1. INTERPRETATION

- 1.1 In these Conditions the following words have the following meanings:
- 1.2 "Buyer" the person(s), firm or Seller from whom an order to supply Goods is received by the Seller:
- 1.3 "Buyer Materials" any documents or other materials and any data or other information provided by the Buyer relating to the Goods;
- 1.4 "Conditions" the standard terms and Conditions of sale as set out in this document;
- 1.5 "Contract" any Contract between the Seller and the Buyer for the sale and purchase of the Goods and/or the provision of Services;
- 1.6 "Components" the Components, articles or systems belonging to the Buyer, which are to be the subject of the Services;
- 1.7 "Force Majeure Event" has the meaning given to it in Condition 15.1;
- 1.8 "Goods" any Goods agreed in the Contract to be supplied to the Buyer by the Seller (including any part or parts of them).
- 1.9 "Order" has the meaning given to it in condition 15.1;
- 1.10 "Seller" Silicon Supplies Limited trading as Die Devices, Trafalgar House, Wellesley Road, Tharston Industrial Estate, Norwich, Norfolk, NR15 2PD (07654987);
- 1.11 "Services" any Services agreed in the Contract to be acquired by the Buyer from the Seller (including any part or parts of them);
- 1.12"Specification" details of any particular specification for the Goods or Services and the particular purpose for which the Buyer is buying the Goods or Services including any relevant any plans, patterns, drawings, data or other information relating to the Goods or Services, made known to the Seller by the Buyer at the point of submitting the Order;
- 1.13 In these Conditions:
- 1.13.1 references to legislation are to that legislation as amended;
- 1.13.2 "include", "including", "in particular" or any similar words shall be interpreted with the words "without limitation" after them:

2. APPLICATION OF TERMS

- 2.1 Subject to any variation under Condition
- 2.2 the Contract will be on these Conditions to the exclusion of all other Terms & Conditions (including any terms or Conditions which the Buyer purports to apply under any purchase order, confirmation of order or of receipt, Specification, e-mail or other document none of which will form part of the Contract simply as a result of such document being referred to in the Contract).2.2 These Conditions apply to all sales of Goods or provision of Services by the Seller and any variation to these Conditions and any representations about the Goods

and/or the Services shall have no effect unless expressly agreed in writing and signed by the Seller

- 2.3 Each order for Goods and/or Services by the Buyer from the Seller shall be deemed to be an offer by the Buyer to purchase Goods and/or to acquire Services subject to these Conditions (an "Order").
- 2.4 No Order placed by the Buyer shall be deemed to be accepted by the Seller until the Seller issues a written acknowledgement of Order or (if earlier) the Seller delivers the Goods to the Buyer.
- 2.5 Any quotation is given on the basis that no Contract will come into existence until the Seller despatches the Goods, or starts to perform the Services or an acknowledgement of order is sent to the Buyer. Any quotation is valid for a period of 30 days only from its date, provided that the Seller has not previously withdrawn it.
- 2.6 No Order which has been accepted by the Seller may be cancelled or varied by the Buyer without the express written permission of the Seller.
- 2.7 The Seller's employees, sub-contractors or agents are not authorized to make representations concerning the Goods or Services unless confirmed in writing by the Seller. The Buyer acknowledges it does not rely on, and waives any claim for breach of, any representations not so confirmed.
- 2.8 Suggestions, indications or advice given by the Seller or its employees, sub-contractors or agents as to storage, application or use of the Goods which are not confirmed in writing by the Seller are followed at the Buyer's risk. The Buyer acknowledges that it does not rely on, and waives any claim for breach of, any representations not so confirmed.

3. DESCRIPTION

- 3.1 The quantity, quality and description of the Goods and/or the Services shall be as set out in the Seller's quotation.
- 3.2 All drawings, descriptive matter, specifications and advertising issued by the Seller and any descriptions or illustrations contained in the Seller's catalogues or brochures are issued or published for the sole purpose of giving an approximate idea of the Goods or Services described in them. They will not form part of this Contract.
- 3.3 The Seller must provide the Buyer with a suitable Specification in respect of the use or purpose of the Goods or Services, which shall include any and all information relating to electrical, mechanical, transportation and environmental information which may affect the performance or usual functioning of the Goods or which may affect the provision of the Services. The Seller shall have no liability for any losses, howsoever arising, which arise as a result of any incorrect or inaccurate Specification or which arise where the Seller has provided the Goods or Services in accordance with the Specification.

4. DELIVERY

4.1 Unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Seller delivery of the Goods and/or performance of the Services shall take place at the Seller's place of business.

- 4.2 The Goods shall be delivered ex-works the Seller's premises at and the Services shall be performed at the Seller's local office or such other address as the parties agree in writing in advance.
- 4.3 Any dates specified by the Seller for delivery of the Goods or performance of the Services are intended to be an estimate and time for delivery or performance shall not be made of the essence by notice. If no dates are so specified, delivery or performance will be within a reasonable time.
- 4.4 Goods will be deemed to be delivered (and Services will be deemed to be performed) on the date on which the Goods were despatched from the Seller's premises or tendered for delivery or the date on which the Seller notified the Buyer that the Goods were ready to be collected (or the date on which the Services were performed or performance was tendered by the Seller), in which case the Seller may store the Goods until delivery whereupon the Buyer will be liable for all related costs and expenses (including without limitation storage and insurance).
- 4.5 In respect of Goods consisting of bare die or wafers, the Seller may deliver a quantity of Goods of up to 15% more or less than the quantity accepted by the Seller or, in respect of all other Goods, the Seller may deliver a quantity of Goods of 5% more or less than the quantity accepted by the Seller, in which case the Buyer shall not be entitled to object to or reject the Goods or any of them by reason of the surplus or shortfall and shall pay for such Goods at the pro rata Contract rate.
- 4.6 The Seller may deliver the Goods by instalments and each instalment shall be treated as a separate Contract so that failure to deliver or defect in one or more instalment shall not entitle the Buyer to reject the other instalments.

5. NON-DELIVERY

- 5.1 The quantity of any consignment of Goods as recorded by the Seller upon despatch from the Seller's place of business shall be conclusive evidence of the quantity received by the Buyer on delivery unless, subject to Conditions 4.5 and 4.6, the Buyer notifies any shortage or excess within 10 days of delivery.
- 5.2 The Seller shall not be liable for any non-delivery of Goods or non-performance of the Services (even if caused by the Seller's negligence) unless written notice is given to the Seller within 10 days of the date when the Goods would in the ordinary course of events have been received or the Services performed.
- 5.3 Any liability of the Seller for non-delivery of the Goods or non-performance of the Services shall be limited to replacing the Goods or re-performing the Services within a reasonable time or issuing a credit note at the pro rata Contract rate against any invoice raised for such Goods

.6. RISK/TITLE

- 6.1 The Goods are at the risk of the Buyer from the time of delivery (as defined in Condition 4.4).
- 6.2 Ownership of the Goods shall not pass to the Buyer until the Seller has received in full (in cash or cleared funds) all sums due to it in respect of:
 6.2.1 the Goods; and

- 6.2.2 all other sums which are or which become due to the Seller from the Buyer on any account.
- 6.3 Until ownership of the Goods has passed to the Buyer, the Buyer must:
- 6.3.1 hold the Goods on a fiduciary basis as the Seller's bailee;6.3.2 store the Goods (at no cost to the Seller) separately from all other Goods of the Buyer or any third party in such a way that they remain readily identifiable as the Seller's property;
- 6.3.3 not destroy, deface or obscure any identifying mark or packaging on or relating to the Goods:
- 6.3.4 maintain the Goods in satisfactory condition insured on the Seller's behalf for their full price against all risks to the reasonable satisfaction of the Seller. On request the Buyer shall produce the policy of insurance to the Seller; and 6.3.5 hold the proceeds of the insurance referred to in Condition 6.3.4 on trust for the Seller and not mix them with any other money, nor pay the proceeds into an overdrawn bank account.
- 6.4 The Buyer may resell the Goods before ownership has passed to it solely on the following Conditions:
- 6.4.1 any sale shall be effected in the ordinary course of the Buyer's business at full market value; and
- 6.4.2 any such sale shall be a sale of the Seller's property on the Buyer's own behalf and the Buyer shall deal as principal when making such a sale.
- 6.5 The Buyer's right to possession of the Goods shall terminate immediately if:
 6.5.1 the Buyer has a bankruptcy order made against him or makes an arrangement or
 composition with his creditors, or otherwise takes the benefit of any Act for the time being in
 force for the relief of insolvent debtors, or (being a body corporate) convenes a meeting of
 creditors (whether formal or informal), or enters into liquidation (whether voluntary or
 compulsory) except a solvent voluntary liquidation for the purpose only of reconstruction or
 amalgamation, or has a receiver and/or manager, administrator or administrative receiver
 appointed of its undertaking or any part thereof, or a resolution is passed or a petition
 presented to any court for the winding up of the Buyer or for the granting of an administration
 order in respect of the Buyer, or any proceedings are commenced relating to the insolvency
 or possible insolvency of the Buyer or the Buyer suffers a circumstance which would allow
 any of those events to occur; or
- 6.5.2 the Buyer suffers or allows any execution, whether legal or equitable, to be levied on his/its property or obtained against him/it, or fails to observe/perform any of his/its obligations under the Contract or any other Contract between the Seller and the Buyer, or is unable to pay its debts within the meaning of section 123 of the Insolvency Act 1986 or the Buyer ceases to trade: or
- 6.5.3 the Buyer encumbers or in any way charges any of the Goods.
- 6.6 The Seller shall be entitled to recover payment for the Goods notwithstanding that ownership of any of the Goods has not passed from the Seller.
- 6.7 The Buyer grants the Seller, its agents and employees an irrevocable licence at any time to enter any premises where the Goods are or may be stored in order to inspect them, or, where the Buyer's right to possession has terminated, to recover them.
- 6.8 Where the Buyer provides any products, items, goods, components or any other materials ("Buyer's Products") to the Seller in connection with the provision of the Goods or Services, the Seller accepts no liability for any loss of or damage to the Buyer's Products and the Buyer's Products remain at all times (including during transportation, storage and

handling) at the Buyer's risk. It is the Buyer's responsibility to ensure that the Buyer's Products are suitably insured.

7. PRICE

- 7.1 Unless otherwise agreed by the Seller in writing the price for the Goods or Services shall be the price specified in the quotation unless the price is amended in accordance with Condition 7.3.
- 7.2 The price for the Goods or Services shall be in Pounds Sterling (unless otherwise agreed by the Seller in writing) and exclusive of any value added tax and all costs or charges in relation to loading, unloading, carriage and insurance all of which amounts the Buyer will pay in addition when it is due to pay for the Goods.
- 7.3 The Seller is entitled to increase the price at any time in the following circumstances:
- 7.3.1 if there is an increase in any of the Seller's costs associated with providing the Goods or performing the Services, including any fluctuation in currency exchange rates connected to provision of the Goods/Services;
- 7.3.2 if the Goods and/or Services required by the Buyer are different from the Goods and/or Services initially requested by the Buyer; or
- 7.3.3 where the Buyer's Order was insufficiently clear to the Seller; and in each case the increase in price will be limited to the aggregate of the increase suffered by the Seller.

8. PAYMENT

- 8.1 Payment of the price for the Goods or Services is due and payable within 30 days of the date of invoice, notwithstanding that delivery of the Goods or performance of the Services may not have taken place and title in the Goods may not have passed.
- 8.2 The Seller shall be entitled to issue an invoice on or after delivery of the Goods or performance of the Services, in accordance with Condition 4.4.8.3 Time for payment shall be of the essence.
- 8.4 No payment shall be deemed to have been received until the Seller has received cleared funds.
- 8.5 The Seller shall be entitled to suspend delivery of any Goods or provision of any Services if any sums remain unpaid by the Buyer.
- 8.6 All payments payable to the Seller under the Contract shall become due immediately upon termination of this Contract despite any other provision.
- 8.7 The Buyer shall make all payments due under the Contract without any deduction whether by way of set-off, counterclaim, discount, abatement or otherwise unless the Buyer has a valid court order requiring an amount equal to such deduction to be paid by the Seller to the Buyer.
- 8.8 If the Buyer fails to pay the Seller any sum due pursuant to the Contract the Buyer will be liable to pay interest to the Seller on such sum from the due date for payment at the annual rate of 2% above the base lending rate from time to time of HSBC Bank plc., accruing on a daily basis until payment is made, whether before or after any judgment.

9. TERMINATION AND SUSPENSION

- 9.1 If the Buyer becomes subject to any of the events listed in Condition 6.5, the Seller may terminate the Contract with immediate effect by giving written notice to the Buyer.
- 9.2 Without limiting its other rights or remedies, the Seller may suspend provision of the Goods or Services under the Contract or any other contract between the Buyer and the Seller if the Buyer becomes subject to any of the events listed in Condition 6.5, or the Seller reasonably believes that the Buyer is about to become subject to any of them, or if the Buyer fails to pay any amount due under this Contract on the due date for payment.
- 9.3 Subject to Condition 13, on termination of the Contract for any reason the Buyer shall immediately pay to the Seller all of the Seller's outstanding unpaid invoices and interest.9.4 Termination of the Contract, however arising, shall not affect any of the parties' rights, remedies, obligations and liabilities that have accrued as at termination.

10. WARRANTIES

- 10.1 Where the Seller is not the manufacturer of the Goods, the Seller will endeavour to transfer to the Buyer the benefit of any warranty or guarantee given to the Seller, but gives no other warranties or guarantees in respect of such Goods.
- 10.2 The Seller warrants that (subject to the other provisions of these Conditions) upon delivery of the Goods or performance of the Services and for a period of 12 months thereafter:
- 10.2.1 the Goods will be of satisfactory quality, will materially correspond with their Specification and will be free from defects in material and workmanship; and 10.2.2 the Services will be performed with reasonable care and skill.
- 10.3 All warranties, Conditions or other terms implied by statute or common law are excluded to the fullest extent permitted by law.
- 10.4 the Seller shall not be liable for a breach of any of the warranties in Condition 10.2: 10.4.1 If the Buyer fails to give written notice of the defect to the Seller, and (if the defect is as a result of damage in transit) to the carrier, within 21 days of the date of first use or delivery (whichever is the earliest) and in any event no later than one month after the date of delivery;
- 10.4.2 If the Seller is not given a reasonable opportunity after receiving the notice to examine such Goods and the Buyer fails (if asked to do so by the Seller) to return such Goods to the Seller's place of business at the Buyer's expense.
- 10.4.3 If the Buyer makes any further use of such Goods after giving such notice;
- 10.4.4 If the defect arises because the Buyer failed to follow the Seller's oral or written instructions as to the storage, installation, commissioning, use or maintenance of the Goods or (if there are none) good trade practice;
- 10.4.5 If the Buyer alters or repairs such Goods without the written consent of the Seller.
- 10.5 Subject to Condition 10.4, if any of the Goods do not conform with any of the warranties in Condition 10.2 the Seller shall at its option repair or replace such Goods (or re-perform the Services or the defective part) or refund the price of such Goods/Services at the pro rata Contract rate provided that, if the Seller so requests, the Buyer shall, at the Buyer's expense, return the Goods or the part of such Goods which is defective to the Seller.
- 10.6 If the Seller complies with Condition 10.5 it shall have no further liability for a breach of any of the warranties in Condition 10.2 in respect of the Goods/Services.

- 10.7 Any Goods/Services replaced or re-performed will belong to the Seller and any repaired or replacement Goods will be guaranteed on these terms for the unexpired portion of the 12 month period.
- 10.8 If any Goods returned to the Seller or Services alleged to be defective under Condition 9.4 are found not to be defective (or any defect found is attributable to the Buyer's Specification or materials the Seller reserves the right to charge a handling fee of 15% of the price paid for the Goods/Services together with any VAT thereon.
- 10.9 The Buyer warrants that it will not use the Goods/Services or rely on the Services in any life support device (including those intended for surgical implant).
- 10.10 The Buyer warrants that the Goods and/or Services are suitable for the Buyer's purposes, needs and requirements, and that any parts that it provides to the Seller in connection with the provision of the Goods and/or Services are not faulty or defective in any way.

11. INDEMNITIES AND LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

- 11.1 Subject to Condition 11.2, the following provisions of this Condition 10 set out the entire financial liability of the Seller (including any liability for the acts or omissions of its employees, agents and sub-contractors) to the Buyer in respect of:
- 11.1.1 any breach of these Conditions; and
- 11.1.2 any representation, statement or tortuous act or omission including negligence arising under or in connection with the Contract.
- 11.2 All warranties, Conditions and other terms implied by statute or common law (save for the Conditions implied by section 12 of the Sale of Goods Act 1979) are, to the fullest extent permitted by law, excluded from the Contract.
- 11.3 Nothing in these Conditions excludes or limits the liability of the Seller for death or personal injury caused by the Seller's negligence or for fraudulent misrepresentation.
- 11.4 Subject to Condition 11.3, the Seller's total liability in Contract, tort (including negligence or breach of statutory duty), misrepresentation or otherwise, arising in connection with the performance or contemplated performance of this Contract shall be limited to the value of the actual Goods and/or Services from which the liability arose.
- 11.5 Subject to Condition 11.3, the Seller shall not be liable to the Buyer for any indirect or consequential loss or damage (whether for loss of profit, loss of business, depletion of goodwill or otherwise), costs, expenses or other claims for consequential compensation whatsoever (howsoever caused) which arise out of or in connection with the Contract.
- 11.6 Subject to Condition 11.3, the Seller shall not be liable to the Buyer for any loss, damage or liability arising from or in connection with the Buyer's Specification or as a result of any instructions provided by the Buyer.
- 11.7 Subject to Condition 11.3, the Seller shall not be liable to the Buyer for any loss, damage or liability arising out of or in connection with fair wear and tear, abnormal working Conditions, alteration or repair or use of the Goods except as permitted by the Seller.

- 11.8 Subject to Conditions 11.2 and 11.3, the Seller shall not be liable to the Buyer for any loss, damage or liability in any circumstance where the Seller has not received payment of the price of any Goods or Services.
- 11.9 Subject to Conditions 11.2 and 11.3, the Seller shall not be liable to the Buyer for any loss, damage or liability arising out of or in connection with any failure to provide the Goods or Services in accordance with the Contract is due to circumstances beyond the Seller's reasonable control.
- 11.10 Subject to Condition 11.3, the Seller shall not be liable to the Buyer for any loss, damage or liability arising out of or in connection with any failure in any Goods which have not been manufactured by the Seller (whether provided by the Seller to the Buyer or not).
- 11.11 Subject to Condition 11.3, the Seller shall not be liable to the Buyer for any reliance placed on any Goods or Services for any critical functions unless the Seller has agreed such use or reliance in writing in advance.
- 11.12 Subject to Condition 11.3, where the Goods provided by the Seller consist of bare die or wafers, the Seller shall have no liability to the Buyer once the Goods have been die bonded by eutectic, epoxy, solder or any other form of bonding to a substrate except where such bonding was undertaken by the Seller as part of the Contract or are otherwise not capable of being tested by the Seller under its normal test Conditions.
- 11.13 The Buyer agrees that it will indemnify the Seller and keep the Seller indemnified for any and all losses, damages, claims, costs, expenses (whether legal or otherwise) and charges arising out of or in connection with:
- 11.13.1 breach of Contract; and/or
- 11.13.2 infringement or alleged infringement of third party intellectual property rights by any Component or Specification supplied by the Buyer, or any configuration or use of the Goods in conjunction with any other materials supplied to or on behalf of or used by the Buyer or any process applied to the Goods by or on behalf of the Buyer; and/or 11.13.3 breach of Conditions 2.10, 8.2, 8.3, 8.7, 9.3, 10.9, 10.10 and 14.1.

12. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

- 12.1 Each party shall retain all intellectual property rights (including without limitation) patents, designs, trademarks, know-how, ideas, slogans, proprietary information, techniques and databases, whether registered or capable of registration or not) in all materials developed, owned or used under licence ("Intellectual Property Rights") by it prior to the start of a Contract.
- 12.2 The Seller shall, subject to Condition 11.3, retain ownership of all Intellectual Property Rights developed during the provision of the Goods or Services, including in respect of any Specification provided by the Buyer to the Seller.12.3 The Buyer grants the Seller a perpetual, free, irrevocable, worldwide licence to use any Intellectual Property Rights which arise from or in connection with the provision of the Goods or Services.

13. BUYER (WHERE THEY ARE A CONSUMER) RIGHTS TO CANCEL

13.1 Before the Goods or Services are delivered, the Buyer (where they are a consumer) may withdraw its Order by providing the Seller with written notice of the decision to withdraw before the Contract is made, if the Buyer simply wishes to change its mind and without giving the Seller a reason, and without incurring any liability to the Seller.

- 13.2 The cancellation rights referred to in Condition 13.3 do not apply where the Seller has provided Goods that are made to the Buyer's Specifications or are clearly personalised.
- 13.3 Where the Seller is supplying Goods, the Buyer shall have the right to cancel this Contract within 14 days of the day on which the Goods come into the physical possession of the Buyer or any third party the Buyer has asked the Goods to be delivered too, without giving any reason.
- 13.4 To exercise the right to cancel in Condition 13.3, the Buyer must inform the Seller at Silicon Supplies LimitedtTrading as Die Devices, 47 Wherry Road, Norwich, NR1 1WS, telephone number 01603 859640 and email sales@diedevices.com of the decision to cancel this Contract by a clear statement setting out the decision (preferably via a letter sent by post, fax or email). The Buyer need not give the Seller a cancellation notice in writing but in any event the Buyer must be able to show clear evidence of when the cancellation was made.
- 13.5 If the Buyer cancels this Contract, the Seller will reimburse to the Buyer all payments received from the Buyer, including the costs of delivering the Goods to the Buyer (except for the supplementary costs arising if the Buyer chose a type of delivery other than the least expensive type of standard delivery offered by the Seller).
- 13.6 The Seller may make a deduction from the reimbursement for loss in value of any Goods supplied, if the loss is the result of unnecessary handling by the Buyer (i.e. handling the Goods beyond what is necessary to establish the nature, characteristics and functioning of the Goods: e.g. it goes beyond the sort of handling that might be reasonably allowed in a shop). This is because the Buyer is liable for that loss and, if that deduction is not made, the Buyer would need to pay the Seller the amount of that loss.
- 13.7 If the Contract is cancelled before any Goods were supplied, the Seller will make the reimbursement without undue delay, and not later than 14 days after the day on which the Seller was informed about the decision to cancel this Contract.
- 13.8 If the Contract is cancelled after Goods have been supplied, the Seller will make the reimbursement without undue delay, and not later than:
- 13.8.1 14 days after the day the Seller receives back from the Buyer any Goods supplied, or 13.8.2 (if earlier) 14 days after the day the Buyer provides evidence that the Buyer has sent back the Goods.
- 13.9 The Seller will make the reimbursement using the same means of payment as the Buyer used for the initial transaction, unless the Buyer has expressly agreed otherwise; in any event, the Buyer will not incur any fees as a result of the reimbursement.
- 13.10 Where the Seller is supplying Services, the Buyer the right to cancel the Contract with 14 days of the date of the Contract without giving a reason by informing the Buyer in accordance with Condition 13.4.
- 13.11 The Seller shall not begin the supply of the Services before the end of a cancellation period provided for under Condition 13.10. Unless the Buyer has expressly confirmed in writing to the Seller that the Buyer wishes the Seller to start work for the Buyer within the cancellation period, the Buyer will not be able to start performing the Services for 14 days from the date of the Contract.

13.12 If the Buyer requests that the Seller starts the Services within the cancellation period, the Buyer acknowledges that if the Buyer subsequently cancels the Contract during the 14—day cancellation period, the Buyer shall pay for all Services provided up until the time when the Seller was informed of the Buyer's decisions to cancel the Contract on a pro-rata basis. This will be an amount which is in proportion to what has been performed in comparison with the full coverage of the contract.

13.13 If the Service is performed fully within the cancellation period, the Buyer acknowledges that the Buyer shall lose the right to cancel the Contract and shall be required to pay for the Services in full.

14. ASSIGNMENT AND SUB-CONTRACTING

- 14.1 The Buyer shall not be entitled to assign the Contract or any part of it without the prior written consent of the Seller.
- 14.2 The Seller may assign the Contract or any part of it, and may sub-Contract any or all of its obligations under the Contract to any person, firm or Seller.

15. FORCE MAJEURE

15.1 Neither party shall be liable for any failure or delay in performing its obligations under the Contract to the extent that such failure or delay is caused by a Force Majeure Event. A Force Majeure Event means any event beyond a party's reasonable control, which by its nature could not have been foreseen, or, if it could have been foreseen, was unavoidable, including strikes, lock-outs or other industrial disputes (whether involving its own workforce or a third party's), failure of energy sources or transport network, acts of God, war, terrorism, riot, civil commotion, interference by civil or military authorities, national or international calamity, armed conflict, malicious damage, breakdown of plant or machinery, nuclear, chemical or biological contamination, sonic boom, explosions, collapse of building structures, fires, floods, storms, earthquakes, loss at sea, epidemics or similar events, natural disasters or extreme adverse weather conditions, or default of suppliers or subcontractors.

16. COMMUNICATIONS

- 16.1 Any notice or other communication given to a party under or in connection with the Contract shall be in writing, addressed to that party at its registered office (if it is a company) or its principal place of business (in any other case) or such other address as that party may have specified to the other party in writing in accordance with this clause, and shall be delivered personally, sent by pre-paid first class post or other next working day delivery service, commercial courier or fax.
- 16.2 A notice or other communication shall be deemed to have been received: if delivered personally, when left at the address referred to in Condition 16.1; if sent by pre-paid first class post or other next working day delivery service, at 9.00 am on the second Business Day after posting; if delivered by commercial courier, on the date and at the time that the courier's delivery receipt is signed; or, if sent by fax, one Business Day after transmission.
- 16.3 The provisions of this clause shall not apply to the service of any proceedings or other documents in any legal action.

17. GENERAL

- 17.1 Each right or remedy of the Seller under the Contract is without prejudice to any other right or remedy of the Seller whether under the Contract or not.
- 17.2 If any provision of the Contract is found by any court, tribunal or administrative body of competent jurisdiction to be wholly or partly illegal, invalid, void, voidable, unenforceable or unreasonable it shall to the extent of such illegality, invalidity, voidness, voidability, unenforceability or unreasonableness be deemed severable and the remaining provisions of the Contract and the remainder of such provision shall continue in full force and effect.
- 17.3 Failure or delay by the Seller in enforcing or partially enforcing any provision of the Contract will not be construed as a waiver of any of its rights under the Contract.
- 17.4 Any waiver by the Seller of any breach of, or any default under, any provision of the Contract by the Buyer will not be deemed a waiver of any subsequent breach or default and will in no way affect the other terms of the Contract.
- 17.5 The parties to this Contract do not intend that any term of this Contract will be enforceable by virtue of the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 by any person that is not a party to it.
- 17.6 The formation, existence, construction, performance, validity and all aspects of the Contract shall be governed by English law and the parties submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the English courts.