

**HMV (Brands) Limited**  
**Company no' 09619888**  
**(the Company)**

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**Written resolutions of the sole member of the Company**

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Pursuant to section 288 of the Companies Act 2006 (**CA 2006**), we, the undersigned, being the sole eligible member (as defined by section 289 CA 2006) of the Company, signify agreement to and pass the following as ordinary resolutions of the Company

**ORDINARY RESOLUTIONS**

- 1 That the provisions and performances of the obligations set out in the following documents (the **Finance Documents**)
  - (a) a master facilities agreement to be entered into on or around the date of this resolution between, amongst others, PNC Financial Services UK Ltd trading as PNC Business Credit (**PNC**) and the Company,
  - (b) a composite guarantee, indemnity and debenture to be entered into between, amongst others, PNC and the Company,
  - (c) an intercreditor deed to be entered into on or about the date of this resolution between, amongst others, PNC and HUK40 Limited, Filefigure 30 Limited and Goodmans Capital Investments Ltd as subordinated lenders and the Company,
  - (d) a put option and cash call agreement to be entered into on or about the date of this resolution between, amongst others, PNC, HUK 40 Limited and the Company; and
  - (e) a subordinated debt assignment to be entered into on or about the date of this resolution between, amongst others, PNC, HUK 40 Limited and the Company,and the transactions contemplated by them (including, without limitation, the granting of security interests under the debenture), which the Company is proposing to enter into (i) are likely to promote the success of the Company for the benefit of its members as a whole and (ii) be and are hereby approved in the forms attached to this Written Resolution (subject to such changes as the Company's directors, in their absolute discretion, think fit)
- 2 That, notwithstanding any provisions of the Company's memorandum and articles of association or any personal interest of any of the Company's directors, the Company's directors and/or secretary be and are hereby authorised and directed to execute, deliver and perform the obligations set out in the Finance Documents, and the transactions contemplated by them, and give or execute any or all notices, communications or other documents on behalf of the Company pursuant to or in connection with each of the Finance Documents (in such manner and subject to such changes as the Company's directors, in their absolute discretion, think fit (such opinion being evidenced by the execution of such document))

Further, we, the undersigned, being the sole eligible member of the Company, signify agreement to and pass the following as special resolutions of the Company

### SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS

1 Articles 21 1 to 21 3 inclusive (*Lien, calls on shares and forfeiture*) in relation to liens over the Company's shares contained in the Company's articles of association (the **Articles**) shall be deleted in their entirety, the existing Articles shall be renumbered accordingly, the heading of Article 21 shall be changed to read "Calls on shares and forfeiture" and the definition of "Lien Enforcement Notice" shall be deleted in its entirety

2 A new Article 25 (*Share Transfers*) be added as follows

"25 1 Article 26(5) of the Model Articles shall apply to the Company subject to Article 25 2

25 2 The directors shall not refuse to register any transfer of shares, nor may they delay registration of any shares, which have been charged or mortgaged by way of security and where

- (a) the transfer is to the person to whom those shares have been charged or mortgaged (the **Mortgagee**) or its nominee or a purchaser from the Mortgagee or its nominee,
- (b) the transfer otherwise arises from the enforcement of the Mortgagee's rights in or to the shares, or
- (c) the Mortgagee has consented to the transfer as a condition of the release of its security over the shares

and a certificate by the relevant Mortgagee or nominee (or an officer thereof) that the relevant transfer is within paragraph (i), (ii) or (iii) above shall be conclusive evidence of that fact."



Name **HENRY FOSTER**

For and on behalf of **HUK 39 Limited** – Sole Member

Date. **30 JUNE 2016**

## **EXPLANATORY STATEMENT TO MEMBER**

(This explanatory statement is not part of any proposed written resolution )

This document is proposed by the sole direction of the Company.

- 1 This document is sent to members on 30 JUNE 2016 (Circulation Date)
- 2 "Eligible members" are the members who are entitled to vote on the resolution on the Circulation Date
- 3 If you wish to signify agreement to this document please follow the procedure below
  - (a) you (or someone acting on your behalf) must sign, print your name beneath and date this document,
  - (b) if someone else is signing this document on your behalf under a power of attorney or other authority, please send a certified copy of the relevant power of attorney or authority when returning this document
4. To be valid, this document must be received no later than the end of the period of 28 days beginning on the Circulation Date otherwise the proposed written resolutions will lapse
- 5 Please note that it is not possible to withdraw your consent once this document, signed by you or on your behalf, has been duly received

**THE COMPANIES ACT 2006**  
**PRIVATE COMPANY LIMITED BY SHARES**  
**ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION**

**INTRODUCTION**

**1. INTERPRETATION**

1 1 In these Articles, unless the context otherwise requires

**Act** means the Companies Act 2006,

**appointor** has the meaning given in article 12 1,

**Articles** means the company's articles of association for the time being in force,

**business day** means any day (other than a Saturday, Sunday or public holiday in the United Kingdom) on which clearing banks in the City of London are generally open for business,

**Conflict** has the meaning given in article 8 1,

**eligible director** means a director who would be entitled to vote on the matter at a meeting of directors (but excluding any director whose vote is not to be counted in respect of the particular matter), and

**Model Articles** means the model articles for private companies limited by shares contained in Schedule 1 of the Companies (Model Articles) Regulations 2008 (SI 2008/3229) as amended prior to the date of adoption of these Articles

1 2 Save as otherwise specifically provided in these Articles, words and expressions which have particular meanings in the Model Articles shall have the same meanings in these Articles, subject to which and unless the context otherwise requires, words and expressions which have particular meanings in the Act shall have the same meanings in these Articles

1 3 Headings in these Articles are used for convenience only and shall not affect the construction or interpretation of these Articles

- 1 4 A reference in these Articles to an "article" is a reference to the relevant article of these Articles unless expressly provided otherwise
- 1 5 Unless expressly provided otherwise, a reference to a statute, statutory provision or subordinate legislation is a reference to it as it is in force from time to time, taking account of
- (a) any subordinate legislation from time to time made under it, and
  - (b) any amendment or re-enactment and includes any statute, statutory provision or subordinate legislation which it amends or re-enacts
- 1 6 Any phrase introduced by the terms "**including**", "**include**", "**in particular**" or any similar expression shall be construed as illustrative and shall not limit the sense of the words preceding those terms
- 1 7 The Model Articles shall apply to the Company, except in so far as they are modified or excluded by these Articles
- 1 8 Articles 8, 9(1), 11(2) and (3), 13, 14(1), (2), (3) and (4), 17(2), 21, 44(2), 52 and 53 of the Model Articles shall not apply to the company
- 1 9 Article 7 of the Model Articles shall be amended by
- (a) the insertion of the words "for the time being" at the end of article 7(2)(a), and
  - (b) the insertion in article 7(2) of the words "(for so long as he remains the sole director)" after the words "and the director may"
- 1 10 Article 20 of the Model Articles shall be amended by the insertion of the words "(including alternate directors) and the secretary (if any)" before the words "properly incur"
- 1 11 In article 25(2)(c) of the Model Articles, the words "evidence, indemnity and the payment of a reasonable fee" shall be deleted and replaced with the words "evidence and indemnity"
- 1 12 Article 27(3) of the Model Articles shall be amended by the insertion of the words ", subject to article 11," after the word "But"
- 1 13 Article 29 of the Model Articles shall be amended by the insertion of the words ", or the name of any person(s) named as the transferee(s) in an instrument of transfer executed under article 28(2)," after the words "the transmittee's name"

- 1 14 Articles 31(1)(a) to (d) (inclusive) of the Model Articles shall be amended by the deletion, in each case, of the words "either" and "or as the directors may otherwise decide"

## **DIRECTORS**

### **2. UNANIMOUS DECISIONS**

- 2 1 A decision of the directors is taken in accordance with this article when all eligible directors indicate to each other by any means that they share a common view on a matter
- 2 2 Such a decision may take the form of a resolution in writing, where each eligible director has signed one or more copies of it, or to which each eligible director has otherwise indicated agreement in writing
- 2 3 A decision may not be taken in accordance with this article if the eligible directors would not have formed a quorum at such a meeting

### **3 CALLING A DIRECTORS' MEETING**

- 3 1 Any director may call a directors' meeting by giving reasonable notice of the meeting to the directors or by authorising the company secretary (if any) to give such notice

### **4 QUORUM FOR DIRECTORS' MEETINGS**

- 4 1 Subject to articles 4 2 and 10 2, the quorum for the transaction of business at a meeting of directors is one eligible director
- 4 2 For the purposes of any meeting (or part of a meeting) held pursuant to article 8 to authorise a director's conflict, if there is only one eligible director in office other than the conflicted director(s), the quorum for such meeting (or part of a meeting) shall be one eligible director

### **5 PROCEEDINGS AT DIRECTORS' MEETINGS**

- 5 1 Any director or his alternate may validly participate in a meeting of the directors or a committee of directors through the medium of conference telephone or similar form of communication equipment provided that all persons participating in the meeting are able to hear and speak to each other throughout the meeting A person so participating shall be deemed to be present in person at the meeting and shall accordingly be counted in a quorum and be entitled to vote (subject to any contrary provisions contained in these articles) Subject to the Act, all business transacted in such manner by the directors or a committee of the directors shall for the purposes of

the Articles be deemed to be validly and effectively transacted at a meeting of the directors or of a committee of the directors notwithstanding that fewer than two directors or alternate directors are physically present at the same place. Such a meeting shall be deemed to take place where the largest group of those participating is assembled or, if there is no such group, where the chairman of the meeting then is

## **6 CASTING VOTE**

- 6.1 If the numbers of votes for and against a proposal at a meeting of directors are equal, the chairman or other director chairing the meeting has a casting vote
- 6.2 Article 6.1 shall not apply in respect of a particular meeting (or part of a meeting) if, in accordance with the Articles, the chairman or other director is not an eligible director for the purposes of that meeting (or part of a meeting)

## **7. TRANSACTIONS OR OTHER ARRANGEMENTS WITH THE COMPANY**

Subject to sections 177(5) and 177(6) and sections 182(5) and 182(6) of the Act and provided he has declared the nature and extent of his interest in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Acts, a director who is in any way, whether directly or indirectly, interested in an existing or proposed transaction or arrangement with the company

- (a) may be a party to, or otherwise interested in, any transaction or arrangement with the company or in which the company is otherwise (directly or indirectly) interested,
- (b) shall be an eligible director for the purposes of any proposed decision of the directors (or committee of directors) in respect of such contract or proposed contract in which he is interested,
- (c) shall be entitled to vote at a meeting of directors (or of a committee of the directors) or participate in any unanimous decision, in respect of such contract or proposed contract in which he is interested,
- (d) may act by himself or his firm in a professional capacity for the company (otherwise than as auditor) and he or his firm shall be entitled to remuneration for professional services as if he were not a director,
- (e) may be a director or other officer of, or employed by, or a party to a transaction or arrangement with, or otherwise interested in, any body corporate in which the company is otherwise (directly or indirectly) interested, and
- (f) shall not, save as he may otherwise agree, be accountable to the company for any benefit which he (or a person connected with him (as defined in section 252 of the Act)) derives from any such contract, transaction or arrangement or from any such office or employment or from any interest in any such body corporate and no such contract, transaction or arrangement

shall be liable to be avoided on the grounds of any such interest or benefit nor shall the receipt of any such remuneration or other benefit constitute a breach of his duty under section 176 of the Act

## **8 DIRECTORS' CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

**8 1** The directors may, in accordance with the requirements set out in this article, authorise any matter or situation proposed to them by any director which would, if not authorised, involve a director (an **Interested Director**) breaching his duty under section 175 of the Act to avoid conflicts of interest (**Conflict**)

**8 2** Any authorisation under this article 8 will be effective only if

- (a) to the extent permitted by the Act, the matter in question shall have been proposed by any director for consideration in the same way that any other matter may be proposed to the directors under the provisions of these Articles or in such other manner as the directors may determine,
- (b) any requirement as to the quorum for consideration of the relevant matter is met without counting the Interested Director, and
- (c) the matter was agreed to without the Interested Director voting or would have been agreed to if the Interested Director's vote had not been counted

**8 3** Any authorisation of a Conflict under this article 8 may (whether at the time of giving the authorisation or subsequently)

- (a) extend to any actual or potential conflict of interest which may reasonably be expected to arise out of the matter or situation so authorised,
- (b) provide that the Interested Director be excluded from the receipt of documents and information and the participation in discussions (whether at meetings of the directors or otherwise) related to the Conflict,
- (c) provide that the Interested Director shall or shall not be an eligible director in respect of any future decision of the directors vote in relation to any resolution related to the Conflict,
- (d) impose upon the Interested Director such other terms for the purposes of dealing with the Conflict as the directors think fit,
- (e) provide that, where the Interested Director obtains, or has obtained (through his involvement in the Conflict and otherwise than through his position as a director of the Company) information that is confidential to a third party, he will not be obliged to disclose that information to the Company, or to use it in relation to the Company's affairs where to do so would amount to a breach of that confidence, and
- (f) permit the Interested Director to absent himself from the discussion of matters relating to the Conflict at any meeting of the directors and be



excused from reviewing papers prepared by, or for, the Directors to the extent they relate to such matters

8 4 Where the directors authorise a Conflict, the Interested Director will be obliged to conduct himself in accordance with any terms and conditions imposed by the directors in relation to the Conflict

8 5 The directors may revoke or vary such authorisation at any time, but this will not affect anything done by the Interested Director, prior to such revocation or variation, in accordance with the terms of such authorisation

8 6 In authorising a Conflict the directors may decide (whether at the time of giving the authorisation or subsequently) that if a director has obtained any information through his involvement in the Conflict otherwise than as a director of the Company and in respect of which he owes a duty of confidentiality to another person, the director is under no obligation to

- (a) disclose such information to the directors or to any director or other officer or employee of the company, or
- (b) use or apply any such information in performing his duties as a director,

where to do so would amount to a breach of that confidence

8 7 A director is not required, by reason of being a director (or because of the fiduciary relationship established by reason of being a director), to account to the Company for any remuneration, profit or other benefit which he derives from or in connection with a relationship involving a Conflict which has been authorised by the directors or by the Company in general meeting (subject in each case to any terms, limits or conditions attaching to that authorisation) and no contract shall be liable to be avoided on such grounds

## **9. RECORDS OF DECISIONS TO BE KEPT**

Where decisions of the directors are taken by electronic means, such decisions shall be recorded by the directors in permanent form, so that they may be read with the naked eye

## **10. NUMBER OF DIRECTORS**

10 1 Unless otherwise determined by ordinary resolution, the number of directors (other than alternate directors) shall not be subject to any maximum but shall not be less than one

- 10 2 Whensoever the minimum number of the Directors shall be one, a sole Director shall have authority to exercise all the powers and discretions by the Model Articles and by these Articles expressed to be vested in the Directors generally, and article 4 1 shall be modified accordingly

## **11. APPOINTMENT OF DIRECTORS**

In any case where, as a result of death or bankruptcy, the company has no shareholders and no directors, the transmittee(s) of the last shareholder to have died or to have a bankruptcy order made against him (as the case may be) have the right, by notice in writing, to appoint a natural person (including a transmittee who is a natural person), who is willing to act and is permitted to do so, to be a director

## **12. APPOINTMENT AND REMOVAL OF ALTERNATE DIRECTORS**

- 12 1 Any director (**appointor**) may appoint as an alternate any other director, or any other person approved by resolution of the directors, to

- (a) exercise that director's powers, and
- (b) carry out that director's responsibilities,

in relation to the taking of decisions by the directors, in the absence of the alternate's appointor

- 12 2 Any appointment or removal of an alternate must be effected by notice in writing to the company signed by the appointor, or in any other manner approved by the directors

- 12 3 The notice must

- (a) identify the proposed alternate, and
- (b) in the case of a notice of appointment, contain a statement signed by the proposed alternate that the proposed alternate is willing to act as the alternate of the director giving the notice

## **13. RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF ALTERNATE DIRECTORS**

- 13 1 An alternate director may act as alternate director to more than one director and has the same rights in relation to any decision of the directors as the alternate's appointor

- 13 2 Except as the Articles specify otherwise, alternate directors

- (a) are deemed for all purposes to be directors,
- (b) are liable for their own acts and omissions,

- (c) are subject to the same restrictions as their appointors, and
- (d) are not deemed to be agents of or for their appointors

and, in particular (without limitation), each alternate director shall be entitled to receive notice of all meetings of directors and of all meetings of committees of directors of which his appointor is a member

**13.3 A person who is an alternate director but not a director**

- (a) may be counted as participating for the purposes of determining whether a quorum is present (but only if that person's appointor is not participating),
- (b) may participate in a unanimous decision of the directors (but only if his appointor is an eligible director in relation to that decision, but does not participate), and
- (c) shall not be counted as more than one director for the purposes of articles 13.3(a) and (b)

**13.4 A director who is also an alternate director is entitled, in the absence of his appointor, to a separate vote on behalf of his appointor, in addition to his own vote on any decision of the directors (provided that his appointor is an eligible director in relation to that decision), but shall not count as more than one director for the purposes of determining whether a quorum is present**

**13.5 An alternate director may be paid expenses and may be indemnified by the company to the same extent as his appointor but shall not be entitled to receive any remuneration from the company for serving as an alternate director except such part of the alternate's appointor's remuneration as the appointor may direct by notice in writing made to the company**

**14. TERMINATION OF ALTERNATE DIRECTORSHIP**

An alternate director's appointment as an alternate terminates

- (a) when the alternate's appointor revokes the appointment by notice to the company in writing specifying when it is to terminate,
- (b) on the occurrence, in relation to the alternate, of any event which, if it occurred in relation to the alternate's appointor, would result in the termination of the appointor's appointment as a director,
- (c) on the death of the alternate's appointor, or
- (d) when the alternate's appointor's appointment as a director terminates

## **15 SECRETARY**

The directors may appoint any person who is willing to act as the secretary for such term, at such remuneration and upon such conditions as they may think fit and from time to time remove such person and, if the directors so decide, appoint a replacement, in each case by a decision of the directors

## **DECISION MAKING BY SHAREHOLDERS**

## **16 GENERAL MEETINGS**

- 16 1 Notices convening general meetings of the company shall comply with the provisions of Chapter 3 of Part 13 of the Act

## **17. POLL VOTES**

- 17 1 A poll may be demanded at any general meeting by any qualifying person (as defined in section 318 of the Act) present and entitled to vote at the meeting
- 17 2 Article 44(3) of the Model Articles shall be amended by the insertion of the words "A demand so withdrawn shall not invalidate the result of a show of hands declared before the demand was made" as a new paragraph at the end of that article

## **18. PROXIES**

- 18 1 Article 45(1)(d) of the Model Articles shall be deleted and replaced with the words "is delivered to the company in accordance with the Articles not less than 48 hours before the time appointed for holding the meeting or adjourned meeting at which the right to vote is to be exercised and in accordance with any instructions contained in the notice of the general meeting (or adjourned meeting) to which they relate"
- 18 2 Article 45(1) of the Model Articles shall be amended by the insertion of the words "and a proxy notice which is not delivered in such manner shall be invalid ,unless the directors, in their discretion, accept the notice at any time before the meeting" as a new paragraph at the end of that article
- 18 3 Proxies must be deposited at the registered office of the company or, to such other postal address, electronic mail address or facsimile number as may be specifically permitted for the purpose of depositing proxy forms in the notice convening such general meeting For the avoidance of doubt, where no such alternative is specifically provided for in the notice convening the relevant general meeting all proxy forms relating to that general meeting must be deposited at the registered office of the company

- 18 4 Where there is a vote on a resolution on a show of hands at a general meeting and a member entitled to vote on the resolution has appointed more than one proxy those proxies (when taken together) shall not be entitled to have more votes than the member would have if he or she were present in person

**19. SINGLE MEMBER COMPANY**

- 19 1 If, and for so long as, the company has only one member, the following provisions shall apply

- (a) The sole member of the company (or the proxy or authorised representative of the sole member representing that member at the relevant general meeting) shall be the chairman of any general meeting of the company and Article 39 of the Model Articles shall be modified accordingly
- (b) All other provisions of these Articles shall (in the absence of any express provision to the contrary) apply with such modification as may be necessary in relation to a company which has only one member

**20. ISSUE OF NEW SHARES**

- 20 1 The company may issue shares for less than the aggregate of their nominal value

- 20 2 In accordance with section 567(1) of the Act, sections 561 and 562 of the Act shall not apply to an allotment of equity securities (as defined in section 560(1) of the Act) made by the Company

**21. CALLS ON SHARES AND FORFEITURE**

- 21 1 Call notices

- (a) Subject to the Articles and the terms on which shares are allotted, the directors may send a notice (a **Call Notice**) to a shareholder requiring the shareholder to pay the company a specified sum of money (a **Call**) which is payable to the company at the date when the directors decide to send the Call Notice
- (b) A Call Notice
  - (i) may not require a shareholder to pay a Call which exceeds the total amount of his indebtedness or liability to the company,
  - (ii) must state when and how any Call to which it relates is to be paid, and
  - (iii) may permit or require the Call to be made in instalments
- (c) A shareholder must comply with the requirements of a Call Notice, but no shareholder is obliged to pay any Call before 14 clear days (that is,

excluding the date on which the notice is given and the date on which that 14 day period expires) have passed since the notice was sent

(d) Before the company has received any Call due under a Call Notice the directors may

- (i) revoke it wholly or in part, or
- (ii) specify a later time for payment than is specified in the notice,

by a further notice in writing to the shareholder in respect of whose shares the Call is made

(e) A Call Notice need not be issued in respect of sums which are specified, in the terms on which a share is issued, as being payable to the company in respect of that share

- (i) on allotment,
- (ii) on the occurrence of a particular event, or
- (iii) on a date fixed by or in accordance with the terms of issue

## 21.2 Forfeiture

(a) If a person is liable to pay a Call and fails to do so by the Call payment date

- (i) the directors may issue a notice of intended forfeiture to that person, and
- (ii) until the Call is paid, that person must pay the company interest on the Call from the Call payment date at the relevant rate

(b) A notice of intended forfeiture

- (i) may be sent in respect of any share in respect of which a Call has not been paid as required by a Call Notice,
- (ii) must be sent to the holder of that share (or all the joint holders of that share) or to a transferee of that holder,
- (iii) must require payment of the Call and any accrued interest by a date which is not less than 14 clear days after the date of the notice (that is, excluding the date on which the notice is given and the date on which that 14 day period expires),
- (iv) must state how the payment is to be made, and
- (v) must state that if the notice is not complied with, the shares in respect of which the Call is payable will be liable to be forfeited

## **ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS**

### **22. MEANS OF COMMUNICATION TO BE USED**

22 1 Any notice, document or other information shall be deemed served on or delivered to the intended recipient

- (a) if properly addressed and sent by prepaid United Kingdom first class post to an address in the United Kingdom, 48 hours after it was posted (or five business days after posting either to an address outside the United Kingdom or from outside the United Kingdom to an address within the United Kingdom, if (in each case) sent by reputable international overnight courier addressed to the intended recipient, provided that delivery in at least five business days was guaranteed at the time of sending and the sending party receives a confirmation of delivery from the courier service provider),
- (b) if properly addressed and delivered by hand, when it was given or left at the appropriate address,
- (c) if properly addressed and sent or supplied by electronic means, one hour after the document or information was sent or supplied,
- (d) if sent or supplied by means of a website, when the material is first made available on the website or (if later) when the recipient receives (or is deemed to have received) notice of the fact that the material is available on the website, or, if earlier,
- (e) as soon as the member acknowledges actual receipt

For the purposes of this article, no account shall be taken of any part of a day that is not a working day

22 2 In proving that any notice, document or other information was properly addressed, it shall be sufficient to show that the notice, document or other information was delivered to an address permitted for the purpose by the Act

22 3 A member present in person at any meeting of the company shall be deemed to have received notice of the meeting and, where necessary, of the purposes for which it was called

### **23. INDEMNITY**

23 1 Subject to article 23 2, but without prejudice to any indemnity to which a relevant officer is otherwise entitled

- (a) each relevant officer shall be indemnified out of the company's assets against all costs, charges, losses, expenses and liabilities incurred by him as a relevant officer

- (i) in the actual or purported execution and/or discharge of his duties, or in relation to them, and
  - (ii) in relation to the company's (or any associated company's) activities as trustee of an occupational pension scheme (as defined in section 235(6) of the Act),

including (in each case) any liability incurred by him in defending any civil or criminal proceedings, in which judgment is given in his favour or in which he is acquitted or the proceedings are otherwise disposed of without any finding or admission of any material breach of duty on his part or in connection with any application in which the court grants him, in his capacity as a relevant officer, relief from liability for negligence, default, breach of duty or breach of trust in relation to the company's (or any associated company's) affairs, and

- (b) the Company may provide any relevant officer with funds to meet expenditure incurred or to be incurred by him in connection with any proceedings or application referred to in article 23 1(a) and otherwise may take any action to enable any such relevant officer to avoid incurring such expenditure

23 2 This article does not authorise any indemnity which would be prohibited or rendered void by any provision of the Companies Acts or by any other provision of law

23 3 In this article

- (a) companies are associated if one is a subsidiary of the other or both are subsidiaries of the same body corporate, and
- (b) a "relevant officer" means any director or other officer or former director or other officer of the company or an associated company (including any company which is a trustee of an occupational pension scheme (as defined by section 235(6) of the Act)

## **24. INSURANCE**

24 1 The directors may decide to purchase and maintain insurance, at the expense of the company, for the benefit of any relevant officer in respect of any relevant loss

24 2 In this article

- (a) a "relevant officer" means any director or other officer or former director or other officer of the company or an associated company (including any



company which is a trustee of an occupational pension scheme (as defined by section 235(6) of the Act),

- (b) a "relevant loss" means any loss or liability which has been or may be incurred by a relevant officer in connection with that relevant officer's duties or powers in relation to the company, any associated company or any pension fund or employees' share scheme of the company or associated company, and
- (c) companies are associated if one is a subsidiary of the other or both are subsidiaries of the same body corporate

## **25 SHARE TRANSFERS**

25 1 Article 26(5) of the Model Articles shall apply to the Company subject to Article 25 2

25 2 The directors shall not refuse to register any transfer of shares, nor may they delay registration of any shares, which have been charged or mortgaged by way of security and where

- (a) the transfer is to the person to whom those shares have been charged or mortgaged (the **Mortgagee**) or its nominee or a purchaser from the Mortgagee or its nominee,
- (b) the transfer otherwise arises from the enforcement of the Mortgagee's rights in or to the shares, or
- (c) the Mortgagee has consented to the transfer as a condition of the release of its security over the shares

and a certificate by the relevant Mortgagee or nominee (or an officer thereof) that the relevant transfer is within paragraph (i), (ii) or (iii) above shall be conclusive evidence of that fact