Schedule 8.7 - ESMCP Mobile Services Agreement Conduct of Claims

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## 1. Indemnities

- 1.1 This Schedule shall apply to the conduct, by a Party from whom an indemnity is sought under this Agreement (the **"Indemnifier"**), of claims made by a third person against a party having (or claiming to have) the benefit of the indemnity (the **"Beneficiary"**).
- 1.2 If the Beneficiary receives any notice of any claim for which it appears that the Beneficiary is, or may become, entitled to indemnification under this Agreement (a **"Claim"**), the Beneficiary shall give notice in writing to the Indemnifier as soon as reasonably practicable and in any event **and the analysis of the same**.
- 1.3 Subject to Paragraph 2, on the giving of a notice by the Beneficiary, where it appears that the Beneficiary is or may be entitled to indemnification from the Indemnifier in respect of all (but not part only) of the liability arising out of the Claim, or in respect of any indemnity under Schedule 9.1, the Indemnifier shall (subject to providing the Beneficiary with a secured indemnity to its reasonable satisfaction against all costs and expenses that it may incur by reason of such action) be entitled to dispute the Claim in the name of the Beneficiary at the Indemnifier's own expense and take conduct of any defence, dispute, compromise or appeal of the Claim and of any incidental negotiations relating to the Claim. If the Indemnifier does elect to conduct the Claim, the Beneficiary shall give the Indemnifier all reasonable cooperation, access and assistance for the purposes of such Claim and, subject to Paragraph 2, the Beneficiary shall not make any admission which could be prejudicial to the defence or settlement of the Claim without the prior written consent of the Indemnifier.
- 1.4 With respect to any Claim conducted by the Indemnifier pursuant to Paragraph 1.3:
  - (a) the Indemnifier shall keep the Beneficiary fully informed and consult with it about material elements of the conduct of the Claim;
  - (b) the Indemnifier shall not bring the name of the Beneficiary into disrepute;
  - (c) the Indemnifier shall not pay or settle such Claim without the prior written consent of the Beneficiary, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed; and
  - (d) the Indemnifier shall conduct the Claim with all due diligence.
- 1.5 The Beneficiary shall be entitled to have conduct of the Claim and shall be free to pay or settle any Claim on such terms as it thinks fit and without prejudice to its rights and remedies under this Agreement if:
  - (a) the Indemnifier is not entitled to take conduct of the Claim in accordance with Paragraph 1.3;
  - (b) the Indemnifier fails to notify the Beneficiary in writing of its intention to take conduct of the relevant Claim within ten (10) Working Days of the notice from the Beneficiary or if the Indemnifier notifies the Beneficiary in writing that it does not intend to take conduct of the Claim; or

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(c) the Indemnifier fails to comply in any material respect with the provisions of Paragraph 1.4.

## 2. Sensitive Claims

- 2.1 With respect to any Claim which the Authority, acting reasonably, considers is likely to have an adverse impact on the general public's perception of the Authority, or raises issues relating to Clause 34.7(a) or Clause 34.7(b) (a **"Sensitive Claim"**), the Supplier shall be entitled to take conduct of any defence, dispute, compromise or appeal of the Sensitive Claim only with the Authority's prior written consent. If the Authority withholds such consent and elects to conduct the defence, dispute, compromise or appeal of the Sensitive Claim itself, it shall conduct the Sensitive Claim with all due diligence and if it fails to do so, the Supplier shall only be liable to indemnify the Authority in respect of that amount which would have been recoverable by the Authority had it conducted the Sensitive Claim with all due diligence.
- 2.2 The Authority shall be free at any time to give written notice to the Supplier that it is retaining or taking over (as the case may be) the conduct of any Claim, to which Paragraph 1.3 applies if, in the reasonable opinion of the Authority, the Claim is, or has become, a Sensitive Claim.

### 3. Recovery Of Sums

- 3.1 If the Indemnifier pays to the Beneficiary an amount in respect of an indemnity and the Beneficiary subsequently recovers (whether by payment, discount, credit, saving, relief or other benefit or otherwise) a sum which is directly referable to the fact, matter, event or circumstances giving rise to the Claim, the Beneficiary shall forthwith repay to the Indemnifier whichever is the lesser of:
  - (a) an amount equal to the sum recovered (or the value of the discount, credit, saving, relief, other benefit or amount otherwise obtained) less any out-of-pocket costs and expenses properly incurred by the Beneficiary in recovering or obtaining the same; and
  - (b) the amount paid to the Beneficiary by the Indemnifier in respect of the Claim under the relevant indemnity.

## 4. Mitigation

4.1 Each of the Authority and the Supplier shall at all times take all reasonable steps to minimise and mitigate any loss for which the relevant Party is entitled to bring a claim against the other Party pursuant to the indemnities in this Schedule.

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