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#### **Order Form**

CALL-OFF REFERENCE: C385934

THE BUYER: The Secretary of State for Health and Social Care as part of the

Crown through the UK Health Security Agency

(Also referred to as "UKHSA")

BUYER ADDRESS 10 South Colonnade,

Canary Wharf,

London,

E14 4PU.

THE SUPPLIER: AKHTER COMPUTERS LIMITED

SUPPLIER ADDRESS: 1-3 Marshgate Business Centre,

Harlow Business Park,

Harlow, CM19 5QP

REGISTRATION NUMBER: 02253061

DUNS NUMBER: 399470210

SID4GOV ID: N/A

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APPLICABLE FRAMEWORK CONTRACT

This Order Form is for the provision of the Call-Off Deliverables and dated 29<sup>th</sup> August 2025.

It's issued under the Framework Contract with the reference number RM6098 for the

provision of Technology Products & Associated Service 2.

CALL-OFF LOT(S):

Lot 3 Software

**CALL-OFF INCORPORATED TERMS** 

The following documents are incorporated into this Call-Off Contract. Where numbers are

missing, we are not using those schedules. If the documents conflict, the following order of

precedence applies:

1. This Order Form including the Call-Off Special Terms and Call-Off Special

Schedules.

2. Joint Schedule 1 (Definitions and Interpretation) RM6098

3. Framework Special Terms

4. The following Schedules in equal order of precedence:

• Joint Schedules for RM6098

Joint Schedule 2 (Variation Form)

Joint Schedule 4 (Commercially Sensitive Information)

Joint schedule 6 (Key Subcontractors)

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- o Joint schedule 7(Financial Difficulties) [including Annex 5 –
- Optional Terms for (Bronze Contracts)
- Joint Schedule 10 (Rectification Plan)
- Joint Schedule 11 (Processing Data)

#### Call-Off Schedules for RM6098

Call-Off Schedule 1 (Transparency Reports)

Call-off schedule 5 (Pricing Details)

Call-Off Schedule 6 (ICT Services)

Call off schedule 8 (Business continuity and Disaster Recovery)

Call-Off Schedule 9 (Security)

Call-Off Schedule 10 (Exit Management)

Call off schedule 15 (Call- off contract management)

Call-Off Schedule 16 (Benchmarking)

Call off schedule 20 (Specification)

#### 5. CCS Core Terms (version 3.0.11) as amended by the Framework Award Form

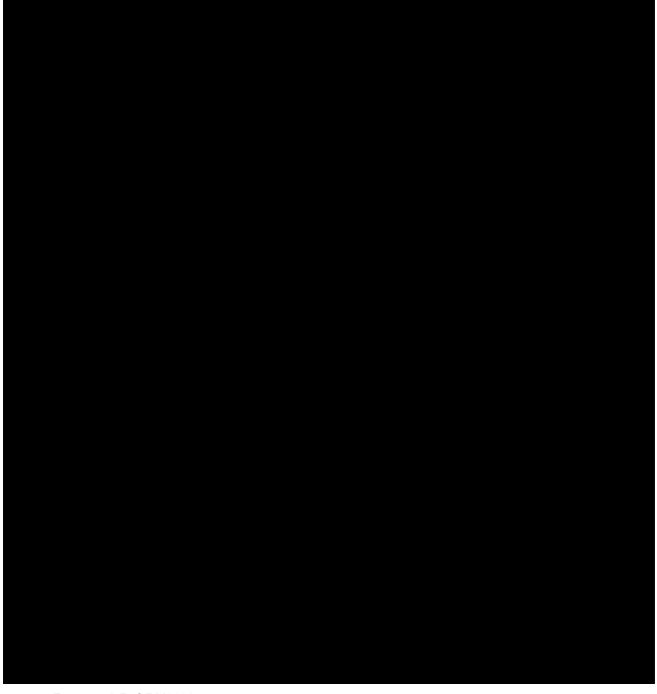
No other Supplier terms are part of the Call-Off Contract. That includes any terms written on the back of, added to this Order Form, or presented at the time of delivery.

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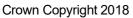
#### **CALL-OFF SPECIAL TERMS**

The following Special Terms are incorporated into this Call-Off Contract:

The Core Terms (version 3.0.11) shall be amended by deleting existing Clauses and inserting new Clauses as follows:



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CALL-OFF START DATE: 1st September 2025

CALL-OFF EXPIRY DATE: 31st August 2025

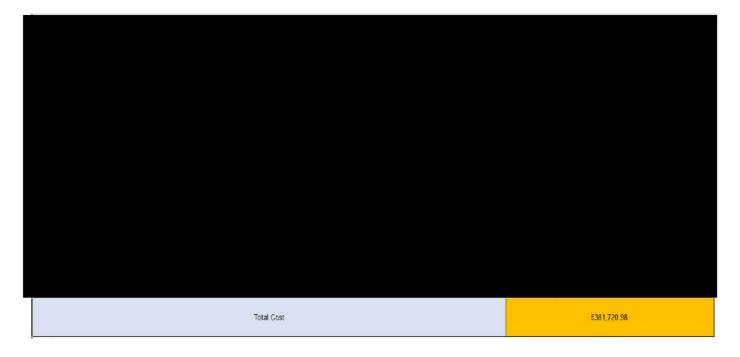
CALL-OFF INITIAL PERIOD: The initial term is 12 months.

The customer may extend for up to a further 12 Month before the initial term ends. All contract terms apply during the extension.

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#### **CALL-OFF DELIVERABLES**



#### **LOCATION FOR DELIVERY**

This is a Software License contract. No physical delivery is required.

Licenses will be delivered by activating access to the customer's service now instance. All access will be provided online.

#### **DATES FOR DELIVERY**

Licenses access must be provisioned and made available for use by customer no later than the contract start date, unless otherwise agreed in writing

#### **TESTING OF DELIVERABLES**

Option A: None

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#### WARRANTY PERIOD

The warranty period for the purposes of Clause 3.1.2 of the Core Terms shall be 90 days from the date of license delivery.

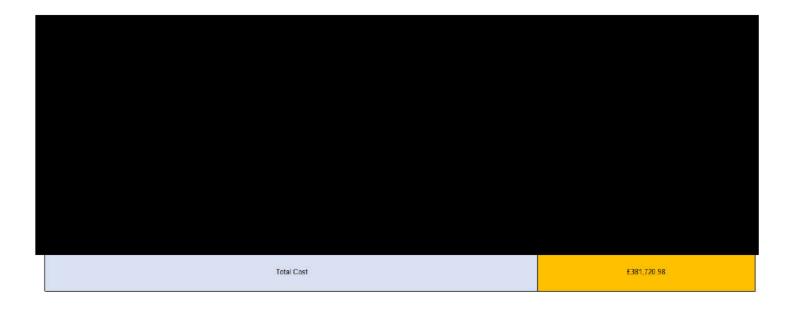
#### **MAXIMUM LIABILITY**

The limitation of liability for this Call-Off Contract is stated in Clause 11.2 of the Core Terms.

The Estimated Year 1 Charges used to calculate liability in the first Contract Year is £381,

720.98 Ex Vat, Estimated Charges in the first 12 months of the Contract.

#### **CALL-OFF CHARGES**



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REIMBURSABLE EXPENSES	
None	
PAYMENT METHOD	
BACS	
BUYER'S INVOICE ADDRESS:	
Accounts Payable;	
BUYER'S AUTHORISED REPRESENTATIVE	

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#### **BUYER'S ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY**

Not Applicable

#### **BUYER'S SECURITY POLICY**

Appended at Call-Off Schedule 9 (Security) Part A: Short Form Security Requirements shall apply to this Call-Off Contract

#### SUPPLIER'S AUTHORISED REPRESENTATIVE



#### SUPPLIER'S CONTRACT MANAGER



#### PROGRESS REPORT FREQUENCY

As and when required by the customer

#### PROGRESS MEETING FREQUENCY

As and when required by the customer

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**KEY STAFF** 

**KEY SUBCONTRACTOR(S)** 

Not applicable

**COMMERCIALLY SENSITIVE INFORMATION** 

Call off schedule 5 (pricing details)

**SERVICE CREDITS** 

Not applicable

**ADDITIONAL INSURANCES** 

Not applicable

**GUARANTEE** 

Not applicable

**SOCIAL VALUE COMMITMENT** 

This contract is for the supply of software licenses only while the nature of this requirement limits the scope of embedding social value outcome, the supplier has provided social value commitment in tender response to supply chain resilience and cyber security which is

alignment with principle of the UK government social value model.

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Joint Schedule 1 (Definitions)

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Joint Schedule 1 (Definitions)

1.1 In each Contract, unless the context otherwise requires, capitalised expressions shall

have the meanings set out in this Joint 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 each 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

Central Government 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;

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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;

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 each Contract are for ease of reference only and shall not affect

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the interpretation or construction of a Contract;

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1.3.12 where the Buyer is a Central Government Body it shall be treated as contracting

with the Crown as a whole;

1.3.13 any reference in a Contract which immediately before Exit Day was a reference

to (as it has effect from time to time):

(a) any EU regulation, EU decision, EU tertiary legislation or provision

of the EEA agreement ("EU References") which is to form part of

domestic law by application of section 3 of the European Union

(Withdrawal) Act 2018 shall be read on and after Exit Day as a

reference to the EU References as they form part of domestic law

by virtue of section 3 of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018

as modified by domestic law from time to time; and

(b) any EU institution or EU authority or other such EU body shall be

read on and after Exit Day as a reference to the UK institution,

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authority or body to which its functions were transferred; and

1.3.14 unless otherwise provided, references to "Buyer" shall be construed as including

Exempt Buyers; and

1.3.15 unless otherwise provided, references to "Call-Off Contract" and "Contract" shall be

construed as including Exempt Call-off Contracts.

1.4 In each Contract, unless the context otherwise requires, the following words shall have

the following meanings:

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in respect of a Test, to successfully pass such Test without any Test Issues and ir
respect of a Milestone, the issue of a Satisfaction Certificate in respect of tha
Milestone and "Achieved", "Achieving" and "Achievement" shall be construed
accordingly;
insurance requirements relating to a Call-Off Contract specified in the Order Form
additional to those outlined in Joint Schedule 3 (Insurance Requirements);
means the costs incurred by CCS in dealing with MI Failures calculated in
accordance with the tariff of administration charges published by the CCS on:
http://CCS.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/i-am-supplier/management-
information/admin-fees;
the Party seeking to claim relief in respect of a Force Majeure Event;
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;
extra information which supports a Schedule;
the prior written consent of the Buyer and "Approve" and "Approved" shall be
construed accordingly;
the Relevant Authority's right to:

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a) verify the accuracy of the Charges and any other amounts payable by a Buyer under a

Call-Off 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 Contract and

applicable Law;

e) identify or investigate actual or suspected breach of Clauses 27 to 33 and/or Joint

Schedule 5 (Corporate Social Responsibility), impropriety or accounting mistakes of

any breach or threatened breach of security and in these circumstances the Relevant

Authority 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 Relevant Authority'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 each Contract;

i) carry out the Relevant Authority's internal and statutory audits and to prepare, examine

and/or certify the Relevant Authority's annual and interim reports and accounts;

j) enable the National Audit Office to carry out an examination pursuant to Section 6(1) o

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Crown Copyright 2018 the National Audit Act 1983 of the economy, efficiency and effectiveness with which the Relevant Authority has used its resources; or k) verify the accuracy and completeness of any Management Information delivered or required by the Framework Contract; Auditor" a) the Relevant Authority's internal and external auditors; b) the Relevant Authority'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 Relevant Authority to carry out audit or similar

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	review functions; and
	f) successors or assigns of any of the above;

Authority"	CCS and each Buyer;
Authority Cause"	any breach of the obligations of the Relevant Authority or any other default, act
	omission, negligence or statement of the Relevant Authority, of its employees
	servants, agents in connection with or in relation to the subject- matter of the
	Contract and in respect of which the Relevant Authority 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"	the relevant public sector purchaser identified as such in the Order Form;
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	the representative appointed by the Buyer from time to time in relation to the
representative"	Call-Off Contract initially identified in the Order 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);
Call-Off Contract"	the contract between the Buyer and the Supplier (entered into pursuant to the
	provisions of the Framework Contract), which consists of the terms set out and
	referred to in the Order Form;
Call-Off Contract	the Contract Period in respect of the Call-Off Contract;
period"	
Call-Off Expiry ate"	the scheduled date of the end of a Call-Off Contract as stated in the Order Form;

Call-Off	the contractual terms applicable to the Call-Off Contract specified under the
ncorporated	relevant heading in the Order Form;
terms"	
Call-Off Initial	the Initial Period of a Call-Off Contract specified in the Order Form;
period"	
Call-Off Optional	such period or periods beyond which the Call-Off Initial Period may be
extension Period"	extended as specified in the Order Form;
Call-Off	the process for awarding a Call-Off Contract pursuant to Clause 2 (How the
procedure"	contract works) and Framework Schedule 7 (Call-Off Award Procedure);
Call-Off Special	any additional terms and conditions specified in the Order Form
terms"	incorporated into the applicable Call-Off Contract;
Call-Off Start	the date of start of a Call-Off Contract as stated in the Order Form;
ate"	

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initially identified in the Framework Award Form;
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nded from time to time by the Office for Nationa
partment;
Public Body or Assembly Sponsored Public
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ontract which comes into force after the Start Date;
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of any applicable VAT), payable to the Supplier by the
Off Contract, as set out in the Order Form, for the ful
nce by the Supplier of its obligations under the Call-

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	Off Contract less any Deductions;
Claim"	any claim which it appears that a Beneficiary is, or may become, entitled to indemnification under this Contract;
Commercially sensitive	the Confidential Information listed in the Framework Award Form or Order
nformation"	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 Authority that, if disclosed by the Authority, 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 CCS, 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 the Supplier
nterest"	Staff and the duties owed to CCS or any Buyer under a Contract, in the reasonable
	opinion of the Buyer or CCS;
Contract"	either the Framework Contract or the Call-Off Contract, as the context
	requires;

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Contract Period"	the term of either a Framework Contract or Call-Off Contract on and from the
	earlier of the:
	a) applicable Start Date; or
	b) the Effective Date
	up to and including the applicable End Date;
Contract Value"	the higher of the actual or expected total Charges paid or payable under a
	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 UK GDPR;
Core Terms"	CCS' terms and conditions for common goods and services which govern how
	Suppliers must interact with CCS and Buyers under Framework Contracts and
	Call-Off Contracts;
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 Workday, 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;
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	vii) workplace accommodation;
	viii) workplace 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;

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- 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 exten
  that such costs are necessary and properly incurred by the Supplier in the
  provision of the Deliverables; and
- d) Reimbursable Expenses to the extent these have been specified as allowable in the Order Form and are incurred in delivering any Deliverables; but excluding:
- e) Overhead;
- f) financing or similar costs;
- g) maintenance and support costs to the extent that these relate to maintenance and/or support Deliverables provided beyond the Call-Off Contract Period whether in relation to Supplier Assets or otherwise;
- h) taxation;
- i) fines and penalties;
- j) amounts payable under Call-Off Schedule 16 (Benchmarking) where such Schedule is used; and
- k) non-cash items (including depreciation, amortisation, impairments and movements in provisions).

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the Contract Rights of Third Parties Act 1999;

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"Cyber	ISO27001 certification where:
essentials	a) the Cyber Essentials requirements, at either basic or Plus levels as
equivalent"	appropriate, have been included in the scope, and verified as such; and
	b) the certification body carrying out this verification is approved to issue a
	Cyber Essentials certificate by one of the accreditation bodies
	This would be regarded as holding an equivalent standard to Cyber Essentials.
Data Protection	an assessment by the Controller of the impact of the envisaged Processing on the
mpact	protection of Personal Data;
assessment"	
Data Protection	(i) the UK GDPR as amended from time to time; (ii) the DPA 2018 to the extent
legislation"	that it relates to Processing of Personal Data and privacy; (iii) all applicable Law
	about the Processing of Personal Data and privacy;
Data Protection	the amount specified in the Framework Award Form;
liability Cap"	

Data Protection	has the meaning given to it in the UK GDPR;
officer"	
Data Subject"	has the meaning given to it in the UK GDPR;
Data Subject	a request made by, or on behalf of, a Data Subject in accordance with rights
access Request"	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 a Call-Off Contract;
Default"	any breach of the obligations of the Supplier (including abandonment of a Contrac
	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 a Contract and in respect of which the Supplier is liable to the Relevant
	Authority;
Default	has the meaning given to it in Paragraph 8.1.1 of Framework Schedule 5
management	(Management Charges and Information);
charge"	
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 o
	a Call-Off Contract as confirmed and accepted by the Buyer by either (a)
	confirmation in writing to the Supplier; or (b) where Call-Off Schedule 13
	(Implementation Plan and Testing) is used issue by the Buyer of a Satisfaction
	Certificate. "Deliver" and "Delivered" shall be construed accordingly;
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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 (whether contractual or non-contractual) arising
	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 brough
	in the English courts;
Dispute	the dispute resolution procedure set out in Clause 34 (Resolving disputes);
resolution	
procedure"	
Documentation"	descriptions of the Services and Service Levels, technical specifications, use
	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 a Contract as:

I) 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
m) is required by the Supplier in order to provide the Deliverables; and/or
n) has been or shall be generated for the purpose of providing the Deliverables;

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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 se
	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;
DPA 2018"	the Data Protection Act 2018;
Due Diligence	any information supplied to the Supplier by or on behalf of the Authority prior to
nformation"	the Start Date;
Effective Date"	the date on which the final Party has signed the Contract;
EIR"	the Environmental Information Regulations 2004;
Electronic	an invoice which has been issued, transmitted and received in a structured
nvoice"	electronic format which allows for its automatic and electronic processing and
	which complies with (a) the European standard and (b) any of the syntaxes
	published in Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2017/1870;
Employment	the Transfer of Undertakings (Protection of Employment) Regulations 2006 (SI
regulations"	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
	Relevant Authority under Clause 10.1.2); or
	b) if a Contract is terminated before the date specified in (a) above, the date
	of termination of the Contract;
Environmental	to conserve energy, water, wood, paper and other resources, reduce waste and
policy"	phase out the use of ozone depleting substances and minimise the release o
	greenhouse gases, volatile organic compounds and other substances damaging
	to health and the environment, including any written environmental policy of the

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	Buyer;
Equality and	the UK Government body named as such as may be renamed or replaced by an
human Rights	equivalent body from time to time;
commission"	
Estimated Year 1	the anticipated total Charges payable by the Buyer in the first Contract Year
charges"	specified in the Order Form;

"Estimated Yearly	means for the purposes of calculating each Party's annual liability under
Charges"	clause 11.2:
	i) in the first Contract Year, the Estimated Year 1 Charges; or
	ii) in the any subsequent Contract Years, the Charges paid or
	payable in the previous Call-off Contract Year; or
	iii) after the end of the Call-off Contract, the Charges paid or payable
	in the last Contract Year during the Call-off Contract Period;
"Exempt Buyer"	a public sector purchaser that is:
	a) eligible to use the Framework Contract; and
	b) is entering into an Exempt Call-off Contract that is not subject to (as
	applicable) any of:
	i) the Regulations;
	ii) the Concession Contracts Regulations 2016 (SI 2016/273);
	iii) the Utilities Contracts Regulations 2016 (SI 2016/274);
	iv) the Defence and Security Public Contracts Regulations
	2011 (SI 2011/1848);
	v) the Remedies Directive (2007/66/EC);
	vi) Directive 2014/23/EU of the European Parliament and
	Council;
	vii) Directive 2014/24/EU of the European Parliament and Council;
	viii) Directive 2014/25/EU of the European Parliament and

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	Council; or
	ix) Directive 2009/81/EC of the European Parliament and
	Council;
"Exempt Call-off	the contract between the Exempt Buyer and the Supplier for Deliverables
Contract"	which consists of the terms set out and referred to in the Order Form
	incorporating and, where necessary, amending, refining or adding to the
	terms of the Framework Contract;
"Exempt Procurement	any amendments, refinements or additions to any of the terms of the
Amendments"	Framework Contract made through the Exempt Call-off Contract to reflect
	the specific needs of an Exempt Buyer to the extent permitted by and in
	accordance with any legal requirements applicable to that Exempt Buyer;

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);
Exit Day"	shall have the meaning in the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018;
Expiry Date"	the Framework Expiry Date or the Call-Off Expiry Date (as the context
	dictates);
Extension Period"	the Framework Optional Extension Period or the Call-Off Optional
	Extension Period as the context dictates;
"Financial Reports"	a report by the Supplier to the Buyer that:
	a) provides a true and fair reflection of the Costs and Supplier Profit
	Margin forecast by the Supplier;
	b) provides a true and fair reflection of the costs and expenses to be
	incurred by Key Subcontractors (as requested by the Buyer);
	c) is in the same software package (Microsoft Excel or Microsoft Word),
	layout and format as the blank templates which have been issued by
	the Buyer to the Supplier on or before the Start Date for the purposes
	of the Contract; and
	is certified by the Supplier's Chief Financial Officer or Director of Finance;
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 o
	practice issued by the Information Commissioner or relevant Government
	department in relation to such legislation;

	performance of its obligations under the Contract arising from acts, events
	omissions, happenings or non-happenings beyond its reasonable contro
	and which are not attributable to any willful act, neglect or failure to take
	reasonable preventative action by that Party, including:
	a) riots, civil commotion, war or armed conflict;
	b) acts of terrorism;
	c) acts of government, local government or regulatory bodies;
	d) fire, flood, storm or earthquake or other natural disaster,
	but excluding any industrial dispute relating to the Supplier, the Supplier Staf
	or any other failure in the Supplier or the Subcontractor's supply chain;
Force Majeure	a written notice served by the Affected Party on the other Party stating that
notice"	the Affected Party believes that there is a Force Majeure Event;

Framework Award	the document outlining the Framework Incorporated Terms and crucia
form"	information required for the Framework Contract, to be executed by the
	Supplier and CCS;
Framework contract"	the framework agreement established between CCS and the Supplier in
	accordance with Regulation 33 by the Framework Award Form for the
	provision of the Deliverables to Buyers by the Supplier pursuant to the notice
	published on the Find a Tender Service;
Framework Contract	the period from the Framework Start Date until the End Date of the
period"	Framework Contract;
Framework Expiry ate"	the scheduled date of the end of the Framework Contract as stated in the
	Framework Award Form;
Framework	the contractual terms applicable to the Framework Contract specified in the
incorporated Terms"	Framework Award Form;
Framework Optional	such period or periods beyond which the Framework Contract Period may
extension Period"	be extended as specified in the Framework Award Form;
Framework Price(s)"	the price(s) applicable to the provision of the Deliverables set out in
	Framework Schedule 3 (Framework Prices);
Framework Special	any additional terms and conditions specified in the Framework Award Form
terms"	incorporated into the Framework Contract;
Framework Start ate"	the date of start of the Framework Contract as stated in the
	Framework Award Form;
Framework Tender	the tender submitted by the Supplier to CCS and annexed to or
response"	referred to in Framework Schedule 2 (Framework Tender);
Further Competition	the further competition procedure described in Framework Schedule 7
procedure"	(Call-Off Award Procedure);
UK GDPR"	the retained EU law version of the General Data Protection Regulation

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	(Regulation (EU) 2016/679);
General Anti-Abuse	a) the legislation in Part 5 of the Finance Act 2013 and; and
rule"	b) any future legislation introduced into parliament to counteract Tax advantages arising from abusive arrangements to avoid Nationa Insurance contributions;
General Change in law"	a Change in Law where the change is of a general legislative nature
	(including Tax or duties of any sort affecting the Supplier) or which affects
	or relates to a Comparable Supply;
"Gold Contract"	a Call-Off Contract categorized as a gold contract using the Cabinet Office
	Contract Tiering Tool;
Goods"	goods made available by the Supplier as specified in Framework Schedule
	1 (Specification) and in relation to a Call-Off Contract as specified in the
	Order Form;
Good Industry	standards, practices, methods and procedures conforming to the Law and
practice"	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;

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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 Authority's
	Confidential Information, and which:
	i) are supplied to the Supplier by or on behalf of the Authority; or
	ii) the Supplier is required to generate, process, store or transmit
	pursuant to a Contract;
Guarantor"	the person (if any) who has entered into a guarantee in the form set out in
	Joint Schedule 8 (Guarantee) in relation to this Contract;
Halifax Abuse	the principle explained in the CJEU Case C-255/02 Halifax and others;
	the principle explained in the colds cace of 200/02 Hamax and calore,
principle"	
"HM Government"	Her Majesty's Government;
HMRC"	Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs;
ICT Policy"	the Buyer's policy in respect of information and communications technology
	referred to in the Order Form, which is in force as at the Call-Off 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 Relevant Authority
	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 Framework
	Prices/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 Relevant Authority may reasonably request
in (or in response to) the Variation request;

Implementation	the plan for provision of the Deliverables set out in Call-Off Schedule 13
plan"	(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	where a Controller has provided Personal Data to another Party which is no
control"	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 Framework
	Schedule 3 (Framework Prices) and the relevant Order Form;
Information"	has the meaning given under section 84 of the Freedom of Information Act
	2000;
Information	the UK's independent authority which deals with ensuring information relating
commissioner"	to rights in the public interest and data privacy for individuals is met, whilst
	promoting openness by public bodies;

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Initial Period"	the initial term of a Contract specified in the Framework Award Form or the
	Order Form, as the context requires;
Insolvency Event"	with respect to any person, means:
	(a) that person suspends, or threatens to suspend, payment of its debts, or
	is unable to pay its debts as they fall due or admits inability to pay its debts
	or:
	(i) (being a company or an LLP) is deemed unable to pay its debts within the
	meaning of section 123 of the Insolvency Act 1986, or
	(ii) (being a partnership) is deemed unable to pay its debts within the
	meaning of section 222 of the Insolvency Act 1986;
	(b) that person commences negotiations with one or more of its creditors
	(using a voluntary arrangement, scheme of arrangement or otherwise) with
	a view to rescheduling any of its debts, or makes a proposal for or enters into
	any compromise or arrangement with one or more of its creditors or takes
	any step to obtain a moratorium pursuant to Section 1A and Schedule A1 o
	the Insolvency Act 1986 other than (in the case of a company, a LLP or a
	partnership) for the sole purpose of a scheme for a solvent amalgamation o
	that person with one or more other companies or the solvent reconstruction o
	that person;
	(c) another person becomes entitled to appoint a receiver over the assets o
	that person or a receiver is appointed over the assets of that person;
	(d) a creditor or encumbrancer of that person attaches or takes possession
	of, or a distress, execution or other such process is levied or enforced on o
	sued against, the whole or any part of that person's assets and such
	attachment or process is not discharged within 14 days;

	(e) that person suspends or ceases, or threatens to suspend or cease
	carrying on all or a substantial part of its business;
	(f) where that person is a company, an LLP or a partnership:
	(i) a petition is presented (which is not dismissed within 14 days of its
	service), a notice is given, a resolution is passed, or an order is made, for o
	in connection with the winding up of that person other than for the sole
	purpose of a scheme for a solvent amalgamation of that person with one or
	more other companies or the solvent reconstruction of that person;
	(ii) an application is made to court, or an order is made, for the appointment
	of an administrator, or if a notice of intention to appoint an administrator is
	filed at Court or given or if an administrator is appointed, over that person;
	(iii) (being a company or an LLP) the holder of a qualifying floating charge
	over the assets of that person has become entitled to appoint or has
	appointed an administrative receiver; or
	(iv) (being a partnership) the holder of an agricultural floating charge over
	the assets of that person has become entitled to appoint or has appointed
	an agricultural receiver; or
	(g) any event occurs, or proceeding is taken, with respect to that person ir
	any jurisdiction to which it is subject that has an effect equivalent or similar
	to any of the events mentioned above;
Installation Works"	all works which the Supplier is to carry out at the beginning of the Call- Off
	Contract Period to install the Goods in accordance with the Call- Of
	Contract;
	Contract,

Intellectual Property	a) copyright, rights related to or affording protection similar to copyright
rights" or "IPR"	rights in databases, patents and rights in inventions, semi-conductor
	topography rights, trademarks, 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 Confidentia
	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
	Order Form;
IPR Claim"	any claim of infringement or alleged infringement (including the defence o
	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 Relevant Authority in the
	fulfilment of its obligations under a Contract;

IR35"	the off-payroll rules requiring individuals who work through their company
	pay the same income tax and National Insurance contributions as ar
	employee which can be found online at: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/guidance/ir35-">https://www.gov.uk/guidance/ir35-</a>
	find-out-if-it-applies;
"ISO"	International Organization for Standardization;
Joint Controller	the agreement (if any) entered into between the Relevant Authority and the
agreement"	Supplier substantially in the form set out in Annex 2 of Joint Schedule 11
	(Processing Data);
Joint Controllers"	where two or more Controllers jointly determine the purposes and
	means of Processing;
Key Staff"	the individuals (if any) identified as such in the Order 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 CCS or the Buyer performs (or would perform i
	appointed) a critical role in the provision of all or any part of the
	Deliverables; and/or
	c) with a Sub-Contract with a contract value which at the time of appointmer
	exceeds (or would exceed if appointed) 10% of the aggregate Charges
	forecast to be payable under the Call-Off Contract,
	and the Supplier shall list all such Key Subcontractors in section 19 of the
	Framework Award Form and in the Key Subcontractor Section in Order
	Form;
	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, byelaw, enforceable right within the meaning o
	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 relevant
	Party is bound to comply;
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 Framework Schedule 1
	(Specification), if applicable;

Management	the sum specified in the Framework Award Form payable by the Supplier
charge"	to CCS in accordance with Framework Schedule 5 (Management Charges
	and Information);
Management	the management information specified in Framework Schedule 5
nformation" or "MI"	(Management Charges and Information);
MI Default"	means when two (2) MI Reports are not provided in any rolling six (6) month
	period
MI Failure"	means when an MI report:
	a) contains any material errors or material omissions or a missing
	mandatory field; or
	b) is submitted using an incorrect MI reporting Template; or
	c) is not submitted by the reporting date (including where a
	declaration of no business should have been filed);
MI Report"	means a report containing Management Information submitted to the
	Authority in accordance with Framework Schedule 5 (Management Charges
	and Information);
MI Reporting	means the form of report set out in the Annex to Framework Schedule 5
template"	(Management Charges and Information) setting out the information the
	Supplier is required to supply to the Authority;
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 Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act
	1992 and made in accordance with the Social Security (Contributions)

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	Regulations 2001 (SI 2001/1004);
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 a 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 a Contract and all updates and amendments to the
	same;
	but shall not include the Supplier's Existing IPR;
Occasion of Tax on-	- where:
Compliance"	a) any Tax return of the Supplier submitted to a Relevant Tax Authority on o
	after 1 October 2012 is found on or after 1 April 2013 to be incorrect as
	result of:
	i) a Relevant Tax Authority successfully challenging the Supplier unde
	the General Anti-Abuse Rule or the Halifax Abuse Principle or under
	any Tax rules or legislation in any jurisdiction

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- 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 of 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;

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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 Call-O 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 a Deliverables;
- b) operating expenditure relating to the provision of the Deliverables including an analysis showing:
  - the unit costs and quantity of Goods and any other consumables and bought-in Deliverables;
  - staff costs 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 grade;
  - iii) a list of Costs underpinning those rates for each grade, being the agreed rate less the Supplier Profit Margin; and
  - iv) Reimbursable Expenses, if allowed under the Order 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 Framework 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

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	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;

Order"	means an order for the provision of the Deliverables placed by a Buyer with
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	the Supplier under a Contract;
Order Form"	a completed Order Form Template (or equivalent information issued by the
	Buyer) used to create a Call-Off Contract;
Order Form	the template in Framework Schedule 6 (Order Form Template and Call-
template"	Off Schedules);
Other Contracting	any actual or potential Buyer under the Framework Contract;
authority"	
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 by Law;
Party"	in the context of the Framework Contract, CCS or the Supplier, and in the in
	the context of a Call-Off Contract the Buyer or the Supplier. "Parties" shal
	mean both of them where the context permits;
Performance	the performance measurements and targets in respect of the Supplier's
ndicators" or "PIs"	performance of the Framework Contract set out in Framework Schedule 4
	(Framework Management);
Personal Data"	has the meaning given to it in the UK GDPR;
Personal Data	has the meaning given to it in the UK GDPR;
reach"	
Personnel"	all directors, officers, employees, agents, consultants and suppliers of a Party
	and/or of any Subcontractor and/or Subprocessor engaged in the

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	performance of its obligations under a Contract;
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: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/blowing-the-whistle-list-of-prescribed-people-and-bodies2/whistleblowing-list-of-prescribed-people-and-bodies">https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/blowing-the-whistle-list-of-prescribed-people-and-bodies2/whistleblowing-list-of-prescribed-people-and-bodies;</a>
Processing"	has the meaning given to it in the UK GDPR;
Processor"	has the meaning given to it in the UK GDPR;
Progress Meeting"	a meeting between the Buyer Authorised Representative and the Supplier Authorised Representative;
Progress Meeting	the frequency at which the Supplier shall conduct a Progress Meeting in
frequency"	accordance with Clause 6.1 as specified in the Order Form;
Progress Report"	a report provided by the Supplier indicating the steps taken to achieve  Milestones or delivery dates;

Progress Report	the frequency at which the Supplier shall deliver Progress Reports in						
frequency"	accordance with Clause 6.1 as specified in the Order Form;						
Prohibited Acts"	a) to directly or indirectly offer, promise or give any person working for						
	engaged by a Buyer or any other public body a financial or other						
	advantage to:						
	i) induce that person to perform improperly a relevant function or activity or						
	ii) reward that person for improper performance of a relevant function of activity;						
	b) to directly or indirectly request, agree to receive or accept any financial o						
	other advantage as an inducement or a reward for improper performance						
	of a relevant function or activity in connection with each 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 a 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;						

Protective	appropriate technical and organisational measures which may include
measures"	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 including those outlined in Framework
	Schedule 9 (Cyber Essentials Scheme), if applicable, in the case of the
	Framework Contract or Call-Off Schedule 9 (Security), if applicable, in the
	case of a Call-Off Contract.
"Rating Agency"	as defined in the Framework Award Form or the Order Form, as the
	context requires;
Recall"	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 right
	IPR rights) that might endanger health or hinder performance;
Recipient Party"	the Party which receives or obtains directly or indirectly Confidential
	Information;
Rectification Plan"	the Supplier's plan (or revised plan) to rectify its breach using the
	template in Joint Schedule 10 (Rectification Plan) 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 (i
	applicable) and to prevent such Default from recurring, including
	timescales for such steps and for the rectification of the Default (where
	applicable);
Rectification Plan	the process set out in Clause 10.3.1 to 10.3.4 (Rectification Plan
process"	Process);
Regulations"	the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 and/or the Public Contracts
	(Scotland) Regulations 2015 (as the context requires);
Reimbursable	the reasonable out of pocket travel and subsistence (for example, hotel and
expenses"	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 ir
	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;
Relevant Authority"	the Authority which is party to the Contract to which a right or
	obligation is owed, as the context requires;

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Relevant Authority's	a) all Personal Data and any information, however it is conveyed, that relates
confidential	to the business, affairs, developments, property rights, trade secrets
nformation"	Know-How and IPR of the Relevant Authority (including all Relevan
	Authority Existing IPR and New IPR);
	b) any other information clearly designated as being confidential (whether o
	not it is marked "confidential") or which ought reasonably to be considered
	confidential which comes (or has come) to the Relevant Authority's
	attention or into the Relevant Authority's possession in connection with a
	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	HMRC, or, if applicable, the tax authority in the jurisdiction in which the
authority"	Supplier is established;
Reminder Notice"	a notice sent in accordance with Clause 10.5 given by the Supplier to the
	Buyer providing notification that payment has not been received on time;

Replacement	any deliverables which are substantially similar to any of the Deliverables
deliverables"	and which the Buyer receives in substitution for any of the Deliverables
	following the Call-Off Expiry Date, whether those goods are provided by the
	Buyer internally and/or by any third party;
Replacement	a Subcontractor of the Replacement Supplier to whom Transferring Supplier
subcontractor"	Employees will transfer on a Service Transfer Date (or any Subcontractor of
	any such Subcontractor);
Replacement	any third party provider of Replacement Deliverables appointed by or at the
supplier"	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	a request for information or an apparent request relating to a Contract for the
information"	provision of the Deliverables or an apparent request for such information
	under the FOIA or the EIRs;
Required insurance"	the insurances required by Joint Schedule 3 (Insurance Requirements) or
	any additional insurances specified in the Order Form;
"RTI"	Real Time Information;
Satisfaction	the certificate (materially in the form of the document contained in of Part E
certificate"	of Call-Off Schedule 13 (Implementation Plan and Testing) or as agreed by
	the Parties where Call-Off Schedule 13 is not used in this Contract) granted
	by the Buyer when the Supplier has met all of the requirements of an Order,
	Achieved a Milestone or a Test;
Security	the Supplier's security management plan prepared pursuant to Call- Off
management Plan"	Schedule 9 (Security) (if applicable);
Security Policy"	the Buyer's security policy, referred to in the Order Form, in force as at the
	Call-Off Start Date (a copy of which has been supplied to the Supplier), as
	updated from time to time and notified to the Supplier;

Self-Audit	means the certificate in the form as set out in Framework Schedule 8 (Self
certificate"	Audit Certificate);
Serious Fraud	the UK Government body named as such as may be renamed or
office"	replaced by an equivalent body from time to time;
Service Levels"	any service levels applicable to the provision of the Deliverables under the
	Call Off Contract (which, where Call Off Schedule 14 (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 Order Form;

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Services"	services made available by the Supplier as specified in Framework Schedule
	1 (Specification) and in relation to a Call-Off Contract as specified in the
	Order 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	the date of a Service Transfer;
ate"	
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
	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;
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 Framework Award Form or Order Form
	which shall form part of the respective Contract;
Specific Change in aw"	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
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	Date;
Specification"	the specification set out in Framework Schedule 1 (Specification), as may, in
	relation to a Call-Off Contract, be supplemented by the Order Form;

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 1 (Specification);
c) standards detailed by the Buyer in the Order Form or agreed between the
Parties from time to time;
d) relevant Government codes of practice and guidance applicable from time to time;
in the case of the Framework Contract, the date specified on the Framework
Award Form, and in the case of a Call-Off Contract, the date specified in the
Order Form;

Statement of	a statement issued by the Buyer detailing its requirements in respect of
requirements"	Deliverables issued in accordance with the Call-Off Procedure;
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
	Call-Off Contract or the Framework 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;
Sub processor"	any third Party appointed to process Personal Data on behalf of that
	Processor related to a Contract;
Supplier"	the person, firm or company identified in the Framework Award Form;
Supplier Assets"	all assets and rights used by the Supplier to provide the Deliverables in
	accordance with the Call-Off Contract but excluding the Buyer Assets;
Supplier Authorised	the representative appointed by the Supplier named in the Framework
representative"	Award Form, or later defined in a Call-Off Contract;
Supplier's	a) any information, however, it is conveyed, that relates to the business
confidential	affairs, developments, IPR of the Supplier (including the Supplier Existing
nformation"	IPR) trade secrets, Know-How, and/or personnel of the Supplier;
	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

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	Supplier's attention or into the Supplier's possession in connection with a
	Contract;
	c) Information derived from any of (a) and (b) above;
"Supplier's	the person identified in the Order Form appointed by the Supplier to
Contract	oversee the operation of the Call-Off Contract and any alternative
Manager	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, plan
	materials and such other items supplied and used by the Supplier (but no
	hired, leased or loaned from the Buyer) in the performance of its obligations
	under this Call-Off Contract;
Supplier Marketing	shall be the person identified in the Framework Award Form;
contact"	

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 a Contract;
Supplier Profit"	in relation to a period, the difference between the total Charges (in nomina
	cash flow terms but excluding any Deductions) and total Costs (in nomina
	cash flow terms) in respect of a Call-Off Contract for the relevant period;
Supplier Profit	in relation to a period or a Milestone (as the context requires), the Supplier
margin"	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 a Contract;
Supporting	sufficient information in writing to enable the Buyer to reasonably assess
documentation"	whether the Charges, Reimbursable Expenses and other sums due from the
	Buyer under the Call-Off Contract detailed in the information are properly
	payable;

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Tax"	a) all forms of taxation whether direct or indirect;
	b) national insurance contributions in the United Kingdom and similar
	contributions or obligations in any other jurisdiction;
	c) all statutory, governmental, state, federal, provincial, local governmen
	or municipal charges, duties, imports, contributions. levies or liabilities (other
	than in return for goods or services supplied or performed or to be
	performed) and withholdings; and
	d) any penalty, fine, surcharge, interest, charges or costs relating to any
	of the above,
	in each case wherever chargeable and whether of the United Kingdom and
	any other jurisdiction;
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 a Contract on a specified date and setting out the grounds for
	termination;
Test Issue"	any variance or non-conformity of the Deliverables from their
	requirements as set out in a Call-Off 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;

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Tests "	any tests required to be carried out pursuant to a Call-Off Contract as set out	
	in the Test Plan or elsewhere in a Call-Off Contract and "Tested" and	
	"Testing" 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	those employees of the Supplier and/or the Supplier's Subcontractors to	
supplier Employees"	whom the Employment Regulations will apply on the Service Transfer Date;	
Transparency	the Transparency Reports and the content of a Contract, including any	
information"	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	
	Relevant Authority; and	
	(ii) Commercially Sensitive Information;	
Transparency	the information relating to the Deliverables and performance of the Contracts	
reports"	which the Supplier is required to provide to the Buyer in accordance with the	
	reporting requirements in Call-Off Schedule 1 (Transparency Reports);	
"TUPE"	Transfer of Undertakings (Protection of Employment) Regulations 2006 (SI	
	2006/246) as amended or replaced or any other regulations or UK	
	legislation implementing the Acquired Rights Directive	
"United Kingdom"	the country that consists of England, Scotland, Wales, and Northern Ireland	
Variation"	any change to a Contract;	
Variation Form"	the form set out in Joint Schedule 2 (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;		
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 Order Form;		

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Workday"	Work Hours, whether or not such hours are worked consecutively and	
	whether or not they are worked on the same day; and	
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.	

Joint Schedule 2 (Variation Form)

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

Contract Details		
This variation is between:	[delete as applicable: CCS / Buyer] ("CCS" "the Buyer")	
	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: CCS/Buyer/Supplier]	
Variation number:	[insert variation number]	
Date variation is raised:	[insert date]	
Proposed variation		
Reason for the variation:	[insert reason]	
An Impact Assessment	[insert number] days	
shall be provided within:		

	Impact of Variat	ion	
Likely impact of the	[Supplier to insert assess	[Supplier to insert assessment of impact]	
proposed variation:			
	Outcome of Varia	ition	
Contract variation:	This Contract detailed above is varied as follows:		
	• [CCS/Buyer to ins	ert original Clauses or Paragraphs to be	
	varied and the cha	nged clause]	
Financial variation:	Onginar Contract value.	£ [insert amount]	
	Additional cost due to	£ [insert amount]	
	variation:		
	New Contract value:	£ [insert amount]	
1. This Variation mus	st be agreed and signed by both F	Parties to the Contract and shall	
only be effective fr	om the date it is signed by <b>[delet</b> e	e as applicable: CCS / Buyer]	
2. Words and express	sions in this Variation shall have the	e meanings given to them in the Contrac	
3. The Contract, inclu	ding any previous Variations, sha	ll remain effective and unaltered	

Signed by an authorised signatory for and on behalf of the [delete as applicable: CCS / Buyer]

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Signature

Name (in

Capitals)

Date

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Address

Signed by an authorised signatory to sign for and on behalf of the Supplier

Signature

Date

Name (in
Capitals)

Address

Joint Schedule 3 (Insurance Requirements)

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**Joint Schedule 3 (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, any

additional insurances required under a Call-Off Contract (specified in the

applicable Order Form) ("Additional Insurances") 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:

1.1.1 the Framework Start Date in respect of those Insurances set out in the

Annex to this Schedule and those required by applicable Law; and

1.1.2 the Call-Off Contract Effective Date in respect of the Additional

Insurances.

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 principal's clause under which the Relevant Authority shall be

indemnified in respect of claims made against the Relevant Authority in respect of

death or bodily injury or third party property damage arising out of or in connection

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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.

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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 Relevant Authority 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

Relevant Authority, 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 Relevant Authority and provide

details of its proposed solution for maintaining the minimum limit of indemnity.

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6. Cancelled Insurance

6.1 The Supplier shall notify the Relevant Authority 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 Relevant Authority (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 each Contract for which it may be entitled to claim

under any of the Insurances. In the event that the Relevant Authority receives a

claim relating to or arising out of a Contract or the Deliverables, the Supplier shall

co-operate with the Relevant Authority and assist it in dealing with such claims

including without limitation providing information and documentation in a timely

manner.

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7.2 Except where the Relevant Authority is the claimant party, the Supplier shall give

the Relevant Authority 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 Relevant

Authority) 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 Relevant

Authority 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 [standard] insurance cover from the

Framework 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 one million pounds (£1,000,000)

- all Lots.

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 one million pounds (£1,000,000) – all Lots.

1.3 Employers' liability insurance with cover (for a single event or a series of related

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events and in the aggregate) of not less than five million pounds (£5,000,000) – all

Lots.

1.4 Product liability insurance with cover (for a single event or a series of related events

and in the aggregate) of not less than one million pounds (£1,000,000) – all Lots.

**Joint Schedule 4 (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 Order Form (which shall be deemed incorporated into the table below).

1.3 Without prejudice to the Relevant Authority's obligation to disclose Information in

accordance with FOIA or Clause 16 (When you can share information), the Relevant

Authority will, in its sole discretion, acting reasonably, seek to apply the relevant

exemption set out in the FOIA to the following Information:

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**Joint Schedule 5 (Corporate Social Responsibility)** 

**Definitions** 

In this Schedule, the following words shall have the following meanings and they shall

supplement Joint Schedule 1 (Definitions):

"First Tier"

the brand company;

"Second Tier"

the final assembly factory linked to the procured product model; and

"Third Tier"

component production factory linked to the procured product model

for strategic components, such as CPU, memory, main logic board,

display, battery, power supply unit etc.

1. What we expect from our Suppliers

1.1 In September 2017, HM Government published a Supplier Code of Conduct setting

out the standards and behaviours expected of suppliers who work with

government.

(https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\_data/fi

le/646497/2017-09-

13 Official Sensitive Supplier Code of Conduct September 2017.pdf)

1.2 CCS expects its suppliers and subcontractors to meet the standards set out in that

Code. In addition, CCS expects its suppliers and subcontractors to comply with

the standards set out in this Schedule.

1.3 The Supplier acknowledges that the Buyer may have additional requirements in

relation to corporate social responsibility. The Buyer expects that the Supplier

and its Subcontractors will comply with such corporate social responsibility

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requirements as the Buyer may notify to the Supplier from time to time.

2. Equality and Accessibility

2.1 In addition to legal obligations, the Supplier shall support CCS and 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

3.1 The Supplier shall fully cooperate with the appointed independent monitoring

organisation (which is subject to change at the sole discretion of the Authority) to

monitor the rights of workers in electronics supply chains.

3.1.1 The current monitoring organisation is: - Electronics Watch a not-

for-profit non-governmental organisation incorporated under

Dutch law (No. 62721445 in the Dutch Chamber of Commerce

Trade Register). Electronics Watch

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3.2 For any hardware procured through this Framework Agreement RM6098, the

Supplier shall disclose in the prescribed format (see Annex 1) details of its First

Tier and/or Second Tier and/or Third Tier supply chains (including country and

city factory locations). The Authority will provide this information to Electronics

Watch to ensure supply chain labour conditions can be assessed.

3.3 The Supplier:

3.3.1 shall not use, nor allow its Subcontractors to use forced, bonded or

involuntary prison labour;

3.3.2 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;

3.3.3 warrants and represents that it has not been convicted of any slavery

or human trafficking offences anywhere around the world.

3.3.4 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 offences anywhere around the

world.

3.3.5 shall make reasonable enquiries to ensure that its officers, employees

and Subcontractors have not been convicted of slavery or human

trafficking offences anywhere around the world.

3.3.6 shall have and maintain throughout the term of each Contract its own

policies and procedures to ensure its compliance with the Modern

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Slavery Act and include in its contracts with its Subcontractors antislavery and human trafficking provisions;

- 3.3.7 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 a Contract;
- 3.3.8 shall prepare and deliver to CCS, 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;
- 3.3.9 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;
- 3.3.10 shall not use or allow child or slave labour to be used by itsSubcontractors;
- 3.3.11 shall report the discovery or suspicion of any slavery or trafficking by it or its Subcontractors to CCS, the Buyer and Modern Slavery Helpline.

"Helpline" means the mechanism for reporting suspicion, seeking help or advice and information on the subject of modern slavery available online at <a href="https://www.modernslaveryhelpline.org/report">https://www.modernslaveryhelpline.org/report</a> or by telephone on 08000 121 700.

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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 employment and about the

particulars of their wages for the pay period concerned each time that

they are paid;

4.1.3 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;

4.1.4 record all disciplinary measures taken against Supplier Staff; and

4.1.5 ensure that Supplier Staff are engaged under a recognised

employment relationship established through national law and

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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:

the extent;

frequency; and

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 were 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

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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.

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-the-

government-buying-standards-gbs

6.2 The Supplier shall use reasonable endeavours to avoid the use of paper and

card in carrying out its obligations under this Contract. Where unavoidable

under reasonable endeavours, the Supplier shall ensure that any paper or card

deployed in the performance of the Services consists of one hundred percent

(100%) recycled content and used on both sides where feasible to do so

6.3 The Supplier shall complete and provide CCS with a Carbon Reduction Plan.

6.4 The Supplier shall progress towards carbon net zero during the lifetime of the

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framework.

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1. Restrictions on certain subcontractors

1.1 The Supplier is entitled to sub-contract its obligations under the Framework

Contract to the Key Subcontractors set out in the Framework Award Form.

1.2 The Supplier is entitled to sub-contract its obligations under a Call-Off Contract

to Key Subcontractors listed in the Framework Award Form who are specifically

nominated in the Order Form.

1.3 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

CCS and the Buyer and the Supplier shall, at the time of requesting such consent,

provide CCS and the Buyer with the information detailed in Paragraph 1.4. The

decision of CCS and the Buyer to consent or not will not be unreasonably withheld

or delayed. Where CCS consents to the appointment of a new Key Subcontractor

then they will be added to section 18 of the Framework Award Form. Where the

Buyer consents to the appointment of a new Key Subcontractor then they will be

added to Key Subcontractor section of the Order Form. CCS and the Buyer may

reasonably withhold their consent to the appointment of a Key Subcontractor if it

considers that:

1.3.1 the appointment of a proposed Key Subcontractor may prejudice the

provision of the Deliverables or may be contrary to its interests;

1.3.2 the proposed Key Subcontractor is unreliable and/or has not

provided reliable goods and or reasonable services to its other

customers; and/or

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- 1.3.3 the proposed Key Subcontractor employs unfit persons.
- 1.4 The Supplier shall provide CCS and the Buyer with the following information in respect of the proposed Key Subcontractor:
  - 1.4.1 the proposed Key Subcontractor's name, registered office and company registration number;
  - 1.4.2 the scope/description of any Deliverables to be provided by the proposed Key Subcontractor;
  - 1.4.3 where the proposed Key Subcontractor is an Affiliate of the Supplier, evidence that demonstrates to the reasonable satisfaction of the CCS and the Buyer that the proposed Key Sub-Contract has been agreed on "arm's-length" terms;
  - 1.4.4 for CCS, the Key Sub-Contract price expressed as a percentage of the total projected Framework Price over the Framework Contract Period;
  - 1.4.5 for the Buyer, the Key Sub-Contract price expressed as a percentage of the total projected Charges over the Call Off Contract Period; and
  - 1.4.6 (where applicable) Credit Rating Threshold (as defined in Joint Schedule 7 (Financial Distress)) of the Key Subcontractor.

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1.5 If requested by CCS and/or the Buyer, within ten (10) Working Days of

receipt of the information provided by the Supplier pursuant to Paragraph

1.4, the Supplier shall also provide:

1.5.1 a copy of the proposed Key Sub-Contract; and

1.5.2 any further information reasonably requested by CCS and/or the

Buyer.

1.6 The Supplier shall ensure that each new or replacement Key Sub-Contract shall

include:

1.6.1 provisions which will enable the Supplier to discharge its obligations under

the Contracts:

1.6.2 a right under CRTPA for CCS and the Buyer to enforce any provisions

under the Key Sub-Contract which confer a benefit upon CCS and the

Buyer respectively;

1.6.3 a provision enabling CCS and the Buyer to enforce the Key Sub-

Contract as if it were the Supplier;

1.6.4 a provision enabling the Supplier to assign, novate or otherwise

transfer any of its rights and/or obligations under the Key Sub-

Contract to CCS and/or the Buyer;

1.6.5 obligations no less onerous on the Key Subcontractor than those

imposed on the Supplier under the Framework 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);

the obligation not to embarrass CCS or the Buyer or (c)

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otherwise bring CCS or 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);
- 1.6.6 provisions enabling the Supplier to terminate the Key Sub-Contract on notice on terms no more onerous on the Supplier than those imposed on CCS and the Buyer under Clauses 10.4 (When CCS or the Buyer can end this contract) and 10.5 (What happens if the contract ends) of this Contract; and
- 1.6.7 a provision restricting the ability of the Key Subcontractor to sub- contract 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 CCS and the Buyer.

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[Guidance: This Schedule provides CCS and the Buyer with the option of using Credit Ratings and/or

Financial Indicators for the purposes of the Financial Distress Provisions. Buyers may use any combination

of these indicators to suit their own requirements and may delete or amend as required. Buyers should

ensure that the drafting of any Financial Indicators aligns with the financial standing criteria used during the

selection stage of the procurement]

1. Definitions

1.1 In this Schedule, the following definitions shall apply:

"Applicable Financial Indicators" means the financial indicators from Paragraph 5.1 of this

Schedule which are to apply to the Monitored Suppliers

as set out in Paragraph 5.2 of this Schedule;

"Board" means the Supplier's board of directors;

"Board Confirmation" means written confirmation from the Board in accordance

with Paragraph 8 of this Schedule;

"Bronze Contract" A Call-Off Contract categorized as a bronze contract using

the Cabinet Office Contract Tiering Tool;

"Cabinet Office Markets and means the UK Government's team responsible for

managing the relationship between government and its

Strategic Suppliers, or any replacement or successor

body carrying out the same function;

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"Credit Rating Threshold"

the minimum credit rating level for each entity in the FDE

Group as set out in Annex 1 to this Schedule;

"FDE Group"

means the Supplier, [Key Sub-contractors, the Guarantor

and the Monitored Suppliers if appropriate];

"Financial Distress Event"

Any of the events listed in Paragraph 3.1 of this Schedule;

"Financial Distress Remediation Plan"

a plan setting out how the Supplier will ensure the

continued performance and delivery of the Deliverables in

accordance with the Contract in the event that a Financial

Distress Event occurs;

"Financial Indicators"

in respect of the Supplier, Key Sub-contractors and the Guarantor, means each of the financial indicators set out at paragraph 5.1 of this Schedule and in respect of each Monitored Supplier, means those Applicable Financial

Indicators

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"Financial Target Thresholds" means the target thresholds for each of the Financial

Indicators set out at paragraph 5.1 of this Schedule;

"Monitored Suppliers" means those entities specified at paragraph 5.2 of this

Schedule;

"Rating Agencies" The rating agencies listed in Annex 1 of this Schedule;

"Strategic Supplier" means those suppliers to government listed at

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/strategic-

suppliers.

### 2. Warranties and duty to notify

- 2.1 The Supplier warrants and represents to the Relevant Authority for the benefit of the Relevant Authority that as at the Effective Date:
  - 2.1.1 the long term credit ratings issued for each entity in the FDE Group by each of the Rating Agencies are as set out in Annex 2 to this Schedule; and
  - 2.1.2 the financial position or, as appropriate, the financial performance of each of the Supplier, Guarantor and Key Sub-contractors satisfies the Financial Target Thresholds.
- 2.2The Supplier shall promptly notify (or shall procure that its auditors promptly notify) the Relevant

  Authority in writing if there is any downgrade in the credit rating issued by any Rating Agency for any
  entity in the FDE Group (and in any event within 5 Working Days of the occurrence of the downgrade).
- 2.3 The Supplier shall:
  - 2.3.1 regularly monitor the credit ratings of each entity in the FDE Group with the Rating Agencies;

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2.3.2 monitor and report on the Financial Indicators for each entity in the FDE Group

against the Financial Target Thresholds at least at the frequency set out for each at

Paragraph 5.1 (where specified) and in any event, on a regular basis and no less than

once a year within ninety (90) days after the Accounting Reference Date; and

2.3.3 promptly notify (or shall procure that its auditors promptly notify) the Relevant

Authority in writing following the occurrence of a Financial Distress Event or any fact,

circumstance or matter which could cause a Financial Distress Event (and in any

event, ensure that such notification is made within 10 Working Days of the date on

which the Supplier first becomes aware of the Financial Distress Event or the fact,

circumstance or matter which could cause a Financial Distress Event).

2.4 For the purposes of determining whether a Financial Distress Event has occurred pursuant to the

provisions of Paragraphs 3.1, and for the purposes of determining relief under Paragraph 7.1, the

credit rating of an FDE Group entity shall be deemed to have dropped below the applicable Credit

Rating Threshold if any of the Rating Agencies have rated that entity at or below the applicable Credit

Rating Threshold.

2.5 Each report submitted by the Supplier pursuant to paragraph 2.3.2 shall:

2.5.1 be a single report with separate sections for each of the FDE Group entities;

2.5.2 contain a sufficient level of information to enable the Relevant Authority to verify the

calculations that have been made in respect of the Financial Indicators;

2.5.3 include key financial and other supporting information (including any accounts data

that has been relied on) as separate annexes;

2.5.4 be based on the audited accounts for the date or period on which the Financial

Indicator is based or, where the Financial Indicator is not linked to an accounting

period or an accounting reference date, on unaudited management accounts

prepared in accordance with their normal timetable; and

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2.5.5 include a history of the Financial Indicators reported by the Supplier in graph form to

enable the Relevant Authority to easily analyse and assess the trends in financial

performance.

3. Financial Distress events

3.1 The following shall be Financial Distress Events:

3.1.1 the credit rating of an FDE Group entity dropping below the applicable Credit Rating

Threshold;

3.1.2 an FDE Group entity issuing a profits warning to a stock exchange or making any

other public announcement, in each case about a material deterioration in its

financial position or prospects;

3.1.3 there being a public investigation into improper financial accounting and reporting,

suspected fraud or any other impropriety of an FDE Group entity;

3.1.4 an FDE Group entity committing a material breach of covenant to its lenders;

3.1.5 a Key Sub-contractor notifying CCS or the Buyer that the Supplier has not satisfied

any material sums properly due under a specified invoice and not subject to a

genuine dispute;

3.1.6 any of the following:

(a) commencement of any litigation against an FDE Group entity with respect

to financial indebtedness greater than £5m or obligations under a service

contract with a total contract value greater than

£5m;

(b) non-payment by an FDE Group entity of any financial indebtedness;

(c) any financial indebtedness of an FDE Group entity becoming due as a

result of an event of default;

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(d) the cancellation or suspension of any financial indebtedness in respect of

an FDE Group entity; or

(e) the external auditor of an FDE Group entity expressing a qualified opinion

on, or including an emphasis of matter in, its opinion on the statutory

accounts of that FDE entity; in each case which the Relevant Authority

reasonably believes (or would be likely reasonably to believe) could

directly impact on the continued performance and delivery of the

Deliverables in accordance with the Contract; and

3.1.7 any [one] of the Financial Indicators set out at Paragraph 5 for any of the FDE Group

entities failing to meet the required Financial Target Threshold.

4. Consequences of Financial Distress Events

4.1 Immediately upon notification by the Supplier of a Financial Distress Event (or if the Relevant Authority

becomes aware of a Financial Distress Event without notification and brings the event to the attention of

the Supplier), the Supplier shall have the obligations and the Relevant Authority shall have the rights

and remedies as set out in Paragraphs 4.3 to 4.6.

4.2 In the event of a late or non-payment of a Key Sub-contractor pursuant to Paragraph 3.1.5, the Relevant

Authority shall not exercise any of its rights or remedies under Paragraph 4.3 without first giving the

Supplier 10 Working Days to:

4.2.1 rectify such late or non-payment; or

4.2.2 demonstrate to the Relevant Authority's reasonable satisfaction that there is a valid

reason for late or non-payment.

4.3 The Supplier shall (and shall procure that any Monitored Supplier, the Guarantor and/or any relevant

Key Sub-contractor shall):

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4.3.1 at the request of the Relevant Authority, meet the Relevant Authority as soon as

reasonably practicable (and in any event within 3 Working Days of the initial

notification (or awareness) of the Financial Distress Event or such other period as the

Relevant Authority may permit and notify to the Supplier in writing) to review the

effect of the Financial Distress Event on the continued performance and delivery of

the Services in accordance with the Contract; and

4.3.2 where the Relevant Authority reasonably believes (taking into account the

discussions and any representations made under Paragraph 4.3.1 that the Financial

Distress Event could impact on the continued performance and delivery of the

Deliverables in accordance with the Contract:

(a) submit to the Relevant Authority for its approval, a draft Financial Distress

Remediation Plan as soon as reasonably practicable (and in any event,

within 10 Working Days of the initial notification (or awareness) of the

Financial Distress Event or such other period as the Relevant Authority

may permit and notify to the Supplier in writing); and

(b) to the extent that it is legally permitted to do so and subject to Paragraph

4.8, provide such information relating to the Supplier, any Monitored

Supplier, Key Sub-contractors and/or the Guarantor as the Buyer may

reasonably require in order to understand the risk to the Deliverables,

which may include forecasts in relation to cash flow, orders and profits and

details of financial measures being considered to mitigate the impact of

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the Financial Distress Event.

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4.4 The Relevant Authority shall not withhold its approval of a draft Financial Distress Remediation Plan

unreasonably. If the Relevant Authority does not approve the draft Financial Distress Remediation

Plan, it shall inform the Supplier of its reasons and the Supplier shall take those reasons into account

in the preparation of a further draft Financial Distress Remediation Plan, which shall be resubmitted to

the Relevant Authority within 5 Working Days of the rejection of the first draft. This process shall be

repeated until the Financial Distress Remediation Plan is approved by the Relevant Authority or

referred to the Dispute Resolution Procedure set out in Clause 34 of the Core Terms under Paragraph

4.5 If the Relevant Authority considers that the draft Financial Distress Remediation Plan is insufficiently

detailed to be properly evaluated, will take too long to complete or will not ensure the continued

performance of the Supplier's obligations in accordance with the Contract, then it may either agree a

further time period for the development and agreement of the Financial Distress Remediation Plan or

escalate any issues with the draft Financial Distress Remediation Plan using the Dispute Resolution

Procedure in Clause 34 of the Core Terms.

4.6 Following approval of the Financial Distress Remediation Plan by the Relevant Authority, the

Supplier shall:

4.6.1 on a regular basis (which shall not be less than fortnightly):

(a) review and make any updates to the Financial Distress Remediation Plan

as the Supplier may deem reasonably necessary and/or as may be

reasonably requested by the Relevant Authority, so that the plan remains

adequate, up to date and ensures the continued performance and delivery

of the Deliverables in accordance with this Contract; and

(b) provide a written report to the Relevant Authority setting out its progress

against the Financial Distress Remediation Plan, the reasons for any

changes made to the Financial Distress Remediation Plan by the Supplier

and/or the reasons why the Supplier may have decided not to make any

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changes;

4.6.2 where updates are made to the Financial Distress Remediation Plan in accordance

with Paragraph 4.6.1, submit an updated Financial Distress Remediation Plan to the

Relevant Authority for its approval, and the provisions of Paragraphs 4.4 and 4.5

shall apply to the review and approval process for the updated Financial Distress

Remediation Plan; and

4.6.3 comply with the Financial Distress Remediation Plan (including any updated

Financial Distress Remediation Plan) and ensure that it achieves the financial and

performance requirements set out in the Financial Distress Remediation Plan.

4.7 Where the Supplier reasonably believes that the relevant Financial Distress Event under Paragraph

4.1 (or the circumstance or matter which has caused or otherwise led to it) no longer exists, it shall

notify the Relevant Authority and the Parties may agree that the Supplier shall be relieved of its

obligations under Paragraph 4.6.

4.8 The Supplier shall use reasonable endeavours to put in place the necessary measures to ensure

that the information specified at paragraph 4.3.2(b) is available when required and on request from

the Relevant Authority and within reasonable timescales. Such measures may include:

4.8.1 obtaining in advance written authority from Key Sub-contractors, the Guarantor

and/or Monitored Suppliers authorising the disclosure of the information to the Buyer

and/or entering into confidentiality agreements which permit disclosure;

4.8.2 agreeing in advance with the Relevant Authority, Key Sub-contractors, the

Guarantor and/or Monitored Suppliers a form of confidentiality agreement to be

entered by the relevant parties to enable the disclosure of the information to the

Relevant Authority;

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- 4.8.3 putting in place any other reasonable arrangements to enable the information to be lawfully disclosed to the Relevant Authority (which may include making price sensitive information available to the Relevant Authority's nominated personnel through confidential arrangements, subject to their consent); and
- 4.8.4 disclosing the information to the fullest extent that it is lawfully entitled to do so, including through the use of redaction, anonymisation and any other techniques to permit disclosure of the information without breaching a duty of confidentiality.

#### 5. Financial Indicators

5.1 Subject to the calculation methodology set out at Annex 3 of this Schedule, the Financial Indicators and the corresponding calculations and thresholds used to determine whether a Financial Distress Event has occurred in respect of those Financial Indicators, shall be as follows:

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Financial Indicator	Calculation <sup>1</sup>	Financial Target Threshold:	Monitoring and Reporting Frequency
1 Operating Margin	Operating Margin = Operating Profit	> 8%	Tested and reported yearly in arrears within 90 days of each accounting reference date based upon figures for the 12 months ending on the relevant
	/ Revenue		accounting reference date.

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			Tested and reported yearly in arrears
			within 90 days of each accounting
2			reference date based upon EBITDA for
Net Debt to EBITDA	Net Debt to		the 12 months ending on, and Net Debt
Ratio	EBITDA ratio =	< 3.5 times	at, the relevant accounting reference date.
Ratio	Net Debt /		
	EBITDA		
	Net Debt + Net		Tested and reported yearly in arrears
3	Pension Deficit to		within 90 days of each accounting
Net Debt + Net	EBITDA		reference date based upon EBITDA for
Pension Deficit	Ratio = (Net	< 5 times	the 12 months ending on, and the Net
	Debt + Net		Debt and Net Pension
to EBITDA ratio	Pension Deficit)		
	/ EBITDA		

			Deficit at, the relevant accounting
			reference date
			Tested and reported yearly in arrears
	Net Interest Paid		within 90 days of each accounting
4	Cover = Earnings		reference date based upon figures for
Net Interest Paid	Before Interest	> 3 times	the 12 months ending on the relevant
	and Tax		accounting reference date.
Cover	/Net Interest Paid		
			Tested and reported yearly in arrears
	Acid Ratio =		within 90 days of each accounting
5	(Current Assets		reference date based upon figures at the
Acid Ratio	– Inventories) /	> 0.8 times	relevant accounting reference date

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	Liabilities		
			Tested and reported yearly in arrears
			within 90 days of each accounting
6	Net Asset Value		reference date based upon figures at the
Net Asset value	= Net Assets	> £0	relevant accounting reference date
			Tested and reported yearly in arrears
7			within 90 days of each accounting
	Group		reference date based upon figures at the
Group Exposure	Exposure /	< 50%	relevant accounting reference date
Ratio	Gross Assets		

Key: 1 – see Annex 3 to this Schedule which sets out the calculation methodology to be used in the calculation of each financial indicator.

### 5.2 Monitored Suppliers

[Guidance: Insert details of any other entities which the Supplier is required to monitor against the Financial Indicators. These are in addition to the Supplier's monitoring of itself, the Guarantor and the Key Subcontractors. Not all the Financial Indicators may be applicable to a Monitored Supplier, so indicate which of those are to apply in the table below]

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Monitored Supplier	Applicable Financial Indicators
	(these are the Financial Indicators from the table in
	Paragraph 5.1 which are to apply to the Monitored
	Suppliers)
[Entity 1 e.g GEO Group Member, Sub-	1 - Operating Margin
contractor, Relevant Parent Company etc.]	2 - Net Debt Ratio
	3 - Net Debt + Net Pension Deficit to EBITDA ratio
	4 - Net Interest Paid Cover
	5 - Acid Ratio
	6 - Net Asset Value
	7 - Group Exposure Ratio]
[Entity 2 e.g GEO Group Member, Sub- contractor, Relevant Parent Company etc.]	[1 - Operating Margin
contractor, recevant r arent company etc.]	2 - Net Debt Ratio
	3 - Net Debt + Net Pension Deficit to EBITDA ratio
	4 - Net Interest Paid Cover
	<mark>5</mark> - Acid Ratio
	6 - Net Asset Value
	7 - Group Exposure Ratio]

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[Entity 3 e.g GEO Group Member, Sub-	[1 - Operating Margin
contractor, Relevant Parent Company etc.]	2 - Net Debt Ratio
	2 - Net Dept Natio
	3 - Net Debt + Net Pension Deficit to EBITDA ratio
	4 - Net Interest Paid Cover
	5 - Acid Ratio
	6 - Net Asset Value
	7 - Group Exposure Ratio]

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6. Termination rights

6.1 The Relevant Authority shall be entitled to terminate the Contract if:

6.1.1 the Supplier fails to notify the Relevant Authority of a Financial Distress Event in

accordance with Paragraph 2.3.3;

6.1.2 the Parties fail to agree a Financial Distress Remediation Plan (or any updated

Financial Distress Remediation Plan) in accordance with Paragraphs 4.3 to 4.5;

and/or

6.1.3 the Supplier fails to comply with the terms of the Financial Distress Remediation

Plan (or any updated Financial Distress Remediation Plan) in accordance with

Paragraph 4.6.3,

which shall be deemed to be an event to which Clause 10.4.1 of the Core Terms applies

and Clauses 10.6.1 and 10.6.2 of the Core Terms shall apply accordingly.

7. Primacy of Credit Ratings

7.1 Without prejudice to the Supplier's obligations and the Relevant Authority's rights and remedies under

Paragraph 2, if, following the occurrence of a Financial Distress Event pursuant to any of Paragraphs

3.1.2 to 3.1.7, the Rating Agencies review and report subsequently that the credit ratings for the FDE

Group entities do not drop below the relevant Credit Rating Thresholds specified for those entities in

Annex 2 to this Schedule, then:

7.1.1 the Supplier shall be relieved automatically of its obligations under

Paragraphs 4.3 to 4.6; and

7.1.2 the Relevant Authority shall not be entitled to require the Supplier to provide

financial information in accordance with Paragraph 4.3.2(b).

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8. Board confirmation

8.1 If the Contract has been specified as a Critical Service Contract under Paragraph 1.1 of Part B of

Annex 1 to Call-Off Schedule 8 (Business Continuity and Disaster Recovery) (if applicable) then,

subject to Paragraph 8.4 of this Schedule, the Supplier shall within ninety (90) days after each

Accounting Reference Date or within 15 months of the previous Board Confirmation (whichever is the

earlier) provide a Board Confirmation to the Relevant Authority in the form set out at Annex 4 to this

Schedule, confirming that to the best of the Board's knowledge and belief, it is not aware of and has no

knowledge:

8.1.1 that a Financial Distress Event has occurred since the later of the Effective Date

or the previous Board Confirmation or is subsisting; or

8.1.2 of any matters which have occurred or are subsisting that could reasonably be

expected to cause a Financial Distress Event.

8.2 The Supplier shall ensure that in its preparation of the Board Confirmation it exercises due care and

diligence and has made reasonable enquiry of all relevant Supplier Staff and other persons as is

reasonably necessary to understand and confirm the position.

8.3 In respect of the first Board Confirmation to be provided under this Contract, the Supplier shall provide

the Board Confirmation within 15 months of the Effective Date if earlier than the timescale for

submission set out in Paragraph 8.1 of this Schedule.

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8.4 Where the Supplier is unable to provide a Board Confirmation in accordance with Paragraphs

8.1 to 8.3 of this Schedule due to the occurrence of a Financial Distress Event or knowledge of subsisting

matters which could reasonably be expected to cause a Financial Distress Event, it will be sufficient for the

Supplier to submit in place of the Board Confirmation, a statement from the Board of Directors to the Buyer

(and where the Supplier is a Strategic Supplier, the Supplier shall send a copy of the statement to the

Cabinet Office Markets and Suppliers Team) setting out full details of any Financial Distress Events that

have occurred and/or the matters which could reasonably be expected to cause a Financial Distress Event.

9. Optional Clauses

9.1 Where a Buyer's Call-Off Contract is a Bronze Contract, if specified in the Order Form, the terms at

Annex 5 shall apply to the Call-Off Contract in place of the foregoing terms of this Joint Schedule 7.

Annex 1: Rating Agencies and their standard Rating System

[Rating Agency 1 - Dun & Bradstreet] [Rating

Agency 2]

**Annex 2: Credit Ratings and Credit Rating Thresholds** 

Entity	Credit rating (long term)
Supplier	[35]
	[insert rating]
Guarantor	[35]
	[insert rating]

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Key Subcontractor	[35]
	[insert rating]
Monitored Suppliers	[35]
	[insert rating]

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Annex 3: Calculation methodology for Financial Indicators

The Supplier shall ensure that it uses the following general and specific methodologies for

calculating the Financial Indicators against the Financial Target Thresholds:

**General methodology** 

1 **Terminology**: The terms referred to in this Annex are those used by UK companies in their

financial statements. Where the entity is not a UK company, the corresponding items should be

used even if the terminology is slightly different (for example a charity would refer to a surplus or

deficit rather than a profit or loss).

2 **Groups**: Where the entity is the holding company of a group and prepares consolidated

financial statements, the consolidated figures should be used.

3 Foreign currency conversion: Figures denominated in foreign currencies should be converted at

the exchange rate in force at the relevant date for which the Financial Indicator is being calculated.

4 **Treatment of non-underlying items:** Financial Indicators should be based on the figures in the

financial statements before adjusting for non-underlying items.

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# **Specific Methodology**

Financial Indicator	Specific Methodology
1	The elements used to calculate the Operating Margin should be shown on the
Operating Margin	face of the Income Statement in a standard set of financial statements.
	Figures for Operating Profit and Revenue should exclude the entity's share of the
	results of any joint ventures or Associates.
	Where an entity has an operating loss (i.e. where the operating profit is
	negative), Operating Profit should be taken to be zero.
2	"Net Debt" = Bank overdrafts + Loans and borrowings + Finance leases +
Net Debt to EBITDA	Deferred consideration payable – Cash and cash equivalents
Ratio	"EBITDA" = Operating profit + Depreciation charge + Amortisation charge
	The majority of the elements used to calculate the Net Debt to EBITDA Ratio
	should be shown on the face of the Balance sheet, Income statement and
	Statement of Cash Flows in a standard set of financial statements but will
	otherwise be found in the notes to the financial statements.

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Net Debt: The elements of Net Debt may be described slightly differently and should be found either on the face of the Balance Sheet or in the relevant note to the financial statements. All interest bearing liabilities (other than retirement benefit obligations) should be included as borrowings as should, where disclosed, any liabilities (less any assets) in respect of any hedges designated as linked to borrowings (but not non-designated hedges).

Borrowings should also include balances owed to other group members.

Deferred consideration payable should be included in Net Debt despite typically being non-interest bearing.

Cash and cash equivalents should include short-term financial investments shown in current assets.

Where Net debt is negative (i.e. an entity has net cash), the relevant Financial Target Threshold should be treated as having been met.

<u>EBITDA</u>: Operating profit should be shown on the face of the Income Statement and, for the purposes of calculating this Financial Indicator, should include the entity's share of the results of any joint ventures or Associates. The depreciation and amortisation charges for the period may be found on the face of the Statement of Cash Flows or in a Note to the Accounts. Where EBITDA is negative, the relevant Financial Target Threshold should be treated as not having been met (unless Net Debt is also negative, in which case the relevant Financial Target Threshold should be treated as having been met).

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Net Debt + Net
Pension Deficit to

**EBITDA** ratio

"Net Debt" = Bank overdrafts + Loans and borrowings + Finance leases +

Deferred consideration payable – Cash and cash equivalents

"Net Pension Deficit" = Retirement Benefit Obligations -

Retirement Benefit Assets

"EBITDA" = Operating profit + Depreciation charge + Amortisation charge

The majority of the elements used to calculate the Net Debt + Net Pension Deficit to EBITDA Ratio should be shown on the face of the Balance sheet, Income statement and Statement of Cash Flows in a standard set of financial statements but will otherwise be found in the notes to the financial statements.

<u>Net Debt</u>: The elements of Net Debt may be described slightly differently and should be found either on the face of the Balance Sheet or in the relevant note to the financial

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statements. All interest bearing liabilities (other than retirement benefit obligations) should be included as borrowings as should, where disclosed, any liabilities (less any assets) in respect of any hedges designated as linked to borrowings (but *not* non-designated hedges).

Borrowings should also include balances owed to other group members.

Deferred consideration payable should be included in Net Debt despite typically being non-interest bearing.

Cash and cash equivalents should include short-term financial investments shown in current assets.

Net Pension Deficit: Retirement Benefit Obligations and Retirement Benefit Assets may be shown on the face of the Balance Sheet or in the notes to the financial statements. They may also be described as pension benefits / obligations, post-employment obligations or other similar terms.

Where 'Net Debt + Net Pension Deficit' is negative, the relevant Financial Target
Threshold should be treated as having been met.

<u>EBITDA</u>: Operating profit should be shown on the face of the Income Statement and, for the purposes of calculating this Financial Indicator, should include the entity's share of the results of any joint ventures or Associates.

The depreciation and amortisation charges for the period may be found on the face of the Statement of Cash Flows or in a Note to the Accounts.

Where EBITDA is negative, the relevant Financial Target Threshold should be treated as not having been met (unless 'Net Debt + Net Pension Deficit' is also negative, in which case the relevant Financial Target Threshold should be regarded as having been met).

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### **Net Interest Paid Cover**

"Earnings Before Interest and Tax" = Operating profit "Net Interest Paid" =

Interest paid – Interest received

Operating profit should be shown on the face of the Income Statement in a standard set of financial statements and, for the purposes of calculating this Financial Indicator, should include the entity's share of the results of any joint ventures or Associates.

Interest received and interest paid should be shown on the face of the Cash Flow statement.

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Grown Gopyright 2021	Where Net interest paid is negative (i.e. the entity has net interest received), the
	relevant Financial Target Threshold should be treated as having been met.
5	All elements that are used to calculate the Acid Ratio are available on the face of
Acid Ratio	the Balance Sheet in a standard set of financial statements.
6	Net Assets are shown (but sometimes not labelled) on the face of the Balance
Net Asset value	Sheet of a standard set of financial statements. Net Assets are sometimes called
not riosst value	net worth or 'Shareholders' Funds'. They represent the net assets available to
	the shareholders. Where an entity has a majority interest in another entity in
	which there are also minority or non-controlling interests (i.e. where it has a
	subsidiary partially owned by outside investors), Net Assets should be taken
	inclusive of minority or non- controlling interests (as if the entity owned 100% of
	such entity).

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**Group Exposure** 

#### **Ratio**

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"Group Exposure" = Balances owed by Group Undertakings + Contingent liabilities assumed in support of Group Undertakings

"Gross Assets" = Fixed Assets + Current Assets

<u>Group Exposure</u>: Balances owed by (ie receivable from) Group Undertakings are shown within Fixed assets or Current assets either on the face of the Balance Sheet or in the relevant notes to the financial statements. In many cases there may be no such balances, in particular where an entity is not a member of a group or is itself the ultimate holding company of the group.

Contingent liabilities assumed in support of Group Undertakings are shown in the Contingent Liabilities note in a standard set of financial statements. They include guarantees and security given in support of the borrowings of other group companies, often as part of group borrowing arrangements. Where the contingent liabilities are capped, the capped figure should be taken as their value. Where no cap or maximum is specified, the relevant Financial Target Threshold should automatically be regarded as not having been met.

In many cases an entity may not have assumed any contingent liabilities in support of Group Undertakings, in particular where an entity is not a member of a group or is itself the ultimate holding company of the group.

*Gross Assets*: Both Fixed assets and Current assets are shown on the face of the Balance Sheet.

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**ANNEX 4: BOARD CONFIRMATION** 

**Supplier Name:** 

**Contract Reference Number:** 

The Board of Directors acknowledge the requirements set out at paragraph 8 of Joint Schedule 7 (Financial Distress) and confirm that the Supplier has exercised due care and diligence and made

reasonable enquiry of all relevant Supplier Staff and other persons as is reasonably necessary to

enable the Board to prepare this statement.

The Board of Directors confirms, to the best of its knowledge and belief, that as at the date of this

Board Confirmation it is not aware of and has no knowledge:

(a) that a Financial Distress Event has occurred since the later of the previous Board

Confirmation and the Effective Date or is subsisting; or

of any matters which have occurred or are subsisting that could reasonably be (b)

expected to cause a Financial Distress Event

On behalf of the Board of Directors:

Chair ......

Signed

..... Date

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Director	
Signed	
Date	

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#### **ANNEX 5: OPTIONAL CLAUSES FOR BRONZE CONTRACTS**

#### 1. Definitions

1.1 In this Annex 5, the following words shall have the following meanings and they shall supplement Joint Schedule 1 (Definitions):

"Credit Rating Threshold"	1 the minimum credit rating level for the Monitored Company as set out		
Orealt Nating Threshold	The minimum credit rating level for the Monitored Company as set out		
	in Appendix 2;		
"Financial Distress Event"	2 the occurrence or one or more of the following events:		
	a) the credit rating of the Monitored Company dropping below the applicable Credit Rating Threshold;		
	b) the Monitored Company issuing a profits warning to a stock exchange or making any other public announcement about a material deterioration in its financial position or prospects;		
	c) there being a public investigation into improper financial accounting and reporting, suspected fraud or any other impropriety of the Monitored Party;		
	d) Monitored Company committing a material breach of covenant to its lenders;		
	e) a Key Subcontractor (where applicable) notifying CCS that the Supplier has not satisfied any sums properly due under a specified invoice and not subject to a genuine dispute; or		
	f) any of the following:  i) commencement of any litigation against the Monitored  Company with respect to financial indebtedness or  obligations under a contract;		

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		ii) non-payment by the Monitored Company of any	
		financial indebtedness;	

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1 Copyright 202 i	iii) any financial indebtedness of the Monitored Company		
	iii) arry intertolal intersections of the interfect company		
	becoming due as a result of an event of default; or		
	iv) the cancellation or suspension of any financial		
	indebtedness in respect of the Monitored Company		
	3 in each case which the Relevant Authority reasonably believes (or		
	would be likely reasonably to believe) could directly impact on the		
	continued performance of any Contract and delivery of the Deliverables		
	in accordance with any Call-Off Contract;		
"Financial Distress	4 a plan setting out how the Supplier will ensure the continued		
Service Continuity Plan"	performance and delivery of the Deliverables in accordance with		
	[each Call-Off] Contract in the event that a Financial Distress Event		
	occurs;		
"Monitored Company"	5 Supplier, the Guarantor or any Key Subcontractor		
"Rating Agencies"	6 the rating agencies listed in Appendix 1.		

#### 2. When this Schedule applies

- 2.1 The Parties shall comply with the provisions of this Annex 5 in relation to the assessment of the financial standing of the Monitored Companies and the consequences of a change to that financial standing.
- 2.2 The terms of this Annex 5 shall survive:
  - 2.2.1 under the Framework Contract until the later of (a) the termination or expiry of the Framework Contract or (b) the latest date of termination or expiry of any call-off contract entered into under the Framework Contract (which might be after the date of termination or expiry of the Framework Contract); and
  - 2.2.2 under the Call-Off Contract until the termination or expiry of the Call-Off Contract.

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#### 3. What happens when your credit rating changes

- 3.1 The Supplier warrants and represents to the Relevant Authority that as at the Start Date the long term credit ratings issued for the Monitored Companies by each of the Rating Agencies are as set out in Appendix 2.
- 3.2 The Supplier shall promptly (and in any event within five (5) Working Days) notify the Relevant Authority in writing if there is any downgrade in the credit rating issued by any Rating Agency for a Monitored Company.
- 3.3 If there is any downgrade credit rating issued by any Rating Agency for the Monitored Company the Supplier shall ensure that the Monitored Company's auditors thereafter provide the Relevant Authority within 10 Working Days of the end of each Contract Year and within 10 Working Days of written request by the Relevant Authority (such requests not to exceed 4 in any Contract Year) with written calculations of the quick ratio for the Monitored Company as at the end of each Contract Year or such other date as may be requested by the Relevant Authority. For these purposes the "quick ratio" on any date means:

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where:

А	is the value at the relevant date of all cash in hand and at the bank of
	the Monitored Company];
В	is the value of all marketable securities held by the Supplier the
	Monitored Company determined using closing prices on the Working
	Day preceding the relevant date;
С	is the value at the relevant date of all account receivables of the
	Monitored]; and

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	D	is the value at the relevant date of the current liabilities of the
		Monitored Company].

#### 3.4 The Supplier shall:

- 3.4.1 regularly monitor the credit ratings of each Monitored Company with the Rating Agencies; and
- 3.4.2 promptly notify (or shall procure that its auditors promptly notify) the Relevant Authority in writing following the occurrence of a Financial Distress Event or any fact, circumstance or matter which could cause a Financial Distress Event and in any event, ensure that such notification is made within 10 Working Days of the date on which the Supplier first becomes aware of the Financial Distress Event or the fact, circumstance or matter which could cause a Financial Distress Event.
- 3.5 For the purposes of determining whether a Financial Distress Event has occurred the credit rating of the Monitored Company shall be deemed to have dropped below the applicable Credit Rating Threshold if any of the Rating Agencies have rated the Monitored Company at or below the applicable Credit Rating Threshold.

#### 4. What happens if there is a financial distress event

4.1 In the event of a Financial Distress Event then, immediately upon notification of the Financial Distress Event (or if the Relevant Authority becomes aware of the Financial Distress Event without notification and brings the event to the attention of the Supplier), the Supplier shall have the obligations and the Relevant Authority shall have the rights and remedies as set out in Paragraphs 4.3 to 4.6 of this Annex 5.

[Guidance: delete this clause if there are no Key Subcontractors or the Key Subcontractors are not Monitored Company]

4.2[In the event that a Financial Distress Event arises due to a Key Subcontractor notifying the Relevant Authority that the Supplier has not satisfied any sums properly due under a specified invoice and not subject to a genuine dispute then, the Relevant Authority shall not exercise any of its rights or

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remedies under Paragraph 4.3 without first giving the Supplier ten (10) Working Days to:

4.2.1 rectify such late or non-payment; or

4.2.2 demonstrate to the Relevant Authority's reasonable satisfaction that there is a valid

reason for late or non-payment.]

4.3 The Supplier shall and shall procure that the other Monitored Companies shall:

4.3.1 at the request of the Relevant Authority meet the Relevant Authority as soon as

reasonably practicable (and in any event within three (3) Working Days of the

initial notification (or awareness) of the Financial Distress Event) to review the

effect of the Financial Distress Event on the continued performance of each

Contract and delivery of the Deliverables in accordance each Call-Off Contract;

and

4.3.2 where the Relevant Authority reasonably believes (taking into account the

discussions and any representations made under Paragraph 4.3.1) that the

Financial Distress Event could impact on the continued performance of each

Contract and delivery of the Deliverables in accordance with each Call-Off

Contract:

(a) submit to the Relevant Authority for its Approval, a draft Financial Distress

Service Continuity Plan as soon as reasonably practicable (and in any event,

within ten (10) Working Days of the initial notification (or awareness) of the

Financial Distress Event); and

(b) provide such financial information relating to the Monitored Company as

the Relevant Authority may reasonably require.

4.4 If the Relevant Authority does not (acting reasonably) approve the draft Financial Distress Service

Continuity Plan, it shall inform the Supplier of its reasons and the Supplier shall take those reasons

into account in the preparation of a further draft Financial Distress Service Continuity Plan, which

shall be resubmitted to the Relevant Authority within five (5) Working Days of the rejection of the

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first or subsequent (as the case may be) drafts. This process shall be repeated until the Financial

Distress Service Continuity Plan is Approved by the Relevant Authority or referred to the Dispute

Resolution Procedure.

4.5 If the Relevant Authority considers that the draft Financial Distress Service Continuity Plan is

insufficiently detailed to be properly evaluated, will take too long to complete or will not remedy the

relevant Financial Distress Event, then it may either agree a further time period for the development

and agreement of the Financial Distress Service Continuity Plan or escalate any issues with the draft

Financial Distress Service Continuity Plan using the Dispute Resolution Procedure.

4.6 Following Approval of the Financial Distress Service Continuity Plan by the Relevant

Authority, the Supplier shall:

4.6.1 on a regular basis (which shall not be less than Monthly), review the Financial

Distress Service Continuity Plan and assess whether it remains adequate and

up to date to ensure the continued performance each Contract and delivery of

the Deliverables in accordance with each Call-Off Contract;

4.6.2 where the Financial Distress Service Continuity Plan is not adequate or up to date

in accordance with Paragraph 4.6.1, submit an updated Financial Distress Service

Continuity Plan to CCS for its Approval, and the provisions of Paragraphs 4.5 and

4.6 shall apply to the review and Approval process for the updated Financial

Distress Service Continuity Plan; and

4.6.3 comply with the Financial Distress Service Continuity Plan (including any

updated Financial Distress Service Continuity Plan).

4.7 Where the Supplier reasonably believes that the relevant Financial Distress Event (or the

circumstance or matter which has caused or otherwise led to it) no longer exists, it shall notify the

Relevant Authority and subject to the agreement of the Parties, the Supplier may be relieved of its

obligations under Paragraph 4.6.

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4.8 CCS shall be able to share any information it receives from the Buyer in accordance with this

Paragraph with any Buyer who has entered into a Call-Off Contract with the Supplier.

5. When CCS or the Buyer can terminate for financial distress

5.1 CCS shall be entitled to terminate this Contract and Buyers shall be entitled to terminate their

Call-Off Contracts for material Default if:

5.1.1 the Supplier fails to notify the Relevant Authority of a Financial Distress Event

in accordance with Paragraph 3.4;

5.1.2 The Relevant Authority and the Supplier fail to agree a Financial Distress

Service Continuity Plan (or any updated Financial Distress Service Continuity

Plan) in accordance with Paragraphs 4.3 to 4.5; and/or

5.1.3 the Supplier fails to comply with the terms of the Financial Distress Service

Continuity Plan (or any updated Financial Distress Service Continuity Plan) in

accordance with Paragraph 4.6.3.

5.2 If the Contract is terminated in accordance with Paragraph 5.1, Clauses 10.6.1 and 10.6.2 of the Core

Terms shall apply as if the Contract had been terminated under Clause 10.4.1.

6. What happens If your credit rating is still good

6.1 Without prejudice to the Supplier's obligations and CCS' and the Buyer's rights and remedies

under Paragraph 5, if, following the occurrence of a Financial Distress Event, the Rating Agencies

review and report subsequently that the credit ratings do not drop below the relevant Credit Rating

Threshold, then:

6.1.1 the Supplier shall be relieved automatically of its obligations under

Paragraphs 4.3 to 4.6; and

6.1.2 The Relevant Authority shall not be entitled to require the Supplier to

provide financial information in accordance with Paragraph 4.3.2(b).

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#### **APPENDIX 1: RATING AGENCIES**

[Rating Agency 1 – Dunn and Bradstreet]

[Rating Agency 2]

#### **APPENDIX 2: CREDIT RATINGS & CREDIT RATING THRESHOLDS**

#### **Part 1: Current Rating**

Entity	Credit rating (long term)
Supplier	[D&B Threshold - 35] [insert credit rating]
[Guarantor]	[D&B Threshold - 35] [insert credit rating]
[Key Subcontractor]	[D&B Threshold - 35] [insert credit rating]
[Monitored Supplier]	[D&B Threshold - 35] [insert credit rating]

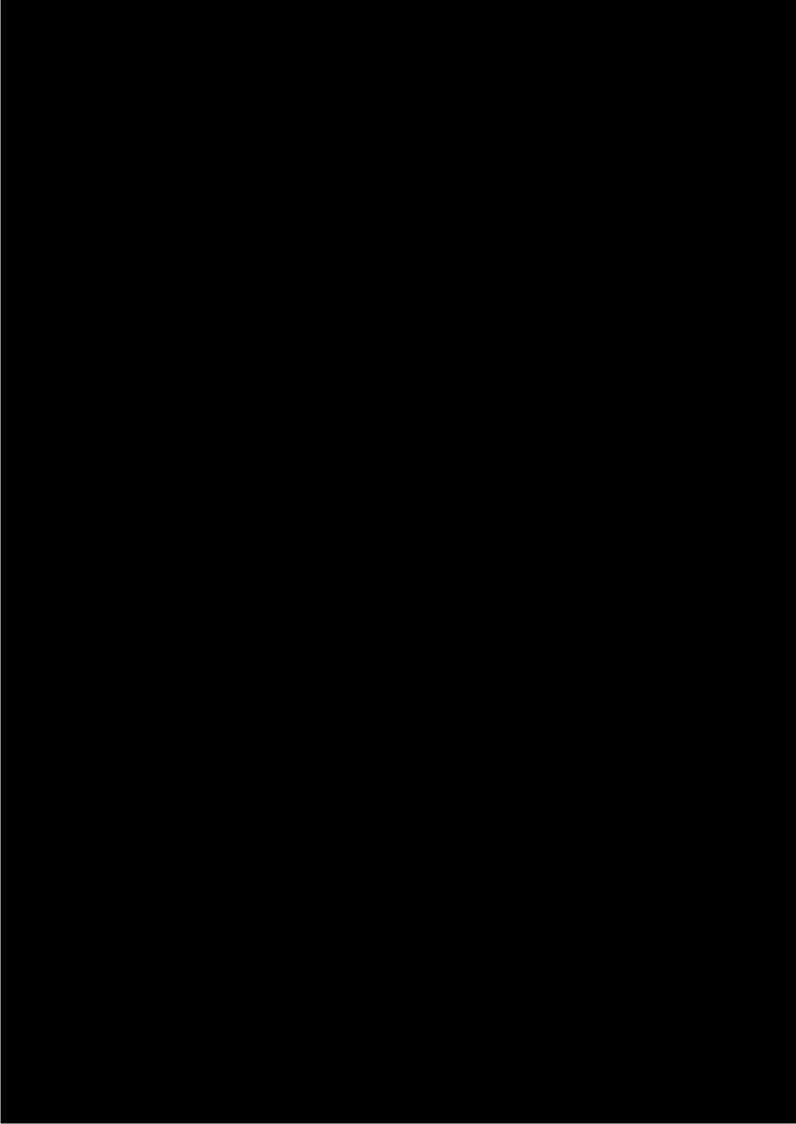
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Request for [Revised] Rectification Plan			
Details of the Default: [Guidance: Explain the Default, with clear schedule and			
	clause references as appropriate]		
Deadline for receiving the [Revised]	[add date (minimum 10 days fr	om request)]	
Rectification Plan:			
Signed by [CCS/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 rectification:	Steps	Timescale	
	1.	[date]	
	2.	[date]	
	3.	[date]	
	4.	[date]	
	[]	[date]	
Timescale for complete Rectification of	[X] Working Days		
Default			
Steps taken to prevent recurrence of	Steps	Timescale	
Default	1.	[date]	
	2.	[date]	

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	3.	[date]		
	4.	[date]	,	
	[]	[date]		
	_			
Signed by the Supplier:		Date:		
Review of Rectification Plan [CCS/Buyer]				
Outcome of review	[Plan Accepted] [Plan Rejected] [Revised Plan Requested]			
Reasons for Rejection (if applicable)	[add reasons]			
Signed by [CCS/Buyer]		Date:		



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### **Call-Off Schedule 8 (Business Continuity and Disaster Recovery)**

#### 1. Definitions

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

#### "Annual Revenue"

means, for the purposes of determining whether an entity is a Public Sector Dependent Supplier, the audited consolidated aggregate revenue (including share of revenue of joint ventures and Associates) reported by the Supplier or, as appropriate, the Supplier Group in its most recent published accounts, subject to the following methodology:

figures for accounting periods of other than 12 months should be scaled pro rata to produce a proforma figure for a 12 month period; and

where the Supplier, the Supplier Group and/or their joint ventures and Associates report in a foreign currency, revenue should be converted to British Pound Sterling at the closing exchange rate on the Accounting Reference Date;

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"Appropriate Authority" or "Appropriate	U D 10 011 100
	means the Buyer and the Cabinet Office
Authorities"	Markets and Suppliers Team or, where the
	Supplier is a Strategic Supplier, the Cabinet
	Office Markets and Suppliers Team;
"Associates"	means, in relation to an entity, an undertaking in
	which the entity owns, directly or indirectly,
	between 20% and 50% of the voting rights and
	exercises a degree of control sufficient for the
	undertaking to be treated as an associate under
	generally accepted accounting principles;
"BCDR Plan"	has the meaning given to it in Paragraph 2.2 of
	this Schedule;
"Business Continuity Plan"	has the meaning given to it in Paragraph
	2.3.2 of this Schedule;
"Class 1 Transaction"	has the meaning set out in the listing rules issued
	by the UK Listing Authority;
"Control"	the possession by a person, directly or indirectly,
	of the power to direct or cause the direction of
	the management and policies of the other
	person (whether through the ownership of voting
	shares, by contract or otherwise) and "Controls"
	and "Controlled" shall be interpreted
	accordingly;

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### "Corporate Change Event"

means:

- (a) any change of Control of the Supplier ora Parent Undertaking of the Supplier;
- (b) any change of Control of any member of the Supplier Group which, in the reasonable opinion of the Buyer, could have a material adverse effect on the Deliverables;
- (c) any change to the business of the Supplier or any member of the Supplier Group which, in the reasonable opinion of the Buyer, could have a material adverse effect on the Deliverables;
- (d) a Class 1 Transaction taking place in relation to the shares of the Supplier or any Parent Undertaking of the Supplier whose shares are listed on the main market of the London Stock Exchange plc;
- (e) an event that could reasonably be regarded as being equivalent to a Class 1 Transaction taking place in respect of the Supplier or any Parent Undertaking of the Supplier;
- (f) payment of dividends by the Supplier or the ultimate Parent Undertaking of the Supplier Group exceeding 25% of the Net Asset Value of the Supplier or the ultimate Parent Undertaking of the Supplier Group respectively

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in any 12 month period;

- (g) an order is made or an effectiveresolution is passed for the winding up of anymember of the Supplier Group;
- (h) any member of the Supplier Group stopping payment of its debts generally or becoming unable to pay its debts within the meaning of section 123(1) of the Insolvency Act 1986 or any member of the Supplier Group ceasing to carry on all or substantially all its business, or any compromise,

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composition, arrangement or agreement being made with creditors of any member of the Supplier Group;

- (i) the appointment of a receiver, administrative receiver or administrator in respect of or over all or a material part of the undertaking or assets of any member of the Supplier Group; and/or
- (j) any process or events with an effect analogous to those in paragraphs (e) to (g) inclusive above occurring to a member of the Supplier Group in a jurisdiction outside England and Wales;

#### "Critical National Infrastructure"

means those critical elements of UK national infrastructure (namely assets, facilities, systems, networks or processes and the essential workers that operate and facilitate them), the loss or compromise of which could result in:

major detrimental impact on the availability, integrity or delivery of essential services – including those services whose integrity, if compromised, could result in significant loss of life or casualties – taking into account significant economic or social impacts; and/or

significant impact on the national security,

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	national defence, or the functioning of the UK;
"Critical Service Contract"	a service contract which the Buyer has
	categorised as a Gold Contract using the
	Cabinet Office Contract Tiering Tool or which the
	Buyer otherwise considers should be classed as
	a Critical Service Contract;
"CRP Information"	means, together, the:
	Group Structure Information and Resolution
	Commentary; and
	UK Public Sector and CNI Contract Information;
"Dependent Parent Undertaking"	means any Parent Undertaking which provides
	any of its Subsidiary Undertakings and/or
	Associates, whether directly or indirectly, with
	any financial, trading,

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	managerial or other assistance of whatever
	nature, without which the Supplier would be
	unable to continue the day to day conduct and
	operation of its business in the same manner as
	carried on at the time of entering into the
	Contract, including for the avoidance of doubt the
	provision of the Deliverables in accordance with
	the terms of the Contract;
"Disaster"	the occurrence of one or more events which,
Disaster	the occurrence of one of 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);
"Disaster Recovery Deliverables"	the Deliverables embodied in the processes and
	procedures for restoring the provision of
	Deliverables following the occurrence of a
	Disaster;
"Disaster Recovery Plan"	has the meaning given to it in Paragraph 2.3.3 of
	this Schedule;
"Disaster Recovery System"	the system embodied in the processes and
	procedures for restoring the provision of
	Deliverables following the occurrence of a
	Disaster;
"Group Structure Information and	means the information relating to the Supplier
Resolution Commentary"	Group to be provided by the Supplier in
	accordance with Paragraphs 2 to 4 and Appendix

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"Parent Undertaking"	has the meaning set out in section 1162 of the
	Companies Act 2006;
"Public Sector Dependent Supplier"	means a supplier where that supplier, or that
	supplier's group has Annual Revenue of £50
	million or more of which over 50% is generated
	from UK Public Sector Business;
"Related Supplier"	any person who provides Deliverables to the
	Buyer which are related to the Deliverables from
	time to time;
"Review Report"	has the meaning given to it in Paragraph 6.3 of
	this Schedule;
"Strategic Supplier"	means those suppliers to government listed at
	https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/st
	rategic-suppliers;

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"Supplier Group" means the Supplier, its Dependent Parent Undertakings and all Subsidiary Undertakings and Associates of such Dependent Parent Undertakings;  "Supplier's Proposals" has the meaning given to it in Paragraph 6.3 of this Schedule;  "UK Public Sector Business" means any goods, service or works provision to UK public sector bodies, including Central Government Departments and their arm's length bodies and agencies, non- departmental public bodies, NHS bodies, local authorities, health
Undertakings and all Subsidiary Undertakings and Associates of such Dependent Parent Undertakings;  "Supplier's Proposals" has the meaning given to it in Paragraph 6.3 of this Schedule;  "UK Public Sector Business" means any goods, service or works provision to UK public sector bodies, including Central Government Departments and their arm's length bodies and agencies, non- departmental public
and Associates of such Dependent Parent Undertakings;  "Supplier's Proposals"  has the meaning given to it in Paragraph 6.3 of this Schedule;  "UK Public Sector Business"  means any goods, service or works provision to UK public sector bodies, including Central Government Departments and their arm's length bodies and agencies, non- departmental public
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Government Departments and their arm's length bodies and agencies, non- departmental public
bodies and agencies, non- departmental public
bodies, NHS bodies, local authorities, health
bodies, police, fire and rescue, education bodies
and devolved administrations; and
"UK Public Sector / CNI means the information relating to the Supplier
Contract Information" Group to be provided by the Supplier in
accordance with Paragraphs 2 to 4 and Appendix
2 of Part B;

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Part A: BCDR Plan

1. BCDR Plan

1.1 The Buyer and the Supplier recognise that, where specified in Framework

Schedule 4 (Framework Management), CCS shall have the right to enforce the

Buyer's rights under this Schedule.

1.2 At least ninety (90) Working Days prior to the Start Date the Supplier shall

prepare and deliver to the Buyer for the Buyer's written approval a plan (a

"BCDR Plan"), which shall detail the processes and arrangements that the

Supplier shall follow to:

1.2.1 ensure continuity of the business processes and operations supported by the

Services following any failure or disruption of any element of the Deliverables;

and

1.2.2 the recovery of the Deliverables in the event of a Disaster

1.3 The BCDR Plan shall be divided into four sections:

1.3.1 Section 1 which shall set out general principles applicable to the BCDR Plan;

1.3.2 Section 2 which shall relate to business continuity (the "Business

Continuity Plan");

1.3.3 Section 3 which shall relate to disaster recovery (the "Disaster"

Recovery Plan"); and

1.3.4 Section 4 which shall relate to an Insolvency Event of the Supplier, and Key-

Subcontractors and/or any Supplier Group member (the "Insolvency

Continuity Plan").

1.4 Following receipt of the draft BCDR Plan from the Supplier, the Parties shall use

reasonable endeavours to agree the contents of the BCDR Plan. If the Parties are

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unable to agree the contents of the BCDR Plan within twenty (20) Working Days of

its submission, then such Dispute shall be resolved in accordance with the Dispute

Resolution Procedure.

2. General Principles of the BCDR Plan (Section 1)

2.1 Section 1 of the BCDR Plan shall:

2.1.1 set out how the business continuity and disaster recovery elements of the

BCDR Plan link to each other;

2.1.2 provide details of how the invocation of any element of the BCDR Plan may

impact upon the provision of the Deliverables and any goods and/or services

provided to the Buyer by a Related Supplier;

2.1.3 contain an obligation upon the Supplier to liaise with the Buyer and any

Related Suppliers with respect to business continuity and disaster recovery;

2.1.4 detail how the BCDR Plan interoperates with any overarching disaster

recovery or business continuity plan of the Buyer and any of its other

Related Supplier in each case as notified to the Supplier by the Buyer from

time to time;

2.1.5 contain a communication strategy including details of an incident and

problem management service and advice and help desk facility which can be

accessed via multiple channels;

2.1.6 contain a risk analysis, including:

(a) failure or disruption scenarios and assessments of likely frequency of

occurrence;

(b) identification of any single points of failure within the provision of

Deliverables and processes for managing those risks;

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(c) identification of risks arising from the interaction of the provision of

Deliverables with the goods and/or services provided by a Related

Supplier; and

(d) a business impact analysis of different anticipated failures or

disruptions;

2.1.7 provide for documentation of processes, including business processes, and

procedures;

2.1.8 set out key contact details for the Supplier (and any Subcontractors) and

for the Buyer;

2.1.9 identify the procedures for reverting to "normal service";

2.1.10 set out method(s) of recovering or updating data collected (or which ought to

have been collected) during a failure or disruption to minimise data loss;

2.1.11 identify the responsibilities (if any) that the Buyer has agreed it will

assume in the event of the invocation of the BCDR Plan;

2.1.12 provide for the provision of technical assistance to key contacts at the Buyer

as required by the Buyer to inform decisions in support of the Buyer's

business continuity plans;

2.1.13 set out how the business continuity and disaster recovery elements of the

BCDR Plan link to the Insolvency Continuity Plan, and how the Insolvency

Continuity Plan links to the business continuity and disaster recovery

elements of the BCDR Plan;

2.1.14 contain an obligation upon the Supplier to liaise with the Buyer and (at the

Buyer's request) any Related Supplier with respect to issues concerning

insolvency continuity where applicable; and

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2.1.15 detail how the BCDR Plan links and interoperates with any overarching

and/or connected insolvency continuity plan of the Buyer and any of its other

Related Suppliers in each case as notified to the Supplier by the Buyer from

time to time.

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2.2 The BCDR Plan shall be designed so as to ensure that:

2.2.1 the Deliverables are provided in accordance with this Contract at all times

during and after the invocation of the BCDR Plan;

2.2.2 the adverse impact of any Disaster is minimised as far as reasonably

possible;

2.2.3 it complies with the relevant provisions of ISO/IEC 27002;

ISO22301/ISO22313 and all other industry standards from time to time in

force; and

2.2.4 it details a process for the management of disaster recovery testing.

2.3 The BCDR Plan shall be upgradeable and sufficiently flexible to support any

changes to the Deliverables and the business operations supported by the

provision of Deliverables.

2.4 The Supplier shall not be entitled to any relief from its obligations under the

Performance Indicators (PI's) or Service levels, or to any increase in the Charges to

the extent that a Disaster occurs as a consequence of any breach by the Supplier of

this Contract.

3. Business Continuity (Section 2)

3.1 The Business Continuity Plan shall set out the arrangements that are to be

invoked to ensure that the business processes facilitated by the provision of

Deliverables remain supported and to ensure continuity of the business operations

supported by the Services including:

3.1.1 the alternative processes, options and responsibilities that may be

adopted in the event of a failure in or disruption to the provision of

Deliverables; and

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3.1.2 the steps to be taken by the Supplier upon resumption of the provision of

Deliverables in order to address the effect of the failure or disruption.

3.2 The Business Continuity Plan shall:

3.2.1 address the various possible levels of failures of or disruptions to the

provision of Deliverables;

3.2.2 set out the goods and/or services to be provided and the steps to be taken

to remedy the different levels of failures of and disruption to the

Deliverables;

3.2.3 specify any applicable Performance Indicators with respect to the provision of

the Business Continuity Services and details of any agreed relaxation to the

Performance Indicators (PI's) or Service Levels in respect of the provision of

other Deliverables during any period of invocation of the Business Continuity

Plan; and

3.2.4 set out the circumstances in which the Business Continuity Plan is

invoked.

4. Disaster Recovery (Section 3)

4.1 The Disaster Recovery Plan (which shall be invoked only upon the occurrence of a

Disaster) shall be designed to ensure that upon the occurrence of a Disaster the

Supplier ensures continuity of the business operations of the Buyer supported by the

Services following any Disaster or during any period of service failure or disruption

with, as far as reasonably possible, minimal adverse impact.

4.2 The Supplier's BCDR Plan shall include an approach to business continuity and

disaster recovery that addresses the following:

4.2.1 loss of access to the Buyer Premises;

4.2.2 loss of utilities to the Buyer Premises;

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4.2.3 loss of the Supplier's helpdesk or CAFM system;

4.2.4 loss of a Subcontractor;

4.2.5 emergency notification and escalation process;

4.2.6 contact lists;

4.2.7 staff training and awareness;

4.2.8 BCDR Plan testing;

4.2.9 post implementation review process;

4.2.10 any applicable Performance Indicators (PI's) with respect to the provision of the disaster recovery services and details of any agreed relaxation to the Performance Indicators (PI's) or Service Levels in respect of the provision of other Deliverables during any period of invocation of the

Disaster Recovery Plan;

4.2.11 details of how the Supplier shall ensure compliance with security standards ensuring that compliance is maintained for any period during which the

Disaster Recovery Plan is invoked;

4.2.12 access controls to any disaster recovery sites used by the Supplier in relation to its obligations pursuant to this Schedule; and

4.2.13 testing and management arrangements.

5. Insolvency Continuity Plan (Section 4)

5.1 The Insolvency Continuity Plan shall be designed by the Supplier to permit continuity

of the business operations of the Buyer supported by the Deliverables through continued

provision of the Deliverables following an Insolvency Event of the Supplier, any Key

Sub-contractor and/or any Supplier Group member with, as far as reasonably possible,

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5.2 minimal adverse impact.

5.3 The Insolvency Continuity Plan shall include the following:

5.3.1 communication strategies which are designed to minimise the potential

disruption to the provision of the Deliverables, including key contact details in

respect of the supply chain and key contact details for operational and

contract Supplier Staff, Key Subcontractor personnel and Supplier Group

member personnel;

5.3.2 identification, explanation, assessment and an impact analysis of risks in

respect of dependencies between the Supplier, Key Subcontractors and

Supplier Group members where failure of those dependencies could reasonably

have an adverse impact on the Deliverables;

5.3.3 plans to manage and mitigate identified risks;

5.3.4 details of the roles and responsibilities of the Supplier, Key Subcontractors

and/or Supplier Group members to minimise and mitigate the effects of an

Insolvency Event of such persons on the Deliverables;

5.3.5 details of the recovery team to be put in place by the Supplier (which may

include representatives of the Supplier, Key Subcontractors and Supplier

Group members); and

5.3.6 sufficient detail to enable an appointed insolvency practitioner to invoke the plan

in the event of an Insolvency Event of the Supplier.

6. Review and changing the BCDR Plan

6.1 The Supplier shall review the BCDR Plan:

6.1.1 on a regular basis and as a minimum once every six (6) Months;

6.1.2 within three (3) calendar Months of the BCDR Plan (or any part) having been

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invoked pursuant to Paragraph 8; and

6.1.3 where the Buyer requests in writing any additional reviews (over and above

those provided for in Paragraphs 6.1.1 and 6.1.2 of this Schedule)

whereupon the Supplier shall conduct such reviews in accordance with the

Buyer's written requirements. Prior to starting its review, the Supplier shall

provide an accurate written estimate of the total cost's payable by the Buyer

for the Buyer's approval. The costs of both Parties of any such additional

reviews shall be met by the Buyer except that the Supplier shall not be

entitled to charge the Buyer for any costs that it may incur above any estimate

without the Buyer's prior written approval.

6.2 Each review of the BCDR Plan pursuant to Paragraph 6.1 shall assess its suitability

having regard to any change to the Deliverables or any underlying business

processes and operations facilitated by or supported by the Services which have

taken place since the later of the original approval of the BCDR Plan or the last

review of the BCDR Plan, and shall also have regard to any occurrence of any event

since that date (or the likelihood of any such event taking place in the foreseeable

future) which may increase the likelihood of the need to invoke the BCDR Plan. The

review shall be completed by the Supplier within such period as the Buyer shall

reasonably require.

6.3 The Supplier shall, within twenty (20) Working Days of the conclusion of each such

review of the BCDR Plan, provide to the Buyer a report (a "Review

Report") setting out the Supplier's proposals (the "Supplier's Proposals") for

addressing any changes in the risk profile and its proposals for amendments to the

BCDR Plan.

6.4 Following receipt of the Review Report and the Supplier's Proposals, the Parties

shall use reasonable endeavours to agree the Review Report and the Supplier's

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Proposals. If the Parties are unable to agree Review Report and the Supplier's

Proposals within twenty (20) Working Days of its submission, then such Dispute

shall be resolved in accordance with the Dispute Resolution Procedure.

6.5 The Supplier shall as soon as be reasonably practicable after receiving the approval

of the Supplier's Proposals effect any change in its practices or procedures

necessary so as to give effect to the Supplier's Proposals. Any such change shall

be at the Supplier's expense unless it can be reasonably shown that the changes

are required because of a material change to the risk profile of the Deliverables.

6.6 Testing the BCDR Plan

6.7 The Supplier shall test the BCDR Plan:

6.7.1 regularly and in any event not less than once in every Contract Year;

6.7.2 in the event of any major reconfiguration of the Deliverables

6.7.3 at any time where the Buyer considers it necessary (acting in its sole

discretion).

6.8 If the Buyer requires an additional test of the BCDR Plan, it shall give the Supplier

written notice and the Supplier shall conduct the test in accordance with the

Buyer's requirements and the relevant provisions of the BCDR Plan. The Supplier's

costs of the additional test shall be borne by the Buyer unless the BCDR Plan fails

the additional test in which case the Supplier's costs of that failed test shall be

borne by the Supplier.

6.9 The Supplier shall undertake and manage testing of the BCDR Plan in full

consultation with and under the supervision of the Buyer and shall liaise with the

Buyer in respect of the planning, performance, and review, of each test, and shall

comply with the reasonable requirements of the Buyer.

6.10 The Supplier shall ensure that any use by it or any Subcontractor of "live" data in such

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testing is first approved with the Buyer. Copies of live test data used in any such testing

shall be (if so, required by the Buyer) destroyed or returned to the Buyer on completion

of the test.

6.11 The Supplier shall, within twenty (20) Working Days of the conclusion of each test,

provide to the Buyer a report setting out:

6.11.1 the outcome of the test;

6.11.2 any failures in the BCDR Plan (including the BCDR Plan's procedures)

revealed by the test; and

6.11.3 the Supplier's proposals for remedying any such failures.

6.12 Following each test, the Supplier shall take all measures requested by the Buyer to

remedy any failures in the BCDR Plan and such remedial activity and re-testing shall

be completed by the Supplier, at its own cost, by the date reasonably required by the

Buyer.

7. Invoking the BCDR Plan

7.1 In the event of a complete loss of service or in the event of a Disaster, the Supplier

shall immediately invoke the BCDR Plan (and shall inform the Buyer promptly of

such invocation). In all other instances the Supplier shall invoke or test the BCDR

Plan only with the prior consent of the Buyer.

7.2 The Insolvency Continuity Plan element of the BCDR Plan, including any linked

elements in other parts of the BCDR Plan, shall be invoked by the Supplier:

7.2.1 where an Insolvency Event of a Key Sub-contractor and/or Supplier Group

member (other than the Supplier) could reasonably be expected to adversely

affect delivery of the Deliverables; and/or

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7.2.2 where there is an Insolvency Event of the Supplier and the insolvency

arrangements enable the Supplier to invoke the plan.

8. Circumstances beyond your control

8.1 The Supplier shall not be entitled to relief under Clause 20 (Circumstances beyond

your control) if it would not have been impacted by the Force Majeure Event had it

not failed to comply with its obligations under this Schedule.

Amendments to this Schedule in respect of Bronze Contracts

9.1 Where a Buyer's Call-Off Contract is a Bronze Contract, if specified in the Order

Form, the following provisions of this Call-Off Schedule 8, shall be disapplied in

respect of that Contract:

9.1.1 Paragraph 1.3.4 of Part A so that the BCDR plan shall only be required to be

split into the three sections detailed in paragraphs 1.3.1 to 1.3.3 inclusive;

9.1.2 Paragraphs 2.1.13 to 2.1.15 of Part A, inclusive;

9.1.3 Paragraph 5 (Insolvency Continuity Plan) of Part A;

9.1.4 Paragraph 8.2 of Part A; and

9.1.5 The entirety of Part B of this Schedule.

9.2 Where a Buyer's Call-Off Contract is a Bronze Contract, if specified in the Order

Form, the following definitions in Paragraph 1 of this Call-Off Schedule 8, shall be

deemed to be deleted:

9.2.1 Annual Review;

9.2.2 Appropriate Authority or Appropriate Authorities;

9.2.3 Associates;

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- 9.2.4 Class 1 Transaction;
- 9.2.5 Control;
- 9.2.6 Corporate Change Event;
- 9.2.7 Critical National Infrastructure;
- 9.2.8 Critical Service Contract;
- 9.2.9 CRP Information;
- 9.2.10 Dependent Parent Undertaking;
- 9.2.11 Group Structure Information and Resolution Commentary;
- 9.2.12 Parent Undertaking;
- 9.2.13 Public Sector Dependent Supplier;
- 9.2.14 Subsidiary Undertaking;
- 9.2.15 Supplier Group;
- 9.2.16 UK Public Sector Business; and
- 9.2.17 UK Public Sector/CNI Contract Information.

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Part B: Corporate Resolution Planning

1. Service Status and Supplier Status

1.1 This Contract [insert 'is' or 'is not'] a Critical Service Contract.

1.2 The Supplier shall notify the Buyer in writing within 5 Working Days of the Effective

Date and throughout the Call-Off Contract Period within 120 days after each Accounting

Reference Date as to whether or not it is a Public Sector Dependent Supplier.

2. Provision of Corporate Resolution Planning Information

2.1 Paragraphs 2 to 4 of this Part B shall apply if the Contract has been specified as a

Critical Service Contract under Paragraph 1.1 of this Part B or the Supplier is or

becomes a Public Sector Dependent Supplier.

2.2 Subject to Paragraphs 2.6, 2.10 and 2.11 of this Part B:

2.2.1 where the Contract is a Critical Service Contract, the Supplier shall

provide the Appropriate Authority or Appropriate Authorities with the CRP

Information within 60 days of the Effective Date; and

2.2.2 except where it has already been provided, where the Supplier is a Public

Sector Dependent Supplier, it shall provide the Appropriate Authority or

Appropriate Authorities with the CRP Information within 60 days of the date

of the Appropriate Authority's or Appropriate Authorities' request.

2.3 The Supplier shall ensure that the CRP Information provided pursuant to

Paragraphs 2.2, 2.8 and 2.9 of this Part B:

2.3.1 is full, comprehensive, accurate and up to date;

2.3.2 is split into two parts:

(a) Group Structure Information and Resolution Commentary;

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(b) UK Public Service / CNI Contract Information and is structured and presented in accordance with the requirements and explanatory notes set out at Annex I of the latest published version of the Resolution Planning Guidance published by the Cabinet Office Government Commercial Function and available at https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/the- outsourcingplaybook and contains the level of detail required (adapted as necessary to the Supplier's circumstances):

- 2.3.3 incorporates any additional commentary, supporting documents and evidence which would reasonably be required by the Appropriate Authority or Appropriate Authorities to understand and consider the information for approval;
- 2.3.4 provides a clear description and explanation of the Supplier Group members that have agreements for goods, services or works provision in respect of UK Public Sector Business and/or Critical National Infrastructure and the nature of those agreements; and
- 2.3.5 complies with the requirements set out at Appendix 1 (Group Structure Information and Resolution Commentary) and Appendix 2 (UK Public Sector / CNI Contract Information) respectively.
- 2.4 Following receipt by the Appropriate Authority or Appropriate Authorities of the CRP Information pursuant to Paragraphs 2.2, 2.8 and 2.9 of this Part B, the Buyer shall procure that the Appropriate Authority or Appropriate Authorities shall discuss in good faith the contents of the CRP Information with the Supplier and no later than 60 days after the date on which the CRP Information was delivered by the Supplier either provide an Assurance to the Supplier that the Appropriate Authority or Appropriate Authorities approves the CRP Information or that the Appropriate Authority or

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Appropriate Authorities rejects the CRP Information.

2.5 If the Appropriate Authority or Appropriate Authorities rejects the CRP Information:

2.5.1 the Buyer shall (and shall procure that the Cabinet Office Markets and

Suppliers Team shall) inform the Supplier in writing of its reasons for its

rejection; and

2.5.2 the Supplier shall revise the CRP Information, taking reasonable account of

the Appropriate Authority's or Appropriate Authorities' comments, and shall

re-submit the CRP Information to the Appropriate Authority or Appropriate

Authorities for approval within 30 days of the date of the Appropriate

Authority's or Appropriate Authorities' rejection. The provisions of paragraph

2.3 to 2.5 of this Part B shall apply again to any resubmitted CRP

Information provided that either Party may refer any disputed matters for

resolution by the Dispute Resolution Procedure under Clause 34 of the Core

Terms at any time.

2.6 Where the Supplier or a member of the Supplier Group has already provided CRP

Information to a Department or the Cabinet Office Markets and Suppliers Team (or, in

the case of a Strategic Supplier, solely to the Cabinet Office Markets and Suppliers

Team) and has received an Assurance of its CRP Information from that Department

and the Cabinet Office Markets and Suppliers Team (or, in the case of a Strategic

Supplier, solely from the Cabinet Office Markets and Suppliers Team), then provided

that the Assurance remains Valid (which has the meaning in paragraph 2.7 below) on

the date by which the CRP Information would otherwise be required, the Supplier shall

not be required to provide the CRP Information under Paragraph 2.2 if it provides a

copy of the Valid Assurance to the Appropriate Authority or Appropriate Authorities on

or before the date on which the CRP Information would otherwise have been required.

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2.7 An Assurance shall be deemed Valid for the purposes of Paragraph 2.6 of this Part B

if:

2.7.1 the Assurance is within the validity period stated in the Assurance (or, if no

validity period is stated, no more than 12 months has elapsed since it was

issued and no more than 18 months has elapsed since the Accounting

Reference Date on which the CRP Information was based); and

2.7.2 no Corporate Change Events or Financial Distress Events (or events which

would be deemed to be Corporate Change Events or Financial Distress

Events if the Contract had then been in force) have occurred since the date

of issue of the Assurance.

2.8 If the Contract is a Critical Service Contract, the Supplier shall provide an updated

version of the CRP Information (or, in the case of Paragraph 2.8.3 of this Part B its

initial CRP Information) to the Appropriate Authority or Appropriate Authorities:

2.8.1 within 14 days of the occurrence of a Financial Distress Event (along with

any additional highly confidential information no longer exempted from

disclosure under Paragraph 2.11 of this Part B) unless the Supplier is

relieved of the consequences of the Financial Distress Event under

Paragraph 7.1 of Joint Schedule 7 (Financial Distress) (if applicable);

2.8.2 within 30 days of a Corporate Change Event unless not required

pursuant to Paragraph 2.10;

2.8.3 within 30 days of the date that:

(a) the credit rating(s) of each of the Supplier and its Parent Undertakings fail

to meet any of the criteria specified in Paragraph 2.10; or

(b) none of the credit rating agencies specified at Paragraph 2.10 hold a

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public credit rating for the Supplier or any of its Parent Undertakings;

and

2.8.4 in any event, within 6 months after each Accounting Reference Date or within

15 months of the date of the previous Assurance received from the

Appropriate Authority (whichever is the earlier), unless:

(a) updated CRP Information has been provided under any of Paragraphs

2.8.1 2.8.2 or 2.8.3 since the most recent Accounting Reference Date

(being no more than 12 months previously) within the timescales that

would ordinarily be required for the provision of that information under

this Paragraph 2.8.4; or

(b) unless not required pursuant to Paragraph 2.10.

2.9 Where the Supplier is a Public Sector Dependent Supplier and the Contract is not a

Critical Service Contract, then on the occurrence of any of the events specified in

Paragraphs 2.8.1 to 2.8.4 of this Part B, the Supplier shall provide at the request of the

Appropriate Authority or Appropriate Authorities and within the applicable timescales

for each event as set out in Paragraph 2.8 (or such longer timescales as may be notified

to the Supplier by the Buyer), the CRP Information to the Appropriate Authority or

Appropriate Authorities.

2.10 Where the Supplier or a Parent Undertaking of the Supplier has a credit rating of

either:

2.10.1 Aa3 or better from Moody's;

2.10.2 AA- or better from Standard and Poors;

2.10.3 AA- or better from Fitch;

the Supplier will not be required to provide any CRP Information unless or until either

(i) a Financial Distress Event occurs (unless the Supplier is relieved of the

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consequences of the Financial Distress Event under Paragraph

7.1 of Annex 3 to Joint Schedule 7 (Financial Distress), if applicable) or (ii) the

Supplier and its Parent Undertakings cease to fulfil the criteria set out in this

Paragraph 2.10, in which cases the Supplier shall provide the updated version of the

CRP Information in accordance with paragraph 2.8.

2.11 Subject to Paragraph 4, where the Supplier demonstrates to the reasonable

satisfaction of the Appropriate Authority or Appropriate Authorities that a particular item

of CRP Information is highly confidential, the Supplier may, having orally disclosed and

discussed that information with the Appropriate Authority or Appropriate Authorities,

redact or omit that information from the CRP Information provided that if a Financial

Distress Event occurs, this exemption shall no longer apply and the Supplier shall

promptly provide the relevant information to the Appropriate Authority or Appropriate

Authorities to the extent required under Paragraph 2.8.

3. Termination Rights

3.1 The Buyer shall be entitled to terminate the Contract if the Supplier is required to

provide CRP Information under Paragraph 2 of this Part B and either:

3.1.1 the Supplier fails to provide the CRP Information within 4 months of the

Effective Date if this is a Critical Service Contract or otherwise within 4

months of the Appropriate Authority's or Appropriate Authorities' request; or

3.1.2 the Supplier fails to obtain an Assurance from the Appropriate Authority or

Appropriate Authorities within 4 months of the date that it was first required to

provide the CRP Information under the Contract,

which shall be deemed to be an event to which Clause 10.4.1 of the Core Terms applies and

Clauses 10.6.1 and 10.6.2 of the Core Terms shall apply accordingly.

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4. Confidentiality and usage of CRP Information

4.1 The Buyer agrees to keep the CRP Information confidential and use it only to

understand the implications of an Insolvency Event of the Supplier and/or Supplier

Group members on its UK Public Sector Business and/or services in respect of CNI

and to enable contingency planning to maintain service continuity for end users and

protect CNI in such eventuality.

4.2 Where the Appropriate Authority is the Cabinet Office Markets and Suppliers Team, at

the Supplier's request, the Buyer shall use reasonable endeavours to procure that the

Cabinet Office enters into a confidentiality and usage agreement with the Supplier

containing terms no less stringent than those placed on the Buyer under paragraph 4.1

of this Part B and Clause 15 of the Core Terms.

4.3 The Supplier shall use reasonable endeavours to obtain consent from any third party

which has restricted the disclosure of the CRP Information to enable disclosure of that

information to the Appropriate Authority or Appropriate Authorities pursuant to

Paragraph 2 of this Part B subject, where necessary, to the Appropriate Authority or

Appropriate Authorities entering into an appropriate confidentiality agreement in the

form required by the third party.

4.4 Where the Supplier is unable to procure consent pursuant to Paragraph 4.3 of this Part

B, the Supplier shall use all reasonable endeavours to disclose the CRP Information to

the fullest extent possible by limiting the amount of information it withholds including

by:

4.4.1 redacting only those parts of the information which are subject to such

obligations of confidentiality;

4.4.2 providing the information in a form that does not breach its obligations of

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confidentiality including (where possible) by:

(a) summarising the information;

(b) grouping the information;

(c) anonymising the information; and

(d) presenting the information in general terms

4.5 The Supplier shall provide the Appropriate Authority or Appropriate Authorities with

contact details of any third party which has not provided consent to disclose CRP

Information where that third party is also a public sector body and where the Supplier

is legally permitted to do so.

**Appendix 1: Group structure information and resolution commentary** 

1. The Supplier shall:

> 1.1 provide sufficient information to allow the Appropriate Authority to understand the

implications on the Supplier Group's UK Public Sector Business and CNI contracts

listed pursuant to Appendix 2 if the Supplier or another member of the Supplier

Group is subject to an Insolvency Event;

1.2 ensure that the information is presented so as to provide a simple, effective and

easily understood overview of the Supplier Group; and

1.3 provide full details of the importance of each member of the Supplier Group to the

Supplier Group's UK Public Sector Business and CNI contracts listed pursuant to

Appendix 2 and the dependencies between each.

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