) 2016/680)
"Losses"	all losses, liabilities, damages, costs, expenses (including legal fees), disbursements, costs of investigation, litigation, settlement, judgment, interest and penalties whether arising in contract, tort (including negligence), breach of statutory duty, misrepresentation or otherwise and " Loss " shall be interpreted accordingly;
"Lots"	the number of lots specified in Schedule 2 (Specification), if applicable;
"Marketing Contact"	shall be the person identified in the Award Form;
"Milestone"	an event or task described in the Implementation Plan;
"Milestone Date"	the target date set out against the relevant Milestone in the Implementation Plan by which the Milestone must be Achieved;
"Month"	a calendar month and "Monthly" shall be interpreted accordingly;
"National Insurance"	contributions required by the National Insurance Contributions Regulations 2012 (SI 2012/1868) made under section 132A of the Social Security Administration Act 1992;
"New IPR"	a) IPR in items created by the Supplier (or by a third party on behalf of the Supplier) specifically for the purposes of the Contract and updates and amendments of these items including (but not limited to) database schema; and/or
	 b) IPR in or arising as a result of the performance of the Supplier's obligations under the Contract and all updates and amendments to the same;

	but shall not include the Supplier's Existing IPR;
"Occasion of Tax	where:
Non – Compliance"	 a) any tax return of the Supplier submitted to a Relevant Tax Authority on or after 1 October 2012 which is found on or after 1 April 2013 to be incorrect as a result of:
	 a Relevant Tax Authority successfully challenging the Supplier under the General Anti-Abuse Rule or the Halifax Abuse Principle or under any tax rules or legislation in any jurisdiction that have an effect equivalent or similar to the General Anti- Abuse Rule or the Halifax Abuse Principle;
	 ii) the failure of an avoidance scheme which the Supplier was involved in, and which was, or should have been, notified to a Relevant Tax Authority under the DOTAS or any equivalent or similar regime in any jurisdiction; and/or
	 b) any tax return of the Supplier submitted to a Relevant Tax Authority on or after 1 October 2012 which gives rise, on or after 1 April 2013, to a criminal conviction in any jurisdiction for tax related offences which is not spent at the Start Date or to a civil penalty for fraud or evasion;
"Open Book Data"	complete and accurate financial and non-financial information which is sufficient to enable the Buyer to verify the Charges already paid or payable and Charges forecast to be paid during the remainder of the Contract, including details and all assumptions relating to:
	 a) the Supplier's Costs broken down against each Good and/or Service and/or Deliverable, including actual capital expenditure (including capital replacement costs) and the unit cost and total actual costs of all Deliverables;
	 b) operating expenditure relating to the provision of the Deliverables including an analysis showing:
	 i) the unit costs and quantity of Goods and any other consumables and bought-in Deliverables;
	 ii) manpower resources broken down into the number and grade/role of all Supplier Staff (free of any contingency) together with a list of agreed rates against each manpower grade;
	 iii) a list of Costs underpinning those rates for each manpower grade, being the agreed rate less the Supplier Profit Margin; and
	iv) Reimbursable Expenses, if allowed under the Award Form;
	c) Overheads;
	 d) all interest, expenses and any other third party financing costs incurred in relation to the provision of the Deliverables;

	e) the Supplier Profit achieved over the Contract Period and on an annual basis;
	 f) confirmation that all methods of Cost apportionment and Overhead allocation are consistent with and not more onerous than such methods applied generally by the Supplier;
	 g) an explanation of the type and value of risk and contingencies associated with the provision of the Deliverables, including the amount of money attributed to each risk and/or contingency; and
	h) the actual Costs profile for each Service Period;
"Overhead"	those amounts which are intended to recover a proportion of the Supplier's or the Key Subcontractor's (as the context requires) indirect corporate costs (including financing, marketing, advertising, research and development and insurance costs and any fines or penalties) but excluding allowable indirect costs apportioned to facilities and administration in the provision of Supplier Staff and accordingly included within limb (a) of the definition of "Costs";
"Parliament"	takes its natural meaning as interpreted within by Law;
"Party"	the Buyer or the Supplier and " Parties " shall mean both of them where the context permits;
"Personal Data"	has the meaning given to it in the GDPR;
"Personal Data Breach"	has the meaning given to it in the GDPR;
"Prescribed Person"	a legal adviser, an MP or an appropriate body which a whistle-blower may make a disclosure to as detailed in 'Whistleblowing: list of prescribed people and bodies', 24 November 2016, available online at: <u>https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/blowing-the-</u> <u>whistle-list-of-prescribed-people-and-bodies2/whistleblowing-list-</u> <u>of-prescribed-people-and-bodies;</u>
"Progress Meeting"	a meeting between the Buyer Authorised Representative and the Supplier Authorised Representative;
"Progress Meeting Frequency"	the frequency at which the Supplier shall conduct a Progress Meeting in accordance with Clause 6.1 as specified in the Award Form;
"Progress Report"	a report provided by the Supplier indicating the steps taken to achieve Milestones or delivery dates;
"Progress Report Frequency"	the frequency at which the Supplier shall deliver Progress Reports in accordance with Clause 6.1 as specified in the Award Form;
"Prohibited Acts"	a) to directly or indirectly offer, promise or give any person working for or engaged by the Buyer or any other public body a financial or other advantage to:

 induce that person to perform improperly a relevant function or activity; or
ii) reward that person for improper performance of a relevant function or activity;
 b) to directly or indirectly request, agree to receive or accept any financial or other advantage as an inducement or a reward for improper performance of a relevant function or activity in connection with the Contract; or
c) committing any offence:
 i) under the Bribery Act 2010 (or any legislation repealed or revoked by such Act); or
ii) under legislation or common law concerning fraudulent acts; or
iii) defrauding, attempting to defraud or conspiring to defraud the Buyer or other public body; or
 d) any activity, practice or conduct which would constitute one of the offences listed under (c) above if such activity, practice or conduct had been carried out in the UK;
technical and organisational measures which must take account of:
a) the nature of the data to be protected
b)harm that might result from Data Loss Event;
c) state of technological development
d) the cost of implementing any measures
including but not limited to pseudonymising and encrypting Personal Data, ensuring confidentiality, integrity, availability and resilience of systems and services, ensuring that availability of and access to Personal Data can be restored in a timely manner after an incident, and regularly assessing and evaluating the effectiveness of the such measures adopted by it;
a request by the Supplier to return Goods to the Supplier or the manufacturer after the discovery of safety issues or defects (including defects in the IPR rights) that might endanger health or hinder performance;
the Party which receives or obtains directly or indirectly Confidential Information;
the Supplier's plan (or revised plan) to rectify it's breach using the template in Schedule 25 (Rectification Plan Template) which shall include:
 a) full details of the Default that has occurred, including a root cause analysis;

	b) the actual or anticipated effect of the Default; and
	 c) the steps which the Supplier proposes to take to rectify the Default (if applicable) and to prevent such Default from recurring, including timescales for such steps and for the rectification of the Default (where applicable);
"Rectification Plan Process"	the process set out in Clause 10.4.2 to 10.4.4 (Rectification Plan Process);
"Regulations"	the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 and/or the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015 (as the context requires);
"Reimbursable Expenses"	the reasonable out of pocket travel and subsistence (for example, hotel and food) expenses, properly and necessarily incurred in the performance of the Services, calculated at the rates and in accordance with the Buyer's expenses policy current from time to time, but not including:
	 a) travel expenses incurred as a result of Supplier Staff travelling to and from their usual place of work, or to and from the premises at which the Services are principally to be performed, unless the Buyer otherwise agrees in advance in writing; and
	 b) subsistence expenses incurred by Supplier Staff whilst performing the Services at their usual place of work, or to and from the premises at which the Services are principally to be performed;
"the Buyer's Confidential Information"	 c) all Personal Data and any information, however it is conveyed, that relates to the business, affairs, developments, property rights, trade secrets, Know-How and IPR of the Buyer (including all Buyer Existing IPR and New IPR);
	 d) any other information clearly designated as being confidential (whether or not it is marked "confidential") or which ought reasonably be considered confidential which comes (or has come) to the Buyer's attention or into the Buyer's possession in connection with the Contract; and
	information derived from any of the above;
"Relevant Requirements"	all applicable Law relating to bribery, corruption and fraud, including the Bribery Act 2010 and any guidance issued by the Secretary of State pursuant to section 9 of the Bribery Act 2010;
"Relevant Tax Authority"	HMRC, or, if applicable, the tax authority in the jurisdiction in which the Supplier is established;
"Reminder Notice"	a notice sent in accordance with Clause 10.6 given by the Supplier to the Buyer providing notification that payment has not been received on time;
"Replacement Deliverables"	any deliverables which are substantially similar to any of the Deliverables and which the Buyer receives in substitution for any of

	the Deliverables , whether those goods are provided by the Buyer internally and/or by any third party;
"Replacement Subcontractor"	a Subcontractor of the Replacement Supplier to whom Transferring Supplier Employees will transfer on a Service Transfer Date (or any Subcontractor of any such Subcontractor);
"Replacement Supplier"	any third party provider of Replacement Deliverables appointed by or at the direction of the Buyer from time to time or where the Buyer is providing Replacement Deliverables for its own account, shall also include the Buyer;
"Request For Information"	a request for information or an apparent request relating to the Contract for the provision of the Deliverables or an apparent request for such information under the FOIA or the EIRs;
"Required Insurances"	the insurances required by Schedule 22 (Insurance Requirements);
"Satisfaction Certificate"	the certificate (materially in the form of the document contained in Annex 2 of Part B of Schedule 8 (Implementation Plan and Testing) or as agreed by the Parties where Schedule 8 is not used in this Contract) granted by the Buyer when the Supplier has Achieved a Milestone or a Test;
"Schedules"	any attachment to the Contract which contains important information specific to each aspect of buying and selling;
"Security Management Plan"	the Supplier's security management plan prepared pursuant to Schedule 16 (Security) (if applicable);
"Security Policy"	the Buyer's security policy, referred to in the Award Form, in force as at the Start Date (a copy of which has been supplied to the Supplier), as updated from time to time and notified to the Supplier;
"Serious Fraud Office"	the UK Government body named as such as may be renamed or replaced by an equivalent body from time to time;
"Service Levels"	any service levels applicable to the provision of the Deliverables under the Contract (which, where Schedule 10 (Service Levels) is used in this Contract, are specified in the Annex to Part A of such Schedule);
"Service Period"	has the meaning given to it in the Award Form;
"Services"	services made available by the Supplier as specified in Schedule 2 (Specification) and in relation to a Contract as specified in the Award Form;
"Service Transfer"	any transfer of the Deliverables (or any part of the Deliverables), for whatever reason, from the Supplier or any Subcontractor to a Replacement Supplier or a Replacement Subcontractor;
"Service Transfer Date"	the date of a Service Transfer;

"Sites"	any premises (including the Buyer Premises, the Supplier's premises or third party premises) from, to or at which:	
	a) the Deliverables are (or are to be) provided; or	
	 b) the Supplier manages, organises or otherwise directs the provision or the use of the Deliverables; 	
	 c) those premises at which any Supplier Equipment or any part of the Supplier System is located (where ICT Services are being provided) 	
"SME"	an enterprise falling within the category of micro, small and medium sized enterprises defined by the Commission Recommendation of 6 May 2003 concerning the definition of micro, small and medium enterprises;	
"Special Terms"	any additional Clauses set out in the Award Form which shall form part of the respective Contract;	
"Specific Change in Law"	a Change in Law that relates specifically to the business of the Buyer and which would not affect a Comparable Supply where the effect of that Specific Change in Law on the Deliverables is not reasonably foreseeable at the Start Date;	
"Specification"	the specification set out in Schedule 2 (Specification), as may, in relation to the Contract, be supplemented by the Award Form;	
"Standards"	any:	
	 a) standards published by BSI British Standards, the National Standards Body of the United Kingdom, the International Organisation for Standardisation or other reputable or equivalent bodies (and their successor bodies) that a skilled and experienced operator in the same type of industry or business sector as the Supplier would reasonably and ordinarily be expected to comply with; 	
	 b) standards detailed in the specification in Schedule 2 (Specification); 	
	 c) standards detailed by the Buyer in the Award Form or agreed between the Parties from time to time; 	
	 d) relevant Government codes of practice and guidance applicable from time to time; 	
"Start Date"	the date specified on the Award Form;	
"Storage Media"	the part of any device that is capable of storing and retrieving data;	

"Sub-Contract"	any contract or agreement (or proposed contract or agreement), other than a Contract, pursuant to which a third party:	
	a) provides the Deliverables (or any part of them);	
	 b) provides facilities or services necessary for the provision of the Deliverables (or any part of them); and/or 	
	 c) is responsible for the management, direction or control of the provision of the Deliverables (or any part of them); 	
"Subcontractor"	any person other than the Supplier, who is a party to a Sub-Contract and the servants or agents of that person;	
"Subprocessor"	any third Party appointed to process Personal Data on behalf of the Supplier related to the Contract;	
"Supplier"	the person, firm or company identified in the Award Form;	
"Supplier Assets"	all assets and rights used by the Supplier to provide the Deliverables in accordance with the Contract but excluding the Buyer Assets;	
"Supplier Authorised Representative"	the representative appointed by the Supplier named in the Award Form, or later defined in a Contract;	
"Supplier's Confidential Information"		
	 b) any other information clearly designated as being confidential (whether or not it is marked as "confidential") or which ought reasonably to be considered to be confidential and which comes (or has come) to the Supplier's attention or into the Supplier's possession in connection with the Contract; 	
	c) Information derived from any of (a) and (b) above;	
"Supplier's Contract Manager	the person identified in the Award Form appointed by the Supplier to oversee the operation of the Contract and any alternative person whom the Supplier intends to appoint to the role, provided that the Supplier informs the Buyer prior to the appointment;	
"Supplier Equipment"	the Supplier's hardware, computer and telecoms devices, equipment, plant, materials and such other items supplied and used by the Supplier (but not hired, leased or loaned from the Buyer) in the performance of its obligations under this Contract;	
"Supplier Non-	where the Supplier has failed to:	
Performance"	a) Achieve a Milestone by its Milestone Date;	
	 b) provide the Goods and/or Services in accordance with the Service Levels ; and/or 	
	c) comply with an obligation under the Contract;	
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"Supplier Profit"	in relation to a period, the difference between the total Charges (in nominal cash flow terms but excluding any Deductions and total Costs (in nominal cash flow terms) in respect of the Contract for the relevant period;	
"Supplier Profit Margin"	in relation to a period or a Milestone (as the context requires), the Supplier Profit for the relevant period or in relation to the relevant Milestone divided by the total Charges over the same period or in relation to the relevant Milestone and expressed as a percentage;	
"Supplier Staff"	all directors, officers, employees, agents, consultants and contractors of the Supplier and/or of any Subcontractor engaged in the performance of the Supplier's obligations under the Contract;	
"Supply Chain Information Report Template"	the document at Annex 1 of Schedule 18 Supply Chain Visibility;	
"Supporting Documentation"	sufficient information in writing to enable the Buyer to reasonably assess whether the Charges, Reimbursable Expenses and other sums due from the Buyer under the Contract detailed in the information are properly payable;	
"Termination Notice"	a written notice of termination given by one Party to the other, notifying the Party receiving the notice of the intention of the Party giving the notice to terminate the Contract on a specified date and setting out the grounds for termination;	
"Test Issue"	any variance or non-conformity of the Deliverables or Deliverables from their requirements as set out in the Contract;	
"Test Plan"	a plan: a) for the Testing of the Deliverables; and b) setting out other agreed criteria related to the achievement of Milestones;	
"Tests and Testing"	any tests required to be carried out pursuant to the Contract as set out in the Test Plan or elsewhere in the Contract and " Tested " shall be construed accordingly;	
"Third Party IPR"	Intellectual Property Rights owned by a third party which is or will be used by the Supplier for the purpose of providing the Deliverables;	
"Transferring Supplier Employees"	those employees of the Supplier and/or the Supplier's Subcontractors to whom the Employment Regulations will apply on the Service Transfer Date;	

"Transparency Information"	the Transparency Reports and the content of the Contract, including any changes to this Contract agreed from time to time, except for –	
	 (i) any information which is exempt from disclosure in accordance with the provisions of the FOIA, which shall be determined by the Buyer; and 	
	(ii) Commercially Sensitive Information;	
"Transparency Reports"	the information relating to the Deliverables and performance pursuant to the Contract which the Supplier is required to provide to the Buyer in accordance with the reporting requirements in Schedule 6 (Transparency Reports);	
"Variation"	has the meaning given to it in Clause 24 (Changing the contract);	
"Variation Form"	the form set out in Schedule 21 (Variation Form);	
"Variation Procedure"	the procedure set out in Clause 24 (Changing the contract);	
"VAT"	value added tax in accordance with the provisions of the Value Added Tax Act 1994;	
"VCSE"	a non-governmental organisation that is value-driven and which principally reinvests its surpluses to further social, environmental or cultural objectives;	
"Worker"	any one of the Supplier Staff which the Buyer, in its reasonable opinion, considers is an individual to which Procurement Policy Note 08/15 (Tax Arrangements of Public Appointees) (https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/procurement-policy- note-0815-tax-arrangements-of-appointees) applies in respect of the Deliverables; and	
"Working Day"	any day other than a Saturday or Sunday or public holiday in England and Wales unless specified otherwise by the Parties in the Award Form.	
"Work Day"	7.5 Work Hours, whether or not such hours are worked consecutively and whether or not they are worked on the same day;	
"Work Hours"	the hours spent by the Supplier Staff properly working on the provision of the Deliverables including time spent travelling (other than to and from the Supplier's offices, or to and from the Sites) but excluding lunch breaks;	

Schedule 2 (Specification)

This Schedule sets out what the Buyer wants.

For all Deliverables, the Supplier must help the Buyer comply with any specific applicable Standards of the Buyer.

Introduction and summary of requirements

Acceleration Support services will continue to build on the previous intentions of the tendered incubation support contract. We are now looking to scale up this support and offer it to Small to Medium-sized Enterprises (SMEs) that are funded through the priority programmes in the new Net Zero Innovation Portfolio (NZIP) and not just to the Energy Entrepreneurs Fund. To ensure that we get the best value for money from these projects, the provision of Acceleration Support will be offered alongside their project deliverables, thereby increasing the capability of companies

to exploit, and commercialise their specific technology. By identifying company skills gaps and delivering bespoke support tasks the service will help to promote best practice business development and pave the way toward commercialisation.

Success comprises the following:

- Formation of new commercial and/or technical relationships through networking and exposure at key events
- Commercial progress e.g., advancement through the Commercial Readiness Levels (CRLs)
- Acquisition of enhanced commercial skills and business capability
- Private investment raised through the support and guidance of the services

BEIS is seeking to procure a Delivery Partner for this service, to help deliver its aims and objectives. The Delivery Partner is required to:

- Provide Acceleration Support Services to SMEs in the NZIP priority programmes (200 companies).
- Co-ordinate the provision of Acceleration Support across the NZIP programmes, including the delivery of bespoke acceleration plans and tasks.
- Provide one point of contact to BEIS.

Schedule 2 (Specification)

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- Organise and facilitate Acceleration Support workshops for the SMEs to foster peer-2-peer learning and minimise the same support task being delivered multiple times.
- Complete discovery work investigating priority business support for SMEs working in the energy innovation section in the context of our Net Zero 2050 targets. You should be adaptable to the findings of this work and tailor your approach accordingly.

Background

Acceleration Support services (previously termed Incubation Support services) have been provided alongside the EEF since 2012, and to a small selection of Energy Innovation Portfolio (EIP) projects since 2019. Over 90 companies, primarily SMEs, have received Acceleration Support services alongside their BEIS funded project in the last

EIP since 2016. Bespoke Acceleration Support has been an integral part of ensuring both value from the EIP programmes and helping them to reach their objectives; it provides business development for the SME, identifying early/new markets for sales and helping the company become investment ready. We are now looking to scale up this support and offer it to SMEs that are funded through the priority programmes* in the new NZIP.

The Acceleration programme will provide support to SMEs participating in innovation R&D programmes targeted to develop and bring new decarbonisation ideas to market by 2050. The support has run alongside the EEF for the past 7 years and early findings from an external evaluation of this programme has found the following:

a. Most participants stated that without the inclusion of incubation (acceleration) support they would not have sourced it from the market. This suggests that there is a barrier to seeking out business support and that the programme is offering additional value to participants, rather than replacing activity which would have taken place anyway.

There are some direct, tangible outcomes that can be linked to incubation (acceleration) support provided – new contacts made, and commercial offers made, improvements in commercial offering, improved business planning / consumer offering

The provision of Acceleration Support is not mandatory for companies to accept alongside their funding, except for companies supported through the EEF. Although BEIS will strongly encourage companies to take up the offer as it is a valuable service that can be integral to the development of their technology and business processes. Large companies and academic institutions will not be chosen to receive acceleration support in the NZIP, the priority here is SMEs.

*At the time of writing this tender, NZIP priority programmes are described as those that have been approved or have a high likelihood approval for launch in 2021/22. These priority programmes are also expected to support either solely SME lead companies or a high proportion of SME lead companies.

Aims and Objectives

The Acceleration Support service is looking to achieve the following 5 objectives:

- Support SME's and early to mid-stage innovators to develop innovative technologies and processes.
- SMEs supported to leverage private sector funding into pre-commercial technologies and processes.
- Support technologies that are market ready with businesses capable of achieving sales in first year after grant.
- Support projects and establish technologies that are ready for a largescale demonstration or pilot.
- Supporting SMEs with technologies or products that are suitable for follow on private investment.

Acceleration Support focusses on identifying and filling skills gaps within companies that may prevent them from bringing innovations to market effectively and providing specialist advisors to support companies in the development of appropriate knowledge and skills.

As such, the needs and requirements of the contractor have been split into 4 key delivery areas:

- a. Identification and planning of Acceleration Support requirements, to include discovery work on 'How best to support SMEs in clean tech innovation towards commercialisation'.
- b. Coordination, including quality control, feedback and evaluation.

- c. Management of acceleration tasks.
- d. Delivery of acceleration tasks.

For the successful delivery of Acceleration Support across a range of NZIP programmes, there needs to be a high level of coordination across the four main areas detailed above. The contractor requirements have been broken down in these areas to show scope, interdependencies and skills required for delivery (see (4) Methodology).

Instead, the supplier should detail in their tender response their approach to successfully and efficiently delivering these outputs within their own delivery capability. The requirements are structured and detailed to ensure that the contractor procures a supplier/s that has expertise (or is able to access expertise) across a range of state of art business support processes and most significantly has an excellent understanding of developing and progressing technical innovations within a Net Zero context. This approach supports the wider strategic objectives of promoting best practice business development and paving the way toward commercialisation for innovative technologies.

An overview of the types of Acceleration Support that should be available to projects through the service, and a description of the underlying mechanism through which the support is intended to assist the commercialisation process, is provided in the following table. It should be noted that if some types of support not listed are needed but can be sourced, these will be made available to the applicant.

Type of Support	Mechanism	
Market Analysis	Assesses and segments markets, provides information about	
	the route to market, potential partners and competitors and	
	producing publicity materials. All of which helps firms develop	
	their market proposition.	
Business	Identifies how customers could benefit from the innovation	
Development	and developing a deeper understanding of the customer	
	base and sales process. This helps to modify the firms	
	market proposition, build sales pipelines, identify customer	
	trial sites, and potentially first strategic sales or customers.	
Strategy	Develops business models and business plans for the	
	supported company, to further develop the firms market	
	proposition (often in preparation for investment).	
Technology	Provides technological roadmap for the product, independent	
Support	validation of testing results, provides further expert input into	
	the technology, and provision of support for IP strategy and	

	application. This helps the supported company to improve the design of their innovation and protect it from competitive threats.
Product Development Support	Support in developing prototypes, product competitive analysis, product trials, product plans. This helps the supported company move from an innovative technology towards having a commercial product.
Supply Chain	Provides clarification of supply chain needs, supports the establishment of supply chains and procurement strategies, initial manufacturing plans. This helps to develop the firm's production and scale up planning.
Team	Identifies skills gaps and supports recruitment, supports board appointments, develops project management and communication within the firm. This helps to ensure the firm has the required skills and knowledge to expand and produce / sell the product.
Fund Raising	Supports the enhancement in financial readiness skills in seeking and securing external investments, provides advice and assistance on licencing. This helps prepare the firms for the activities involved in raising further capital.
Workshops	An opportunity to provide business support to a group of companies who share a common goal and face the same barriers in the market. Workshops may be used to promote and share learnings on one specific topic and/or a range of topics that will be significant at different stages of a project lifecycle. Workshops should avoid the repetition of the same specific tasks to different companies across the portfolio.

Methodology and Outputs Required

Acceleration Support Coordination

Summary – To coordinate delivery of the Acceleration Support services to the selected recipients. Including allocation of acceleration planner to each support recipient, approval of scopes of work designed by acceleration manager, review of acceleration work deliverables, creation and management of acceleration processes, regular progress reviews with acceleration managers and reporting to BEIS.

Tasks:

Tasks required here should include, but not be limited to:

Support to BEIS

- Main point of contact for BEIS contract manager for Acceleration Support services.
- Set up and maintain management tools for Acceleration Support services;
- Support BEIS with official communications e.g., attendance at key events, provision of briefing material related to Acceleration Support.
- Prepare monthly review reports, including budget, and presenting to BEIS at monthly meetings.
- Financial spend record keeper for Acceleration Support services including all tasks carried out by acceleration task provider.
- Lead on discovery work around 'How best to support SMEs in clean tech innovation towards commercialisation'

Support to Projects:

- Overall coordination of BEIS NZIP projects that are receiving Acceleration Support, including the coordination of workshops across the cohort;
- Gain an in-depth working knowledge of all projects to ensure that the proposed acceleration tasks are addressing the key areas for commercial support at the right time.
- Conduct acceleration support review workshops to gain an independent view on the recipients' progress and provide recommendations for priority support tasks.
- Maintain an open door policy to allow grant recipients to call directly. Main point of contact for recipients receiving support.

Coordination of Acceleration Services:

- Review and approve acceleration support task scopes ensuring clear objectives and efficient methodology, scope is in line with acceleration plan and company priorities and needs, recommend changes as required to work or deliverables, review and compare value for money.
- Quality assurance of all task deliverables review all outputs at mid-point and at final draft, provide recommendations to Acceleration Support task provider as required (including feedback on reports and recommendations, and assistance with industry referrals and introductions), resolution of issues with tasks and relationship between acceleration support provider and project.
- Conduct monthly conference calls with acceleration managers to discuss progress per company.

• Issue and approve monthly progress tracker to gather information on task progress per company.

Evaluation and Feedback:

- Liaison and communication with all service partners to gather and provide feedback, share lessons learned, and promote best practice.
- Build the reputation of the BEIS NZIP at networking events and conferences, exhibiting at relevant events and promoting BEIS NZIP.
- Design, organise and facilitate best practise sharing workshops with Acceleration providers and BEIS (minimum 2 per year).
- Co-operation and participation in evaluation activities including, but not limited to: (i) completing questionnaires or surveys; (ii) participating in interviews and workshops; and (iii) communicating learning and information from the project (iv) requesting consent from companies supported by the programme to have their contact details shared with BEIS and its external evaluator.

Deliverables:

Key deliverables should include, but are not limited to:

- 1. Monthly reporting of acceleration support progress and issues to BEIS, including financial spend task delivery for each project.
- 2. Summary of projects receiving Acceleration Support and their progress, including highlights and case studies to be provided to SICE communications team.
- 3. Yearly evaluation report of Acceleration Support.
- 4. Meetings with acceleration managers.
- 5. Co-ordination of workshops for recipients of support, recommended by acceleration planners.
- 6. Findings from discovery work to feed into approach for Acceleration Support

Key Performance Indicators (KPI)

KPI	Description	Target
1	Percentage of draft acceleration support plans created and sent to support recipients within 10 working days of	100%

	acceleration needs assessment meeting with support recipient	
2	Percentage of initial acceleration support tasks/activity (e.g. 1-to-1 company support, one-to-many support) assigned to an appropriate expert within 10 working days of the final approved acceleration plan being uploaded to the Teams site for sharing documents between the Supplier and the Buyer	100%
3	Customer satisfaction score maintained (%)	80%*

*The Supplier will develop a customer feedback form and send to BEIS for feedback and approval before the Supplier sends out to the companies receiving support.

Interdependencies:

The acceleration support coordinator will need to liaise closely with the acceleration planners, managers, and providers to ensure the smooth and efficient delivery of the support.

Identification and planning of Acceleration Support requirements

Summary – To deliver Acceleration Plans for each of the projects identified by BEIS as requiring acceleration support. The acceleration planner should conduct an assessment of the project applicant's commercial progress (using specific business assessment tools) to identify relative strengths and gaps.

Whilst a business assessment tool provides a consistent structure, the acceleration planner needs depth of experience in technology commercialisation and assessment skills with technology and business teams, to gather specific insights and pin-point critical gaps using the tool. This expertise will be vital for building trust with the funding recipient and gaining their buy-in to the resulting acceleration plan.

Tasks:

Tasks required here should include, but not be limited to:

- Read relevant background material e.g., funding application, business plan, web search etc, to compile a list of key questions and issues to examine in greater detail and make an initial assessment of the applicant's stage of development (Technology Readiness Level)
- Arrange a face-to-face Planning Session with the key management and technical team of the company at their premises to include a demonstration (where appropriate) of technical progress to date. Ensure that, where appropriate members of the BEIS Innovation Team join the session.
- Lead the planning session, which should be in the form of a structured dialogue around the six capability areas of the assessment framework, gaining insight and identifying real gaps, and opportunities to de-risk the next stage, and necessary actions for the project and venture to make efficient progress.
- Agree the acceleration plan with the support recipient to ensure alignment on an action plan.
- Follow up with the recipient on any clarification questions or other outstanding points.
- Write up the Acceleration Plan which contains: Assessment feedback in six areas of the business; Summary of relative gaps in each area; Medium-long term business milestones/objectives.
- Prioritised actions and tasks to address gaps and prepare for next stage (Commercial and Project), including a task description or objective where appropriate, an indicative time budget, and tangible deliverables or outcomes.
- Provide feedback to the recipient, the Acceleration Coordinator, review the plan using their input, and adjust if necessary.
- Work with the Acceleration Coordinator to finalise the plan.

Deliverables:

Key deliverables should include, but are not limited to;

- 1. Detail proposed acceleration framework and plan for implementation.
- 2. Delivery of quality-assured acceleration plan for each recipient identified by BEIS.

Interdependencies:

The acceleration plans ideally need to be in place at the start of the project that BEIS is supporting. The supplier will need to be available to undertake the planning session at an appropriate time and will need to liaise with BEIS contract manager to arrange the session. Once the plans are completed the supplier will need to quality assure and finalise the plans.

Management and delivery of acceleration tasks

Summary – management and delivery of acceleration support tasks to the recipients from the selected BEIS NZIP programmes.

The management lead will need to build a trusting relationship with the acceleration support recipients to implement the Acceleration Plan, enabling timely identification of commercial support needs and maximizing the chance of commercialization and market entry. If the acceleration manager and the acceleration support provider are from the same organisation, there must be clear separation of quality control aspects.

The delivery lead will need to work closely with the Acceleration Manager and funded company to implement specific individual tasks within the Acceleration Plan. They may also be required to deliver workshops to acceleration support recipients as identified by the acceleration support coordinator.

Tasks (Management Lead):

Tasks required here should include, but not be limited to:

• Liaise with the grant recipient and produce detailed scope for individual pieces of work required under the Acceleration Plan.

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- Coordinate support activity for the grant recipient.
- Agree scope of work and budget with the Co-ordinator. In some circumstances, the acceleration manager is likely to deliver task work him/herself.
- Facilitate kick off meeting and strategic review meetings.
- Monitor performance of supported project to ensure technical and commercial progress is aligned.
- Ensure the work is delivered to expected standard and also that it is integrated into the funded recipients future strategy and activities.
- Provide strategic oversight and mentoring to companies, e.g., by supporting market engagement and development of strategic relationships at senior level using contacts and network; providing assistance to find demonstration clients and pilot sites; working with CEO/team to assist with investment readiness or strategic sales/projects e.g., review and input to business plan, propositions and presentations
- Use management and reporting tools provided by Coordinator.
- Ensure the work is delivered to expected standard and also that it is integrated into the grant recipient's future strategy and activities.

The following Skills / Experience will need to be demonstrated by the management lead for acceleration tasks:

- Direct experience managing tech start-up ventures & projects.
- Credible and constructive in dealings with experienced technologists & entrepreneurs.
- Management consulting experience in: planning & management for new tech venture projects
- Practised at: diagnosing practical next steps and priorities for small teams; digging into the detail to find the question the venture really needs to answer.
- Practiced at consulting services supplier selection and contracting; ability to write effective scopes and select the right acceleration support provider to deliver individual tasks.
- Experience in team evaluation & development, partner/commercial agreements, investment readiness (co-structures, SHA/rights, and funding plans).
- Experienced at running projects to engage with industry and market participants and turn market data into value propositions (or to show a CVP does not exist).
- Hands on engagement with venture managers/entrepreneurs, Challenging the status quo, Framing and evaluating a range of commercialisation options and plans.
- Thinking ahead to what ventures will need before they are aware they need it
- Flexible: frames and considers potential value propositions from several angles

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- Exposure to a broad range of start-up ventures as exemplars, and case studies of what has worked and hasn't worked, and issues that may come up
- Understanding common issues faced by new technology in the different clean-tech sectors
- Personal willingness to confront embedded think and challenge views, build personal relationships with driven individuals
- Responsiveness as issues arise, willingness to take responsibility to help out

Tasks (Delivery Lead):

Tasks required here should include, but not be limited to:

- Liaise with the acceleration manager and support recipient to deliver individual pieces of work required under the Acceleration Plan.
- Report back to the Acceleration Manager on completed tasks on a monthly basis (minimum).

The following Skills / Experience will need to be demonstrated by the delivery lead for acceleration tasks:

- Must have a strong understanding of a specified technology area and routes commercialisation.
- Must have extensive knowledge and understanding of the possible routes to commercialisation of new technologies with a working knowledge of regulation requirements and limitations.
- Must have an experience and understanding of issues faced by SMEs and specifically a strong awareness of the technology and business developments in the Net Zero Innovation sector.
- Must be able to think innovatively and show added value to the assessment and monitoring of proposed projects.
- Net zero innovation technology areas that the acceleration support provider would be expected to be expert in and/or have access to the required expertise are:
 - Carbon capture, utilisation and storage
 - Bioenergy (including biomass feedstocks)
 - Floating offshore wind
 - o Industrial decarbonisation and fuel switching
 - o Hydrogen

• Energy storage and flexibility (e.g., heat and electricity storage, batteries, supercapacitors, flywheels, fuel cells)

Electricity network process or technologies to support integration and deployment of low carbon generation or storage technologies

• Energy efficiency and building technologies (e.g., demand reduction technologies, advanced lighting systems, energy efficiency motors/pumps)

• Power generation (e.g., solar pv/thermal, offshore wind, electrolysers, biofuels (including advanced conversion)

- Smart technologies
- Greenhouse gas removals

Deliverables:

Key deliverables should include, but are not limited to:

- 1. Manage the delivery of individual tasks described in the acceleration plan for the supported NZIP funded company.
- 2. Report to coordinator on a monthly basis using reporting tools provided.
- 3. Delivery of quality-assured acceleration tasks within the acceleration plan

Interdependencies: The Acceleration Manager must liaise closely with the Coordinator and acceleration support provider, as well as the BEIS Monitoring Officer for individual projects. The Acceleration Support task provider must liaise closely with the Acceleration Manager and the Co-ordinator. If the acceleration manager and the acceleration support provider are from the same organisation, there must be clear separation of quality control aspects.

Schedule 3 (Charges)

1. How Charges are calculated

- 1.1 The Charges:
 - 1.1.1 shall be calculated in accordance with the terms of this Schedule;
 - 1.1.2 cannot be increased except as specifically permitted by this Schedule and in particular shall only be subject to Indexation where specifically stated in the Award Form; and
- 1.2 Any variation to the Charges payable under a Contract must be agreed between the Supplier and the Buyer and implemented using the procedure set out in this Schedule.

2. The pricing mechanisms

2.1 The pricing mechanisms and prices set out in Annex 1 shall be available for use in calculation of Charges in the Contract.

3. Are costs and expenses included in the Charges

- 3.1 the Charges shall include all costs and expenses relating to the provision of Deliverables. No further amounts shall be payable in respect of matters such as:
 - 3.1.1 incidental expenses such as travel, subsistence and lodging, document or report reproduction, shipping, desktop or office equipment costs, network or data interchange costs or other telecommunications charges; or
 - 3.1.2 costs incurred prior to the commencement of the Contract.

4. When the Supplier can ask to change the Charges

4.1 The Charges will be fixed for the duration of the contract following the Contract Commencement Date (the date of expiry of such period is a "**Review Date**").

5. When you will be reimbursed for travel and subsistence

- 5.1 Expenses shall only be recoverable where:
 - 5.1.1 the Time and Materials pricing mechanism is used; and
 - 5.1.2 the Award Form states that recovery is permitted; and
 - 5.1.3 they are Reimbursable Expenses and are supported by Supporting Documentation.
- 5.2 The Buyer shall provide a copy of their current expenses policy to the Supplier upon request.

Annex 1: Rates and Prices



Acceleration Support Services to the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy (BEIS) Net Zero Innovation Portfolio

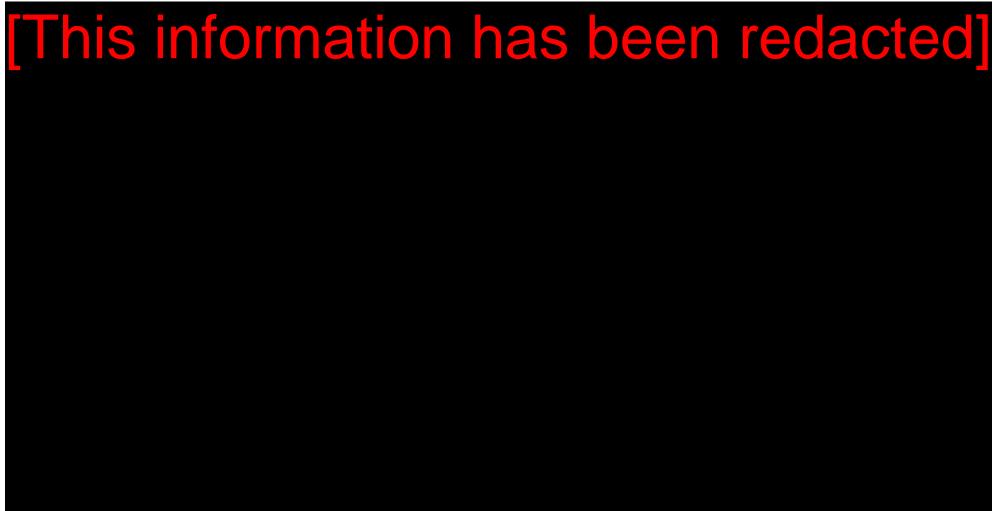
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Annex A – Pricing Schedule

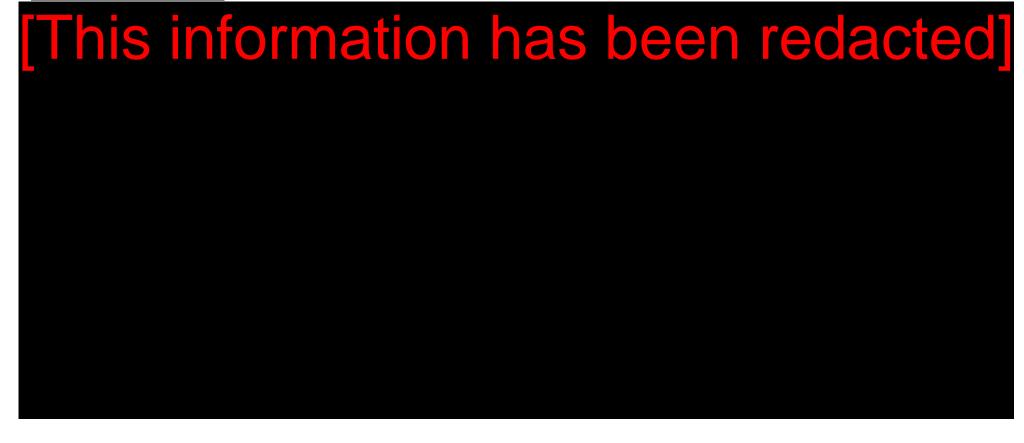
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Part 1: Annex A pricing schedule in the form set out in the Invitation to Tender

Part A – Staff/project team charges



Part A – Staff/project team charges (continued)



Part B - Non-staff/project team charges

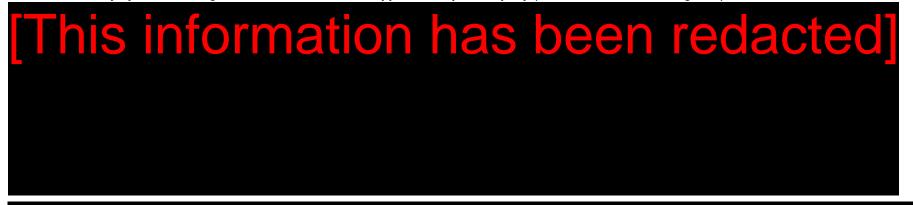


Part C – Full price offered

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Part 2: Summary by Work Package and Financial Year and support value per company (all amounts are excluding VAT)



Part 3: Summary by Work Package and Financial Year (all amounts excluding VAT)

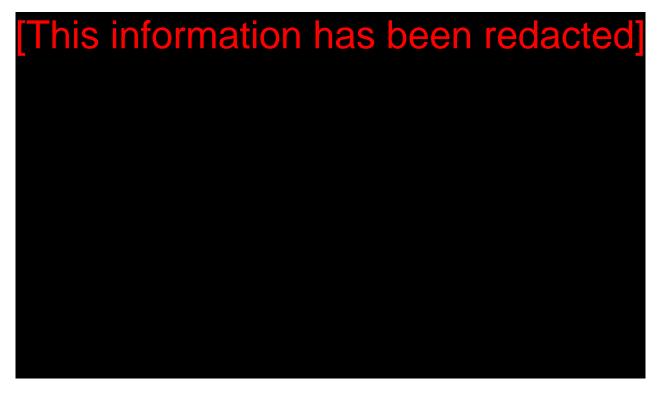


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Schedule 5 (Commercially Sensitive Information)

1. What is the Commercially Sensitive Information?

- 1.1 In this Schedule the Parties have sought to identify the Supplier's Confidential Information that is genuinely commercially sensitive and the disclosure of which would be the subject of an exemption under the FOIA and the EIRs.
- 1.2 Where possible, the Parties have sought to identify when any relevant Information will cease to fall into the category of Information to which this Schedule applies in the table below and in the Award Form (which shall be deemed incorporated into the table below).
- 1.3 Without prejudice to the Buyer's obligation to disclose Information in accordance with FOIA or Clause 16 (When you can share information), the Buyer will, in its sole discretion, acting reasonably, seek to apply the relevant exemption set out in the FOIA to the following Information:



Schedule 10 (Service Levels)

1. Definitions

1.1 In this Schedule, the following words shall have the following meanings and they shall supplement Schedule 1 (Definitions):

"Critical Service Level Failure"	has the meaning given to it in the Award Form;
"Service Credits"	any service credits specified in the Annex to Part A of this Schedule being payable by the Supplier to the Buyer in respect of any failure by the Supplier to meet one or more Service Levels;
"Service Credit Cap"	has the meaning given to it in the Award Form;
"Service Level Failure"	means a failure to meet the Service Level Performance Measure in respect of a Service Level;
"Service Level Performance Measure"	shall be as set out against the relevant Service Level in the Annex to Part A of this Schedule; and
"Service Level Threshold"	shall be as set out against the relevant Service Level in the Annex to Part A of this Schedule.

2. What happens if you don't meet the Service Levels

- 2.1 The Supplier shall at all times provide the Deliverables to meet or exceed the Service Level Performance Measure for each Service Level.
- 2.2 The Supplier acknowledges that any Service Level Failure shall entitle the Buyer to the rights set out in Part A of this Schedule including the right to any Service Credits and that any Service Credit is a price adjustment and not an estimate of the Loss that may be suffered by the Buyer as a result of the Supplier's failure to meet any Service Level Performance Measure.
- 2.3 The Supplier shall send Performance Monitoring Reports to the Buyer detailing the level of service which was achieved in accordance with the provisions of Part B (Performance Monitoring) of this Schedule.
- 2.4 A Service Credit shall be the Buyer's exclusive financial remedy for a Service Level Failure except where:
 - 2.4.1 the Supplier has over the previous (twelve) 12 Month period exceeded the Service Credit Cap; and/or

- 2.4.2 the Service Level Failure:
 - (a) exceeds the relevant Service Level Threshold;
 - (b) has arisen due to a Prohibited Act or wilful Default by the Supplier;
 - (c) results in the corruption or loss of any Government Data; and/or
 - (d) results in the Buyer being required to make a compensation payment to one or more third parties; and/or
- 2.4.3 the Buyer is otherwise entitled to or does terminate this Contract pursuant to Clause 10.4 of the Core Terms (Buyer Termination Rights).
- 2.5 Not more than once in each Contract Year, the Buyer may, on giving the Supplier at least three (3) Months' notice, change the weighting of Service Level Performance Measure in respect of one or more Service Levels and the Supplier shall not be entitled to object to, or increase the Charges as a result of such changes, provided that:
 - 2.5.1 the total number of Service Levels for which the weighting is to be changed does not exceed the number applicable as at the Start Date;
 - 2.5.2 the principal purpose of the change is to reflect changes in the Buyer's business requirements and/or priorities or to reflect changing industry standards; and
 - 2.5.3 there is no change to the Service Credit Cap.

3. Critical Service Level Failure

On the occurrence of a Critical Service Level Failure:

- 3.1 any Service Credits that would otherwise have accrued during the relevant Service Period shall not accrue; and
- 3.2 the Buyer shall (subject to the Service Credit Cap) be entitled to withhold and retain as compensation a sum equal to any Charges which would otherwise have been due to the Supplier in respect of that Service Period ("**Compensation for Critical Service Level Failure**"),

provided that the operation of this paragraph shall be without prejudice to the right of the Buyer to terminate this Contract and/or to claim damages from the Supplier for material Default.

Part A: Service Levels and Service Credits

1. Service Levels

If the level of performance of the Supplier:

- 1.1 is likely to or fails to meet any Service Level Performance Measure; or
- 1.2 is likely to cause or causes a Critical Service Failure to occur,

the Supplier shall immediately notify the Buyer in writing and the Buyer, in its absolute discretion and without limiting any other of its rights, may:

- 1.2.1 require the Supplier to immediately take all remedial action that is reasonable to mitigate the impact on the Buyer and to rectify or prevent a Service Level Failure or Critical Service Level Failure from taking place or recurring;
- 1.2.2 instruct the Supplier to comply with the Rectification Plan Process;
- 1.2.3 if a Service Level Failure has occurred, deduct the applicable Service Level Credits payable by the Supplier to the Buyer; and/or
- 1.2.4 if a Critical Service Level Failure has occurred, exercise its right to Compensation for Critical Service Level Failure (including the right to terminate for material Default).

2. Service Credits

- 2.1 The Buyer shall use the Performance Monitoring Reports supplied by the Supplier to verify the calculation and accuracy of the Service Credits, if any, applicable to each Service Period.
- 2.2 Service Credits are a reduction of the amounts payable in respect of the Deliverables and do not include VAT. The Supplier shall set-off the value of any Service Credits against the appropriate invoice in accordance with calculation formula in the Annex to Part A of this Schedule.

Annex A to Part A: Services Levels and Service Credits

Service Credits for Acceleration Support Services

It is expected that all KPIs will be achieved 95% of the time and ongoing discussion with suppliers will reflect this. However, service credits will only be applicable if the KPI performance falls below 85% for KPI 1 and 2 and 70% for KPI 3. If the supplier does not achieve these success rates as outlined in Annex C, there will be a penalty clause of 0.5% Service Credit gained for each percentage under the specified performance measure.

Worked Example:

Over the course of the quarter, and across each monthly review of KPI RAG status, the supplier achieved KPI 1 (*Percentage of acceleration support plans created within 10 working days of kick off meeting with support recipient*) 79% of the time.

As the service credits scheme is applicable for 85% or under, there will be service credits applied on (85% - 79%) 6%.

The service credit will be 0.5% for every percentage. Therefore, $0.5\% \times 6 = 3\%$ service credits will be applied to the quarterly invoice.

In the instance that the volume of work is deemed too low for the justification of service credits, BEIS have the authority to not apply the credits. The outlined process of KPI RAG status monitoring and performance tracking will continue to be measured in this instance.

Part B: Performance Monitoring

1. Performance Monitoring and Performance Review

- 1.1 Within twenty (20) Working Days of the Start Date the Supplier shall provide the Buyer with details of how the process in respect of the monitoring and reporting of Service Levels will operate between the Parties and the Parties will endeavour to agree such process as soon as reasonably possible.
- 1.2 The Supplier shall provide the Buyer with performance monitoring reports ("**Performance Monitoring Reports**") in accordance with the process and timescales agreed pursuant to paragraph 1.1 of Part B of

this Schedule which shall contain, as a minimum, the following information in respect of the relevant Service Period just ended:

- 1.2.1 for each Service Level, the actual performance achieved over the Service Level for the relevant Service Period;
- 1.2.2 a summary of all failures to achieve Service Levels that occurred during that Service Period;
- 1.2.3 details of any Critical Service Level Failures;
- 1.2.4 for any repeat failures, actions taken to resolve the underlying cause and prevent recurrence;
- 1.2.5 the Service Credits to be applied in respect of the relevant period indicating the failures and Service Levels to which the Service Credits relate; and
- 1.2.6 such other details as the Buyer may reasonably require from time to time.
- 1.3 The Parties shall attend meetings to discuss Performance Monitoring Reports ("**Performance Review Meetings**") on a Monthly basis. The Performance Review Meetings will be the forum for the review by the Supplier and the Buyer of the Performance Monitoring Reports. The Performance Review Meetings shall:
 - 1.3.1 take place within one (1) week of the Performance Monitoring Reports being issued by the Supplier at such location and time (within normal business hours) as the Buyer shall reasonably require;
 - 1.3.2 be attended by the Supplier's Representative and the Buyer's Representative; and
 - 1.3.3 be fully minuted by the Supplier and the minutes will be circulated by the Supplier to all attendees at the relevant meeting and also to the Buyer's Representative and any other recipients agreed at the relevant meeting.
- 1.4 The minutes of the preceding Month's Performance Review Meeting will be agreed and signed by both the Supplier's Representative and the Buyer's Representative at each meeting.
- 1.5 The Supplier shall provide to the Buyer such documentation as the Buyer may reasonably require in order to verify the level of the performance by the Supplier and the calculations of the amount of Service Credits for any specified Service Period.

2. Satisfaction Surveys

2.1 The Buyer may undertake satisfaction surveys in respect of the Supplier's provision of the Deliverables. The Buyer shall be entitled to notify the Supplier of any aspects of their performance of the provision of the Deliverables which the responses to the Satisfaction Surveys reasonably suggest are not in accordance with this Contract.

Annex B: Key Performance Indicators

Information on the specific KPIs and scoring methodology can be found in the table below.

	Key Performance Criterion description	Key Indicator	Performance Measure
1	Percentage of draft acceleration support plans created and sent to support recipients within 10 working days of acceleration needs assessment meeting with support recipient	Time/Quality	100% = Green 85-99% = Amber Below 85% = Red
2	Percentage of initial acceleration support tasks/activity (e.g. 1-to-1 company support, one-to-many support) assigned to an appropriate expert within 10 working days of the final approved acceleration plan being uploaded to the Teams site for sharing documents between the Supplier and the Buyer	Time/Quality	100% - Green 85-99% = Amber Below 85% = Red
3	Customer satisfaction score maintained (%)*	Feedback	80% and over = Green 70-79% = Amber Below 70% = Red

*THE SUPPLIER will develop a customer feedback form and send to the Buyer for feedback and approval before the Supplier sends out to the companies receiving support.

Performance of each KPI will be recorded against a red, amber, green "score", as described below. KPIs must maintain a green rating in order to demonstrate that the service is being delivered to an adequate quality. In the instance when KPIs are scoring 'red', service credits will apply.

RAG	Methodology	
Green	If a green score has been awarded to a KPI then no further action is required from the Supplier, with the exception of continuing activities to maintain this score for the next reporting period.	
Amber	If an amber score is awarded, the Contractor should examine and implement measures to prevent this KPI being scored an amber or below in subsequent reporting periods. The Authority will not expect formal improvement measures at that stage. If a single KPI is awarded amber in two consecutive invoice periods, or twice in four consecutive invoicing periods then the Contractor should create a Remediation Plan at their own cost. This should detail how they will change their practices to	

	prevent another amber score being awarded for this KPI. The timeline for producing this Remediation Plan should be agreed between the Authority and the Contractor and should only be implemented following approval by the Authority. The Authority reserves the right to terminate the Contract if a satisfactory Remediation Plan cannot be agreed.
Red	If a red score is awarded on each quarterly review, service credits will apply. If the Contractor scores a red in the same KPI in any subsequent period throughout the duration of the Contract, the Authority reserves the right to terminate the Contract. The Authority also reserves the right to terminate this Contract based on a red score without requesting a Remediation Plan (as in Amber), if it is of the Authority's view that a material default has occurred. The Authority reserves the right to suspend, or partially terminate this Contract, while a Remediation Plan is being developed and agreed, where there is justification to do so.

Schedule 11 (Continuous Improvement)

1. Supplier's Obligations

- 1.1 The Supplier must, throughout the Contract Period, identify new or potential improvements to the provision of the Deliverables with a view to reducing the Buyer's costs (including the Charges) and/or improving the quality and efficiency of the Deliverables and their supply to the Buyer.
- 1.2 The Supplier must adopt a policy of continuous improvement in relation to the Deliverables, which must include regular reviews with the Buyer of the Deliverables and the way it provides them, with a view to reducing the Buyer's costs (including the Charges) and/or improving the quality and efficiency of the Deliverables. The Supplier and the Buyer must provide each other with any information relevant to meeting this objective.
- 1.3 In addition to Paragraph 1.1, the Supplier shall produce at the start of each Contract Year a plan for improving the provision of Deliverables and/or reducing the Charges (without adversely affecting the performance of this Contract) during that Contract Year ("Continuous Improvement Plan") for the Buyer's Approval. The Continuous Improvement Plan must include, as a minimum, proposals:
 - 1.3.1 identifying the emergence of relevant new and evolving technologies;
 - 1.3.2 changes in business processes of the Supplier or the Buyer and ways of working that would provide cost savings and/or enhanced benefits to the Buyer (such as methods of interaction, supply chain efficiencies, reduction in energy consumption and methods of sale);
 - 1.3.3 new or potential improvements to the provision of the Deliverables including the quality, responsiveness, procedures, benchmarking methods, likely performance mechanisms and customer support services in relation to the Deliverables; and
 - 1.3.4 measuring and reducing the sustainability impacts of the Supplier's operations and supply-chains relating to the Deliverables, and identifying opportunities to assist the Buyer in meeting their sustainability objectives.
- 1.4 The initial Continuous Improvement Plan for the first (1st) Contract Year shall be submitted by the Supplier to the Buyer for Approval within six (6) Months following the Start Date.
- 1.5 The Buyer shall notify the Supplier of its Approval or rejection of the proposed Continuous Improvement Plan or any updates to it within twenty (20) Working Days of receipt. If it is rejected then the Supplier shall, within ten (10) Working Days of receipt of notice of rejection, submit a revised Continuous Improvement Plan reflecting the changes required. Once Approved, it becomes the Continuous Improvement Plan for the purposes of this Contract.

- 1.6 The Supplier must provide sufficient information with each suggested improvement to enable a decision on whether to implement it. The Supplier shall provide any further information as requested.
- 1.7 If the Buyer wishes to incorporate any improvement into this Contract, it must request a Variation in accordance with the Variation Procedure and the Supplier must implement such Variation at no additional cost to the Buyer.
- 1.8 Once the first Continuous Improvement Plan has been Approved in accordance with Paragraph 1.5:
 - 1.8.1 the Supplier shall use all reasonable endeavours to implement any agreed deliverables in accordance with the Continuous Improvement Plan; and
 - 1.8.2 the Parties agree to meet as soon as reasonably possible following the start of each quarter (or as otherwise agreed between the Parties) to review the Supplier's progress against the Continuous Improvement Plan.
- 1.9 The Supplier shall update the Continuous Improvement Plan as and when required but at least once every Contract Year (after the first (1st) Contract Year) in accordance with the procedure and timescales set out in Paragraph 1.3.
- 1.10 All costs relating to the compilation or updating of the Continuous Improvement Plan and the costs arising from any improvement made pursuant to it and the costs of implementing any improvement, shall have no effect on and are included in the Charges.
- 1.11 Should the Supplier's costs in providing the Deliverables to the Buyer be reduced as a result of any changes implemented, all of the cost savings shall be passed on to the Buyer by way of a consequential and immediate reduction in the Charges for the Deliverables.
- 1.12 At any time during the Contract Period of the Contract, the Supplier may make a proposal for gainshare. If the Buyer deems gainshare to be applicable then the Supplier shall update the Continuous Improvement Plan so as to include details of the way in which the proposal shall be implemented in accordance with an agreed gainshare ratio.

Schedule 12 (Benchmarking)

1. Definitions

1.1 In this Schedule, the following expressions shall have the following meanings:

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"Benchmark Review"	a review of the Deliverables carried out in accordance with this Schedule to determine whether those Deliverables represent Good Value;			
"Benchmarked Deliverables"	any Deliverables included within the scope of a Benchmark Review pursuant to this Schedule;			
"Comparable Rates"	the Charges for Comparable Deliverables;			
"Comparable Deliverables"	deliverables that are identical or materially similar to the Benchmarked Deliverables (including in terms of scope, specification, volume and quality of performance) provided that if no identical or materially similar Deliverables exist in the market, the Supplier shall propose an approach for developing a comparable Deliverables benchmark;			
"Comparison Group"	a sample group of organisations providing Comparable Deliverables which consists of organisations which are either of similar size to the Supplier or which are similarly structured in terms of their business and their service offering so as to be fair comparators with the Supplier or which, are best practice organisations;			
"Equivalent Data"	data derived from an analysis of the Comparable Rates and/or the Comparable Deliverables (as applicable) provided by the Comparison Group;			
"Good Value"	that the Benchmarked Rates are within the Upper Quartile; and			
"Upper Quartile"	in respect of Benchmarked Rates, that based on an analysis of Equivalent Data, the Benchmarked Rates, as compared to the range of prices for Comparable Deliverables, are within the top 25% in terms of best value for money for the recipients of Comparable Deliverables.			

2. When you should use this Schedule

- 2.1 The Supplier acknowledges that the Buyer wishes to ensure that the Deliverables, represent value for money to the taxpayer throughout the Contract Period.
- 2.2 This Schedule sets out to ensure the Contract represents value for money throughout and that the Buyer may terminate the Contract by issuing a Termination Notice to the Supplier if the Supplier refuses or fails to comply with its obligations as set out in Paragraph 3 of this Schedule.
- 2.3 Amounts payable under this Schedule shall not fall with the definition of a Cost.

3. Benchmarking

3.1 How benchmarking works

- 3.1.1 The Buyer may, by written notice to the Supplier, require a Benchmark Review of any or all of the Deliverables.
- 3.1.2 The Buyer shall not be entitled to request a Benchmark Review during the first six (6) Month period from the Start Date or at intervals of less than twelve (12) Months after any previous Benchmark Review.
- 3.1.3 The purpose of a Benchmark Review will be to establish whether the Benchmarked Deliverables are, individually and/or as a whole, Good Value.
- 3.1.4 The Deliverables that are to be the Benchmarked Deliverables will be identified by the Buyer in writing.
- 3.1.5 Upon its request for a Benchmark Review the Buyer shall nominate a benchmarker. The Supplier must approve the nomination within ten (10) Working Days unless the Supplier provides a reasonable explanation for rejecting the appointment. If the appointment is rejected then the Buyer may propose an alternative benchmarker. If the Parties cannot agree the appointment within twenty (20) days of the initial request for Benchmark review then a benchmarker shall be selected by the Chartered Institute of Financial Accountants.
- 3.1.6 The cost of a benchmarker shall be borne by the Buyer (provided that each Party shall bear its own internal costs of the Benchmark Review) except where the Benchmark Review demonstrates that the Benchmarked Service and/or the Benchmarked Deliverables are not Good Value, in which case the Parties shall share the cost of the benchmarker in such proportions as the Parties agree (acting reasonably). Invoices by the benchmarker shall be raised against the Supplier and the relevant portion shall be reimbursed by the Buyer.

3.2 Benchmarking Process

- 3.2.1 The benchmarker shall produce and send to the Buyer, for Approval, a draft plan for the Benchmark Review which must include:
 - (a) a proposed cost and timetable for the Benchmark Review;
 - (b) a description of the benchmarking methodology to be used which must demonstrate that the methodology to be used is capable of fulfilling the benchmarking purpose; and
 - (c) a description of how the benchmarker will scope and identify the Comparison Group.
- 3.2.2 The benchmarker, acting reasonably, shall be entitled to use any model to determine the achievement of value for money and to carry out the benchmarking.
- 3.2.3 The Buyer must give notice in writing to the Supplier within ten (10) Working Days after receiving the draft plan, advising the benchmarker and the Supplier whether it Approves the draft plan, or, if it does not approve the draft plan, suggesting amendments to that plan (which must be reasonable). If amendments are suggested then the benchmarker must produce an amended draft plan and this Paragraph 3.2.3 shall apply to any amended draft plan.
- 3.2.4 Once both Parties have approved the draft plan then they will notify the benchmarker. No Party may unreasonably withhold or delay its Approval of the draft plan.
- 3.2.5 Once it has received the Approval of the draft plan, the benchmarker shall:
 - (a) finalise the Comparison Group and collect data relating to Comparable Rates. The selection of the Comparable Rates (both in terms of number and identity) shall be a matter for the Supplier's professional judgment using:
- (i) market intelligence;
- (ii) the benchmarker's own data and experience;
- (iii) relevant published information; and
- (iv) pursuant to Paragraph 3.2.6 below, information from other suppliers or purchasers on Comparable Rates;
 - (b) by applying the adjustment factors listed in Paragraph 3.2.7 and from an analysis of the Comparable Rates, derive the Equivalent Data;
 - (c) using the Equivalent Data, calculate the Upper Quartile;
 - (d) determine whether or not each Benchmarked Rate is, and/or the Benchmarked Rates as a whole are, Good Value.

- 3.2.6 The Supplier shall use all reasonable endeavours and act in good faith to supply information required by the benchmarker in order to undertake the benchmarking. The Supplier agrees to use its reasonable endeavours to obtain information from other suppliers or purchasers on Comparable Rates.
- 3.2.7 In carrying out the benchmarking analysis the benchmarker may have regard to the following matters when performing a comparative assessment of the Benchmarked Rates and the Comparable Rates in order to derive Equivalent Data:
 - (a) the contractual terms and business environment under which the Comparable Rates are being provided (including the scale and geographical spread of the customers);
 - (b) exchange rates;
 - (c) any other factors reasonably identified by the Supplier, which, if not taken into consideration, could unfairly cause the Supplier's pricing to appear non-competitive.

3.3 Benchmarking Report

- 3.3.1 For the purposes of this Schedule **"Benchmarking Report"** shall mean the report produced by the benchmarker following the Benchmark Review and as further described in this Schedule;
- 3.3.2 The benchmarker shall prepare a Benchmarking Report and deliver it to the Buyer, at the time specified in the plan Approved pursuant to Paragraph 3.2.3, setting out its findings. Those findings shall be required to:
 - (a) include a finding as to whether or not a Benchmarked Service and/or whether the Benchmarked Deliverables as a whole are, Good Value;
 - (b) if any of the Benchmarked Deliverables are, individually or as a whole, not Good Value, specify the changes that would be required to make that Benchmarked Service or the Benchmarked Deliverables as a whole Good Value; and
 - (c) include sufficient detail and transparency so that the Party requesting the Benchmarking can interpret and understand how the Supplier has calculated whether or not the Benchmarked Deliverables are, individually or as a whole, Good Value.
- 3.3.3 The Parties agree that any changes required to this Contract identified in the Benchmarking Report shall be implemented at the direction of the Buyer in accordance with Clause 24 (Changing the contract).

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Schedule 13 (Contract Management)

1. Definitions

1.1 In this Schedule, the following words shall have the following meanings and they shall supplement Schedule 1 (Definitions):

"Operational Board"	the board established in accordance with paragraph 4.1 of this Schedule;
"Project Manager"	the manager appointed in accordance with paragraph 2.1 of this Schedule;

2. Project Management

- 2.1 The Supplier and the Buyer shall each appoint a Project Manager for the purposes of this Contract through whom the provision of the Services and the Deliverables shall be managed day-to-day.
- 2.2 The Parties shall ensure that appropriate resource is made available on a regular basis such that the aims, objectives and specific provisions of this Contract can be fully realised.
- 2.3 Without prejudice to paragraph 4 below, the Parties agree to operate the boards specified as set out in the Annex to this Schedule.

3. Role of the Supplier Project Manager

- 3.1 The Supplier Project Manager shall be:
 - 3.1.1 the primary point of contact to receive communication from the Buyer and will also be the person primarily responsible for providing information to the Buyer;
 - 3.1.2 able to delegate his position to another person at the Supplier but must inform the Buyer before proceeding with the delegation and it will be delegated person's responsibility to fulfil the Project Manager's responsibilities and obligations;
 - 3.1.3 able to cancel any delegation and recommence the position himself; and
 - 3.1.4 replaced only after the Buyer has received notification of the proposed change.
- 3.2 The Buyer may provide revised instructions to the Supplier's Project Manager in regards to the Contract and it will be the Supplier Project Manager's responsibility to ensure the information is provided to the Supplier and the actions implemented.

3.3 Receipt of communication from the Supplier Project Manager by the Buyer does not absolve the Supplier from its responsibilities, obligations or liabilities under the Contract.

4. Role of The Operational Board

- 4.1 The Operational Board shall be established by the Buyer for the purposes of this Contract on which the Supplier and the Buyer shall be represented.
- 4.2 The Operational Board members, frequency and location of board meetings and planned start date by which the board shall be established are set out in Annex A to the Schedule.
- 4.3 In the event that either Party wishes to replace any of its appointed board members, that Party shall notify the other in writing for approval by the other Party (such approval not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed). Each Buyer board member shall have at all times a counterpart Supplier board member of equivalent seniority and expertise.
- 4.4 Each Party shall ensure that its board members shall make all reasonable efforts to attend board meetings at which that board member's attendance is required. If any board member is not able to attend a board meeting, that person shall use all reasonable endeavours to ensure that a delegate attends the Operational Board meeting in his/her place (wherever possible) and that the delegate is properly briefed and prepared and that he/she is debriefed by such delegate after the board meeting.
- 4.5 The purpose of the Operational Board meetings will be to review the Supplier's performance under this Contract. The agenda for each meeting shall be set by the Buyer and communicated to the Supplier in advance of that meeting.

5. Contract Risk Management

- 5.1 Both Parties shall pro-actively manage risks attributed to them under the terms of this Contract.
- 5.2 The Supplier shall develop, operate, maintain and amend, as agreed with the Buyer, processes for:
 - 5.2.1 the identification and management of risks;
 - 5.2.2 the identification and management of issues; and
 - 5.2.3 monitoring and controlling project plans.
- 5.3 The Supplier allows the Buyer to inspect at any time within working hours the accounts and records which the Supplier is required to keep.
- 5.4 The Supplier will maintain a risk register of the risks relating to the Contract which the Buyer and the Supplier have identified.

Annex: Operational Boards

The Parties agree to operate the following boards at the locations and at the frequencies set out below:

Board: Acceleration Support Services Operational Board

Location: BEIS, 1 Victoria Street or virtually via Microsoft Teams

Frequency: Quarterly

The Buyer and Supplier Board Members to be discussed and finalised at the contract kick off meeting in early September 2021.

Schedule 16 (Security)

Short Form Security Requirements

1. Definitions

1.1 In this Schedule, the following words shall have the following meanings and they shall supplement Schedule 1 (Definitions):

"Breach of Security"	the occurrence of:	
	 any unauthorised access to or use of the Deliverables, the Sites and/or any Information and Communication Technology ("ICT"), information or data (including the Confidential Information and the Government Data) used by the Buyer and/or the Supplier in connection with this Contract; and/or 	
	 b) the loss and/or unauthorised disclosure of any information or data (including the Confidential Information and the Government Data), including any copies of such information or data, used by the Buyer and/or the Supplier in connection with this Contract, 	
	in either case as more particularly set out in the Security Policy where the Buyer has required compliance therewith in accordance with paragraph 2.2;	
"Security Management Plan"	the Supplier's security management plan prepared pursuant to this Schedule, a draft of which has been provided by the Supplier to the Buyer and as updated from time to time.	

2. Complying with security requirements and updates to them

2.1 The Supplier shall comply with the requirements in this Schedule in respect of the Security Management Plan. Where specified by a Buyer it shall also comply with the Security Policy and shall ensure that the Security Management Plan produced by the Supplier fully complies with the Security Policy.

- 2.2 Where the Security Policy applies the Buyer shall notify the Supplier of any changes or proposed changes to the Security Policy.
- 2.3 If the Supplier believes that a change or proposed change to the Security Policy will have a material and unavoidable cost implication to the provision of the Deliverables it may propose a Variation to the Buyer. In doing so, the Supplier must support its request by providing evidence of the cause of any increased costs and the steps that it has taken to mitigate those costs. Any change to the Charges shall be subject to the Variation Procedure.
- 2.4 Until and/or unless a change to the Charges is agreed by the Buyer pursuant to the Variation Procedure the Supplier shall continue to provide the Deliverables in accordance with its existing obligations.

3. Security Standards

- 3.1 The Supplier acknowledges that the Buyer places great emphasis on the reliability of the performance of the Deliverables, confidentiality, integrity and availability of information and consequently on security.
- 3.2 The Supplier shall be responsible for the effective performance of its security obligations and shall at all times provide a level of security which:
 - 3.2.1 is in accordance with the Law and this Contract;
 - 3.2.2 as a minimum demonstrates Good Industry Practice;
 - 3.2.3 meets any specific security threats of immediate relevance to the Deliverables and/or the Government Data; and
 - 3.2.4 where specified by the Buyer in accordance with paragraph 2.2 complies with the Security Policy and the ICT Policy.
- 3.3 The references to standards, guidance and policies contained or set out in Paragraph 3.2 shall be deemed to be references to such items as developed and updated and to any successor to or replacement for such standards, guidance and policies, as notified to the Supplier from time to time.
- 3.4 In the event of any inconsistency in the provisions of the above standards, guidance and policies, the Supplier should notify the Buyer's Representative of such inconsistency immediately upon becoming aware of the same, and the Buyer's Representative shall, as soon as practicable, advise the Supplier which provision the Supplier shall be required to comply with.

4. Security Management Plan

4.1 Introduction

4.1.1 The Supplier shall develop and maintain a Security Management Plan in accordance with this Schedule. The Supplier shall thereafter comply with its obligations set out in the Security Management Plan.

4.2 Content of the Security Management Plan

- 4.2.1 The Security Management Plan shall:
 - a) comply with the principles of security set out in Paragraph 3 and any other provisions of this Contract relevant to security;
 - b) identify the necessary delegated organisational roles for those responsible for ensuring it is complied with by the Supplier;
 - c) detail the process for managing any security risks from Subcontractors and third parties authorised by the Buyer with access to the Deliverables, processes associated with the provision of the Deliverables, the Buyer Premises, the Sites and any ICT, Information and data (including the Buyer's Confidential Information and the Government Data) and any system that could directly or indirectly have an impact on that Information, data and/or the Deliverables;
 - be developed to protect all aspects of the Deliverables and all processes associated with the provision of the Deliverables, including the Buyer Premises, the Sites, and any ICT, Information and data (including the Buyer's Confidential Information and the Government Data) to the extent used by the Buyer or the Supplier in connection with this Contract or in connection with any system that could directly or indirectly have an impact on that Information, data and/or the Deliverables;
 - e) set out the security measures to be implemented and maintained by the Supplier in relation to all aspects of the Deliverables and all processes associated with the provision of the Goods and/or Services and shall at all times comply with and specify security measures and procedures which are sufficient to ensure that the Deliverables comply with the provisions of this Contract;
 - set out the plans for transitioning all security arrangements and responsibilities for the Supplier to meet the full obligations of the security requirements set out in this Contract and, where necessary in accordance with paragraph 2.2 the Security Policy; and
 - g) be written in plain English in language which is readily comprehensible to the staff of the Supplier and the Buyer engaged in the provision of the Deliverables and shall only reference documents which are in the possession of the Parties or whose location is otherwise specified in this Schedule.

4.3 **Development of the Security Management Plan**

4.3.1 Within twenty (20) Working Days after the Start Date and in accordance with Paragraph 4.4, the Supplier shall prepare and deliver to the Buyer for Approval a fully complete and up to date

Security Management Plan which will be based on the draft Security Management Plan.

- 4.3.2 If the Security Management Plan submitted to the Buyer in accordance with Paragraph 4.3.1, or any subsequent revision to it in accordance with Paragraph 4.4, is Approved it will be adopted immediately and will replace the previous version of the Security Management Plan and thereafter operated and maintained in accordance with this Schedule. If the Security Management Plan is not Approved, the Supplier shall amend it within ten (10) Working Days of a notice of non-approval from the Buyer and re-submit to the Buyer for Approval. The Parties will use all reasonable endeavours to ensure that the approval process takes as little time as possible and in any event no longer than fifteen (15) Working Days from the date of its first submission to the Buyer. If the Buyer does not approve the Security Management Plan following its resubmission, the matter will be resolved in accordance with the Dispute Resolution Procedure.
- 4.3.3 The Buyer shall not unreasonably withhold or delay its decision to Approve or not the Security Management Plan pursuant to Paragraph 4.3.2. However a refusal by the Buyer to Approve the Security Management Plan on the grounds that it does not comply with the requirements set out in Paragraph 4.2 shall be deemed to be reasonable.
- 4.3.4 Approval by the Buyer of the Security Management Plan pursuant to Paragraph 4.3.2 or of any change to the Security Management Plan in accordance with Paragraph 4.4 shall not relieve the Supplier of its obligations under this Schedule.

4.4 Amendment of the Security Management Plan

- 4.4.1 The Security Management Plan shall be fully reviewed and updated by the Supplier at least annually to reflect:
 - a) emerging changes in Good Industry Practice;
 - b) any change or proposed change to the Deliverables and/or associated processes;
 - c) where necessary in accordance with paragraph 2.2, any change to the Security Policy;
 - d) any new perceived or changed security threats; and
 - e) any reasonable change in requirements requested by the Buyer.
- 4.4.2 The Supplier shall provide the Buyer with the results of such reviews as soon as reasonably practicable after their completion and amendment of the Security Management Plan at no additional cost to the Buyer. The results of the review shall include, without limitation:
 - a) suggested improvements to the effectiveness of the Security Management Plan;

- b) updates to the risk assessments; and
- c) suggested improvements in measuring the effectiveness of controls.
- 4.4.3 Subject to Paragraph 4.4.4, any change or amendment which the Supplier proposes to make to the Security Management Plan (as a result of a review carried out in accordance with Paragraph 4.4.1, a request by the Buyer or otherwise) shall be subject to the Variation Procedure.
- 4.4.4 The Buyer may, acting reasonably, Approve and require changes or amendments to the Security Management Plan to be implemented on timescales faster than set out in the Variation Procedure but, without prejudice to their effectiveness, all such changes and amendments shall thereafter be subject to the Variation Procedure for the purposes of formalising and documenting the relevant change or amendment.

5. Security breach

- 5.1Either Party shall notify the other in accordance with the agreed security incident management process (as detailed in the Security Management Plan) upon becoming aware of any Breach of Security or any potential or attempted Breach of Security.
- 5.2Without prejudice to the security incident management process, upon becoming aware of any of the circumstances referred to in Paragraph 5.1, the Supplier shall:
- 5.2.1 immediately take all reasonable steps (which shall include any action or changes reasonably required by the Buyer) necessary to:
 - a) minimise the extent of actual or potential harm caused by any Breach of Security;
 - remedy such Breach of Security to the extent possible and protect the integrity of the Buyer and the provision of the Goods and/or Services to the extent within its control against any such Breach of Security or attempted Breach of Security;
 - c) prevent an equivalent breach in the future exploiting the same cause failure; and
 - as soon as reasonably practicable provide to the Buyer, where the Buyer so requests, full details (using the reporting mechanism defined by the Security Management Plan) of the Breach of Security or attempted Breach of Security, including a cause analysis where required by the Buyer.

5.3In the event that any action is taken in response to a Breach of Security or potential or attempted Breach of Security that demonstrates non-compliance of the Security Management Plan with the Security Policy (where relevant in Mid-tier contract

Project version: v1.0 Model version: v1.0 accordance with paragraph 2.2) or the requirements of this Schedule, then any required change to the Security Management Plan shall be at no cost to the Buyer.

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Schedule 18 (Supply Chain Visibility)

1. Definitions

1.1 In this Schedule, the following words shall have the following meanings and they shall supplement Schedule 1 (Definitions):

"Contracts Finder"	The Government's publishing portal for public sector procurement opportunities;
"SME"	an enterprise falling within the category of micro, small and medium sized enterprises defined by the Commission Recommendation of 6 May 2003 concerning the definition of micro, small and medium sized enterprises;
"Supply Chain Information Report Template"	the document at Annex 1 of this Schedule 18; and

2. Visibility of Sub-Contract Opportunities in the Supply Chain

- 2.1 The Supplier shall:
- 2.1.1 subject to Paragraph 2.3, advertise on Contracts Finder all Sub-Contract opportunities arising from or in connection with the provision of the Deliverables above a minimum threshold of £25,000 that arise during the Contract Period;
- 2.1.2 within 90 days of awarding a Sub-Contract to a Subcontractor, update the notice on Contract Finder with details of the successful Subcontractor;
- 2.1.3 monitor the number, type and value of the Sub-Contract opportunities placed on Contracts Finder advertised and awarded in its supply chain during the Contract Period;
- 2.1.4 provide reports on the information at Paragraph 2.1.3 to the Buyer in the format and frequency as reasonably specified by the Buyer; and
- 2.1.5 promote Contracts Finder to its suppliers and encourage those organisations to register on Contracts Finder.

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- 2.2 Each advert referred to at Paragraph 2.1.1 of this Schedule 18 shall provide a full and detailed description of the Sub-Contract opportunity with each of the mandatory fields being completed on Contracts Finder by the Supplier.
- 2.3 The obligation on the Supplier set out at Paragraph 2.1 shall only apply in respect of Sub-Contract opportunities arising after the Effective Date and shall not apply to Sub-Contractors identified in the Tender Response.
- 2.4 Notwithstanding Paragraph 2.1, the Buyer may by giving its prior Approval, agree that a Sub-Contract opportunity is not required to be advertised by the Supplier on Contracts Finder.

3. Visibility of Supply Chain Spend

- 3.1 In addition to any other management information requirements set out in the Contract, the Supplier agrees and acknowledges that it shall, at no charge, provide timely, full, accurate and complete SME management information reports (the "SME Management Information Reports") to the Buyer which incorporates the data described in the Supply Chain Information Report Template which is:
 - (a) the total contract revenue received directly on the Contract;
 - (b) the total value of sub-contracted revenues under the Contract
 - (including revenues for non-SMEs/non-VCSEs); and
 - (c) the total value of sub-contracted revenues to SMEs and VCSEs.
- 3.2 The SME Management Information Reports shall be provided by the Supplier in the correct format as required by the Supply Chain Information Report Template and any guidance issued by the Buyer from time to time. The Supplier agrees that it shall use the Supply Chain Information Report Template to provide the information detailed at Paragraph 3.1(a) –(c) and acknowledges that the template may be changed from time to time (including the data required and/or format) by the Buyer issuing a replacement version. The Buyer agrees to give at least thirty (30) days' notice in writing of any such change and shall specify the date from which it must be used.
- 3.3 The Supplier further agrees and acknowledges that it may not make any amendment to the Supply Chain Information Report Template without the prior Approval of the Buyer.

Annex 1

Supply Chain Information Report template



Supply Chain Information Report templat

Schedule 19 (Cyber Essentials Scheme)

1. Definitions

1.1 In this Schedule, the following words shall have the following meanings and they shall supplement Schedule 1 (Definitions):

"Cyber Essentials Scheme"	the Cyber Essentials Scheme developed by the Government which provides a clear statement of the basic controls all organisations should implement to mitigate the risk from common internet based threats (as may be amended from time to time). Details of the Cyber Essentials Scheme can be found at: <u>https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/</u> <u>cyber-essentials-scheme-overview</u>
"Cyber Essentials Basic Certificate"	the certificate awarded on the basis of self- assessment, verified by an independent certification body, under the Cyber Essentials Scheme and is the basic level of assurance;
"Cyber Essentials Certificate"	Cyber Essentials Basic Certificate or the Cyber Essentials Plus Certificate to be provided by the Supplier as set out in the Framework Award Form
"Cyber Essential Scheme Data"	sensitive and personal information and other relevant information as referred to in the Cyber Essentials Scheme; and
"Cyber Essentials Plus Certificate"	the certification awarded on the basis of external testing by an independent certification body of the Supplier's cyber security approach under the Cyber Essentials Scheme and is a more advanced level of assurance.

2. What Certification do you need

- 2.1 Where the Award Form requires that the Supplier provide a Cyber Essentials Certificate prior to award the Supplier shall provide a valid Cyber Essentials Certificate to the Buyer. Where the Supplier fails to comply with this Paragraph it shall be prohibited from commencing the provision of Deliverables under any Contract until such time as the Supplier has evidenced to the Buyer its compliance with this Paragraph 2.1.
- 2.2 Where the Supplier continues to Process Cyber Essentials Scheme Data during the Contract Period of the Contract the Supplier shall deliver to the Buyer

evidence of renewal of the Cyber Essentials Certificate on each anniversary of the first applicable certificate obtained by the Supplier under Paragraph 2.1.

- 2.3 Where the Supplier is due to Process Cyber Essentials Scheme Data after the Start date of the Contract but before the end of the Contact Period, the Supplier shall deliver to the Buyer evidence of:
 - 2.3.1 a valid and current Cyber Essentials Certificate before the Supplier Processes any such Cyber Essentials Scheme Data; and
 - 2.3.2 renewal of the valid Cyber Essentials Certificate on each anniversary of the first Cyber Essentials Scheme certificate obtained by the Supplier under Paragraph 2.1.
- 2.4 In the event that the Supplier fails to comply with Paragraphs 2.2 or 2.3 (as applicable), the Buyer reserves the right to terminate this Contract for material Default.
- 2.5 The Supplier shall ensure that all Sub-Contracts with Subcontractors who Process Cyber Essentials Data contain provisions no less onerous on the Subcontractors than those imposed on the Supplier under this Contract in respect of the Cyber Essentials Scheme under Paragraph 2.1 of this Schedule.
- 2.6 This Schedule shall survive termination or expiry of this Contract.

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Schedule 20 (Processing Data)

Status of the Controller

- 1. The Parties acknowledge that for the purposes of the Data Protection Legislation, the nature of the activity carried out by each of them in relation to their respective obligations under a Contract dictates the status of each party under the DPA. A Party may act as:
- (a) "Controller" in respect of the other Party who is "Processor";
- (b) "Processor" in respect of the other Party who is "Controller";
- (c) "Joint Controller" with the other Party;
- (d) "Independent Controller" of the Personal Data where the other Party is also "Controller",

in respect of certain Personal Data under a Contract and shall specify in Annex 1 (*Processing Personal Data*) which scenario they think shall apply in each situation.

Where one Party is Controller and the other Party its Processor

- 2. Where a Party is a Processor, the only Processing that it is authorised to do is listed in Annex 1 (*Processing Personal Data*) by the Controller.
- 3. The Processor shall notify the Controller immediately if it considers that any of the Controller's instructions infringe the Data Protection Legislation.
- 4. The Processor shall provide all reasonable assistance to the Controller in the preparation of any Data Protection Impact Assessment prior to commencing any Processing. Such assistance may, at the discretion of the Controller, include:
- (a) a systematic description of the envisaged Processing and the purpose of the Processing;
- (b) an assessment of the necessity and proportionality of the Processing in relation to the Services;
- (c) an assessment of the risks to the rights and freedoms of Data Subjects; and
- (d) the measures envisaged to address the risks, including safeguards, security measures and mechanisms to ensure the protection of Personal Data.
- 5. The Processor shall, in relation to any Personal Data Processed in connection with its obligations under the Contract:
- (a) Process that Personal Data only in accordance with Annex 1 (*Processing Personal Data*), unless the Processor is required to do otherwise by Law. If it

is so required the Processor shall notify the Controller before Processing the Personal Data unless prohibited by Law;

- (b) ensure that it has in place Protective Measures, including in the case of the Supplier the measures set out in Clause 14.3 of the Core Terms, which the Controller may reasonably reject (but failure to reject shall not amount to approval by the Controller of the adequacy of the Protective Measures) having taken account of the:
 - (i) nature of the data to be protected;
 - (ii) harm that might result from a Personal Data Breach;
 - (iii) state of technological development; and
 - (iv) cost of implementing any measures;
- (c) ensure that :
 - the Processor Personnel do not Process Personal Data except in accordance with the Contract (and in particular Annex 1 (Processing Personal Data));
 - (ii) it takes all reasonable steps to ensure the reliability and integrity of any Processor Personnel who have access to the Personal Data and ensure that they:
 - (A) are aware of and comply with the Processor's duties under this Schedule 20, Clauses 14 (*Data protection*), 15 (*What* you must keep confidential) and 16 (*When you can share* information);
 - (B) are subject to appropriate confidentiality undertakings with the Processor or any Subprocessor;
 - (C) are informed of the confidential nature of the Personal Data and do not publish, disclose or divulge any of the Personal Data to any third party unless directed in writing to do so by the Controller or as otherwise permitted by the Contract; and
 - (D) have undergone adequate training in the use, care, protection and handling of Personal Data;
- (d) not transfer Personal Data outside of the EU (which, for the purposes of this Schedule 20, shall include the United Kingdom) unless the prior written consent of the Controller has been obtained and the following conditions are fulfilled:
 - (i) the Controller or the Processor has provided appropriate safeguards in relation to the transfer (whether in accordance with GDPR Article 46 or LED Article 37) as determined by the Controller;
 - (ii) the Data Subject has enforceable rights and effective legal remedies;
 - (iii) the Processor complies with its obligations under the Data Protection Legislation by providing an adequate level of protection

to any Personal Data that is transferred (or, if it is not so bound, uses its reasonable endeavours to assist the Controller in meeting its obligations); and

- (iv) the Processor complies with any reasonable instructions notified to it in advance by the Controller with respect to the Processing of the Personal Data; and
- (e) at the written direction of the Controller, delete or return Personal Data (and any copies of it) to the Controller on termination of the Contract unless the Processor is required by Law to retain the Personal Data.
- 6. Subject to paragraph 7 of this Schedule 20, the Processor shall notify the Controller immediately if in relation to it Processing Personal Data under or in connection with the Contract it:
- (a) receives a Data Subject Access Request (or purported Data Subject Access Request);
- (b) receives a request to rectify, block or erase any Personal Data;
- (c) receives any other request, complaint or communication relating to either Party's obligations under the Data Protection Legislation;
- (d) receives any communication from the Information Commissioner or any other regulatory authority in connection with Personal Data Processed under the Contract;
- receives a request from any third Party for disclosure of Personal Data where compliance with such request is required or purported to be required by Law; or
- (f) becomes aware of a Personal Data Breach.
- 7. The Processor's obligation to notify under paragraph 6 of this Schedule 20 shall include the provision of further information to the Controller, as details become available.
- 8. Taking into account the nature of the Processing, the Processor shall provide the Controller with assistance in relation to either Party's obligations under Data Protection Legislation and any complaint, communication or request made under paragraph 6 of this Schedule 20 (and insofar as possible within the timescales reasonably required by the Controller) including by immediately providing:
- (a) the Controller with full details and copies of the complaint, communication or request;
- (b) such assistance as is reasonably requested by the Controller to enable it to comply with a Data Subject Access Request within the relevant timescales set out in the Data Protection Legislation;
- (c) the Controller, at its request, with any Personal Data it holds in relation to a Data Subject;
- (d) assistance as requested by the Controller following any Personal Data Breach; and/or

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- (e) assistance as requested by the Controller with respect to any request from the Information Commissioner's Office, or any consultation by the Controller with the Information Commissioner's Office.
- 9. The Processor shall maintain complete and accurate records and information to demonstrate its compliance with this Schedule 20. This requirement does not apply where the Processor employs fewer than 250 staff, unless:
- (a) the Controller determines that the Processing is not occasional;
- (b) the Controller determines the Processing includes special categories of data as referred to in Article 9(1) of the GDPR or Personal Data relating to criminal convictions and offences referred to in Article 10 of the GDPR; or
- (c) the Controller determines that the Processing is likely to result in a risk to the rights and freedoms of Data Subjects.
- 10. The Processor shall allow for audits of its Data Processing activity by the Controller or the Controller's designated auditor.
- 11. The Parties shall designate a Data Protection Officer if required by the Data Protection Legislation.
- 12. Before allowing any Subprocessor to Process any Personal Data related to the Contract, the Processor must:
- (a) notify the Controller in writing of the intended Subprocessor and Processing;
- (b) obtain the written consent of the Controller;
- (c) enter into a written agreement with the Subprocessor which give effect to the terms set out in this Schedule 20 such that they apply to the Subprocessor; and
- (d) provide the Controller with such information regarding the Subprocessor as the Controller may reasonably require.
- 13. The Processor shall remain fully liable for all acts or omissions of any of its Subprocessors.
- 14. The Buyer may, at any time on not less than 30 Working Days' notice, revise this Schedule 20 by replacing it with any applicable controller to processor standard clauses or similar terms forming part of an applicable certification scheme (which shall apply when incorporated by attachment to the Contract).
- 15. The Parties agree to take account of any guidance issued by the Information Commissioner's Office. The Buyer may on not less than 30 Working Days' notice to the Supplier amend the Contract to ensure that it complies with any guidance issued by the Information Commissioner's Office.

Annex 1 - Processing Personal Data

This Annex shall be completed by the Controller, who may take account of the view of the Processors, however the final decision as to the content of this Annex shall be with the Buyer at its absolute discretion.

1.1 The contact details of the Buyer's Data Protection Officer are:

BEIS Data Protection Officer Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy 1 Victoria Street London SW1H 0ET

Email: dataprotection@beis.gov.uk

- 1.2 The Supplier doesn't have a Data Protection Officer as it is not required to under the Data Protection Legislation. The contact details for the Supplier's responsible person for data protection purposes is: The Information has been redacted with a copy to: This information has been redacted
- 1.3
- 1.4 The Processor shall comply with any further written instructions with respect to Processing by the Controller.
- 1.5 Any such further instructions shall be incorporated into this Annex.

Description	Details
Identity of Controller for each Category of Personal Data	The Buyer is Controller and the Supplier is Processor The Parties acknowledge that in accordance with paragraph 2 to paragraph 15 and for the purposes of the Data Protection Legislation, the Buyer is the Controller and the Supplier is the Processor of the following Personal Data: The processing is needed in order to ensure that the Supplier can effectively deliver the contract to provide Acceleration Support services. The services may include the hosting of events related to the Acceleration Support Services which will involve the processing and potentially sharing of personal data.
	The processing of names and business contact details of staff of the Buyer, the Supplier, subcontractors of both and the beneficiary companies (which could include individuals based outside of the EU) will be necessary to deliver the services exchanged during the course of the Contract, and to undertake contract and performance management.

Duration of the Processing	Processing will take place from 17 th July 2021 (contract start date) for the duration of the Contract. The Contract will end on 31 st March 2025 unless extended by mutual agreement.
Nature and purposes of the Processing	The nature of the processing will include collection, organisation, structuring, storage, dissemination or otherwise making available, erasure or destruction of data.
	Processing takes place for the purposes of delivery of Acceleration Support services.
	The nature of processing will include the storage and use of names and business contact details of staff of the Buyer, the Supplier, subcontractors of both and the beneficiary companies (which could include individuals based outside of the EU), as necessary to deliver the services, which may include the hosting of events, and to undertake contract and performance management. The Contract itself will include the names and business contact details of staff of the Buyer, the Supplier, subcontractors of both and the beneficiary companies involved in managing the Contract and any related contracts.
Type of Personal Data	Names, business telephone numbers and email addresses, office location and position of staff of the Buyer, the Supplier, subcontractors of both and the beneficiary companies, as necessary to deliver the services and to undertake contract and performance management. The Contract itself will include the names and business contact details of staff of the Buyer, the Supplier, subcontractors of both and the beneficiary companies, involved in managing the Contract and any related contracts. The Supplier will also hold names, business telephone numbers and email addresses, office location and position of staff for organisations receiving Acceleration Support services.
Categories of Data Subject	Staff of the Buyer, the Supplier and the subcontractors of both, including where those employees are named within the Contract itself or involved within contract management.
	Staff of organisations participating in the Acceleration Support services contract.

Plan for return and destruction of the data once the processing is complete UNLESS requirement under the terms of the EU Withdrawal Act 2020.	If requested, the Supplier will provide the Buyer with a complete and uncorrupted version of the Personal Data in electronic form (or such other format as reasonably required by the Buyer) and erase from any computers, storage devices and storage media that are to be retained by the Supplier after the expiry of the Contract. The Supplier will certify to the Buyer that it has completed such deletion. If it isn't requested, the Supplier shall only retain information in line with its Data Retention Policy and Privacy Notice. Where Personal Data is contained within the Contract documentation, this will be retained in line with the Buyer's privacy notice found within the Invitation to Tender.
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Schedule 21 (Variation Form)

This form is to be used in order to change a contract in accordance with Clause 24 of the Core Terms (Changing the Contract)

Contract Details			
This variation is	[Buyer] ("the Buyer")		
between:	And		
	[insert name of Supplier] ("the Supplier")		
Contract name:	[insert name of contract to be changed] ("the Contract")		
Contract reference number:	[insert contract reference number]		
Details of Proposed Variation			
Variation initiated by:	[delete as applicable: Buyer/Supplier]		
Variation number:	[insert variation number]		
Date variation is raised:	[insert date]		
Proposed variation			
Reason for the variation:	[insert reason]		
An Impact Assessment shall be provided within:	[insert number] days		
Impact of Variation			
Likely impact of the proposed variation:	[Supplier to insert assessment of impact]		
Outcome of Variation			
Contract variation:	This Contract detailed above is varied as follows:		
	• [Buyer to insert original Clauses or Paragraphs to be varied and the changed clause]		
Financial variation:	Original Contract Value:	£ [insert amount]	
	Additional cost due to variation:	£ [insert amount]	
	New Contract value:	£ [insert amount]	

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- 1. This Variation must be agreed and signed by both Parties to the Contract and shall only be effective from the date it is signed by the Buyer
- 2. Words and expressions in this Variation shall have the meanings given to them in the Contract.
- 3. The Contract, including any previous Variations, shall remain effective and unaltered except as amended by this Variation.

Signed by an authorised signatory for and on behalf of the Buyer

Signature	
Date	
Name (in Capitals)	
Address	
Signed by an authorised signator Signature	ry to sign for and on behalf of the Supplier
Date	
Name (in Capitals)	
Address	

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Schedule 22 (Insurance Requirements)

1. The insurance you need to have

1.1 The Supplier shall take out and maintain, or procure the taking out and maintenance of the insurances as set out in the Annex to this Schedule and any other insurances as may be required by applicable Law (together the "Insurances"). The Supplier shall ensure that each of the Insurances is effective no later than

the Start Date in respect of those Insurances set out in the Annex to this Schedule and those required by applicable Law; and

- 1.2 The Insurances shall be:
 - 1.2.1 maintained in accordance with Good Industry Practice;
 - 1.2.2 (so far as is reasonably practicable) on terms no less favourable than those generally available to a prudent contractor in respect of risks insured in the international insurance market from time to time;
 - 1.2.3 taken out and maintained with insurers of good financial standing and good repute in the international insurance market; and
 - 1.2.4 maintained for at least six (6) years after the End Date.
- 1.3 The Supplier shall ensure that the public and products liability policy contain an indemnity to principals clause under which the Buyer shall be indemnified in respect of claims made against the Buyer in respect of death or bodily injury or third party property damage arising out of or in connection with the Deliverables and for which the Supplier is legally liable.

2. How to manage the insurance

- 2.1 Without limiting the other provisions of this Contract, the Supplier shall:
 - 2.1.1 take or procure the taking of all reasonable risk management and risk control measures in relation to Deliverables as it would be reasonable to expect of a prudent contractor acting in accordance with Good Industry Practice, including the investigation and reports of relevant claims to insurers;
 - 2.1.2 promptly notify the insurers in writing of any relevant material fact under any Insurances of which the Supplier is or becomes aware; and
 - 2.1.3 hold all policies in respect of the Insurances and cause any insurance broker effecting the Insurances to hold any insurance slips and other evidence of placing cover representing any of the Insurances to which it is a party.

3. What happens if you aren't insured

3.1 The Supplier shall not take any action or fail to take any action or (insofar as is reasonably within its power) permit anything to occur in relation to it which would entitle any insurer to refuse to pay any claim under any of the Insurances.

3.2 Where the Supplier has failed to purchase or maintain any of the Insurances in full force and effect, the Buyer may elect (but shall not be obliged) following written notice to the Supplier to purchase the relevant Insurances and recover the reasonable premium and other reasonable costs incurred in connection therewith as a debt due from the Supplier.

4. Evidence of insurance you must provide

4.1 The Supplier shall upon the Start Date and within 15 Working Days after the renewal of each of the Insurances, provide evidence, in a form satisfactory to the Buyer, that the Insurances are in force and effect and meet in full the requirements of this Schedule.

5. Making sure you are insured to the required amount

5.1 The Supplier shall ensure that any Insurances which are stated to have a minimum limit "in the aggregate" are maintained at all times for the minimum limit of indemnity specified in this Contract and if any claims are made which do not relate to this Contract then the Supplier shall notify the Buyer and provide details of its proposed solution for maintaining the minimum limit of indemnity.

6. Cancelled Insurance

- 6.1 The Supplier shall notify the Buyer in writing at least five (5) Working Days prior to the cancellation, suspension, termination or non-renewal of any of the Insurances.
- 6.2 The Supplier shall ensure that nothing is done which would entitle the relevant insurer to cancel, rescind or suspend any insurance or cover, or to treat any insurance, cover or claim as voided in whole or part. The Supplier shall use all reasonable endeavours to notify the Buyer (subject to third party confidentiality obligations) as soon as practicable when it becomes aware of any relevant fact, circumstance or matter which has caused, or is reasonably likely to provide grounds to, the relevant insurer to give notice to cancel, rescind, suspend or void any insurance, or any cover or claim under any insurance in whole or in part.

7. Insurance claims

- 7.1 The Supplier shall promptly notify to insurers any matter arising from, or in relation to, the Deliverables, or the Contract for which it may be entitled to claim under any of the Insurances. In the event that the Buyer receives a claim relating to or arising out of the Contract or the Deliverables, the Supplier shall co-operate with the Buyer and assist it in dealing with such claims including without limitation providing information and documentation in a timely manner.
- 7.2 Except where the Buyer is the claimant party, the Supplier shall give the Buyer notice within twenty (20) Working Days after any insurance claim in excess of 10% of the sum required to be insured pursuant to Paragraph 5.1 relating to or arising out of the provision of the Deliverables or this Contract on any of the Insurances or which, but for the application of the applicable policy excess,

would be made on any of the Insurances and (if required by the Buyer) full details of the incident giving rise to the claim.

- 7.3 Where any Insurance requires payment of a premium, the Supplier shall be liable for and shall promptly pay such premium.
- 7.4 Where any Insurance is subject to an excess or deductible below which the indemnity from insurers is excluded, the Supplier shall be liable for such excess or deductible. The Supplier shall not be entitled to recover from the Buyer any sum paid by way of excess or deductible under the Insurances whether under the terms of this Contract or otherwise.

ANNEX: REQUIRED INSURANCES

- **1.** The Supplier shall hold the following insurance cover from the Start Date in accordance with this Schedule:
 - 1.1 professional indemnity insurance with cover (for a single event or a series of related events and in the aggregate) of not less than five million pounds (£5,000,000);
 - 1.2 public liability insurance with cover (for a single event or a series of related events and in the aggregate) of not less than five million pounds (£5,000,000); and
 - 1.3 employers' liability insurance with cover (for a single event or a series of related events and in the aggregate) of not less than five million pounds (£5,000,000).

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Schedule 25 (Rectification Plan)

Request for [Revised] Rectification Plan			
Details of the Default:	[Guidance: Explain the Default, with clear schedule and clause references as appropriate]		
Deadline for receiving the [Revised] Rectification Plan:	[add date (minimum 10 days from request)]		
Signed by Buyer :	Date:		
Supplier [Revised] Rectification Plan			
Cause of the Default	[add cause]		
Anticipated impact assessment:	[add impact]		
Actual effect of Default:	[add effect]		
Steps to be taken to	Steps	Timesca	ale
rectification:	1.	[date]	
	2.	[date]	
	3.	[date]	
	4.	[date]	
	[]	[date]	
Timescale for complete Rectification of Default	[X] Working Days	1	

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Steps taken to prevent recurrence of Default	Steps	Timescale	
	1.	[date]	
	2.	[date]	
	3.	[date]	
	4.	[date]	
	[]	[date]	
Signed by the Supplier:		Date:	
Review of Rectification Plan Buyer			
Outcome of review	[Plan Accepted] [Plan Rejected] [Revised Plan Requested]		
Reasons for rejection (if applicable)	[add reasons]		
Signed by Buyer		Date:	

Schedule 26 (Corporate Social Responsibility)

1. What we expect from our Suppliers

1.1 In February 2019, HM Government published a Supplier Code of Conduct setting out the standards and behaviours expected of suppliers who work with government.

(https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachm ent_data/file/779660/20190220-Supplier_Code_of_Conduct.pdf)

1.2 The Buyer expects its suppliers and subcontractors to meet the standards set out in that Code. In addition, the Buyer expects its suppliers and subcontractors to comply with the standards set out in this Schedule.

2. Equality and Accessibility

- 2.1 In addition to legal obligations, the Supplier shall support the Buyer in fulfilling its Public Sector Equality duty under S149 of the Equality Act 2010 by ensuring that it fulfils its obligations under each Contract in a way that seeks to:
 - 2.1.1 eliminate discrimination, harassment or victimisation of any kind; and
 - 2.1.2 advance equality of opportunity and good relations between those with a protected characteristic (age, disability, gender reassignment, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex, sexual orientation, and marriage and civil partnership) and those who do not share it.

3. Modern Slavery, Child Labour and Inhumane Treatment

- "Modern Slavery Helpline" means the mechanism for reporting suspicion, seeking help or advice and information on the subject of modern slavery available online at https://www.modernslaveryhelpline.org/report or by telephone on 08000 121 700.
 - 3.1 The Supplier:
 - 3.1.1 shall not use, nor allow its Subcontractors to use forced, bonded or involuntary prison labour;
 - 3.1.2 shall not require any Supplier Staff or Subcontractor Staff to lodge deposits or identify papers with the Employer and shall be free to leave their employer after reasonable notice;
 - 3.1.3 warrants and represents that it has not been convicted of any slavery or human trafficking offences anywhere around the world.
 - 3.1.4 warrants that to the best of its knowledge it is not currently under investigation, inquiry or enforcement proceedings in relation to any allegation of slavery or human trafficking offenses anywhere around the world.

- 3.1.5 shall make reasonable enquires to ensure that its officers, employees and Subcontractors have not been convicted of slavery or human trafficking offenses anywhere around the world.
- 3.1.6 shall have and maintain throughout the term of the Contract its own policies and procedures to ensure its compliance with the Modern Slavery Act 2015 and include in its contracts with its Subcontractors anti-slavery and human trafficking provisions;
- 3.1.7 shall implement due diligence procedures to ensure that there is no slavery or human trafficking in any part of its supply chain performing obligations under the Contract;
- 3.1.8 shall prepare and deliver to the Buyer, an annual slavery and human trafficking report setting out the steps it has taken to ensure that slavery and human trafficking is not taking place in any of its supply chains or in any part of its business with its annual certification of compliance with Paragraph 3;
- 3.1.9 shall not use, nor allow its employees or Subcontractors to use physical abuse or discipline, the threat of physical abuse, sexual or other harassment and verbal abuse or other forms of intimidation of its employees or Subcontractors;
- 3.1.10 shall not use or allow child or slave labour to be used by its Subcontractors;
- 3.1.11 shall report the discovery or suspicion of any slavery or trafficking by it or its Subcontractors to the Buyer and Modern Slavery Helpline.

4. Income Security

- 4.1 The Supplier shall:
 - 4.1.1 ensure that that all wages and benefits paid for a standard working week meet, at a minimum, national legal standards in the country of employment;
 - 4.1.2 ensure that all Supplier Staff are provided with written and understandable Information about their employment conditions in respect of wages before they enter;
 - 4.1.3 provide all workers with written and understandable Information about their employment conditions in respect of wages before they enter employment and about the particulars of their wages for the pay period concerned each time that they are paid;
 - 4.1.4 not make deductions from wages:
 - (a) as a disciplinary measure
 - (b) except where permitted by law; or
 - (c) without expressed permission of the worker concerned;

- 4.1.5 record all disciplinary measures taken against Supplier Staff; and
- 4.1.6 ensure that Supplier Staff are engaged under a recognised employment relationship established through national law and practice.

5. Working Hours

- 5.1 The Supplier shall:
 - 5.1.1 ensure that the working hours of Supplier Staff comply with national laws, and any collective agreements;
 - 5.1.2 that the working hours of Supplier Staff, excluding overtime, shall be defined by contract, and shall not exceed 48 hours per week unless the individual has agreed in writing;
 - 5.1.3 ensure that use of overtime used responsibly, taking into account:
 - (a) the extent;
 - (b) frequency; and
 - (c) hours worked;

by individuals and by the Supplier Staff as a whole;

- 5.2 The total hours worked in any seven day period shall not exceed 60 hours, except where covered by Paragraph 5.3 below.
- 5.3 Working hours may exceed 60 hours in any seven day period only in exceptional circumstances where all of the following are met:
 - 5.3.1 this is allowed by national law;
 - 5.3.2 this is allowed by a collective agreement freely negotiated with a workers' organisation representing a significant portion of the workforce;

appropriate safeguards are taken to protect the workers' health and safety; and

- 5.3.3 the employer can demonstrate that exceptional circumstances apply such as unexpected production peaks, accidents or emergencies.
- 5.4 All Supplier Staff shall be provided with at least one (1) day off in every seven (7) day period or, where allowed by national law, two (2) days off in every fourteen (14) day period.

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6. Sustainability

6.1 The supplier shall meet the applicable Government Buying Standards applicable to Deliverables which can be found online at:

https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/sustainable-procurement-thegovernment-buying-standards-gbs

Schedule 27 (Key Subcontractors)

1. Restrictions on certain subcontractors

- 1.1 The Supplier is entitled to sub-contract its obligations under the Contract to the Key Subcontractors set out in the Award Form.
- 1.2 Where during the Contract Period the Supplier wishes to enter into a new Key Sub-contract or replace a Key Subcontractor, it must obtain the prior written consent of the Buyer and the Supplier shall, at the time of requesting such consent, provide the Buyer with the information detailed in Paragraph 1.4. The decision of the Buyer to consent or not will not be unreasonably withheld or delayed. Where the Buyer consents to the appointment of a new Key Subcontractor then they will be added to Key Subcontractor section of the Award Form. The Buyer may reasonably withhold their consent to the appointment of a Key Subcontractor if it considers that:
 - 1.2.1 the appointment of a proposed Key Subcontractor may prejudice the provision of the Deliverables or may be contrary to its interests;
 - 1.2.2 the proposed Key Subcontractor is unreliable and/or has not provided reliable goods and or reasonable services to its other customers; and/or
 - 1.2.3 the proposed Key Subcontractor employs unfit persons.
- 1.3 The Supplier shall provide the Buyer with the following information in respect of the proposed Key Subcontractor:
 - 1.3.1 the proposed Key Subcontractor's name, registered office and company registration number;
 - 1.3.2 the scope/description of any Deliverables to be provided by the proposed Key Subcontractor;
 - 1.3.3 where the proposed Key Subcontractor is an Affiliate of the Supplier, evidence that demonstrates to the reasonable satisfaction of the Buyer that the proposed Key Sub-Contract has been agreed on "arm's-length" terms;
 - 1.3.4 the Key Sub-Contract price expressed as a percentage of the total projected Charges over the Contract Period; and
 - 1.3.5 (where applicable) Credit Rating Threshold (as defined in Schedule 24 (Financial Distress)) of the Key Subcontractor.
- 1.4 If requested by the Buyer, within ten (10) Working Days of receipt of the information provided by the Supplier pursuant to Paragraph 1.3, the Supplier shall also provide:
 - 1.4.1 a copy of the proposed Key Sub-Contract; and
 - 1.4.2 any further information reasonably requested by the Buyer.

- 1.5 The Supplier shall ensure that each new or replacement Key Sub-Contract shall include:
 - 1.5.1 provisions which will enable the Supplier to discharge its obligations under the Contract;
 - 1.5.2 a right under CRTPA for the Buyer to enforce any provisions under the Key Sub-Contract which confer a benefit upon the Buyer;
 - 1.5.3 a provision enabling the Buyer to enforce the Key Sub-Contract as if it were the Supplier;
 - 1.5.4 a provision enabling the Supplier to assign, novate or otherwise transfer any of its rights and/or obligations under the Key Sub-Contract to the Buyer;
 - 1.5.5 obligations no less onerous on the Key Subcontractor than those imposed on the Supplier under the Contract in respect of:
 - (a) the data protection requirements set out in Clause 14 (Data protection);
 - (b) the FOIA and other access request requirements set out in Clause 16 (When you can share information);
 - (c) the obligation not to embarrass the Buyer or otherwise bring the Buyer into disrepute;
 - (d) the keeping of records in respect of the goods and/or services being provided under the Key Sub-Contract, including the maintenance of Open Book Data; and
 - (e) the conduct of audits set out in Clause 6 (Record keeping and reporting);
 - 1.5.6 provisions enabling the Supplier to terminate the Key Sub-Contract on notice on terms no more onerous on the Supplier than those imposed on the Buyer under Clauses 10.4 (When the Buyer can end this contract) and 10.5 (What happens if the contract ends) of this Contract; and
 - 1.5.7 a provision restricting the ability of the Key Subcontractor to subcontract all or any part of the provision of the Deliverables provided to the Supplier under the Key Sub-Contract without first seeking the written consent of the Buyer.