

**SITEWORKS TERMS  
FOR  
BELOW 7 BARG  
INFRASTRUCTURE WORKS**

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## SITeworks TERMS

The following are National Grid's Siteworks Terms (as referred to in Section G7.2.2 of the Uniform Network Code - Transportation Principal Document, which forms part of the Network Code) for Below 7 Bar Infrastructure Works.

### 1. DEFINITIONS

1.1 For the purposes of these Siteworks Terms, except as is otherwise expressly provided herein or unless the context otherwise requires, the terms defined in this Clause shall have the following meanings:-

**"Abortive Meter Worker Charge"** shall mean the sum specified as such in the Quotation. Where no such sum is specified in the Quotation, then **"Abortive Meter Worker Charge"** shall mean the sum published as such by National Grid from time to time;

**"Acceptance"** shall have the meaning given in Clause 2.3 or Clause 2.4 (as the case may be);

**"Acceptance Form"** shall mean the form attached to the Quotation (or such other form as may from time to time be agreed by the Parties) by which the Customer accepts the Quotation;

**"Actual Supply Meter Point Reference Number"** shall mean the Supply Meter Point Reference Number entered into the Supply Point Register in respect of the Supply Meter Point in question;

**"Affected Party"** shall have the meaning given in Clause 12.1;

**"Affiliate"** shall mean in relation to a body corporate;

- (a) another body corporate which holds not less than 33 1/3 (thirty three and one third) percent of the voting rights of the first body corporate; or
- (b) a subsidiary of the first body corporate or of such a body corporate as is referred to in paragraph (a),

and for these purposes 'voting rights', 'holding' and 'subsidiary' are to be construed in accordance with Section 736 of the Companies Act 1985;

**"Commissioning"** shall mean the purging with natural gas of that element of the Equipment that is designed to convey or contain natural gas, and its pressurisation so as to create a pressure of natural gas immediately upstream of the Supply Meter Point equal to or greater than Working Pressure, and **"Commission"** and **"Commissioned"** shall be construed accordingly;

**"Competent Authority"** shall mean the Gas and Electricity Markets Authority, or any local, national or supra-national agency, authority, department, inspectorate, minister, official, court, tribunal or public or statutory person (whether autonomous or not) of the United Kingdom (or the government thereof) or the European Union which has jurisdiction over National Grid or the Customer or the subject matter of these Siteworks Terms or a Contract;

**"Connected Offtake System"** shall have the meaning given in the Network Code;

**"Connection"** shall mean the physical connection of the Customer Works to the National Grid System;

**"Connection Works"** shall mean the connection of a Service (or any part thereof) for the establishment of a new Supply Meter Point on to the National Grid System;

“**Consumer**” shall mean the person or persons who consume(s) or it is intended shall consume natural gas offtaken from the Supply Meter Point or, where no natural gas is being consumed or is likely to be consumed in the near future at the Supply Meter Point, the owner or developer of the Site;

“**Consumer Premises**” shall mean the premises of the Consumer;

“**Contract**” shall have the meaning given in Clause 2.2;

“**Contract Sum**” shall mean:-

- (a) in the case of Quotation Works, the sum specified as such in the Quotation and comprising such Initial Payment, Stage Payments, Final Completion Payment as may be specified in the Quotation; or
- (b) in the case of Self-Quotation Works, the sum specified as such in the Order having been calculated using Standard Costs;

in each case, together with the National Grid Permissions Costs;

“**Contract Sum Payment Chart**” shall mean the chart, table or graph included with the Quotation or the Order (as the case may be) which specifies the due date for each part or all of the Contract Sum;

“**Contracts Act**”: shall mean the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999;

“**Customer**” shall mean the person or entity to whom or to which the Quotation is addressed or who or which submits the Order (as the case may be);

“**Customer Works**” shall mean the works (if any) to be carried out by or on behalf of the Customer and specified as such in the Quotation, the Order and/or the Relevant Annex (as the case may be);

“**Daily Liquidated Damages**” shall mean the sum specified as such in the Quotation or the Order (as the case may be). In the event that the Quotation or the Order (as the case may be) specifies that the Works are to be conducted in Stages “**Daily Liquidated Damages**” shall mean the sum specified as such in respect of the relevant Stage. Where no such sum is specified in the Quotation, then “**Daily Liquidated Damages**” shall mean the sum published as such by National Grid from time to time;

“**Directive**”: shall mean any present or future directive, request, requirement, instruction, code of practice, direction or rule of any Competent Authority and any modification, extension or replacement thereof;

“**Disconnection**” shall mean activities to be carried out by National Grid pursuant to a Contract in relation to the disconnection of a Service for the purpose of securing that gas cannot be offtaken from the National Grid System at a Supply Meter Point;

“**Domestic Consumer**” shall mean a person supplied or requiring to be supplied with gas at Domestic Premises (but excluding such a person in so far as he is supplied or requires to be supplied at premises other than those referred to above);

“**Domestic Premises**” shall mean premises at which a supply of gas is taken wholly or mainly for domestic purposes;

“**Equipment**” shall mean such regulators, pipework, valves and associated apparatus to be installed by National Grid pursuant to a Contract upstream of and including, if appropriate, the

Supply Meter Point as more particularly described in the Quotation or the Order (as the case may be);

**"Final Completion"** shall mean the completion of all Works and the clearance of all surplus National Grid material (including any Unused Materials and any material excavated by or on behalf of National Grid (and not by any other person) from a trench and not utilised by or on behalf of National Grid in the backfilling of such trench) from the Site;

**"Final Completion Payment"** shall mean the payment (if any) specified as such in the Contract Sum Payment Chart;

**"Final Completion Target Date"** shall mean the date that National Grid intends to achieve Final Completion, as advised by National Grid to the Customer in the notice pursuant to Clause 2.5 or calculated in accordance therewith as may be adjusted by agreed variations or as may be extended in accordance with the provisions of these Siteworks Terms;

**"Force Majeure"** shall have the meaning given in Clause 12.1;

**"Gas Distribution Network"** shall mean a gas distribution network of National Grid (Gas Transporter) the ownership of which has been transferred to another person;

**"Gas Transporter"** shall mean a person holding a gas transporter's licence issued, or deemed to issued, pursuant to section 7 of the Gas Act 1986;

**"Gas Transporter Licence"**: shall mean a licence granted under Section 7(2) of the Gas Act 1986 (including standard and special conditions thereto) as modified from time to time;

**"Granting Party"** shall have the meaning given in Clause 17.3;

**"Highway"** shall mean a "street" as defined in s.48 of the New Roads and Street Works Act 1991;

**"Initial Payment"** shall mean the initial payment (if any) detailed in the Contract Sum Payment Chart;

**"Installation Pipework"** shall mean all pipe and gas consuming facilities installed or to be installed downstream of any Metering Equipment;

**"Key Dates"** shall mean the Physical Commencement Target Date, the Substantial Completion Target Date, the Final Completion Target Date and, in respect of Works that are to be conducted in Stages, the relevant Stage Substantial Completion Target Date and Stage Final Completion Target Date as the context requires;

**"Legal Requirement"**: shall mean any Act of Parliament, regulation, licence, or Directive of a Competent Authority;

**"Liquidated Damages Amount"** shall have the meaning given in Clause 6.6;

**"Liquidated Damages Cap"** shall mean the maximum sum payable in respect of liquidated damages as ascertained from the Quotation or the Order (as the case may be). In the event that the Quotation specifies that the Works are to be conducted in Stages **"Liquidated Damages Cap"** shall mean the maximum sum in relation to the relevant Stage, as ascertained from the Quotation or the Order (as the case may be). Where no such maximum sum is ascertainable from the Quotation, then **"Liquidated Damages Cap"** shall mean the maximum sum payable in respect of liquidated damages as published by National Grid from time to time;

**"Main"** shall mean any pipe specified as such in the Quotation or the Order (as the case may be) which constitutes or will constitute part of the National Grid System and which is designed to convey gas to more than two Supply Meter Points;

**"Meter"** shall mean a measuring instrument to measure the volume of natural gas passing through it, with a specified badged capacity that is in accordance with Schedule 2B of the Gas Act 1986;

**"Meter Housing"** shall mean such protective housing and/or compound designed to accommodate the Metering Equipment to IGE/GM1, edition 2 (Gas meter installations for pressure less than 100 Bar) or such other superseding specifications as may be determined from time to time by the Institution of Gas Engineers and Managers for the Metering Equipment;

**"Meter Housing Base"** shall mean an unobstructed level area constructed of concrete or other suitable material on which any Metering Equipment and (where appropriate) Meter Housing are to be installed;

**"Metering Equipment"** shall mean the Meter installed or to be installed at the Consumer's premises and associated equipment between the Supply Meter Point and the next downstream valve (which for Meters with a badged capacity of less than 11 m<sup>3</sup>/h shall be the outlet of the Meter and for all other Meter shall be the downstream valve or outlet of the bypass tee downstream of the Meter);

**"Network Code"** shall mean the network code prepared by National Grid pursuant to its Gas Transporter's licence, as such network code may be amended from time to time;

**"Network Operator"** shall mean the operator of a Gas Distribution Network being a Gas Transporter;

**"Normal Working Hours"** shall mean the hours between 8.00am and 5.00pm on each Working Day;

**"Notice"** shall mean any notice or other communication from one of the Parties to the other Party which is required or permitted to be made by the provisions of a Contract;

**"Other Party"** shall have the meaning given in Clause 12.1;

**"Order"** shall mean the order form prepared by the Customer pursuant to a Self-Quotation requesting National Grid to carry out the Works;

**"Party"** shall mean either National Grid of the one part or the Customer of the other part, or their permitted successors or assigns, and **"Parties"** shall construed accordingly;

**"Physical Commencement Target Date"** shall mean the date that National Grid intends to commence physical works on the Site, as advised by National Grid to the Customer in the notice pursuant to Clause 2.5 or calculated in accordance therewith or amended pursuant to Clause 7;

**"Quotation"** shall mean the form referring to these Siteworks Terms produced by National Grid and addressed to the Customer containing inter alia details of the Works, the Stage Payment Chart and the Contract Sum, together with any other documents expressly incorporated therein;

**"Quotation Works"** shall mean Works that are the subject of a Quotation;

“**Reasonable and Prudent Operator**” and “**RPO**” shall mean a person seeking in good faith to perform its contractual obligations, and in so doing and in the general conduct of its undertaking exercising that degree of skill, diligence, prudence and foresight which would reasonably and ordinarily be expected from a skilled and experienced person complying with applicable law engaged in the same type of undertaking in the same or similar circumstances and conditions, and any reference to the “**standard of a Reasonable and Prudent Operator**” shall be construed accordingly;

“**Receiving Party**” shall have the meaning given in Clause 17.3;

“**Registered User**” shall mean the person or persons whose name is registered in respect of the Supply Meter Point or any other Supply Meter Point at the Site pursuant to the terms of the Network Code;

“**Relevant Annex**” shall mean the Annex or Annexes attached hereto identified as such in the Quotation;

“**Self-Quotation**” shall mean a Quotation for the Works produced by the Customer (rather than National Grid) pursuant to the Self-Quotation Conditions;

“**Self-Quotation Conditions**” shall mean either:

- (a) the conditions set out in paragraph 4.2 of Annex 3, subject to which the Customer may give quotations to a Consumer for the installation, pursuant to these Siteworks Terms, of one-off new Services for premises mainly in domestic use; or
- (b) the conditions set out in paragraph 5 of Annex 2, subject to which the Customer may give quotations to a Consumer or a third party for a Disconnection, pursuant to these Siteworks Terms, of a Service;

“**Self-Quotation Database**” means the latest version of the database of postcodes and connection costs issued by National Grid prior to the production of the Self-Quotation in question, which database allows the Customer to produce a Self-Quotation;

“**Self-Quotation Request Form**” shall mean the offer submitted by the Customer for the conduct of the Works being in a form as published by National Grid from time to time (or such other form as may from time to time agreed by National Grid and the Customer) and containing, as a minimum, the information specified in the Siteworks Procedures, and “**SQRF**” shall be construed accordingly;

“**Self-Quotation Works**” shall mean Works that are the subject of a Self-Quotation;

“**Service**” shall mean the pipe, together with the associated valves and other equipment (if any), installed or to be installed between any Main and a Supply Meter Point;

“**Shipper**” shall mean a gas shipper licensed under Section 7(A)(2) of the Gas Act 1986 (and acting in such capacity) to arrange with a Gas Transporter for gas to be introduced into, conveyed by means of or taken out of a pipe-line system operated by that Gas Transporter;

“**Site**” shall mean such premises or land owned or occupied by the Customer and/or the Consumer to which National Grid reasonably requires access in connection with the Works;

“**Siteworks Procedures**” shall mean the collection of documents published as such by National Grid from time to time

“**Siteworks Terms**” shall mean these terms and conditions, including the annexes attached hereto;



**"Stage"** shall mean any element of the Works specified as a Stage in the Quotation or the Order (as the case may be);

**"Stage Final Completion"** shall mean, in respect of a Stage, the completion of all Works comprised in such Stage and the clearance of all surplus National Grid material (including any Unused Materials and any material excavated by or on behalf of National Grid (and not by any other person) from a trench and not utilised by or on behalf of National Grid in the backfilling of such trench) from the Site;

**"Stage Final Completion Target Date"** shall mean, in respect of any Stage, the date that National Grid intends to achieve Stage Final Completion as advised by National Grid to the Customer in the notice pursuant to Clause 2.5 or calculated in accordance therewith as may be adjusted by agreed variations or as may be extended in accordance with the provisions of these Siteworks Terms;

**"Stage Payments"** shall mean shall mean the payments (including the Initial Payment and the Final Completion Payment (if any)) specified in the Contract Sum Payment Chart;

**"Stage Substantial Completion"** shall mean, in respect of any Stage, that the Equipment comprised in that Stage has been installed, Commissioned and left safe;

**"Stage Substantial Completion Target Date"** shall mean, in respect of any Stage, the date that National Grid intends to achieve Stage Substantial Completion as advised by National Grid to the Customer in the notice pursuant to Clause 2.5 or calculated in accordance therewith as may be adjusted by agreed variations or as may be extended in accordance with the provisions of these Siteworks Terms;

**"Standard Costs"** shall mean:

- (a) in the case of Self-Quotation Works involving a Disconnection, the costs derived from the table published from time to time by National Grid in respect of Self-Quotation Works involving a Disconnection to enable the Customer to produce a Self-Quotation for such Self-Quotation Works involving a Disconnection; and
- (b) in the case of any other Self-Quotation Works, the costs derived from the Self-Quotation Database to enable the Customer to produce a Self-Quotation;

**"Substantial Completion"** shall mean that the Equipment has been installed, Commissioned and left safe;

**"Substantial Completion Target Date"** shall mean the date that National Grid intends to achieve Substantial Completion, as advised by National Grid to the Customer in the notice pursuant to Clause 2.5 or calculated in accordance therewith as may be adjusted by agreed variations or as may be extended in accordance with the provisions of these Siteworks Terms;

**"Supply Meter Point"** shall mean the downstream flange or outlet of the nearest emergency control valve installed by National Grid or to be installed by National Grid upstream of the location or proposed location of the Metering Equipment or the Connection (as the case may be);

**"Supply Meter Point Reference Number"** shall mean the distinctive registration number allocated by National Grid to the Supply Meter Point in accordance with the Network Code;

**"Supply Point Register"** shall have the meaning given in the Network Code;

**"Total Cost"** shall mean the Contract Sum plus the allowances (if any) given by National Grid (as shown on the Quotation);

**"National Grid"** shall mean National Grid Gas plc, and its successors and assigns;

**"National Grid Licence"**: shall mean the Gas Transporter's Licence treated as granted to National Grid Gas plc as modified from time to time;

**"National Grid Permissions Costs"** shall mean the costs and expenses (if any) incurred by National Grid in procuring any permissions, rights or interests in land pursuant to paragraph 1.1(f) of Annex 1 or paragraph 1.1(f) of Annex 3;

**"National Grid System"** shall mean the gas transportation pipeline system owned and operated by National Grid Gas plc for the conveyance of gas which is authorised by the National Grid Licence;

**"Unused Materials"** shall mean all plant, equipment and materials supplied by National Grid which have not been incorporated into the Works on termination of the Contract;

**"Working Day"** shall mean any day other than a Saturday, a Sunday, Christmas Day, Good Friday, or a day which is a bank holiday in England and Wales within the meaning of the Banking and Financial Dealings Act 1971;

**"Working Pressure"** shall mean a pressure of natural gas of twenty one (21) millibars above atmospheric pressure or such greater pressure as may be specified as such in the Quotation or the Order (as the case may be); and

**"Works"** shall be the works as set out in Clause 3, the Relevant Annex and/or the Quotation or Order (as the case may be).

1.2 In these Siteworks Terms and any Contract unless the context otherwise requires:

- (a) headings and sub-headings are for convenience only and shall not affect the interpretation of these Siteworks Terms and any Contract;
- (b) all references to any:
  - (i) statute or statutory provision shall be deemed to include references to any statute or statutory provision which amends, extends, consolidates or replaces the same and shall include any orders, regulations, codes of practices, instruments or other subordinate legislation made thereunder and any conditions attaching thereto; and
  - (ii) technical procedure, technical standard and technical specification shall be deemed to include references to any technical procedure, technical standard and technical specification which amends, extends, consolidates or replaces the same;
- (c) reference to contractors shall be interpreted as referring to contractors and subcontractors of any tier;
- (d) reference to the word "includes" or "including" are to be construed without limitation;
- (e) where general words are followed by specific examples, the nature of the specific examples shall not restrict or qualify the natural meaning of the general words and the rule that where particular words are followed by general words the general words are limited to the same kind as the particular words shall not apply;
- (f) reference to times of the day (whether a Working Day or a calendar day) in these Siteworks Terms and any Contract are to official time in the United Kingdom, and except where otherwise provided:

- (i) where anything is to be done under these Siteworks Terms or any Contract by or not later than a day (whether a Working Day or a calendar day) or any period under these Siteworks Terms or any Contract is to run to a day (whether a Working Day or a calendar day) such thing may be done or such period shall run up to the end of such day (whether a Working Day or a calendar day); and
  - (ii) where anything is to be done under these Siteworks Terms or any Contract from or not earlier than a day (whether a Working Day or a calendar day) or any period under these Siteworks Terms or any Contract made pursuant hereto is to run from a day (whether a Working Day or a calendar day), such thing may be done or such period shall run from the start of such day (whether a Working Day or a calendar day).
- 1.3 In the event of any conflict between the Clauses of these Siteworks Terms and the Annexes attached hereto, the Annexes attached hereto shall prevail. In the event of any conflict between a Quotation or Order (as the case may be) and the Clauses of these Siteworks Terms or the Annexes attached hereto, the Quotation or Order (as the case may be) shall prevail.
- 1.4 Unless the context otherwise requires, references to a Clause or Annex are to a Clause or Annex in these Siteworks Terms, and references in an Annex or part of an Annex to a paragraph or sub-paragraph are to a paragraph or sub-paragraph of that Annex or that part of that Annex.

## 2. THE QUOTATION AND ACCEPTANCE

- 2.1 The process for requesting and producing Self-Quotation Works or Quotation Works shall be as set out in the Siteworks Procedures. However, for the avoidance of doubt, the Siteworks Procedures do not form part of these Siteworks Terms or any Contract, and a Party shall not have any liability to the other Party as a result of any compliance with or failure to comply with such Siteworks Procedures (unless such Party has expressly agreed in writing otherwise).
- 2.2 For the avoidance of doubt, these Siteworks Terms do not of themselves create a legal or contractual relationship between National Grid and any other person. A Contract shall only be formed as set out in Clause 2.3 or 2.4. A Contract shall be made up of:-
- (a) where the Customer has produced a Self-Quotation for the Works, these Siteworks Terms (excluding the Annexes other than the Relevant Annex) and, subject to the provisions of Clause 2, the Order; and
  - (b) in all other cases, these Siteworks Terms (excluding the Annexes other than the Relevant Annex) and, subject to the provisions of Clause 2, the Acceptance and the Quotation to which such Acceptance relates, together with such drawings and other documents as are annexed to the Quotation;

in each case as from time to time may be varied in accordance with these Siteworks Terms or as otherwise agreed by the Parties.

- 2.3 For Self-Quotation Works, formation of the Contract ("**Acceptance**") will take effect on receipt by National Grid within Normal Working Hours of both the Contract Sum and a SQRF duly completed by the Customer and containing, as a minimum, the information specified in the Siteworks Procedures: provided that:-
- (a) no further terms or conditions are required other than those set out in these Siteworks Terms;

- (b) National Grid does not issue a rejection of the SQRF within one (1) Working Day of receipt by National Grid within Normal Working Hours of the SQRF; and
- (c) no other SQRF or acceptance of an offer made by National Grid in respect of the conduct of works of substantially the same nature has been received from a third party prior to the receipt by National Grid of such completed SQRF.

2.4 For Quotation Works, formation of the Contract ("**Acceptance**") will take effect:-

- (a) on receipt by National Grid within Normal Working Hours of either the Contract Sum or any Initial Payment specified in the Quotation and the Acceptance Form duly completed by the Customer including a certification by the Customer that no further terms or conditions are required other than those set out in these Siteworks Terms and those additional conditions incorporated in the Quotation (if any): provided that such receipt occurs within forty five (45) calendar days of the date of issue of the Quotation, or prior to the expiry of such other period as may be agreed in writing between the Parties and provided further that no SQRF or acceptance of an offer made by National Grid in respect of the conduct of works of substantially the same nature has been received from a third party prior to the receipt by National Grid of such completed Acceptance Form; or
- (b) in the event that the Customer specifies in the Acceptance Form that it requires terms and conditions in addition to those set out in these Siteworks Terms and the Quotation, Acceptance shall take effect upon written acceptance (if any) of such additional terms and conditions by National Grid.

National Grid shall act as a Reasonable and Prudent Operator in determining whether or not to conduct a visit to any land or premises to which the Quotation relates, in connection with the preparation of the Quotation.

2.5 In respect of both Quotation Works and Self-Quotation Works, National Grid will:-

- (a) within one (1) Working Day of Acceptance (unless otherwise notified in writing), issue to the Customer a notice confirming the date of Acceptance; and
- (b) except in the circumstances where Clause 6.3 applies, within the period specified in Clause 2.6 (unless otherwise notified in writing), issue to the Customer (in such form as may be agreed by the Parties from time to time) a notice confirming:-
  - (i) the Key Dates, provided that (where the Works are not being conducted in Stages) the Substantial Completion Target Date, or (where the Works are being conducted in Stages) the Stage Substantial Completion Target Date in respect of the first Stage only, shall (in either case) not be less than twenty (20) Working Days (or such shorter period as may be agreed with the Customer) after the date on which the notice is issued; and
  - (ii) the proposed Supply Meter Point Reference Number(s) pursuant to Clause 10.1; or
- (c) in the circumstances where Clause 6.3 applies, within the period specified in Clause 2.7 (unless otherwise notified in writing), issue to the Customer (in such form as may be agreed by the Parties from time to time) a notice confirming:-
  - (i) the date or dates on which National Grid intends to commence and finish installing and Commissioning the Service or Services in question, provided that the date on which National Grid intends to finish installing and Commissioning such Service or Services shall not be less than twenty (20) Working Days (or such shorter period as may be agreed with the Customer) after the date on which the notice is issued; and

- (ii) the proposed Supply Meter Point Reference Number(s) pursuant to Clause 10.2;

provided that where the Service or Services is or are the last to be installed as part of a Stage or the entire Works, then the dates specified pursuant to paragraph (i) shall be the Stage Substantial Completion Target Date or the Substantial Completion Target Date as the case may be.

2.6 The notice referred to in Clause 2.5(b) shall be issued:-

- (a) within the number of days of Acceptance or receipt by National Grid of a notice pursuant to Clause 6.2 (as the case may be) specified in the relevant business rules published by National Grid from time to time pursuant to the Gas (Standards of Performance) Regulations 2005 (or any amendment or replacement thereto); or
- (b) in the absence of any such business rules as referred to in paragraph (a), within twenty (20) working Days.

2.7 The notice referred to in Clause 2.5(c) shall be issued:-

- (a) within the number of days of receipt by National Grid of a notice pursuant to Clause 6.3 specified in the relevant business rules published by National Grid from time to time pursuant to the Gas (Standards of Performance) Regulations 2005 (or any amendment or replacement thereto); or
- (b) in the absence of any such business rules as referred to in paragraph (a), within twenty (20) Working Days of receipt by National Grid of a notice pursuant to Clause 6.3.

### **3. THE WORKS**

3.1 The Works shall comprise, and exclude, the matters set out paragraph 1 of the Relevant Annex.

3.2 The Quotation, the Works, the Contract Sum, and the Key Dates are based upon:

- (a) the following assumptions (unless the Quotation expressly provides to the contrary):-
  - (i) that the Site is owned by the Consumer or that, where the Site is not owned by the Consumer, the Consumer has the permission of the owner of the Site for the Works to be carried out;
  - (ii) that the Customer (if it is not the Consumer) has obtained the permission of the Consumer for the Works and the Customer Works to be carried out;
  - (iii) that the Works do not cross or take place over, in or on any land not owned by the Consumer or not forming part of the Highway, and that therefore no easements or other permissions, consents or rights in land are required in respect of the Works;
  - (iv) that no unreasonable, unusual or unduly onerous planning requirements or other conditions, or site rules, regulations or requirements shall be imposed on National Grid (or its contractors, or their personnel) in the conduct of the Works; (unless identified in Quotation request and not rejected by National Grid in the Quotation); and
  - (v) that National Grid will be the principal contractor (for the purposes of the Construction (Design and Management) Regulations 1994 (where applicable)) on the Site in respect of the Works; and

- (vi) that the property shown on the plan is the correct property;
  - (b) any other assumptions stated in the Quotation.
- 3.3 In the event that the Customer advises National Grid at or after Acceptance that any of the above assumptions are incorrect, National Grid and the Customer shall each use reasonable endeavours to agree a variation to the Works, the Contract Sum, any or all of the Key Dates or any other element of the Contract to take account of the actual circumstances in question. Where the Customer and National Grid are unable to agree such a variation, then either Party shall be entitled to terminate the Contract in accordance with Clause 13.1 or 13.3 as the case may be.

#### **4. THE CUSTOMER'S OBLIGATIONS**

- 4.1 The Customer shall in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Contract pay all amounts to be paid by the Customer under the Contract.
- 4.2 The Customer shall, to the standard of a Reasonable and Prudent Operator:-
- (a) comply with its obligations under a Contract, including those set out in paragraph 2 of the Relevant Annex;
  - (b) without undue delay or cost to National Grid, provide such information, drawings and specifications (including plans of services on or adjacent to the Site that may affect or be affected by the Works) within the possession or reasonable control of the Customer or the Consumer as National Grid may reasonably request;
  - (c) except as provided for in paragraph 1 of the Relevant Annex, by the Physical Commencement Target Date, use reasonable endeavours to obtain all necessary planning permissions, consents and licences for the siting, construction, operation and maintenance of the Customer Works (if any) and any element of the Equipment which is to be constructed or installed on the Site, on any land other than on the Site or in a Highway as part of the Works or in connection therewith;
  - (d) where the Customer has given notice pursuant to paragraph 1.1(f) of Annex 1 or paragraph 1.1(f) of Annex 3, by the Physical Commencement Target Date, use reasonable endeavours to obtain from the relevant owner and/or occupier of the land concerned all necessary permissions, rights and interests in land (the content of which is satisfactory to National Grid acting reasonably) required for such of the Equipment (other than any Services as are to be installed in the course of the Works on a Highway or any Mains) as are to be constructed in the course of the Works and which are not on, in or over any property belonging to the Consumer. The Customer shall obtain details of the required extent of such permissions, rights and interests in land from National Grid;
  - (e) subject to any reasonable site rules and regulations (or any other site rules and regulations as may be agreed by National Grid and the Customer), facilitate free and unrestricted access and egress for National Grid and its contractors to and from the Site and any other land (other than where provided by National Grid pursuant to an easement under paragraph 1.1(f) of Annex 1 or paragraph 1.1(f) of Annex 3, and other than a Highway) over which the Works are to be carried out during Normal Working Hours or at such other times as may be agreed between the Parties to the extent reasonably necessary to enable them to carry out the Works;
  - (f) subject to any reasonable site rules and regulations (or any other site rules and regulations as may be agreed by National Grid and the Customer), facilitate free and unrestricted access and egress for authorised National Grid employees, contractors or agents at all reasonable times during the construction of the Customer Works for the purpose of verifying the construction of the Customer Works;

- (g) provide National Grid with full details of any relevant health and safety policies, permit to work procedures or other similar matters likely to impact upon the carrying out of the Works on the Consumer's or any third party premises.
- (h) so as not to delay the Works, where the Customer or Consumer pre-excavates the trench for the installation of the Equipment, carry out, or procure the carrying out of, such work to National Grid's reasonable standards as notified to the Customer and as shall apply from time to time, and provide fine fill as required by National Grid to allow National Grid to comply with its obligation to cover the Equipment in any such trench with such fine fill;
- (i) so as not to delay the Works, where it is intended by the Customer or any third party to alter the ground level of the areas of the Site in which the Equipment is to be installed subsequently to Acceptance, provide details of the proposed finished ground level;
- (j) where the Works comprise Connection Works but not the installation of a Metering Housing or a Meter Housing Base, so as not to delay the Connection Works, provide and construct, in accordance with the date or dates agreed by the Customer and National Grid (or, in the absence of such agreement, specified by National Grid), those parts of the Meter Housing and/or the Meter Housing Base identified by National Grid as being required to be constructed on the Site prior to National Grid commencing the Connection Works;
- (k) so as not to delay the Works undertake and perform the Customer Works and those other works or matters specified in the Quotation, the Order or the Relevant Annex as being the responsibility of the Customer in accordance with the reasonable requirements of National Grid and provide all equipment and materials that the Customer is required by the Quotation or the Relevant Annex to provide in connection with the Works;
- (l) following Final Completion of the Works, use reasonable endeavours to ensure that suitable measures are in place to prevent interference with the Equipment on the Site and report any suspected interference promptly to National Grid; and
- (m) comply with any obligations specified in the Relevant Annex and/or the Quotation by no later than the date specified therein for so doing or, where no such date is specified, without undue delay;

4.3 Provided that the Customer acting as an RPO shall not be in breach of any provision of Clause 4.2 in circumstances where such breach would not have occurred but for a failure by National Grid to comply with any provision of Clause 5.

4.4 The Customer shall inform the Consumer and the Registered User(s) that the Works have been requested by the Customer and will be undertaken by National Grid. The Customer shall be liable for and shall reimburse National Grid for any amounts paid by National Grid to the Registered User(s) pursuant to Section J of the Network Code in respect of a failure to make gas available for offtake at the Supply Meter Point in question or any other Supply Meter Point(s) on the Site as a result of the performance of the Works.

## **5. NATIONAL GRID'S OBLIGATIONS**

5.1 National Grid shall, to the standard of a Reasonable and Prudent Operator: -

- (a) comply with its obligations set out in paragraph 3 of the Relevant Annex;
- (b) without additional cost to the Customer provide without undue delay such information within the possession or control of National Grid as is reasonably required by the Customer for the performance of its obligations under Clause 4;

- (c) undertake, perform and complete the Works in the manner provided for in the Contract subject always to its obligations as a Gas Transporter;
  - (d) make all payments due by it under the Contract;
  - (e) in the course of the Works comply with site rules and regulations reasonably imposed in the course of the Works or otherwise agreed in writing by the Parties;
  - (f) in the course of the Works, and subject to the provisions of the Contract, perform changes to the Works agreed with the Customer pursuant to Clause 8; and
  - (g) in its conduct of the Works not cause a breach of any permission, licence or consent obtained by the Customer pursuant to its obligations under Clause 4, provided that National Grid has been provided with a copy of such permission, licence or consent prior to such conduct.
- 5.2 Provided that National Grid acting as an RPO shall not be in breach of any provision of this Clause 5 in circumstances where such breach would not have occurred but for a failure by the Customer to comply with any provision of Clause 4.

## **6. TIMESCALES**

- 6.1 National Grid will, acting as a Reasonable and Prudent Operator and subject to unavoidable or unforeseeable circumstances (provided that National Grid has taken all reasonable measures to mitigate or avoid such circumstances), commence the Works on or before the Physical Commencement Target Date.
- 6.2 In the event that the Quotation specifies that the Works shall be conducted in Stages, the Customer shall give National Grid as much written notice as is reasonably practicable (and in any event at least the period of notice specified in the Quotation for these purposes or, in the absence of any such period in the Quotation, at least thirty (30) Working Days (or such shorter period as National Grid may agree), and not more than ninety (90) calendar days notice) or such other period of notice as may be specified in the Quotation of the Working Day on which the Customer wishes National Grid to commence that element of the Works comprised in a particular Stage (other than the first Stage). Provided the Customer has complied with its obligations arising under the Contract prior that date (such date being the Physical Commencement Target Date for the Stage in question), National Grid shall, subject to Clause 6.3, notify the Customer of the Key Dates in respect of that Stage in accordance with Clause 2.5(b) and shall commence that element of the Works specified in respect of such Stage in the Quotation on the notified Physical Commencement Target Date for such Stage.
- 6.3 Where the Works (or, in the case of Staged Works, the Works comprised in a Stage) involve the laying of more than one (1) Service and the Customer has advised National Grid that it does not wish National Grid to lay all the Services as a single operation, then (in addition to the notices set out in Clause 6.2) the Customer shall give National Grid as much notice as is reasonably practicable (and in any event at least the period of notice specified in the Quotation for these purposes or, in the absence of any such period in the Quotation, at least thirty (30) Working Days (or such shorter period as National Grid may agree) and not more than ninety (90) calendar days notice) or such other period of notice as may be specified in the Quotation of the Working Day on which the Customer wishes National Grid to commence the laying of each Service. Provided that the Customer has complied with its obligations arising under the Contract prior to that date, National Grid shall notify the Customer in accordance with Clause 2.5(c) (unless agreed otherwise) of the date or dates on which National Grid intends to commence and finish installing and Commissioning the Service or Services in question, and shall commence laying and finish such Service on the date or dates so notified (provided that Clause 7 shall apply to such date or dates). Where the Customer requests National Grid, in accordance with the



provisions of this Clause 6.3, to lay the final Service(s) comprised in a Stage, National Grid shall advise the Customer of the relevant Key Dates (other than the Physical Commencement Target Date) in respect of such Stage.

6.4 National Grid shall:-

- (a) achieve Substantial Completion by the end of Normal Working Hours on the Substantial Completion Target Date;
- (b) achieve Stage Substantial Completion by the end of Normal Working Hours on the Stage Substantial Completion Target Date;
- (c) issue a notification to the Customer within five (5) Working Days of achieving Substantial Completion, stating the date upon which Substantial Completion was achieved; and
- (d) issue a notification to the Customer within five (5) Working Days of achieving Stage Substantial Completion, stating the date upon which Stage Substantial Completion was achieved.

6.5 National Grid shall:-

- (a) achieve Final Completion by the end of Normal Working Hours on the Final Completion Target Date;
- (b) achieve Stage Final Completion by the end of Normal Working Hours on the Stage Final Completion Target Date;
- (c) issue a notification to the Customer within ten (10) Working Days of achieving Final Completion, stating the date upon which Final Completion was achieved; and
- (d) issue a notification to the Customer within ten (10) Working Days of achieving Stage Final Completion, stating the date upon which Stage Final Completion was achieved.

6.6 If National Grid shall fail to achieve Substantial Completion of the Works by the end of Normal Working Hours on the Substantial Completion Target Date, or Stage Substantial Completion of the Works comprised in the relevant Stage by the end of Normal Working Hours on the Stage Substantial Completion Target Date, then:

- (a) where the Works are included in the scope of the relevant business rules published by National Grid from time to time pursuant to the Gas (Standards of Performance) Regulations 2005 (or any amendment or replacement thereto), National Grid shall pay the Customer the amount specified as due for payment in such circumstances pursuant to the said business rules; and
- (b) where the Works are not included in the scope of the relevant business rules published by National Grid from time to time pursuant to the Gas (Standards of Performance) Regulations 2005 (or any amendment or replacement thereto), National Grid shall be liable to pay to the Customer an amount (the "**Liquidated Damages Amount**") equal to the Daily Liquidated Damages per Working Day or part thereof of actual delay, provided that National Grid's liability hereunder shall not under any circumstances exceed the Liquidated Damages Cap.

6.7 The payment referred to in:

- (a) Clause 6.6(a) shall be paid in accordance with the relevant business rules published by National Grid from time to time pursuant to the Gas (Standards of Performance) Regulations 2005 (or any amendment or replacement thereto); and

- (b) Clause 6.6(b) shall:-
- (i) where no further invoices are to be issued by National Grid to the Customer in respect of the Works, be in such form as National Grid and the Customer may agree for an amount equal to the Liquidated Damages Amount within thirty (30) calendar days of the occurrence of Substantial Completion or Stage Substantial Completion (as the case may be); or
  - (ii) where further invoices are to be issued due by National Grid to the Customer in respect of the Works, be in the form of a reduction to the next invoice relating to the Works in an amount equal to the Liquidated Damages Amount. Where the amount of the reduction referred to above is greater than the total of all other items on the invoice, the amount by which the reduction exceeds the total of all other items on the invoice shall be paid or credited to the Customer in such form as National Grid and the Customer may agree. Any such reductions referred will not affect the amount of value added tax (or equivalent) payable by the Customer in respect of the Contract Sum.

## **7. EXTENSIONS OF TIME AND ADDITIONAL COSTS**

7.1 The Key Dates shall be amended as set out in Clause 7.2 in the event of any delay to the Works (irrespective of when the cause of such delay occurs) to the extent that such delay is caused by any of the following matters, save where such delay is directly attributable to National Grid's failure to act as a Reasonable and Prudent Operator:-

- (a) request of the Customer or the Consumer;
- (b) failure or delay of the Customer in carrying out any of its obligations under the provisions of the Contract;
- (c) the Customer Works (if any) not being ready and accessible when National Grid commences the Works;
- (d) any of the assumptions set out in
  - (i) Clause 3.2;
  - (ii) the Quotation (if any); or
  - (iii) the Relevant Annex (if any)prove to be incorrect and such incorrect assumption could not, at the date of issue of the Quotation, have been verified by National Grid;
- (e) errors in any information, data or design specifications provided by the Customer to National Grid in relation to the Works and/or the Customer Works;
- (f) ground conditions which would not have been reasonably foreseen;
- (g) additional works (not included in the Works) that would not have been reasonably foreseen at the time of the Quotation or the Order (as the case may be);
- (h) any impediment or prevention in the exercise by National Grid of any rights and interests in land obtained by National Grid in the course of conducting the Works;
- (i) delays of which National Grid would not have reasonably been aware at the date of issue of the Quotation imposed under the terms of any licences issued under the New Roads

and Streets Work Act 1991 or reasonably requested or required by any highway authority acting in accordance with its statutory powers;

- (j) the discovery of items of historical, archaeological or special scientific interest;
- (k) adverse weather conditions and the effects of such adverse weather conditions, where "adverse weather conditions" are weather conditions which adversely affect the Works and are in excess of those that would have anticipated for the time of year in question;
- (l) any event or circumstance of Force Majeure;
- (m) any labour dispute or work stoppage or slow-down involving
  - (i) the Customer and/or the Consumer;
  - (ii) the Customer's and/or the Consumer's contractors (other than National Grid); or
  - (iii) any other person;which affects the Works;
- (n) the imposition of unreasonable site rules and regulations (other than site rules that have been agreed by the Parties) or the interference of the owners or occupiers of the land to which National Grid reasonably requires access for the purpose of the Works;
- (o) unavailability or delays incurred in the delivery of equipment or materials necessary to complete the Works provided that such delays were not reasonably foreseeable by National Grid at the time of issue of the notice pursuant to Clause 2.5(b) or 2.5(c) (as the case may be) in respect of that part of the Works in question;
- (p) any delay in the grant of permissions or delays in the acquisition of any land or interest in or rights over land, including delays in the compulsory acquisition of land;
- (q) a suspension of the Works by National Grid pursuant to Clause 13.2;
- (r) the requirements of statutory authorities;
- (s) any suspension of the Works pursuant to Clause 7.5;
- (t) where the Customer fails to obtain by the Physical Commencement Target Date all necessary planning permissions, consents and licences for the siting, construction, operation and maintenance of the Customer Works (if any) and any element of the Equipment which is to be constructed or installed on the Site, on any land other than on the Site or in a Highway as part of the Works or in connection therewith (irrespective of whether or not the Customer has complied with its obligation under Clause 4.2(c));
- (u) where the Customer has given notice pursuant to paragraph 1.1(f) of Annex 1 or paragraph 1.1(f) of Annex 3, and the Customer fails to obtain by the Physical Commencement Target Date from the relevant owner and/or occupier of the land concerned all necessary permissions, rights and interests in land (the content of which is satisfactory to National Grid acting reasonably) required for such of the Equipment (other than any Services as are to be installed in the course of the Works on a Highway or any Mains) as are to be constructed in the course of the Works and which are not on, in or over any property belonging to the Consumer (irrespective of whether or not the Customer has complied with its obligation under Clause 4.2(d));

- (v) where National Grid or its contractors are not permitted free and unrestricted access or egress (subject to any site rules that have been agreed by the Parties) to and from the Site and any other land (other than where provided by National Grid pursuant to an easement under paragraph 1.1(f) of Annex 1 or paragraph 1.1(f) of Annex 3, and other than a Highway) over which the Works are to be carried out during Normal Working Hours or at such other times as may be agreed (irrespective of whether or not the Customer has complied with its obligation under Clause 4.2(e)); or
- (w) where authorised National Grid employees, contractors or agents are not permitted free and unrestricted access or egress (subject to any site rules that have been agreed by the Parties) at all reasonable times during the construction of the Customer Works for the purpose of verifying the construction of the Customer Works (irrespective of whether or not the Customer has complied with its obligation under Clause 4.2(f)).

7.2 National Grid shall only be entitled to an amendment to the Key Dates under this Clause 7, if it has used and continues to use reasonable endeavours to overcome or minimise any actual or anticipated delay. The amendment to the Key Dates under this Clause 7 shall be for a fair and reasonable period commensurate with the cause of delay, together with any additional period resulting from any re-scheduling of work by National Grid as a result of the delay. National Grid shall:-

- (a) where such amendment is identified prior to original Physical Commencement Target Date, issue to the Customer a notification of such amendment to all or any of the Key Dates no later than one (1) Working Day after the amendment is identified (or as soon thereafter as is reasonable in the circumstances), but in any case no later than one (1) Working Day prior to the original Physical Commencement Target Date; or
- (b) where such amendment is identified on or after the original Physical Commencement Target Date (but prior to the Substantial Completion Target Date (or, in the case of Works conducted in Stages, the Stage Substantial Completion Target Date)) issue to the Customer a notification of the requirement for (but not the extent of) such amendment to all or any of the Key Dates (other than the Physical Commencement Target Date) no later than one (1) Working Day after the amendment is identified (or as soon thereafter as is reasonable in the circumstances);

unless, in either case, shorter time periods have been agreed with the Customer. National Grid will notify the Customer of the revised Key Dates (other than the Physical Commencement Target Date) within the timescales specified in Clause 2.6 or 2.7 (as the case may be) after the cause of the delay has passed, or a date has been identified on which the cause of the delay will have passed.

7.3 In the event that National Grid believes it will be unable (for whatever reason, including a reason not listed in Clause 7.1) to achieve Substantial Completion or Stage Substantial Completion (as the case may be) by the Substantial Completion Target Date or the Substantial Completion Target Date (as the case may be), then National Grid shall notify the Customer accordingly not less than one (1) Working Day prior to the Substantial Completion Target Date or the Substantial Completion Target Date (as the case may be). In the event that:-

- (a) National Grid fails to give such notice; and
- (b) as a result, the Customer is unable to give sufficient notice to the person installing the Metering Equipment at the premises to which the Works relate that such installation is not to be performed on the agreed date and therefore incurs a charge to such person pursuant to the contractual arrangements it has with such person;

then National Grid shall be liable to pay to the Customer an amount equal to the Abortive Meter Worker Charge, provided that:-

- (a) the Customer has complied with all of its obligations under the Contract which require to be complied with on or prior to the Substantial Completion Target Date or the Substantial Completion Target Date (as the case may be);
- (b) the Customer has, as soon as it became aware of the fact that National Grid would be unable (for whatever reason, including a reason not listed in Clause 7.1) to achieve Substantial Completion or Stage Substantial Completion (as the case may be) by the Substantial Completion Target Date or the Substantial Completion Target Date (as the case may be), given notice to the person installing the Metering Equipment at the premises to which the Works relate that such installation is not to be performed on the agreed date; and
- (c) the Customer has provided such evidence to National Grid as National Grid may reasonably request that the Customer has incurred a charge pursuant to the contractual arrangements it has with the person installing the Metering Equipment at the premises to which the Works relate.

The provisions of this Clause 7.3 shall be without prejudice to any provision of Clause 6 or any other provision of this Clause 7.

7.4 National Grid shall only be entitled to any additional amounts under this Clause 7, if it has used and continues to use reasonable endeavours to overcome or minimise any actual or anticipated additional amounts. Subject to Clause 7.6, in the event that National Grid has incurred or expended or will incur or expend any additional amounts as a result of any of the following matters:-

- (a) any delay resulting from any of the matters referred to in Clause 7.1 (other than those referred to in paragraph (s) of Clause 7.1);
- (b) any increase to the cost to National Grid of performing the Works due to any new imposition tax or duty in respect of labour or materials occurring subsequent to the time of the Quotation or Order provided that such increase was not reasonably ascertainable at the date of the Quotation or Order;
- (c) agreed costs and expenses reasonably incurred by National Grid in connection with the provision of assistance that may be given to the Customer in connection with the performance of its obligations; or
- (d) all costs and expenses reasonably incurred by National Grid in the course of the procurement and attempted procurement of permissions, rights and interests in land;

then National Grid shall notify the Customer as soon as reasonably practicable (and in any case no more than five (5) Working Days) after becoming aware that such additional amount has been or will be incurred or expended of such additional amounts (together with any amounts that have been or will be paid or incurred by National Grid as a direct result of any suspension pursuant to Clause 7.5 and of recommencing the Works following such suspension) and the reasons for such additional amounts arising.

7.5 If National Grid is unable to agree such additional amounts with the Customer while National Grid is still on Site and National Grid is unable to progress any other part of the Works pending such agreement, National Grid shall be entitled to immediately suspend all progress on the Works (other than that necessary to make safe those of the Works that have already been completed). The Customer shall notify National Grid within ten (10) Working Days (or such other period as may be agreed by the Parties) of whether the Customer accepts such additional amounts. If:-

- (a) the Customer notifies National Grid that the Customer does not accept such additional amounts or fails to notify with such period, then either Party shall be entitled to terminate the Contract pursuant to Clause 13.1 or 13.3 as appropriate; and
- (b) the Customer notifies National Grid that the Customer accepts such additional amounts, the Contract shall be deemed to have been varied accordingly, the Contract Sum shall be increased by such additional amounts, and (if National Grid has suspended progress on the Works in accordance with this Clause) National Grid shall (as soon as reasonably practicable, having regard to its other scheduled work) recommence progress on the Works.

7.6 In the event of:-

- (a) any delay referred to in paragraphs (v) and (w) of Clause 7.1 arising after National Grid has arrived on Site to commence the Works; or
- (b) National Grid being unable to commence the Works on the Physical Commencement Target Date (as a result of the Customer's failure to fulfil its obligations under Clause 4 and the Customer not having cancelled the said date no later than one (1) Working Day prior thereto);

the Customer shall pay to National Grid an abortive visit charge at a rate as revised and published by National Grid from time to time; provided that such failure is not caused by a failure on the part of National Grid to fulfil its obligations under Clause 5.

7.7 In all cases where National Grid has given notice under Clause 7.2, it shall thereafter comply with all reasonable instructions which the Customer shall give in writing in order to overcome or minimise any actual or anticipated delay (unless such compliance would cause National Grid to incur extra costs or expenses). If compliance with any such instruction shall cause National Grid to incur extra costs or expenses, then National Grid shall not comply with such instruction unless and until:-

- (a) National Grid has provided the Customer with details of the cost of complying with such instructions; and
- (b) the Customer has agreed to such cost (in which case the Contract Sum shall be deemed to have been amended to include such cost).

Provided that National Grid shall only be entitled to such cost if such instructions require National Grid to take actions which are additional or contrary to those actions taken (or which ought to be taken) by National Grid pursuant to Clause 7.2 to overcome or minimise any actual or anticipated delay or additional amount.

In the event that the Customer does not agree to such costs within ten (10) Working Days of receiving the details thereof from National Grid, National Grid shall be under no obligation to comply with such instruction.

7.8 Without prejudice to Clause 7.1, in the event that a change to the Works is agreed pursuant to Clause 8, the Key Dates and/or the Contract Sum will be adjusted to the extent agreed in relation thereto, and National Grid shall issue a notice to the Customer confirming the revised Key Dates.

## **7A. LANE RENTAL CHARGES**

- 7A.1 Where a charge is or may become payable under section 74A of the New Roads and Street Works Act 1991 (a "Lane Rental Charge") in connection with the Works National Grid will include the estimated charge in the Quotation.
- 7A.2 If the actual Lane Rental Charge paid by National Grid is less than the estimated amount paid by the Customer National Grid will refund the excess in accordance with Clause 9.7.
- 7A.3 If the actual Lane Rental Charge incurred by National Grid is higher than the estimated amount paid by the Customer then providing National Grid has used reasonable endeavours to avoid or minimise the Lane rental Charge Nation Grid is entitled to recover the additional charges from the Customer in accordance with Clause 9.2.
- 7A.4 National Grid shall notify the Customer as soon as reasonably practicable (and in any case not more than 10 Working Days after becoming aware) that a Lane Rental Charge in excess of the estimated sum provided in the Quotation has been or will be incurred.

## **8. CHANGES TO THE WORKS**

- 8.1 In the course of the Works National Grid shall make such changes to the Works whether by additions, modifications or omissions thereto as are from time to time agreed with the Customer, including any changes to the Contract Sum (including but not limited to any changes to the Stage Payments) and/or all or any of the Key Dates, all in accordance with the provisions set out below.
- 8.2 In the event that the Customer wishes to request changes to the Works, it shall notify National Grid in writing of the requested change, specifying the reasons therefor.
- 8.3 As soon as reasonably practicable following receipt of a request from the Customer under Clause 8.2 (and in any event within five (5) Working Days of such receipt), National Grid shall notify the Customer as to whether or not it is prepared to agree to the request (such agreement not to be unreasonably withheld), and in the event that National Grid agrees to the request, it will provide details of any additions to or reductions in the Contract Sum and any amendments to the Key Dates required in respect of such change.
- 8.4 In the event that:-
- (a) National Grid does not agree to the Customer's request; or
  - (b) the Customer does not agree to the additions to or reductions in the Contract Sum and any amendments to the Key Dates required in respect of such change as notified by National Grid in accordance with Clause 8.3;

then neither Party shall be under further obligation in respect of such proposed change to the Works.

## **9. PAYMENT**

- 9.1 In consideration of the performance by National Grid of its obligations under the Contract, the Customer agrees to pay National Grid as follows:
- (a) any payment specified in the Contract Sum Payment Chart as being payable on Acceptance, not later than the date of Acceptance;

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- (b) each payment set out in the Contract Sum Payment Chart (other than any payment specified as being payable on Acceptance) on or before the later of:-
- (i) the due date for such payment calculated in accordance with the Contract Sum Payment Chart; or
  - (ii) the thirtieth (30th) calendar day after the tax point date of an invoice in respect of such payment;
- (c) any other amount to be paid by the Customer to National Grid pursuant to the Contract on or before the thirtieth (30th) calendar day after the tax point date of an invoice in respect of such amount; and
- (d) all value added tax (or equivalent) charges properly payable in connection with the amounts specified in this Clause 9.1 on or before the thirtieth (30th) calendar day after the tax point date of a value added tax (or equivalent) invoice.
- 9.2 In respect of any amounts to be paid to National Grid pursuant to clauses 7, 7A and 8, National Grid shall submit an invoice to the Customer which shall be accompanied by a narrative giving details of how the amount of the invoice is calculated. National Grid shall provide the Customer with value added tax invoices in respect of each payment due under the Contract.
- 9.3 The address for invoices under the Contract shall be the Customer's address as specified in Clause **Error! Reference source not found.**
- 9.4 All payments shall be made in pounds sterling in same day funds to the account of National Grid at the bank notified to the Customer, or by such other method as National Grid may agree. Each payment shall be accompanied by a document or documents specifying the invoice or invoices plus amounts being paid. In the event that a payment is not so accompanied by such a document or documents, the Customer shall pay interest from the date on which such amount was originally paid at an annual rate of one (1) percent per annum above the Barclays Bank plc base rate in force from time to time, compounded annually, until such time as such document or documents are received by National Grid from the Customer. Without prejudice to the foregoing, National Grid shall, as soon as it becomes aware, notify the Customer in the event that a payment is received by National Grid which is not accompanied by such a document or documents.
- 9.5 In the event of a bona fide dispute, the Customer shall provide National Grid full details of the amount disputed and the grounds of the dispute. Where the Customer provides National Grid with such details:-
- (a) within twenty nine (29) calendar days of the tax point date of the invoice, then, provided that the Customer pays the undisputed amount, the Customer shall be entitled to withhold payment of the amount notified in accordance with this Clause 9.5 as being in dispute. At the determination or agreed resolution of such dispute the Customer shall pay National Grid:-
    - (i) within twenty (20) calendar days of such determination or agreement; or
    - (ii) by the date on which such amount was originally payable;
- (whichever is the later) the amount (if any) determined or agreed to be due together with interest from the date on which such amount was originally payable at an annual rate of one (1) percent per annum above the Barclays Bank plc base rate in force from time to time, compounded annually, until the date of payment; or



- (b) more than twenty nine (29) calendar days after the tax point date of the invoice, then the Customer shall not be entitled to withhold any payment of the amount notified in accordance with this Clause 9.5 as being in dispute and the full amount of any disputed invoice shall be due on the date calculated pursuant to Clause 9.1. At the determination or agreed resolution of such dispute, where it is determined or agreed that National Grid is due to refund an amount to the Customer, then National Grid shall pay the Customer within twenty (20) calendar days of such determination or agreement the amount determined or agreed to be due together with interest from the date on which such amount was originally payable at an annual rate of one (1) percent per annum above the Barclays Bank plc base rate in force from time to time, compounded annually, until the date of payment.
- 9.6 Any amounts becoming due under the Contract (other than those subject to a bona fide dispute pursuant to Clause 9.5) shall bear interest (payable by the Party due to make payment of such amount) from the date on which payment of such amount becomes due at an annual rate of three (3) percent per annum above the Barclays Bank plc base rate in force from time to time, compounded annually, until the date of payment.
- 9.7 In the event that National Grid is required pursuant to the terms of the Contract to reimburse the Customer an amount paid by the Customer to National Grid in accordance with this Clause 9, National Grid shall reimburse such amount to the Customer together with interest from the date on which such amount was originally paid at an annual rate of one (1) percent per annum above the Barclays Bank plc base rate in force from time to time, compounded annually, until the date of reimbursement.

## **10. SUPPLY METER POINT REFERENCE NUMBERS**

- 10.1 National Grid will use reasonable endeavours to ensure that the Supply Meter Point Reference Number notified in respect of a new Supply Meter Point in accordance with this Clause 10.1 is the Actual Supply Meter Point Reference Number. Where the works include Connection Works in relation to one Service only, then National Grid shall advise the Customer, in the notice issued pursuant to Clause 2.5(b), of the proposed Supply Meter Point Reference Number for the new Supply Meter Point to be established pursuant to the Works.
- 10.2 National Grid will use reasonable endeavours to ensure that the Supply Meter Point Reference Number notified in respect of a new Supply Meter Point in accordance with this Clause 10.2 is the Actual Supply Meter Point Reference Number. Where the Works include Connection Works in relation to more than one Service, then National Grid shall advise the Customer, in the notice issued pursuant to Clause 2.5(c), of the proposed Supply Meter Point Reference Number for each new Supply Meter Point to be established pursuant to the Works.
- 10.3 Notwithstanding the provisions of Clauses 10.1 and 10.2, National Grid will have no liability to the Customer in the event that the Supply Meter Point Reference Number notified in respect of a new Supply Meter Point in accordance with Clauses 10.1 or 10.2 differs from the Actual Supply Meter Point Number. Where the Actual Supply Meter Point Reference Number does differ from that notified in accordance with Clauses 10.1 or 10.2, National Grid shall:-
  - (a) notify the Customer of the Actual Supply Meter Point Reference Number in accordance with the provisions of the relevant Network Code; and
  - (b) where appropriate change the label showing the Supply Meter Point Reference Number such that it shows the Actual Supply Meter Point Reference Number.

## 11. LIABILITY AND INDEMNITY

- 11.1 Subject to the further provisions of this Clause 11, each Party agrees and acknowledges that:-
- (a) neither Party shall be liable to the other Party for loss arising from any breach of any Contract, other than (but without prejudice to any other provision of such Contract which excludes or limits liability in respect of any breach) for loss directly resulting from any such breach and which at the relevant date was reasonably foreseeable as not unlikely to occur in the ordinary course of events from such breach in respect of:-
    - (i) physical damage to the property of the other Party; and/or
    - (ii) the liability (in law) of the other Party to any other such person for loss in respect of physical damage to the property of such person.
  - (b) neither Party shall in any circumstances be liable in respect of any breach of any Contract to the other Party for any one or more of the following:-
    - (i) any loss of profit, loss of revenue, loss of use, loss of contract, loss of goodwill, or increased cost of working; or
    - (ii) any other loss which is an indirect or consequential loss; or
    - (iii) loss resulting from the liability of the other Party to any other person howsoever and whensoever arising, except as provided in Clauses 11.1(a)(ii) and 11.5; or
    - (iv) loss in respect of Clause 11.1(a) to the extent that it results from the breach or negligent act or omission of the other Party.
- 11.2 For the purposes of Clause 11.1(a) the “**relevant date**” is the date of Acceptance of the Contract, except that where the breach in question would not have been a breach of the Contract but for a modification of the Contract, the relevant date shall be the date of such modification.
- 11.3 Subject to Clause 11.6, the amount or amounts for which either Party may be liable to the other Party pursuant to Clause 11.1(a) in respect of any one event or circumstance constituting or resulting in the first Party's breach of a provision a Contract shall not exceed as respects the liability of National Grid to the Customer or of the Customer to National Grid:-
- (a) one million pounds sterling (£1,000,000) in respect of any Contract in respect of which Annex 3 is the Relevant Annex; and
  - (b) five million pounds sterling (£5,000,000) in respect of any other Contract.
- 11.4 Clause 11.1 is without prejudice to any provision of the Contract which provides for an indemnity, or which provides for any Party to make a payment to another.
- 11.5 Nothing in the Contract shall exclude or limit the liability of either Party for death or personal injury resulting from the negligence of such Party.
- 11.6 The limitation of liability under Clause 11.3 in respect of Clause 11.1(a)(ii) shall not apply where, by virtue of lack, as at the date of the Contract, of a contractual relationship with such other person referred to in Clause 11.1(a)(ii) the other Party has been unable to limit its liability.

- 11.7 The rights and remedies of the Parties pursuant to a Contract exclude and are in place of any rights and remedies of any Party in tort (including negligence and nuisance) or misrepresentation (but not fraudulent misrepresentation) in respect of the subject matter of the Contract; and accordingly (but without prejudice to Clauses 11.5 and 11.10) each Party (to the fullest extent permitted by law):
- (a) waives any such other rights or remedies (other than those pursuant to the Contract); and
  - (b) releases the other Party from any duties or liabilities arising in tort or misrepresentation (but not fraudulent misrepresentation) in respect of the subject matter of the Contract.
- 11.8 Without prejudice to Clause 11.7 and notwithstanding any provision of the Gas (Standards of Performance) Regulations 2005 (or any amendment or replacement thereto), which stipulates time shall be of the essence, where any provision of a Contract provides for any amount to be payable by a Party upon or in respect of that Party's breach of any provision of the Contract, each Party agrees and acknowledges that the such provisions have been the subject of discussion and negotiation and that the remedy conferred by such provision is exclusive of and is in substitution for any remedy in damages in respect of such breach or the event or circumstance giving rise thereto.
- 11.9 For the avoidance of doubt, nothing in this Clause 11 shall prevent or restrict either Party from enforcing any obligation (including suing for a debt) owed to it under or pursuant to a Contract.
- 11.10 Nothing in this Clause 11 shall constitute a waiver by either Party of any right or remedy it may have (other than pursuant to a Contract) in respect of a breach by the other Party of any Legal Requirement.
- 11.11 Each provision of this Clause 11 shall be construed as a separate and severable contract term, and shall survive the termination or expiry of any Contract.
- 11.12 Each Party acknowledges and agrees that the provisions of this Clause 11 have been the subject of discussion and negotiation and are fair and reasonable having regard to the circumstances as at the date of the Contract.
- 11.13 The amount or amounts for which a Party may be liable to the other Party pursuant to any indemnity provided for in a Contract in respect of any one event or circumstance giving rise to liability under such indemnity shall not exceed as respects the liability of National Grid to the Customer or of the Customer to National Grid one million pounds sterling (£1,000,000).
- 11.14 Any design carried out by National Grid pursuant to a Contract is carried out solely for the purpose of allowing National Grid to perform its obligations under such Contract. Accordingly, National Grid gives no warranty as to the quality or suitability of such design if it is utilised by the Customer or any other person for the purpose of performing the same or similar activities to some or all of those activities comprised in the Works, and National Grid shall not be liable for any loss or damage sustained or incurred by the Customer or any third party should the Customer or any other person utilise the design for the purpose of performing the same or similar activities to some or all of those activities comprised in the Works. The Customer shall advise any person to whom the Customer discloses such design of the terms of this Clause 11.14. For the avoidance of doubt, the carrying out of any works in relation to Metering Equipment (whether existing or future) shall not be "the same or similar activities" for the purposes of this Clause 11.14.

## 12. FORCE MAJEURE

12.1 For the purposes of these Siteworks Terms, subject to Clauses 12.3 and 12.4, "**Force Majeure**" shall mean any event or circumstance, or any combination of events and/or circumstances, the occurrence of which is beyond the reasonable control of, and could not have been avoided by steps which might reasonably be expected to have been taken by, a Party (the "**Affected Party**") and which causes or results in the failure of the Affected Party acting as a Reasonable and Prudent Operator to perform or its delay in performing any of its obligations owed to the other Party (the "**Other Party**") under a Contract including but not limited to:

- (a) war, declared or undeclared, threat of war, act of public enemy, terrorist act, blockade, revolution, riot, insurrection, civil commotion, public demonstration, sabotage, act of vandalism;
- (b) act of God;
- (c) strike, lockout or other industrial disturbance;
- (d) governmental restraint or the coming into force of any Legal Requirement.

12.2 Without prejudice to the generality of Clause 12.1, either Party will be entitled to claim relief through Force Majeure in the event of a major gas emergency incident requiring the attendance of National Grid's personnel in support of the emergency service obligation set out in the National Grid Licence.

12.3 Lack of funds (howsoever caused) of a Party shall not be Force Majeure.

12.4 The act or omission of:

- (a) any agent or contractor of a Party; and/or
- (b) any Shipper or Consumer,

shall not be Force Majeure unless such act or omission is caused by or results from events and/or circumstances which would be Force Majeure within the meaning of Clause 12.1 if such person were the Affected Party.

12.5 Subject to Clause 12.6, the Affected Party (from the time of the occurrence of Force Majeure) shall be relieved from liability (including any requirement under the Contract to make payment of any sum or to take any other action) for any delay or failure in the performance of any obligation under the Contract which is caused by or results from Force Majeure.

12.6 The Affected Party shall be relieved from liability under Clause 12.5 only for so long as and to the extent that the occurrence of Force Majeure and/or the effects of such occurrence could not be overcome by measures which the Affected Party acting as a Reasonable and Prudent Operator might reasonably be expected to take with a view to resuming performance of its obligations.

12.7 Following any occurrence of Force Majeure the Affected Party shall:-

- (a) as soon as reasonably practicable notify the Other Party of the occurrence and nature of the Force Majeure, the expected duration thereof (insofar as the same can reasonably be assessed) and the obligations of the Affected Party, performance of which is affected thereby;

- (b) from time to time (and in a timely manner) provide to the Other Party reasonable details of:
  - (i) developments in the matters notified under Clause 12.7(a);
  - (ii) the steps being taken by the Affected Party to overcome the Force Majeure occurrence or its effects and to resume performance of its relevant obligations; and
- (c) as soon as reasonably practicable notify the Other Party of the date upon which performance resumed and such date shall be the date of cessation of the Force Majeure.

### **13. TERMINATION AND SUSPENSION**

13.1 Without prejudice to any of its antecedent rights or remedies, National Grid may terminate any Contract:

- (a) forthwith on written notice if the Customer goes into liquidation (either voluntary or compulsory) other than for the purposes of a solvent amalgamation or re-organisation or if any administrator or administrative receiver shall be appointed in respect of the whole or any material part of its assets; or if it shall make or offer to make any arrangement or composition for the benefit of creditors generally;
- (b) by giving five (5) Working Days notice in writing if either Party is prevented by reason of Force Majeure from performing any of its obligations under the Contract for a period exceeding thirty (30) calendar days;
- (c) by giving twenty (20) Working Days notice in writing of a material breach of the Contract by the Customer, provided that the Customer fails to take substantial steps to remedy the breach within that twenty (20) Working Day period of notice;
- (d) by giving twenty (20) Working Days notice in writing in the event that any permission, rights or interest in land necessary for the conduct of the Works have not been secured prior to the Physical Commencement Target Date, provided that where National Grid is (as part of the Works) required to secure such permission, rights or interest in land, National Grid shall have acted as a Reasonable and Prudent Operator in seeking to secure such permission, rights or interest in land;
- (e) by giving twenty (20) Working Days notice in writing in the event that National Grid is prevented from exercising any permission or right or enjoying any interest in land required for the conduct of the Works (unless due to National Grid's breach of its obligations under such permission, right or interest in land) for a continuous period of thirty (30) calendar days or for an aggregate of sixty (60) calendar days in any period of twelve (12) months;
- (f) by giving five (5) Working Days notice in writing if Substantial Completion of all of the Works (including those of the Works comprised in Stages which have not commenced) has not occurred within one hundred and twenty (120) calendar days (or such longer period as may be agreed by the Parties in writing) of the date of the Quotation (unless due to National Grid's breach of its obligations under the Contract);
- (g) forthwith on written notice where the Customer indicates that the Works are no longer necessary or required;
- (h) forthwith on written notice if Final Completion of all of the Works (including those of the Works comprised in Stages which have not commenced) has not occurred within Six (6) calendar months (or such longer period as may be agreed by the Parties in writing) of

the date of the Quotation (unless due to National Grid's breach of its obligations under the Contract);

- (i) forthwith on written notice if National Grid and the Customer are unable to agree the costs referred to in paragraph 1.1(f)(ii) of Annex 1 or paragraph 1.1(f)(ii) of Annex 3;
- (j) forthwith on written notice if National Grid and the Customer are unable to agree a variation as referred to in Clause 3.3;
- (k) forthwith on written notice if the Customer refuses to accept, or fails to agree to, the additional amounts referred to in Clause 7.4; or
- (l) forthwith on written notice in the circumstances specified in paragraph 4.4(g) of Annex 3.

13.2 In the event that the Customer is in breach of any of the payment provisions of the Contract, National Grid shall be entitled (upon giving the Customer seven (7) calendar days' prior written notice) to suspend all or any part of the Works until the Customer has rectified such breach. In the event of such suspension the Customer shall in addition to all other amounts due reimburse National Grid on invoice for all reasonable sums paid or incurred by National Grid as a direct result of such suspension.

13.3 The Customer may terminate the Contract:-

- (a) forthwith on written notice if National Grid goes into liquidation (either voluntary or compulsory) other than for the purposes of a solvent amalgamation or re-organization or if any administrator or administrative receiver shall be appointed in respect of the whole or any material part of its assets; or if it shall make or offer to make any arrangement or composition for the benefit of creditors generally;
- (b) by giving five (5) Working Days prior notice in writing if either Party is prevented by reason of Force Majeure from performing any of its obligations under the Contract for a period exceeding thirty (30) calendar days;
- (c) by giving twenty (20) Working Days notice in writing of a material breach of the Contract by National Grid, provided that National Grid fails to take substantial steps to remedy the breach within the twenty (20) Working Day notice period;
- (d) by giving twenty (20) Working Days notice in writing in the event that any permission, rights or interest in land necessary for the conduct of the Works have not been secured prior to the Physical Commencement Target Date, provided that where the Customer is (as part of the Works) required to secure such permission, rights or interest in land, the Customer shall have acted as a Reasonable and Prudent Operator in seeking to secure such permission, rights or interest in land;
- (e) by giving National Grid five (5) Working Days notice in writing. Provided that National Grid shall be entitled to notify its receipt of such notice to the Consumer;
- (f) forthwith on written notice if National Grid and the Customer are unable to agree the costs referred to in paragraph 1.1(f)(ii) of Annex 1 or paragraph 1.1(f)(ii) of Annex 3; or
- (g) forthwith on written notice if National Grid and the Customer are unable to agree a variation as referred to in Clause 3.3.

13.4 Where the Contract is terminated under any provision of the Contract, other than Clauses 13.3(a) or 13.3(c), National Grid shall:-

- (a) restore and/or reinstate land or buildings and remove of plant, apparatus and equipment which in the reasonable opinion of National Grid is necessary as a result of the termination of the Contract taking into account inter alia environmental and safety considerations and contractual commitments; and
- (b) be entitled to receive:
  - (i) reimbursement for all costs and expenses (up to an amount equal to the Contract Sum) reasonably incurred by National Grid in performing the Works up to and including the effective date of termination (other than costs and expenses incurred by National Grid in relation to the purchase of materials that National Grid reasonably believes it will be able to utilise in other works of a similar nature to the Works in the foreseeable future);
  - (ii) any additional sum, relating to the period prior to the date of termination and not included in paragraph (i), for which the Customer is liable under any other provision of the Contract;
  - (iii) subject to Clause 13.7, any cost or expense incurred, or for which National Grid (acting as an RPO) is liable and is unable lawfully or contractually to avoid or recover from third parties in connection with any contracts placed in connection with the Contract (insofar as these have not already been paid by the Customer) including without limitation, forfeited deposits and cancellation fees (other than costs and expenses incurred by National Grid in relation to the purchase of materials that National Grid reasonably believes it will be able to utilise in other works of a similar nature to the Works in the foreseeable future);
  - (iv) any and all costs reasonably incurred or expended in the restoration and/or reinstatement of land or buildings and removal of plant, apparatus and equipment which in the reasonable opinion of National Grid is necessary as a result of the termination of the Contract taking into account inter alia environmental and safety considerations and contractual commitments.

Notwithstanding the termination of the Contract, the provisions of Clause 9 will apply to any amounts due under this Clause 13.4.

- 13.5 Where the amounts paid by the Customer pursuant to Clauses 9.1(a) and (d) prior to the date of termination of the Contract pursuant to this Clause 13 exceeds the amount due to National Grid under Clause 13.4, National Grid shall reimburse the Customer such excess within thirty (30) calendar days of termination of the Contract pursuant to this Clause 13, and the provisions of Clause 9.5(b) shall apply (notwithstanding the termination of the Contract) to such reimbursement.
- 13.6 All ownership in and rights over all partly installed plant, equipment or materials will continue to vest solely in National Grid after termination of the Contract.
- 13.7 Clause 13.4(b)(iii) shall be ignored for the purpose of calculating National Grid's entitlement to payment pursuant to Clause 13.4 in the event that the Contract is terminated by either Party pursuant to Clause 13.1(b) or Clause 13.3(b), other than as a result of an event of Force Majeure directly affecting the Site or the acquisition or exercise of any permissions, rights or interests in land required for the Works.
- 13.8 Where the Contract is terminated pursuant to Clauses 13.3(a) or 13.3(c):-
  - (a) subject to the extent to which that part of the Works performed by National Grid prior to the date of termination is of use to the Customer or the Consumer (in which case the provisions of Clause 13.4(b)(i) shall apply), National Grid shall not be entitled to receive any further payments from the Customer in respect of the Works and refund to the

Customer any payments made by the Customer to National Grid prior to the date of termination; and

- (b) National Grid shall undertake such restoration and/or reinstatement of land or buildings and removal of plant, apparatus and equipment which in the reasonable opinion of National Grid is necessary as a result of the termination of the Contract taking into account inter alia environmental and safety considerations.

#### **14. DISPUTE RESOLUTION**

- (a) 1 If the Customer has a complaint and cannot reach agreement with National Grid through its complaints procedure, then if the Customer is an individual or micro business (as explained by the Energy Ombudsman on its website), the Customer may refer the complaint to the Energy Ombudsman. The Energy Ombudsman Website is [www.ombudsman-services.org/energy](http://www.ombudsman-services.org/energy)
- (b) If a dispute arises between the Customer and National Grid regarding goods or services which the Customer has bought online, then if the Customer is a consumer (being an individual acting for a purpose which is wholly or mainly outside that individual's trade, business, craft or profession), it is possible for the Customer to use the online dispute resolution platform set up by the European Commission to resolve the dispute. The Customer can access the platform by this link: <https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/odr/main/index.cfm?event=main.home.chooseLanguage>

#### **15. NOTICES**

15.1 Any notice to be given by one Party to the other under a Contract shall be delivered by first class mail or facsimile to the other Party at such address or (as the case may be) such facsimile transmission number as the Party in question shall from time to time designate by written notice and until such notice shall be given the addresses and facsimile numbers of the Parties shall be as set out in the Quotation, the Order or the Acceptance (as the case may be). Notices may be sent in such other manner and may be confirmed in such manner as from time to time may be agreed by the Parties for the service of notices pursuant to a Contract.

15.2 All notices delivered or sent in accordance with Clause Any notice to be given by one Party to the other under a Contract shall be delivered by first class mail or facsimile to the other Party at such address or (as the case may be) such facsimile transmission number as the Party in question shall from time to time designate by written notice and until such notice shall be given the addresses and facsimile numbers of the Parties shall be as set out in the Quotation, the Order or the Acceptance (as the case may be). Notices may be sent in such other manner and may be confirmed in such manner as from time to time may be agreed by the Parties for the service of notices pursuant to a Contract. shall be effective:-

- (a) in the case of delivery by post when received at the recipient's address as aforesaid; or
- (b) in the case of delivery by facsimile, on acknowledgement by the recipient Party's facsimile receiving equipment or as evidenced by the notifying Party's facsimile transmission report;
- (c) in the case of email, at the time that the email enters the Information System of the intended recipient provided that no error message indicating failure to deliver has been received by the sender.

Provided always that a notice received after the expiry of Normal Working Hours shall be effective at 9 a.m. on the following Working Day.



- 15.3 For the avoidance of doubt, where a notice is given by facsimile (confirmed by the appropriate answerback) or by email and also confirmed in a notice delivered by first class mail, the date of receipt of the notice shall be the earlier of the dates of valid receipt of the two notices.

## **16. CONFIDENTIALITY AND DATA PROTECTION**

- 16.1 Subject to Clause 16.3, the Customer will keep confidential and will not disclose to any third party any information provided by National Grid in connection with the negotiation or performance of any Contract, provided that:-

- (a) this restriction will not apply to any information which at the time of disclosure is in the public domain or thereafter becomes part of the public domain otherwise than as a consequence of a breach by the Customer of its obligations under this Clause 16.1 or to any information provided to the Customer by a third party otherwise than as a consequence of a breach by such third party of confidentiality obligations owed to National Grid; and

- (b) nothing in the Contract will prevent the disclosure of information:-

- (i) where National Grid has consented in writing to such disclosure;

- (ii) to any government department or any governmental or regulatory agency having jurisdiction over the Customer, or as required by law or any lawful subpoena or recognised stock exchange or other process in connection with any judicial arbitration or administration proceeding, or where reasonably necessary to effect the purpose of the Contract;

- (iii) to the Consumer or to any contractor of the Customer, but then only to the extent reasonably necessary to allow the Consumer or contractor of the Customer to comply with their contractual obligations in relation to the Works; and

- (iv) for any purpose contemplated by these Siteworks Terms and any Contract made hereunder or where appropriate the Network Code;

- (c) in the event disclosure to any third party is necessary and permissible under this Clause 16.1, the Customer will use all reasonable endeavours to ensure that such third party will respect the confidentiality of such information and be bound by the terms of this Clause 16.1 as if a party thereto.

- 16.2 Subject to Clause 16.3, National Grid will keep confidential and will not disclose to any third party any information provided by the Customer in connection with the negotiation or performance of any Contract, provided that:-

- (a) this restriction will not apply to any information which at the time of the disclosure is in the public domain or thereafter becomes part of the public domain otherwise than as a consequence of a breach by National Grid of its obligations under this Clause 16.2 or to any information provided to the National Grid by a third party otherwise than as a consequence of a breach by such third party of confidentiality obligations owed to the Customer; and

- (b) nothing in the Contract will prevent the disclosure of information:-

- (i) where the Customer has consented in writing to such disclosure;

- (ii) to any government department or any governmental or regulatory agency having jurisdiction over National Grid, or as required by law or any lawful subpoena or

recognised stock exchange or other process in connection with any judicial arbitration or administration proceeding, or where reasonably necessary to effect the purpose of the Contract;

- (iii) to any contractor of National Grid, but then only to the extent reasonably necessary to allow such contractor of National Grid to comply with their contractual obligations in relation to the Works; and
  - (iv) for any purpose contemplated by these Siteworks Terms and any Contract made hereunder or where appropriate the Network Code;
- (c) in the event disclosure to any third party is necessary and permissible under this Clause, National Grid will use all reasonable endeavours to ensure that such third party will respect the confidentiality of such information and be bound by the terms of this Clause 16.2 as if a party thereto.

16.3 Where any information provided by either Party to the other under any Contract constitutes personal data (as such term is defined in the Data Protection Act 1998) the Parties shall abide by the obligations set out in that act and shall ensure that any agent, sub-contractor or data processor employed or engaged by them is contractually bound to comply with such obligations to the extent required by law.

16.4 Either Party may notify the Registered User of the proposed Works.

16.5 The provisions of Clauses 16.1 to 16.3 shall continue, for a period of 3 years after termination of the relevant Contract, to bind the Parties irrespective of the reason for such termination.

## 17. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

17.1 All patents, copyright and other intellectual property rights (including but not limited to trademarks, registered designs, designs, know-how, inventions and valuable concepts) and, to the extent that intellectual property is embodied therein, documents (including but not limited to drawings, transparencies, prints, photographs, negatives, tapes, discs, working notes and reports), software or other items created or supplied by National Grid in connection with the Works will be owned by National Grid, and the Customer will on Substantial Completion of the Works deliver up to National Grid, or at National Grid's request destroy, all copies of such documents whether in the possession of the Customer or a third party to whom the Customer has disclosed them.

17.2 All patents, copyright and other intellectual property rights (including but not limited to trademarks, registered designs, designs, know-how, inventions and valuable concepts) and, to the extent that intellectual property is embodied therein, documents (including but not limited to drawings, transparencies, prints, photographs, negatives, tapes, discs, working notes and reports), software or other items supplied by the Customer in connection with the Works will be owned by the Customer, and National Grid will on Substantial Completion of the Works deliver up to the Customer, or at the Customer's request destroy, all copies of such documents whether in the possession of National Grid or a third party to whom National Grid has disclosed them.

17.3 Each Party (the "**Granting Party**") by virtue of the Contract hereby grants the other Party (the "**Receiving Party**") a royalty-free, non-exclusive licence (with power to sub-licence) in respect of any such intellectual property of the Granting Party as is reasonably necessary for the performance by the Receiving Party's of its obligations under a Contract.

**18. ENTIRETY OF AGREEMENT**

18.1 Each Contract contains or expressly refers to the entire agreement between the Parties with respect to the subject matter thereof, and supersede all previous agreements or understandings between the Parties with respect thereto; and any warranty, condition or other term implied at law or by custom is (to the fullest extent permitted by law) expressly excluded therefrom.

**19. SUB-CONTRACTING**

19.1 National Grid shall be entitled to sub-contract the whole or any part of the Works to be performed in accordance with a Contract. Any such sub-contracting by National Grid shall not relieve National Grid from any liability or obligation under the Contract.

19.2 The Customer shall be entitled to sub-contract the whole or any part of its obligations under a Contract. Any such sub-contracting by the Customer shall not relieve the Customer from any liability or obligation under the Contract.

**20. NATIONAL GRID'S WARRANTIES**

20.1 National Grid warrants that on Final Completion, the Works shall be free from defects (excepting fair wear and tear and any damage arising from user abuse) for a period of one (1) year. National Grid warrants that on Final Completion, any permanent reinstatement (where included in the Quotation or Order and other than in the Highway) will be free from defects (excepting fair wear and tear and any damage arising from user abuse) for one (1) year from the date of Final Completion.

20.2 In the event that National Grid is in breach of any warranty under this Clause 20, within twenty (20) Working Days of receiving written notification (such notification to be given by the Customer no later than twenty (20) Working Days after the expiry of the relevant warranty period, provided always that the Customer is able to prove that such breach of warranty occurred prior to the expiry of the relevant warranty period and not afterwards) of any defect causing National Grid to be so in breach, National Grid shall at its own cost rectify any such defect in the Works: provided that:-

- (a) where National Grid is unable (acting as a Reasonable and Prudent Operator) to rectify such defect within the period referred to above, then National Grid shall notify the Customer accordingly within such period and such notice shall contain National Grid's programme for rectifying such defect as soon as reasonably practicable thereafter; and
- (b) the Customer shall procure such access to the Site as National Grid reasonably requires in order to conduct such rectification.

Where National Grid rectifies a defect pursuant to this Clause 20.2, National Grid warrants that on completion of the rectification, the remedial works shall be free from defects for a period of three (3) months from the date of completion of such rectification or the date of expiry of the original period referred to in Clause 20.1, whichever is the later.

20.3 The warranties given in Clauses 20.1 and 20.2 shall not:-

- (a) extend to any items supplied by the Customer except in so far as the defects in such items arise as a result of a failure by National Grid to act as a Reasonable and Prudent Operator in conducting the Works;
- (b) apply in respect of any defects arising as a result of incorrect or misleading information supplied by or on behalf of the Customer or Consumer or any other incorrect or misleading information in relation to the Site;

- (c) apply in relation to any equipment provided by the Customer reasonably relied upon by National Grid in performing the Works;
- (d) apply in respect of any defects arising as a result of any unreasonable interference with the Works by the Customer or any third party (including but not limited to the Consumer); or
- (e) apply in respect of any defects arising as a result of any defect, unsuitability or inadequacy in the Customer Works and any associated apparatus arising otherwise than by a failure by National Grid to act as a Reasonable and Prudent Operator in performing the Works.

20.4 Where in respect of National Grid's breach of warranty under this Clause 20 the Customer also has a remedy under the Network Code, any action undertaken by National Grid in satisfaction of Clause 20.2 above shall also be deemed to satisfy the Customer's remedy under the Network Code.

## **21. CUSTOMER'S WARRANTY**

21.1 Unless specified to the contrary on the Acceptance Form, the Customer warrants that it will enter into, or is entering into, a Contract on its own behalf, and not as an agent for the Consumer or any other third party.

21.2 The Customer warrants that:-

- (a) the Consumer owns all land (other than that forming part of a Highway) in or over which the Equipment will be installed and over which access will be required in order to perform the Works, or has the necessary permission of the owner(s) of such land; and
- (b) the Customer Works (if any) will be free from defect (except user abuse, fair wear and tear, and improper operation) for one (1) year from Final Completion of the Works.

21.3 In the event that the Customer is in breach of any warranty under this Clause 21, within twenty (20) Working Days of receiving written notification (such notification to be given by National Grid no later than twenty (20) Working Days after the expiry of the relevant warranty period) of any defect causing the Customer to be so in breach, the Customer shall at its own cost rectify any such defect in the Works: provided that, where the Customer fails to rectify such defect within the period referred to above, then National Grid shall be entitled to rectify the defect and the Customer shall be liable to pay National Grid the costs and expenses incurred by National Grid in rectifying the defect, and the Customer shall procure such access to the Site as National Grid reasonably requires in order to conduct such rectification. Where the Customer rectifies a defect pursuant to this Clause 21.3, the Customer warrants that on completion of the rectification, the remedial works shall be free from defects for a period of three (3) months from the date of completion of such rectification or the date of expiry of the original period referred to in Clause 21.2, whichever is the later.

21.4 In respect of any defect in the Customer Works within the period specified in Clause 21.2(b), the Customer shall indemnify and hold National Grid harmless from and against:

- (a) all reasonable costs and expenses of repairing and making good such defects; and
- (b) all costs, claims and expenses howsoever arising (whether directly or indirectly) from such defects.

21.5 The warranties given in Clauses 21.1 and 21.2 shall not:-

- (a) extend to any items supplied by National Grid except in so far as the defects in such items arise as a result of a failure by the Customer to act as a Reasonable and Prudent Operator in conducting the Customer Works;
- (b) apply in respect of any defects arising as a result of incorrect or misleading information supplied by or on behalf of National Grid or any other incorrect or misleading information in relation to the National Grid Works;
- (c) apply in relation to any equipment provided by National Grid reasonably relied upon by the Customer in performing the Customer Works;
- (d) apply in respect of any defects arising as a result of any unreasonable interference with the Customer Works by National Grid or any third party (including but not limited to the Consumer); or
- (e) apply in respect of any defects arising as a result of any defect, unsuitability or inadequacy in the Works and any associated apparatus arising otherwise than by a failure by the Customer to act as a Reasonable and Prudent Operator in performing the Customer Works.

## **22. OWNERSHIP**

- 22.1 Subject to Clause 22.2, National Grid shall at all times own outright the Works.
- 22.2 Where the Works include the provision and/or installation by National Grid of the Meter Housing at the Site, then (unless specified otherwise in the Quotation) ownership of such Meter Housing shall transfer to the Customer on Final Completion of the Works.
- 22.3 For the avoidance of doubt, the Works or the provisions of this Clause 22 do not affect the ownership of any plant, materials or equipment on the Site prior to the commencement of the Works.

## **23. WAIVER AND MODIFICATION**

- 23.1 No delay by or omission of any Party in exercising any right, power, privilege or remedy under any Contract shall operate to impair such right, power, privilege or remedy or be construed as a waiver thereof.
- 23.2 Any single or partial exercise of any such right, privilege or remedy shall not preclude any other or future exercise thereof or the exercise of any other right, power, privilege or remedy.
- 23.3 Without prejudice to the provisions of Clause 7, no amendments to the Contract made thereunder shall be valid unless made in writing and agreed and signed by the duly authorised representatives of the Parties hereto.

## **24. PUBLICITY**

- 24.1 Either Party shall obtain written approval from the other Party prior to taking publicity photographs or issuing publicity releases or announcements regarding either the Contract or the activities of either Party related to its participation in the Contract.

## **25. ASSIGNMENT**

- 25.1 Subject to Clause 25.3, a Party may assign its rights under a Contract:

- (a) to an Affiliate of such Party, provided that the assigning Party shall continue to be bound by and liable under the Contract;
  - (b) subject to Clause 25.4, with the prior agreement in writing of the other Party, which shall not unreasonably be withheld or delayed, to any person.
- 25.2 Except as provided in Clause 25.1, a Party shall not assign or transfer and shall not purport to assign or transfer any of its rights or obligations under the Contract.
- 25.3 No assignment shall be made to a person unless:
- (a) where the assigning Party is National Grid, that person holds a gas transporter's licence;
  - (b) where the assigning Party is the Customer and the Customer is a Shipper, that person holds a Shipper's licence.
- 25.4 Where a Party assigns its rights under a Contract to a person (including an Affiliate) pursuant to Clause 25.1(b):
- (a) it shall be a condition precedent to such assignment that such person shall enter into an agreement with the other Party covenanting to be bound by these Siteworks Terms and the Contract made thereunder;
  - (b) the assigning Party shall be released from obligations under the Contract, arising after the time at which the assignment is effective, but shall remain liable for any obligations accruing up to such time.
- 25.5 A reference in these Siteworks Terms to any Party shall include a reference to that Party's successors and assigns.

## **26. SURVIVAL**

- 26.1 The provisions of any Contract that by their nature or from their context are intended to, or would naturally, continue to have effect after termination of such Contract shall survive after termination.

## **27. THIRD PARTY RIGHTS**

- 27.1 Except as provided in Clause 27.2 and subject to any rights which may accrue to any successor or permitted assign of the Parties, no provision of any Contract shall or may be construed as creating any rights enforceable by a third party (whether under the Contracts Act or otherwise) and all third party rights as may be implied by law (whether under the Contracts Act or otherwise) are hereby excluded to the fullest extent permitted by law from any Contract.
- 27.2 The benefit of Clause 11 insofar as and to the extent related to the subject matter of a Contract shall be conferred on each and any Affiliate of each Party from time to time, and such Affiliate(s) shall have the benefit of the Clause 11 under the Contracts Act.
- 27.3 No consent shall be required from any person having rights under any Contract by virtue only of the Contracts Act to any amendment, variation, waiver or settlement of such Contract or any right or claim arising from or under it which (in each case) has been agreed by any party to it.

## 28. GOVERNING LAW AND JURISDICTION

- 28.1 A Contract shall be governed by, and construed in all respects in accordance with, English law and the Parties hereby submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the English Courts in respect thereof.
- 28.2 The Parties irrevocably agree that the courts of England are to have exclusive jurisdiction to settle any disputes which may arise out of or in connection with any Contract and that accordingly any suit, action or proceeding (collectively "**Proceedings**") arising out of or in connection with any Contract may be brought in such courts.
- 28.3 Each Party irrevocably waives any objection which it may have now or hereafter to the laying of the venue of any Proceedings in any such court as is referred to in Clause 28.2 and any claim that any such Proceedings have been brought in an inconvenient forum and further irrevocably agrees that a judgment in any Proceedings brought in the English courts shall be conclusive and binding upon such Party and may be enforced in the courts of any other jurisdiction.
- 28.4 The Customer agrees that if it is not a company incorporated under the Companies Act 1985 it shall provide to National Grid an address in England or Wales for service of process on its behalf in any Proceedings.

## 29. GAS TRANSPORTATION

- 29.1 Nothing in these Siteworks Terms or the Contract shall confer on the Customer or the Consumer or any other party any right or entitlement in respect of the transportation of natural gas to any Supply Meter Point or the offtake of natural gas at any Supply Meter Point for any purpose.

## 30. GENERAL

- 30.1 Every notice or other communication to be given by one Party to another under a Contract shall be in the English language.
- 30.2 If any provision of a Contract is or becomes invalid, unenforceable or illegal, or is declared to be invalid, unenforceable or illegal by any court of competent jurisdiction or by order of any other Competent Authority, such invalidity, unenforceability or illegality shall not prejudice or affect the remaining provisions of such Contract, which shall continue in full force and effect notwithstanding the same.
- 30.3 Subject to the terms and conditions of a Contract, each Party agrees to use its reasonable endeavours at its own cost to do or cause to be done all things necessary, proper or advisable under the applicable laws and regulations to consummate the transactions contemplated by such Contract as expeditiously as possible, including, without limitation, the performance of such further acts or the execution and delivery of any additional deeds, instruments or documents to obtain any permits, approvals, licences or waivers required for the purposes of such Contract and the transactions contemplated thereby.

## Annex 1 – GENERAL INFRASTRUCTURE WORKS

### 1. The Works

1.1 The Works shall, unless the Quotation provides otherwise, comprise:-

- (a) the design, installation, purging, pressure checking, testing and Commissioning and connection to the National Grid System of the Equipment so as to be capable of providing the capacity specified in the Quotation or the Order (as the case may be) at a pressure equal to or greater than Working Pressure at the Supply Meter Point following Substantial Completion;
- (b) where the Works involve Connection Works, or relate to an existing Supply Meter Point (the Supply Meter Point Reference Number of which has been registered on National Grid's sites and meters database) that currently has no label affixed to it, the affixing of a label showing the Supply Meter Point Reference Number of, and the pressure tier at, the Supply Meter Point;
- (c) the excavation, backfill and permanent reinstatement of any trench in an existing Highway excavated by National Grid in the performance of the Works;
- (d) the excavation, backfill and reinstatement (as set out below) of any trench on any land (other than an existing Highway) excavated by National Grid in the performance of the Works, provided that:-
  - (i) reinstatement of unmetalled surfaces shall be temporary and be limited to backfilling and, when necessary, compaction only;
  - (ii) reinstatement of metalled surfaces shall be temporary reinstatement only; and
  - (iii) excavation, backfill and temporary reinstatement of such trenches shall be performed substantially by mechanical means;
- (e) where the Customer is to pre-excavate any trench required for the performance of the Works, the covering of the Equipment with material excavated by the Customer from the trench (or, where National Grid deems such material to be unsuitable, with fine fill to be provided by the Customer pursuant to Clause 4.2) and the laying of marker tape;
- (f) the procurement from the relevant owner and/or occupier of the land concerned of all necessary permissions, rights and interests in land required for such Mains as are to be constructed in the course of the Works (other than Mains to be constructed on the Site) and such Services as are to be installed in the course of the Works on a Highway, and unless or until the Customer has notified National Grid in writing otherwise, the procurement of all necessary permissions, rights and interests in land required for such of the Equipment (other than any Services as are to be installed in the course of the Works on a Highway or any Mains) as are to be constructed in the course of the Works and which are not on, in or over the Site: provided, in each case, that:-
  - (i) where a price for such procurement of all necessary permissions, rights and interests in land is incorporated in the Quotation or by agreed variation pursuant to Clause 8 then, unless the Quotation or agreed variation expressly states to the contrary, such price shall be a good faith estimate (made by National Grid acting as a Reasonable and Prudent Operator) of the costs of procurement and the Customer shall (subject to this paragraph (f)) be liable to pay National Grid the actual costs and expenses of procurement (in respect of which National Grid shall provide such evidence as the Customer may reasonably request); and



- (ii) National Grid shall not procure such permissions, rights, and interests at a cost greater than the said estimate without the prior written permission of the Customer. In the event that National Grid and the Customer are unable to agree to such costs, then either Party shall be entitled to terminate the Contract in accordance with Clause 13; and
  - (iii) National Grid shall be under no obligation to exercise any rights in respect of the compulsory acquisition of land or any interest in land; and
  - (iv) where the proposed grantor of any such permission, right or interest in land requires, as a condition of granting any such permission, right or interest in land, that National Grid accepts terms (including but not limited to the sums of money payable by National Grid) that National Grid reasonably determines would adversely prejudice or influence future negotiations (whether related to the Works or otherwise) with the proposed grantor or any other person in relation to the granting of any permission, right or interest in land, then National Grid shall advise the Customer accordingly and shall be relieved of its obligation under this paragraph (f) to obtain such permission, right or interest in land, and the Customer shall be deemed to have given notice to National Grid for the purposes of Clause 4.2(d). National Grid shall be entitled to suspend the Works until such time as the Customer advises National Grid that the Customer has obtained the relevant permission, right or interest in land in accordance with Clause 4.2(d);
  - (g) where the Works have caused an interruption of gas supply to a Domestic Premises (and unless specifically requested otherwise by the Customer), the visual inspection, testing and purging of the Installation Pipework and the re-lighting of associated appliances provided that National Grid is satisfied that no change has been carried out to Metering Equipment or the Installation Pipework and appliances during the period of such interruption. Where such change has occurred National Grid will, in accordance with its procedures as may be adopted from time to time inform, the Consumer how the Consumer may procure such inspection, testing, purging and relighting;
  - (h) any additional activities specified in the Quotation; and
  - (i) the provision of electrical power for the operation of power driven tools and the testing of the Equipment in connection with the Works.
- 1.2 For the avoidance of doubt, unless expressly specified otherwise in the Quotation or by agreed variation pursuant to Clause 8, the Works do not include:-
- (a) making good cosmetic surfaces, plasterwork and decoration;
  - (b) making good fences, landscaping, special surfaces and/or decorative finishes unless part of a Highway;
  - (c) the matching of any reinstatement to the existing surface type, colour and finish;
  - (d) connection of the Equipment to any Metering Equipment;
  - (e) where the Customer is to pre-excavate any trench required for the performance of the Works, the provision of any fine fill or other material to cover the Equipment;
  - (f) where the Customer is to pre-excavate any trench required for the performance of the Works, the excavation, backfill (except to the extent performed by National Grid pursuant to paragraph 1.1(e)) and temporary or permanent reinstatement of any such trench whether in a Highway, on Site or at any other location whatsoever;
  - (g) the conduct of Works outside of Normal Working Hours;

- (h) the conduct of Works or the design of Equipment so as to avoid interruption to the conveyance of natural gas to the Supply Meter Point during the conduct of the Works or in the course of future maintenance of the Equipment;
  - (i) design, procurement, installation, inspection or alteration of Installation Pipework, any present or future Metering Equipment, any Meter Housing or any Meter Housing Base;
  - (j) the commissioning of Installation Pipework and any present or future Metering Equipment and the provision of natural gas for these activities; and
  - (k) any additional matters specified in the Quotation as not forming part of the Works.
- 1.3 Nothing in paragraph 1.2 shall absolve National Grid or the Customer of its obligations under any relevant legislation.

## **2. The Customer's Obligations**

- 2.1 The Customer shall comply with its obligations set out in Clause 4 and the Quotation.

## **3. National Grid's Obligations**

- 3.1 National Grid shall comply with its obligations set out in Clause 5 and the Quotation.

## **4. Additional Conditions**

- 4.1 No additional conditions apply to the Works in addition to those in the Siteworks Terms and the Quotation.

**Annex 2 - DISCONNECTIONS**

**1. The Works**

- 1.1 The Works shall comprise the Disconnection.
- 1.2 Following Acceptance, the Customer may (notwithstanding the provisions of Clause 12.5) by written notice to National Grid given not later than 12.00 hours on the Working Day preceding the day on which the Disconnection is to be carried out cancel the Works and the Customer shall pay to National Grid those costs, expenses and charges relating to the Works and the cancellation thereof which National Grid has reasonably incurred, provided that such costs, expenses and charges shall not exceed the Contract Sum and National Grid shall take all reasonable steps to minimise such costs, expenses and charges. Provided further that if such notice is given after 12.00 hours on the said Working Day then National Grid will use its reasonable endeavours not to carry out the Disconnection and the Customer shall pay up to the Contract Sum for the Works as applicable whether or not National Grid carries out the Works but if nonetheless National Grid carries out the Disconnection then any reconnection shall be pursuant to a separate contract between National Grid and the Customer, and the costs of such reconnection shall be borne by the Customer. Other works comprised in the Contract may be cancelled at the same time and in the same manner and on the same conditions.
- 1.3 The Disconnection shall be carried out in such manner as National Grid in its absolute discretion shall determine but National Grid when it judges it safe, lawful and reasonable to do so will endeavour to effect Disconnection in the manner requested by the Customer.
- 1.4 Where access to the Site or premises or property of a third party is reasonably required to enable the Disconnection to be carried out and such access is to be facilitated by the Customer and is denied to National Grid whether by the Consumer or a third party then National Grid acting as an RPO shall, if a representative of the Customer is not present, make reasonable efforts to contact the Customer but National Grid will cancel the Disconnection if National Grid is unable to gain access to the Site (irrespective of whether or not the Customer has complied with its obligations in this paragraph 1.4). In such circumstances the Customer shall pay to National Grid those costs, expenses and charges which National Grid has reasonably incurred in respect of such cancelled Disconnection, provided that such payment will not exceed an amount equivalent to the Contract Sum.
- 1.5 Except in situations where the emergency control valve is downstream of the Metering Equipment, if the Customer fails to disconnect the Metering Equipment from the Service and to render the Installation Pipework safe prior to the Substantial Completion Target Date then the Disconnection will be cancelled and the Customer shall pay to National Grid those costs, expenses and charges which National Grid has reasonably incurred as a result of attempting to carry out the Disconnection.
- 1.6 Unless specifically stated to the contrary in the Quotation or as otherwise agreed between National Grid and the Customer, the Disconnection shall include:-
  - (a) the excavation, backfill and permanent reinstatement of any trench in an existing Highway excavated by National Grid in the performance of the Works;
  - (b) the excavation, backfill and reinstatement (as set out below) of any trench on any land (other than an existing Highway) excavated by National Grid in the performance of the Works, provided that:-
    - (i) reinstatement of unmetalled surfaces shall be temporary and be limited to backfilling and, when necessary, compaction only;
    - (ii) reinstatement of metalled surfaces shall be temporary reinstatement only; and

- (iii) excavation, backfill and temporary reinstatement of such trenches shall be performed substantially by mechanical means;
  - (c) any additional activities specified in the Quotation;
  - (d) the provision of electrical power for the operation of power driven tools and the testing of the Equipment in connection with the Works; and
  - (e) the procurement of all items and materials that are to be used in the Disconnection.
- 1.7 For the avoidance of doubt, unless such works are expressly included in the Quotation, or an agreed variation thereof, the Disconnection shall not include:-
- (a) making good cosmetic surfaces, plasterwork and decoration;
  - (b) making good fences, landscaping, special surfaces and/or decorative finishes unless part of a Highway;
  - (c) the matching of any reinstatement to the existing surface type, colour and finish;
  - (d) the conduct of works outside of Normal Working
  - (e) the inspection, disconnection, alteration or making safe of Installation Pipework or any Metering Equipment; and
  - (f) any additional matters specified in the Quotation as not forming part of the Works.

## **2. The Customer's Obligations**

- 2.1 The Customer shall comply with its obligations set out in Clause 4 and/or the Quotation, together with the remainder of this paragraph 2.
- 2.2 The Customer warrants that it is lawfully entitled to have National Grid carry out the Disconnection, and (where appropriate) to procure entry to the Consumer's Premises other than with the Consumer's consent. The Customer acknowledges and agrees that National Grid and its contractors may rely on the accuracy of such declaration in the performance of the Works.
- 2.3 The Customer shall be responsible for providing access to the Service to be disconnected as part of the Works and to the Consumer's Premises as necessary for the conduct of the Works.

## **3. National Grid's Obligations**

- 3.1 National Grid shall comply with its obligations set out in Clause 5 and the Quotation.

## **4. Additional Conditions**

- 4.1 Where the Disconnection is being carried out other than with the Consumer's consent:-
- (a) the Customer shall ensure that a representative of the Customer attends the Site and accompanies the personnel of National Grid (or its contractor) for the duration of the Works;
  - (b) the personnel of National Grid (or its contractor) performing the Disconnection shall only enter the premises in question in the presence of the Customer's representative;

- (c) the personnel of National Grid (or its contractor) shall not take any part in the securing rights of access to the premises in question;
  - (d) National Grid and the Customer shall agree, prior to the Physical Commencement Target Date, at time Physical Commencement Target Date, and a location close to the Site, at which the personnel of National Grid (or its contractor) and the Customer's representative shall meet prior to the Works commencing; and
  - (e) National Grid will cancel the Disconnection if the Customer's representative does not arrive within sixty (60) minutes after the agreed time. In such circumstances the Customer shall pay to National Grid those costs, expenses and charges which National Grid has reasonably incurred in respect of such cancelled Disconnection, provided that such payment will not exceed an amount equivalent to the Contract Sum.
- 4.2 In Clause 1.1 the definition of "**Substantial Completion**" shall be replaced with "**Substantial Completion**" shall mean completion of the Disconnection";
- 4.3 If the premises in respect of which the Works are to be carried out (the "Premises") is a part of a multi-storey property (i.e. if there are separate dwellings above or below the Premises in the same building), then National Grid may terminate the Contract if it determines upon arrival at the Premises that a Disconnection at the Premises is not suitable due to the construction of the building or the layout or configuration of the gas supply to the Premises and other premises within the multi-storey property. In the event that National Grid does so terminate the Contract, then National Grid will refund to the Customer the full amount of any payment made by the Customer before the date of termination.

## **5. Self-Quotation Conditions**

- 5.1 The Self-Quotation Conditions are as follows:
- (a) Standard Costs must be applied;
  - (b) the Service which is to be the subject of the Disconnection must be of a size and type specified in the Standard Costs;
  - (c) the Service is to the ground floor of the property and terminates adjacent to an external wall either in an external Meter Housing or an internal Metering Equipment position; and
  - (d) no abnormal engineering difficulties in relation to the Disconnection are envisaged by the Customer acting as an RPO.

**Annex 3 - ONE-OFF DOMESTIC SERVICE WORKS**

**1. The Works**

1.1 The Works shall, unless the Quotation or the Order (as the case may be) provides otherwise, comprise:-

- (a) the design, installation, purging, pressure checking, testing and Commissioning and connection to the National Grid System of the Equipment so as to be capable of providing the capacity specified in the Quotation or the Order (as the case may be) at a pressure equal to or greater than Working Pressure at the Supply Meter Point following Substantial Completion;
- (b) where the Works involve Connection Works, or relate to an existing Supply Meter Point (the Supply Meter Point Reference Number of which has been registered on National Grid's sites and meters database) that currently has no label affixed to it, the affixing of a label showing the Supply Meter Point Reference Number of, and the pressure tier at, the Supply Meter Point;
- (c) the excavation, backfill and permanent reinstatement of any trench in an existing Highway excavated by National Grid in the performance of the Works;
- (d) the excavation, backfill and reinstatement (as set out below) of any trench on any land (other than an existing Highway) excavated by National Grid in the performance of the Works, provided that:-
  - (i) reinstatement of unmetalled surfaces shall be temporary and be limited to backfilling and, when necessary, compaction only;
  - (ii) reinstatement of metalled surfaces shall be temporary reinstatement only; and
  - (iii) excavation, backfill and temporary reinstatement of such trenches shall be performed substantially by mechanical means;
- (e) where the Customer is to pre-excavate any trench required for the performance of the Works, the covering of the Equipment with material excavated by the Customer from the trench (or, where National Grid deems such material to be unsuitable, with fine fill to be provided by the Customer pursuant to Clause 4.2) and the laying of marker tape;
- (f) the procurement from the relevant owner and/or occupier of the land concerned of all necessary permissions, rights and interests in land required for such Mains as are to be constructed in the course of the Works (other than Mains to be constructed on the Site) and such Services as are to be installed in the course of the Works on a Highway, and unless or until the Customer has notified National Grid in writing otherwise, the procurement of all necessary permissions, rights and interests in land required for such of the Equipment (other than any Services as are to be installed in the course of the Works on a Highway or any Mains) as are to be constructed in the course of the Works and which are not on, in or over the Site: provided, in each case, that:-
  - (i) where a price for such procurement of all necessary permissions, rights and interests in land is incorporated in the Quotation or by agreed variation pursuant to Clause 8 then, unless the Quotation or agreed variation expressly states to the contrary, such price shall be a good faith estimate (made by National Grid acting as a Reasonable and Prudent Operator) of the costs of procurement and the Customer shall (subject to this paragraph (f)) be liable to pay National Grid the actual costs and expenses of procurement (in respect of which National Grid shall provide such evidence as the Customer may reasonably request); and

- (ii) National Grid shall not procure such permissions, rights, and interests at a cost greater than the said estimate without the prior written permission of the Customer. In the event that National Grid and the Customer are unable to agree to such costs, then either Party shall be entitled to terminate the Contract in accordance with Clause 13; and
  - (iii) National Grid shall be under no obligation to exercise any rights in respect of the compulsory acquisition of land or any interest in land; and
  - (iv) where the proposed grantor of any such permission, right or interest in land requires, as a condition of granting any such permission, right or interest in land, that National Grid accepts terms (including but not limited to the sums of money payable by National Grid) that National Grid reasonably determines would adversely prejudice or influence future negotiations (whether related to the Works or otherwise) with the proposed grantor or any other person in relation to the granting of any permission, right or interest in land, then National Grid shall advise the Customer accordingly and shall be relieved of its obligation under this paragraph (f) to obtain such permission, right or interest in land, and the Customer shall be deemed to have given notice to National Grid for the purposes of Clause 4.2(d). National Grid shall be entitled to suspend the Works until such time as the Customer advises National Grid that the Customer has obtained the relevant permission, right or interest in land in accordance with Clause 4.2(d);
  - (g) where the Works have caused an interruption of gas supply to a Domestic Premises (and unless specifically requested otherwise by the Customer), the visual inspection, testing and purging of the Installation Pipework and the re-lighting of associated appliances provided that National Grid is satisfied that no change has been carried out to Metering Equipment or the Installation Pipework and appliances during the period of such interruption. Where such change has occurred National Grid will, in accordance with its procedures as may be adopted from time to time inform, the Consumer how the Consumer may procure such inspection, testing, purging and relighting;
  - (h) any additional activities specified in the Quotation or the Order (as the case may be); and
  - (i) the provision of electrical power for the operation of power driven tools and the testing of the Equipment in connection with the Works.
- 1.2 For the avoidance of doubt, unless expressly specified otherwise in the Quotation or by agreed variation pursuant to Clause 8, the Works do not include:-
- (a) making good cosmetic surfaces, plasterwork and decoration;
  - (b) making good fences, landscaping, special surfaces and/or decorative finishes unless part of a Highway;
  - (c) the matching of any reinstatement to the existing surface type, colour and finish;
  - (d) connection of the Equipment to any Metering Equipment;
  - (e) where the Customer is to pre-excavate any trench required for the performance of the Works, the provision of any fine fill or other material to cover the Equipment;
  - (f) where the Customer is to pre-excavate any trench required for the performance of the Works, the excavation, backfill (except to the extent performed by National Grid pursuant to paragraph 1.1(e)) and temporary or permanent reinstatement of any such trench whether in a Highway, on Site or at any other location whatsoever;
  - (g) the conduct of Works outside of Normal Working Hours;

- (h) the conduct of Works or the design of Equipment so as to avoid interruption to the conveyance of natural gas to the Supply Meter Point during the conduct of the Works or in the course of future maintenance of the Equipment;
  - (i) design, procurement, installation, inspection or alteration of Installation Pipework or any present or future Metering Equipment;
  - (j) the commissioning of Installation Pipework and any present or future Metering Equipment and the provision of natural gas for these activities; and
  - (k) any additional matters specified in the Quotation as not forming part of the Works.
- 1.3 For the avoidance of doubt, unless expressly specified otherwise in the Quotation or the Order (as the case may be) or by agreed variation pursuant to Clause 8, the Works do not include design, procurement, installation, inspection or alteration of any Meter Housing or any Meter Housing Base.
- 1.4 Nothing in paragraph 1.2 shall absolve National Grid or the Customer of its obligations under any relevant legislation.
- 2. The Customer's Obligations**
- 2.1 The Customer shall comply with its obligations set out in Clause 4, the Quotation and/or the Order.
- 3. National Grid's Obligations**
- 3.1 National Grid shall comply with its obligations set out in Clause 5 and the Quotation.
- 4. Additional Conditions**
- 4.1 The conditions set out in paragraph 4.2 shall apply to the Self-Quotation Works in addition to or instead of (as the case may be) those in the Siteworks Terms.
- 4.2 The Self-Quotation Conditions are as follows:-
- (a) all Service pipe not in the Highway or in land dedicated to public use is chargeable. The current charge per metre length up to forty (40) metres is as published by National Grid from time to time. Service pipe in excess of forty (40) metres on private land are outside the criteria for Self-Quotations and require a specific Quotation to be supplied by National Grid;
  - (b) the measurement is taken from the agreed Metering Equipment position to the property boundary. The Metering Equipment position should be agreed in principle by the Customer, the final details to be confirmed by the National Grid personnel who attend on Site to carry out the Works.
  - (c) the Works may include the provision and installation of a semi-concealed or surface mounted type Meter Housing if specified in the Order, and the price of the Meter Housing chosen (if any) should be added to the Self-Quotation. For the avoidance of doubt, the Works shall not include the provision and installation of an inset or built-in type Meter Housing even if specified in the Order. Any inset or built-in type Meter Housing must be installed by others prior to commencement of the Works;
  - (d) the Customer must make every effort to confirm the presence of a National Grid relevant Main adjacent to the property. National Grid will provide a fax contact for enquiries



related to the gas supply area. Where there is any doubt on the existence of a relevant main the request should be referred to National Grid for a specific Quotation.

- (e) Standard Costs must be applied and both Parties will be bound by Self-Quotations issued where the following conditions have been met:-
- (i) total Service length in the Highway or in land dedicated to public use does not exceed twenty three (23) metres;
  - (ii) total Service length not in the Highway does not exceed forty (40) metres;
  - (iii) the maximum load size is six (6) standard cubic metres per hour (scmh) (equivalent to two hundred and twelve (212) cubic feet per hour (cfh)), is for a Working Pressure of not more than twenty one (21) millibars, and the termination size is not greater than one inch (1”);
  - (iv) the Service is taken from a relevant Main (although there is no restriction applicable to Mains size);
  - (v) the property is not in a “live infill” situation which is subject to separate charge arrangements;
  - (vi) the Service is to the ground floor of the property and terminates adjacent to an external wall either in an external Meter Housing or an internal Metering Equipment position;
  - (vii) the position of the Service and/or any current or proposed Metering Equipment complies with current regulations and codes of practice;
  - (viii) permission has been obtained from the property owner to install the Service;
  - (ix) the Service route is generally perpendicular to the Main;
  - (x) the length of Service is measured from the position of any current or proposed Metering Equipment to the property boundary;
  - (xi) no abnormal construction difficulties are envisaged by the Customer acting as an RPO;
  - (xii) there is no existing gas service to the premises. In situations where a supply already exists, charges will be based on National Grid’s then current “Alter Position of Service” costs; and
  - (xiii) the premises are reasonably determined to be Domestic Premises.

4.3 In the event that, at any time following Acceptance, National Grid determines that one or more of the Self-Quotation Conditions (other than paragraph 4.2(e) (i) or (ii)) has not been satisfied then:-

- (a) National Grid will advise the Customer or (if authorised by the Customer on the Order to do so) the Consumer of the additional cost, and if the Customer or the Consumer (as the case may be) instructs National Grid to proceed then National Grid will complete the Works: Provided that where an additional cost has been quoted to the Consumer by National Grid and agreed in writing by the Consumer then the Customer shall not charge the Consumer a higher additional cost than that quoted by National Grid to the Consumer and the Contract Sum shall be increased by the additional cost agreed with the Customer or the Consumer (as the case may be) and the Key Dates shall be

amended (if necessary) to the extent agreed by the Customer or the Consumer (as the case may be);

- (b) the cost of any additional works as specified in paragraph (a) above shall be paid to National Grid by the Customer in accordance with Clause 9.1(c);
- (c) where the Works are varied with the agreement of the Consumer (rather than the Customer) pursuant to paragraph (a) or (b) then National Grid will within five (5) Working Days of Substantial Completion issue to the Customer a notice of the said variation of the Works and issue to the Customer within ten (10) Working Days of Substantial Completion a copy of the amended job voucher signed by the Consumer;
- (d) the Customer and National Grid may from time to time agree procedures to deal with other variations of the Order arising when National Grid attend on site to commence the Works. Variations to the Order made pursuant to such procedures will be notified to the Customer in accordance with paragraph (c); and
- (e) where the Customer or the Consumer (as the case may be) does not instruct National Grid to proceed with the Works in accordance with paragraph (a), National Grid shall be entitled to terminate the Contract pursuant to Clause 13.1.

4.4 In the event that, at any time following Acceptance, National Grid determines that one or more of the Self-Quotation Conditions set out in paragraph 4.2(e) (i) or (ii) has not been satisfied then:-

- (a) National Grid may at its option complete the Works provided that any variation of the length of the Service is within plus or minus two (2) metres;
- (b) if the variation exceeds such tolerance National Grid will advise the Customer or (if authorised by the Customer on the Order to do so) the Consumer of the additional cost and if the Customer or the Consumer (as the case may be) instructs National Grid to proceed then National Grid will complete the Works: Provided that where an additional cost has been quoted to the Consumer by National Grid and agreed in writing by the Consumer then the Customer shall not charge the Consumer a higher additional cost than that quoted by National Grid to the Consumer and the Contract Sum shall be increased by the additional cost agreed with the Customer or the Consumer (as the case may be) and the Key Dates shall be amended (if necessary) to the extent agreed by the Customer or the Consumer (as the case may be);
- (c) the cost of any additional works as specified in paragraph 4.4 above shall be paid to National Grid by the Customer in accordance with Clause 9.1(c);
- (d) where the reduction in Service length exceeds the tolerance in paragraph 4.4 National Grid will advise the Customer or (if authorised by the Customer on the Order to do so) the Consumer of the reduced cost. National Grid will credit to the Customer the amount of any such reduction in accordance with Clause 9.1(c);
- (e) where the Works are varied with the agreement of the Consumer (rather than the Customer) pursuant to paragraph 4.4, (b) or (d) then National Grid will within five (5) Working Days of Substantial Completion issue to the Customer a notice of the said variation of the Works and issue to the Customer within ten (10) Working Days of Substantial Completion a copy of the amended job voucher signed by the Consumer;
- (f) the Customer and National Grid may from time to time agree procedures to deal with other variations of the Order arising when National Grid attend on site to commence the Works. Variations to the Order made pursuant to such procedures will be notified to the Customer in accordance with paragraph (e); and

- (g) where the Customer or the Consumer (as the case may be) does not instruct National Grid to proceed with the Works in accordance with paragraph (b), National Grid shall be entitled to terminate the Contract pursuant to Clause 13.1.
- 4.5 If the premises in respect of which the Works are to be carried out (the "Premises") is a part of a multi-storey property (i.e. if there are separate dwellings above or below the Premises in the same building), then National Grid may terminate the Contract if it determines upon arrival at the Premises that the gas supply at the Premises is not suitable due to the construction of the building or the layout or configuration of the gas supply to the Premises and other premises within the multi-storey property. In the event that National Grid does so terminate the Contract, then National Grid will refund to the Customer the full amount of any payment made by the Customer before the date of termination.

**Annex 4 – NOT USED**

## **Annex 5 - METER WORKS**

### **1. The Works**

- 1.1 This Annex 5 shall apply only to those works in respect of meters that National Grid carries out pursuant to Network Code. The Works shall comprise the matters specified in any other Relevant Annex as amended by this Annex 5.
- 1.2 Where Annex 1 is a Relevant Annex in addition to this Annex 5, then Annex 1 shall be amended as follows:-
- (a) paragraph 1.2(d) shall be amended to read, "connection of the Equipment to any Installation Pipework";
  - (b) paragraph 1.2(i) shall be amended to read, "design, procurement, installation, inspection or alteration of Installation Pipework"; and
  - (c) paragraph 1.2(j) shall be amended to read, "the commissioning of Installation Pipework and the provision of natural gas for this activity".
- 1.3 Where Annex 3 is a Relevant Annex in addition to this Annex 5, then Annex 3 shall be amended as follows:-
- (a) paragraph 1.2(d) shall be amended to read, "connection of the Equipment to any Installation Pipework";
  - (b) paragraph 1.2(i) shall be amended to read, "design, procurement, installation, inspection or alteration of Installation Pipework";
  - (c) paragraph 1.2(j) shall be amended to read, "the commissioning of Installation Pipework and the provision of natural gas for this activity"; and
  - (d) paragraph 1.3 shall be deleted.
- 1.4 Annex 4 shall not be a Relevant Annex in addition to this Annex 5.

### **2. The Customer's Obligations**

- 2.1 The Customer shall comply with its obligations set out in Clause 4, the Quotation or the Order (as the case may be) and any other Relevant Annex.

### **3. National Grid's Obligations**

- 3.1 National Grid shall comply with its obligations set out in Clause 5, the Quotation or the Order (as the case may be) and any other Relevant Annex.
- 3.2 National Grid (or the Contractor carrying out the Works on behalf of National Grid) shall be registered as an "Ofgem Approved Meter Installer", or shall arrange the inspection of the Works by an "Ofgem Approved Meter Installer" within ten (10) Working Days of Substantial Completion.

### **4. Additional Conditions**

- 4.1 The Siteworks Terms shall be amended as follows:-
- (a) The definition of "Equipment" in Clause 1.1 shall be replaced with:-

“**Equipment**” shall mean such regulators, pipework, valves and associated apparatus to be installed upstream of and including, if appropriate, the Supply Meter Point and the Metering Equipment as more particularly described in the Quotation or the Order (as the case may be);

- (b) The following shall be added to Clause 1.1 as a new definition:-

“**Valid Meter Reading**” shall mean a reading of the index of the meter comprised in the Metering Equipment at the time of the relevant Disconnection;”

## Annex 6 - DIVERSION WORKS

### 1. The Works

- (a) The Works, unless the Estimate provides otherwise shall mean “the diversion of the Existing Equipment and the design, installation, purging, pressure checking, testing and Commissioning and connection to the National Grid System of any diverted Existing Equipment and any New Equipment, together with the abandoning of any redundant equipment, in each case as specified in the Estimate”.

### 2. The Customer's Obligations

- 2.1 The Customer shall comply with its obligations set out in Clause 4, the Estimate and any other Relevant Annex: provided that paragraph (j) of Clause 4.2 shall not apply.

### 3. National Grid's Obligations

- 3.1 National Grid shall comply with its obligations set out in Clause 5, the Estimate and any other Relevant Annex.

### 4. Additional Conditions

- 4.1 The Siteworks Terms shall be amended as follows:-

- (a) The definition of “Equipment” shall be deleted from Clause 1.1.  
(b) The definition of “Quotation” in Clause 1.1 shall be amended to read:-

“**Quotation**” shall mean the Estimate;

- (c) The following new definitions shall be added to Clause 1.1:-

“**Actual Works Cost**” shall mean the total of:-

- (a) the gross amount (ignoring any amounts of retention) certified or re-certified (as the case may be) under the relevant subcontracts as being payable by National Grid to subcontractors in respect of any part of the Works;
- (b) the amounts payable to any third parties (including but not limited to any amounts payable in respect of easements or other land rights) in respect of the Conceptual Design Study Works; and
- (c) any amounts chargeable by National Grid in line with National Grid's prevailing policy for any of the Works not subcontracted by National Grid;

“**Actual Works Overhead**” shall have the meaning given in the Estimate;

“**Actual Works Price**” shall mean Actual Works Cost plus the Actual Works Overhead;

“**Estimate**” shall mean the form referring to these Siteworks Terms produced by National Grid and addressed to the Customer containing inter alia details of the Works, the estimated costs of performing the Works, the dates on which any payments are to be made and the amount of such payments, together with any other documents expressly incorporated therein;

“**Existing Equipment**” shall mean such regulators, pipework and associated apparatus presently installed and owned by National Grid at the Site which the Customer has requested that National Grid divert as specified in the Estimate;

**“New Equipment”** such regulators, pipework and associated apparatus to be installed by National Grid in order to facilitate the diversion of the Existing Equipment; and

(d) Clause 2.5(a) shall be amended to read:-

“(a) Not used;”

(e) Clause 2.6 shall be amended to read:-

“2.6 The notice referred to in Clause 2.5(b) shall be issued not more fifteen (15) Working Days after the date on which National Grid receives the first payment from the Customer pursuant to the Contract in respect of the Works.”

(f) Clause 6.3 shall be deleted and replaced with “Not used”.

(g) Clause 6.4 shall be deleted and replaced with “Not used”.

(h) Clause 6.5 shall be amended to read:-

“6.5 National Grid shall use reasonable endeavours to:-

(a) achieve Final Completion by the end of Normal Working Hours on the Final Completion Target Date; and

(b) achieve Stage Final Completion by the end of Normal Working Hours on the Stage Final Completion Target Date.”

(i) Clauses 6.6 and 6.7 shall be amended such that:-

(i) any reference to “Substantial Completion” shall be deemed to be a reference to “Final Completion”;

(ii) any reference to “Stage Substantial Completion” shall be deemed to be a reference to “Stage Final Completion”;

(iii) any reference to “Substantial Completion Target Date” shall be deemed to be a reference to “Final Completion Target Date”;

(iv) any reference to “Stage Substantial Completion Target Date” shall be deemed to be a reference to “Stage Final Completion Target Date”;

(j) The following shall be added as new Clauses 9.8 and 9.9:-

“9.8 The Customer agrees that the Contract Sum specified in the Estimate is an estimate only, which has been prepared with all information that National Grid was reasonably possible to obtain beforehand. By accepting the Estimate, the Customer confirms that it agrees to the actual costs reasonably incurred by National Grid in performing the Works, whether such costs are above or below the estimated Contract Sum. Actual overhead charges will be calculated using the same formula used to calculate the estimated overhead cost shown in the Estimate.

9.9 Within thirty (30) calendar days of the later of (a) Final Completion or (b) National Grid receiving a final invoice from all subcontractors (if any) in respect of the Works, or (c) the final determination of any dispute between National Grid and one or more of its subcontractors in respect of the Works, or (d) a termination of the Contract, National Grid shall provide a statement to the Customer showing the Actual Works Price.



Where the Actual Works Price is greater than the estimated Contract Sum, the statement shall be accompanied by an invoice from National Grid in respect of the amount by which the Actual Works Price exceeds the estimated Contract Sum.

Where the Actual Works Price is less than the estimated Contract Sum, National Grid shall refund (within thirty (30) Working Days of the date of the statement or the date of receiving the Customer's relevant bank account details, whichever is the later) the amount by which the estimated Contract Sum exceeds the Actual Works Price, and the provisions of Clause 9.6 shall apply to such a refund."

The Customer shall be entitled to inspect copies of invoices received from third parties in relation to the Works and (subject to any confidentiality obligations to which National Grid may be subject) any and all other supporting documentation as may be available to confirm the accuracy of the Actual Works Price (and the constituent parts thereof as described above) at any time following completion of the Preliminary Works but no later than 3 months after National Grid has provided the statement showing the Actual Works price upon giving reasonable notice thereof to National Grid. Any discrepancy arising from such inspection shall be discussed in good faith and resolved amicably between the parties (acting reasonably) within 30 days of notice of the same being received by National Grid.

(k) The following shall be added as a new Clause 11.15:-

"11.15 The Customer shall save, hold harmless and indemnify National Grid from and against any and all losses, charges, liabilities, claims, damages, fines, penalties, costs or expenses (including but not limited to legal expenses) incurred by National Grid arising out of or relating to any liability (whether statutory, contractual or otherwise) of National Grid to Users or consumers in respect of a failure to make gas available for offtake from the National Grid System or to accept gas tendered for delivery to the National Grid System, due to or in connection with the performance, non-performance or mis-performance of the Works howsoever arising and whether or not attributable to the negligence or breach of duty (whether statutory or otherwise) of National Grid, its employees or its Subcontractors. For the purposes of this Clause 11.15, the terms "User" and "consumer" shall have the meanings given in the Network Code."