

Company No. 10577511

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

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**KEMWELL FIRE INTERNATIONAL LIMITED**

**(the "Company")**

**(adopted by Written Resolution of the Company passed on 30<sup>th</sup> July 2021)**

**1. DEFINITIONS AND INTERPRETATION**

1.1 In these Articles the following words and expressions will have the following meanings:

**"Accounts"** means the audited consolidated accounts of the Company;

**"A Share"** means an A ordinary share of £1.00 in the capital of the Company;

**"A Shareholder"** means a registered holder of any A Shares;

**"Auditors"** means the Company's incumbent auditors or accountants from time to time;

**"Board"** means the incumbent board of Directors, properly constituted in accordance with these Articles;

**"B Share"** means a B share of £1.00 in the capital of the Company;

**"B Shareholder"** means a registered holder of any B Shares;

**"Business Day"** means a day (which for these purposes ends at 5.30pm) on which banks are open for commercial business in the City of London other than a Saturday or Sunday;

**"Commencement Date"** means the date on which these Articles are adopted;

**"Companies Act"** means the Companies Act 2006;

**"Compulsory Seller"** means a Member who is required to sell his Shares in accordance with any agreement in writing between the Company and its Members from time to time;

**"Connected Person"** has the meaning given in section 1062 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010;

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**"Controlling Interest"** in relation to a person means the ownership by that person and his or its Connected Persons of Shares carrying the right to more than 50 per cent of the total number of votes which may be cast on a poll at a general meeting of the Company;

**"C Share"** means a C share of £1.00 in the capital of the Company;

**"C Shareholder"** means a registered holder of any C Shares;

**"Directors"** means the Company's incumbent directors from time to time and **"Director"** means any one of them;

**"Liquidation"** means the passing of a resolution for the winding-up of the Company;

**"Market Value"** has the meaning given in Article 11;

**"Member"** means a registered holder of any Share as recorded in the Company's register of members;

**"Model Articles"** means the model articles for private companies limited by shares contained in Schedule 1 to The Companies (Model Articles) Regulations 2008 (SI 2008/3229), as amended prior to the Commencement Date;

**"Proposed Transferee"** means a person to whom a Seller proposes to transfer Sale Shares;

**"Sale Shares"** means Shares or any interest in or arising from any Shares (an option or other like right to acquire any Shares (whether by subscription or otherwise) being deemed to be an interest in a Share for this purpose) which a Seller wishes or is required or deemed to transfer under the Articles or any agreement in writing between the Company and the members from time to time;

**"Seller"** means any Member who wishes to transfer any Sale Shares;

**"Share"** means a share in the capital of the Company of whatever class;

**"Total Transfer Condition"** means a condition in a Transfer Notice stipulating that such Transfer Notice is conditional upon all and not some only of the Sale Shares specified in it being sold; and

**"Transfer Notice"** means a notice in writing by a Seller of his wish to transfer any Shares;

- 1.2 Words and phrases which are defined in any provision of these Articles other than Article 1.1 shall bear that defined meaning wherever they appear in these Articles unless a contrary intention appears.
  - 1.3 Words and phrases which are defined or referred to in or for the purposes of the Companies Act (excluding any statutory modification of that meaning not in force when these Articles become binding on the Company) or the Model Articles have the same meanings in these Articles unless a contrary intention appears.
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- 1.4 If there is any conflict or inconsistency between any provision of the Model Articles and any provision of these Articles the latter shall prevail.
- 1.5 In these Articles, unless a contrary intention appears:
- 1.5.1 words which refer to the singular number include the plural number and vice versa, words which refer to one gender include all genders, and words which refer to persons include bodies corporate and unincorporated associations;
  - 1.5.2 reference to a statute or a statutory provision includes reference to:
    - 1.5.2.1 the statute or statutory provision as modified or re-enacted or both from time to time; and
    - 1.5.2.2 any subordinate legislation made under the statutory provision (as modified or re-enacted as set out above);
  - 1.5.3 reference to a Regulation is to a regulation of the Model Articles, and reference to an Article is to a provision of these Articles; and
  - 1.5.4 reference to "**written**" or "**in writing**" includes any method of representing or reproducing words in a legible form.
- 1.6 Unless it is specifically stated otherwise, any dispute as to value, or as to calculations or adjustments to be made, or as to amount, whether to or in respect of amount of dividend by reference to management accounts under Article 5.2, Market Value of Sale Shares under Article 10.4.2.2 or otherwise pursuant to these Articles or any agreement in writing between the Company and its Members from time to time, will be referred immediately to the Auditors for final determination. If the Auditors decline to act in respect of any such referral, the matter will be determined by an independent firm of chartered accountants agreed for the purpose by the parties concerned or, in default of agreement within five Business Days after the Auditors have declined to act, appointed by the incumbent President of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales. The Auditors or independent accountants (as the case may be) will act as expert and not as arbitrator and their costs will be borne as directed by the Article in question or, if the Article is silent on the point, as directed by the Auditors/independent accountants. In the absence of any such direction, such costs will be borne equally between the parties concerned. The written certificate of the Auditors/independent accountants (as the case may be) will be conclusive and binding on the Company and the Members (except in the case of fraud or manifest error).
- 1.7 The headings in these Articles are included for convenience only and do not affect the meaning of these Articles.
- 1.8 Where, for any purpose, an ordinary resolution of the Company is required, a special resolution is also effective for that purpose.

## **2. ADOPTION OF THE MODEL ARTICLES ETC**

- 2.1 The Model Articles shall apply to the Company, except in so far as they are modified or excluded by these Articles or are inconsistent with these Articles,
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and, subject to any such modifications, exclusions or inconsistencies, shall together with these Articles constitute the articles of association of the Company to the exclusion of any other articles or regulations set out in any statute or in any statutory instrument or other subordinate legislation.

- 2.2 The Company is a private company and no shares or debentures of the Company may be offered to the public.

### **3. SHARE CAPITAL**

- 3.1 The issued share capital of the Company at the Commencement Date is:

3.1.1 17,544 A Shares;

3.1.2 17,544 B Shares; and

3.1.3 17,544 C Shares.

- 3.2 Subject to the other provisions of these Articles and the Companies Act and without prejudice to the rights attached to any existing Shares, any Share may be issued with or have attached to it such rights or restrictions as the Company may by special resolution determine.

- 3.3 In accordance with and subject to the other provisions of these Articles and the Companies Act, the Company may:

3.3.1 subject to any rights conferred on the holders of any other Shares issue Shares that are to be redeemed or are liable to be redeemed at the option of the Company or holder;

3.3.2 subject to any rights conferred on the holders of any class of Shares purchase its own Shares (including any redeemable Shares);

3.3.3 make a payment in respect of the redemption or purchase of any of its own Shares as authorised by these Articles otherwise than out of distributable profits of the Company or the proceeds of a fresh issue of Shares.

### **4. SHARE RIGHTS**

The rights and restrictions attaching to the A Shares, B Shares and C Shares are set out in full in these Articles. The rights and restrictions which attach to any other class of Shares to be issued (including the terms, conditions and manner of redemption of any redeemable shares) will be determined by special resolution. Regulation 22 shall be modified accordingly.

### **5. SHARE RIGHTS - INCOME**

#### ***Dividends - general***

- 5.1 Any dividend will be paid in cash on the nominal value paid up or credited as paid up on of the Shares (unless in relation to any Share, less than the nominal value of the Share has been paid in which case the amount to be paid will be on the amount paid up on the Share) in respect of which it is payable and will
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belong to and be paid to the holders of the relevant class of Shares pro rata according to their holdings of such class.

- 5.2 If at any time it is not possible to determine the amount of any dividend or payment by reference to any Accounts, such amount will be determined by reference to the latest available management accounts. Any dispute as to such amount will be determined in accordance with Article 1.6, whose provisions will apply as if set out in full in this Article.
- 5.3 The Company shall procure that the profits of any subsidiary undertaking for the time being of the Company available for distribution shall be paid to it by way of dividend.

## **6. SHARE RIGHTS - RETURN OF CAPITAL**

- 6.1 All classes of Share shall rank *pari passu* on a return of capital whether on a winding up or dissolution (other than a redemption of Shares or the purchase by the Company of its own Shares), and each Member shall be entitled to share rateably in the capital so returned in proportion to the amount that the paid up nominal share capital represented by his Shares bears to the aggregate paid up nominal share capital of the Company.
- 6.2 Any return on a particular class of Shares will be made amongst their holders pro rata as nearly as possible to their respective holdings of Shares of that class.

## **7. SHARE RIGHTS - VOTING**

- 7.1 The, A Shares, B Shares and C Shares shall confer on the, A Shareholder, B Shareholder and C Shareholder, the right to receive notice of, attend, speak and vote at general meetings.

## **8. ISSUE AND ALLOTMENT OF NEW SHARES**

- 8.1 Save to the extent expressly authorised from time to time by a special resolution, the Board shall not exercise any power to allot Shares or to grant rights to subscribe for, or to convert any security into, any Shares.
  - 8.2 In accordance with section 567(1) of the Companies Act, sections 561 and 562 of the Companies Act shall not apply to an allotment of equity securities (as defined in section 560(1) of the Companies Act) made by the Company.
  - 8.3 Subject to Article 8.5 any new Shares will be offered by the Board for subscription to the holders of the A Shares, B Shares and C Shares, in such proportions as equal (as nearly as possible) to the proportion of A Shares, B Shares and C Shares held by them respectively at that time.
  - 8.4 The offer will be made by notice specifying the number and class of Shares offered, the price per Share, and a time (being not less than 14 days) within which the offer, if not accepted, will be deemed to be declined. At the end of that period or, if earlier, on the receipt of an indication from the person(s) to whom such notice is given that he/they decline(s) to accept some or all of the Shares so offered, the Board will offer the declined Shares in the same proportions to the holders of A Shares, B Shares and C Shares who have accepted all the
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Shares initially offered to them. This further offer will be made in the same manner as the original offer but may, at the discretion of the Board, be limited to a period of seven days after which it will (to the extent that any Shares remain unaccepted) be deemed to have been withdrawn.

- 8.5 Any Shares not taken up at the end of the procedure set out in Articles 8.3 and 8.4 may be offered by the Board to a third party, and, subject to these Articles, such Shares will be at the disposal of the Board who may allot, grant options over or otherwise dispose of them to such persons at such times and generally on such terms as they think fit. However:

8.5.1 no Shares will be issued at a discount;

8.5.2 no Shares will be issued more than three months after the end of the period for acceptance of the last offer of such Shares under Articles 8.3 and 8.4 unless the procedure set out in those Articles is repeated in respect of such Shares; and

8.5.3 no Shares will be issued on terms which are more favourable than those on which they were offered to the Members.

- 8.6 If, due to any inequality between the number of new Shares to be issued and the number of Shares held by Members entitled to have the offer of new Shares made to them, any difficulty arises in the apportionment of any such new Shares amongst the Members, such difficulties will be determined by the Board.

- 8.7 Regulation 21(1) shall not apply to the Company.

## **9. TRANSFERS OF SHARES - PROHIBITED TRANSFERS**

### ***General prohibitions***

- 9.1 The Directors will not register any transfer of Shares to any of the following:

9.1.1 any person who, in the opinion of the Board is carrying on business directly or indirectly in competition with the Company, except this restriction will not apply to any transfer required by and in accordance with or pursuant to any agreement in writing between the Company and its Members from time to time; or

9.1.2 any person who does not have legal capacity to transfer such Shares or otherwise to comply fully with the provisions of these Articles.

### ***Prohibition unless in accordance with Articles etc***

- 9.2 Subject to Article 9.1, the Directors will not register a transfer of Shares unless

9.2.1 the transfer been made in accordance with Article 10 or is in accordance with any agreement in writing between the Company and its Members from time to time; and

9.2.2 the proposed transferee has entered into a deed of adherence to, and in the form required by, any agreement in writing between the Company and its Members from time to time.

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9.3 For the purpose of ensuring that:

9.3.1 a transfer of Shares is permitted under these Articles; or

9.3.2 no circumstances have arisen whereby a Transfer Notice is required to be or ought to have been given,

the Board may, require any Member or the legal personal representatives of a deceased Members to procure that any person whom the Board reasonably believe(s) to have information relevant to such purpose provides the Company with such information and evidence as the Board think fit regarding any matter which they may deem relevant for such purpose. Pending the provision of such information the Board will be entitled to refuse to register any relevant transfer.

9.4 Regulation 26(5) will not apply to the Company.

## 10. PRE-EMPTION

### *Transfer notices*

10.1 Subject to the prohibitions on transfers set out in Article 9, a Seller must give a Transfer Notice to the Company.

10.2 Each Transfer Notice will relate to one class of Shares only and will specify:

10.2.1 the number and class of Sale Shares;

10.2.2 the identity of the Proposed Transferee(s) (if any);

10.2.3 the price per Share at which the Seller wishes to transfer the Sale Shares; and

10.2.4 whether or not the Transfer Notice is subject to a Total Transfer Condition. In the absence of any such stipulation it will be deemed not to be so conditional.

10.3 No Transfer Notice will be capable of variation or cancellation without the consent of the Board unless the Auditors (or independent accountants) subsequently determine the Market Value of the Sale Shares to be less than the price specified in the Transfer Notice.

### *Transfer price*

10.4 The Transfer Notice will constitute the Company as the agent of the Seller for the transfer of all the legal title to, beneficial ownership of and all interests and rights attaching to the Sale Shares in accordance with this Article 10 at the following price ("**Transfer Price**"):

10.4.1 the price which may be agreed between the Seller and the Board as representing the Market Value of the Sale Shares or as being acceptable to the Seller and not more than the Market Value thereof within 10 Business Days after the date of service or deemed service of the Transfer Notice; or

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10.4.2 in default of agreement under Article 10.4.1 the lower of:

10.4.2.1 the price per Share specified in the Transfer Notice; and

10.4.2.2 if the Board elects within 15 Business Days after the date of service or deemed service of the Transfer Notice to instruct the Auditors for the purpose, the Market Value of the Sale Shares as at the date of service or deemed service of the Transfer Notice, and as determined in accordance with Articles 1.6 and 11.

***First Offer to Members***

- 10.5 Within 10 Business Days after its receipt of a Transfer Notice or, where later, on the determination of the Transfer Price, the Company (in its capacity as agent for the Seller) will give notice in writing to each of the Members (other than the Seller, a Compulsory Seller and any other Member who has served or who is deemed to have served a Transfer Notice in respect of his entire holding of Shares pursuant to which the sale of such Shares has not then been concluded) in each case offering the Sale Shares for sale at the Transfer Price in accordance with Article 10.4. The notice will specify that the relevant Members will have a period of up to 20 Business Days from the date of such notice within which to apply for some or all of the Sale Shares.
- 10.6 If after the expiry of the offer period specified in Article 10.5 any Sale Shares remain unallocated the Company (in its capacity as agent for the Seller) will give notice in writing to each of the Members (other than the Seller, a Compulsory Seller, any other Member who has served or who it is deemed to have served a Transfer Notice in respect of his holding of Shares pursuant to which the sale of such Shares has not been concluded and any other Member to whom the Sale Shares were offered in accordance with Article 10.5) offering the unallocated Sale Shares for sale at the Transfer Price in accordance with Article 10.4. The notice will specify that such Members will have a period of up to 20 Business Days from the date of such notice within which to apply for some or all of the unallocated Sale Shares.
- 10.7 All Members to whom an offer is made under Article 10.5 must, before making their applications for Sale Shares and in any event within ten Business Days from the date of the notice given by the Company, notify the Company in writing of whether they intend to accept the offer and, if so, the number of Sale Shares, including Extra Shares, for which they intend to apply.
- 10.8 It will be a term of any offer made in accordance with Article 10.5 or Article 10.6 that, if there is competition between the relevant Members for the Sale Shares or unallocated Sale Shares (as appropriate), such Sale Shares or unallocated Sale Shares (as appropriate) will be treated as offered among the relevant Members in proportion (as nearly as possible) to their existing holdings of Shares of the same class in the case of an offer made in accordance with Article 10.5 and to their existing holdings of Shares in the case of an offer made in accordance with Article 10.6 ("**Proportionate Entitlement**").
- 10.9 Each offer made in accordance with Article 10.5 and (if applicable) Article 10.6 will also invite the relevant Members to indicate in their applications for Sale Shares or unallocated Sale Shares (as appropriate), whether they would be
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willing to buy Shares in excess of their Proportionate Entitlement should any such Shares be available and, if so, how many ("**Extra Shares**").

***Allocation of shares***

- 10.10 After the expiry of the offer period specified in Article 10.5 (or, if sooner, upon valid applications being received for all of the Sale Shares in accordance with that Article), or, if Article 10.6 is applicable, after the expiry of the offer period specified in Article 10.6, the Board will allocate the Sale Shares as follows:
- 10.10.1 if the total number of Sale Shares and unallocated Sale Shares applied for (including Extra Shares) is equal to or less than the available number of Sale Shares, each offeree will be allocated the number applied for in accordance with his application (subject to Article 10.17); or
- 10.10.2 if the total number of Sale Shares and unallocated Sale Shares applied for is greater than the available number of Sale Shares, each offeree will be allocated his Proportionate Entitlement, or, if less, the number of Sale Shares which he has applied for; and
- 10.10.3 applications for Extra Shares will be allocated in accordance with such applications or, in the event of competition between relevant Members, among those relevant Members who are applying for Extra Shares in such proportions as equal (as nearly as possible) the proportions of all the Shares held by them.
- 10.11 Allocations of Sale Shares made by the Company pursuant to this Article 10 will constitute the acceptance by the persons to whom they are allocated of the offer to purchase those Sale Shares on the terms offered to them, provided that no person will be obliged to take more than the maximum number of Sale Shares or unallocated Sale Shares (as appropriate) (including Extra Shares) which he has indicated to the Company he is willing to purchase.

***Second offer to the Company***

- 10.12 If following the application of Articles 10.5 to Articles 10.11 (inclusive) any Sale Shares remain unallocated, the Company may, subject to the requirements of the Act acquire any of the Sale Shares at the Transfer Price.
- 10.13 Completion of the purchase of the Sale Shares acquired by the Company shall take place no later than 15 Business Days following notification to the Seller that the Company is intending to acquire those Sale Shares.

***Third offer to third party***

- 10.14 If the Sale Shares are not accepted by the Members or the Company, the Seller shall be entitled to sell the Sale Shares subject to the Transfer Notice to a third party buyer, provided that the price offered to the third party buyer is no less than the Transfer Price.
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### ***Completion of sale and purchase of Sale Shares***

- 10.15 The Company will immediately upon allocating any Sale Shares give notice in writing ("**Allocation Notice**") to the Seller and to each person to whom Sale Shares have been allocated specifying:
- 10.15.1 the name and address of the person to whom Sale Shares have been so allocated;
  - 10.15.2 the number of Sale Shares so allocated;
  - 10.15.3 the aggregate price payable for them;
  - 10.15.4 any additional information required by Article 10.17.1 (if applicable); and
  - 10.15.5 (subject to Article 10.17.1) the place and time (being not later than 5 Business Days after the date of the Allocation Notice) at which the sale of the Sale Shares will be completed.
- 10.16 Subject to Article 10.17, completion of the sale and purchase of Sale Shares in accordance with the Allocation Notice will take place at the place and time specified in the Allocation Notice when the Seller will, upon payment of the due price, transfer those Sale Shares specified in the Allocation Notice and deliver the relevant Share certificates to the persons to whom they have been allocated.
- 10.17 If the Transfer Notice included a Total Transfer Condition and the total number of Shares applied for is less than the number of Sale Shares:
- 10.17.1 the Allocation Notice will refer to such Total Transfer Condition and will contain a further offer, open for 28 days, to those persons to whom Sale Shares have been allocated to apply for further Sale Shares; and
  - 10.17.2 completion of the transfer in accordance with the preceding paragraphs of this Article 10 will be conditional upon all such Sale Shares being so allocated.

### ***Default by the Seller***

- 10.18 Except in the case of an acquisition of Sale Shares by the Company, if the Seller fails by the due completion date to execute and deliver transfers in respect of any of the Sale Shares which he is due to transfer, the Board may authorise any Director to:
- 10.18.1 execute the necessary transfer(s) on the Seller's behalf; and
  - 10.18.2 against receipt by the Company of the Transfer Price payable for the relevant Sale Shares (to be held on trust for the Seller without interest) (the receipt being a good discharge to the offeree who will not be bound to see to the application of it), deliver such transfer(s) to the relevant offeree(s).

The Board will authorise registration of the transfer(s), and of the offeree(s) as the holder(s) of the Sale Shares so transferred, once appropriate stamp duty

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has been paid. After registration, the title of such offeree(s) as registered holder(s) of such Sale Shares will not be affected by any irregularity in, or invalidity of such proceedings, which will not be questioned by any person.

- 10.19 In the case of an acquisition of Sale Shares by the Company, if the Seller fails by the due completion date to transfer and/or to deliver the certificates (or a suitable indemnity) in respect of any Sale Shares, the Board may authorise any Director to execute, complete and deliver the necessary transfer and indemnity to the Company on the Seller's behalf. When that instrument has been duly stamped, the Company will ensure that such share capital is cancelled in accordance with the Companies Act, and will hold the purchase monies on trust (without interest) for the Seller.

#### ***Exhaustion of pre-emption rights***

- 10.20 Immediately after the exhaustion of any pre-emption process followed in accordance with these Articles, if any Sale Shares remain unallocated, the Company will notify the Seller of that fact. The Seller may, at any time within 1 calendar month after receiving such notice (but not otherwise unless the pre-emption procedure set out in these Articles is repeated), transfer any unsold Sale Shares to the Proposed Transferee at any price which is not less than the Transfer Price, except that:

10.20.1 the Directors will refuse registration of any transfer to a Proposed Transferee who is a person to whom Shares may not be transferred by virtue of Articles 9.1.1 or 9.1.2;

10.20.2 if any such transfer would, if made and registered, result in the Proposed Transferee obtaining a Controlling Interest, the Board will refuse registration of such transfer until such time as an offer in writing is served on all Members (including the proposing transferor), offering to purchase all of the Shares (including any Shares which may be allotted pursuant to the exercise or conversion of options, rights to subscribe for or securities convertible into Shares in existence at the date of such offer) which offers consideration for each Share on no less favourable terms, whether in cash, securities or otherwise in any combination, as that offered to the proposing transferor has been made in accordance with any agreement in writing between the Company and its Members from time to time; and

10.20.3 any such transfer must be in good faith and the Board may require to be satisfied (in such manner as it may reasonably think fit) that the Sale Shares are being sold at a price which is not less than the Transfer Price without any deduction, rebate or allowance whatsoever. If not so satisfied, the Board may refuse to register the transfer.

## **11. VALUATION**

### ***Determination of "Market Value"***

If the Auditors (or, by virtue of Article 1.6, independent accountants) are required to determine Market Value pursuant to Article 10.4.2.2 or under any agreement in writing between the Company and the members from time to time, the provisions set out below will apply.

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- 11.1 Market Value will be determined by the Auditors or, as the case may be, independent accountants, first valuing the Company as a whole:
- 11.1.1 assuming, if the Company is then carrying on business as a going concern, that it will continue to do so; and
  - 11.1.2 assuming that the entire issued share capital of the Company is being sold as between a willing buyer and a willing seller by arm's-length private treaty for cash payable in full on completion.
- 11.2 Having valued the Company as a whole, the Auditors or, as the case may be, independent accountants will determine the Market Value of the Shares concerned:
- 11.2.1 having deducted from the value of the Company as a whole (if not already taken into account when so valuing the Company):
  - 11.2.2 any declared but unpaid dividend on Shares of any class; and
  - 11.2.3 disregarding whether the Shares concerned represent a majority or a minority interest.
- 11.3 The costs and expenses of the Auditors (or independent accountants) for reporting on their opinion of the Market Value will be borne as to one half by the Seller and as to other half by the purchasing Members pro-rata to the number of Sale Shares purchased by them unless:
- 11.3.1 the Seller revokes the Transfer Notice under Article 10.3; or
  - 11.3.2 none of the Sale Shares are purchased by Members pursuant to Article 10,

in which case the Seller will pay all such costs and expenses.

#### ***Transmission of Shares***

- 11.4 Regulations 27 to 29 shall take effect subject to Articles 11.5 and 11.6.
- 11.5 Without prejudice to any agreement in writing between the Company and its Members from time to time (the provisions of which, when operable, will override the provisions of this Article 11.5 and the provisions of Article 11.6), a person entitled to a Share or Shares in consequence of the death, bankruptcy, receivership or liquidation of a Member or otherwise by operation of law shall be bound at any time, if called upon in writing to do so by the Board not later than 90 days after the Directors receive notice from the person concerned that he has become so entitled, to give a Transfer Notice (without specifying a Transfer Price) in respect of all of the Shares then registered in the name of the deceased or insolvent Member in accordance with the provisions of Article 10, which will apply as if set out in full in this Article.
- 11.6 If any such person fails to give a Transfer Notice in accordance with Article 11.5 within 10 Business Days after being called upon to do so:
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11.6.1 the Board may authorise any Director to execute and deliver a transfer of the Shares concerned to a person appointed by the Board as a nominee for the person entitled to the Shares; and

11.6.2 the Company may give a good receipt for the purchase price of such Shares, register the purchaser or purchasers as the holders of them and issue certificates for the same to such purchasers. After registration, the title of such purchaser or purchasers as registered holder(s) of such Shares will not be affected by any irregularity in, or invalidity of, such proceedings, which will not be questioned by any person. In any such case the person entitled to the Shares as a consequence of the death, insolvency or otherwise by operation of law will be bound to deliver up the certificates for the Shares concerned to the Company whereupon he will become entitled to receive the purchase price. In the meantime, the purchase price will be held by the Company on trust for such person without interest.

## **12. LIEN**

12.1 The Company has a lien (the "**Company's Lien**") over every Share which is registered in the name of a person indebted or under any liability to the Company, whether he is the sole registered holder of the Share or one of several joint holders, for all monies payable by him (either alone or jointly with any other person) to the Company, whether payable immediately or at some time in the future.

12.2 The provisions of regulations 52(2) and (3), 55, 56(2), 57(2), (3) and (4), 59, 60(1), (2) and (3) (but not regulation 60(3)(e)), 61 and 62 for public companies set out in Schedule 3 to The Companies (Model Articles) Regulations 2008 (SI 2008/3229) (as in force at the Commencement Date) shall apply to the Company as if set out in full in these Articles.

### ***Enforcement of the Company's Lien***

12.3 Subject to the other provisions of this Article 12, if:

12.3.1 A notice which complies with Article 12.4 ("**Lien Enforcement Notice**") has been given in respect of a Share; and

12.3.2 the person to whom the notice was given has failed to comply with it,

the Company may sell that Share in such manner as the Directors decide.

12.4 A Lien Enforcement Notice:

12.4.1 may only be given in respect of a Share which is subject to the Company's Lien, in respect of which a sum is payable and the due date for payment of that sum has passed;

12.4.2 must specify the Share concerned;

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- 12.4.3 must require payment of the sum within 14 clear days of the notice (that is, excluding the date on which the notice is given and the date on which that 14 day period expires);
  - 12.4.4 must be addressed either to the holder of the Share or to a transmittee of that holder; and
  - 12.4.5 must state the Company's intention to sell the Share if the notice is not complied with.
- 12.5 Where Shares are sold under this Article 12:
- 12.5.1 the Directors may authorise any person to execute an instrument of transfer of the Shares to the purchaser or to a person nominated by the purchaser; and
  - 12.5.2 the transferee is not bound to see to the application of the consideration, and the transferee's title is not affected by any irregularity in or invalidity of the process leading to the sale.
- 12.6 The net proceeds of any such sale (after payment of the costs of sale and any other costs of enforcing the lien) must be applied:
- 12.6.1 first, in payment of so much of the sum for which the lien exists as was payable at the date of the Lien Enforcement Notice; and
  - 12.6.2 second, to the person entitled to the Shares at the date of the sale, but only after the certificate for the Shares sold has been surrendered to the Company for cancellation, or an indemnity in a form reasonably satisfactory to the Board has been given for any lost certificates, and subject to a lien equivalent to the Company's Lien over the Shares before the sale for any money payable by that person (or his estate or any joint holder of the Shares) after the date of the Lien Enforcement Notice.
- 12.7 A statutory declaration by a Director that the declarant is a Director and that a Share has been sold to satisfy the Company's Lien on a specified date:
- 12.7.1 is conclusive evidence of the facts stated in it as against all persons claiming to be entitled to the Share; and
  - 12.7.2 subject to compliance with any other formalities of transfer required by the Articles or by law, constitutes a good title to the Share.

### **13. PROCEEDINGS AT GENERAL MEETINGS**

- 13.1 The quorum for any general meeting is two qualifying persons (as that term is defined in section 318(3) of the Companies Act) and section 318(2) of the Companies Act will apply subject to this Article.
  - 13.2 If any meeting is adjourned pursuant to Regulation 41 because a quorum is not present, and at the adjourned meeting a quorum is not present within half an hour from the time appointed for the meeting, the Members present will form a quorum. Regulation 41 is modified accordingly.
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- 13.3 Regulation 44 is modified so that a poll may only be demanded by the chairman of the Board from time to time or by any Member present in person or by proxy and entitled to vote at the meeting.
- 13.4 A corporation which is a member of the Company may, by resolution of its directors or other governing body, authorise such a person or persons as it thinks fit to act as its representative or representatives at any meeting of the Company or at any meeting of any class of Members. The provisions of the Companies Act shall apply to determine the powers that may be exercised at any such meeting by any person so authorised. The corporation shall, for the purposes of these Articles, be deemed to be present in person at any such meeting if any person so authorised is present at it, and all references to attendance and voting in person shall be construed accordingly.
- 13.5 In the case of an equality of votes, whether on a show of hands or on a poll, the chairman of the Board from time to time will not be entitled to a casting vote in addition to any other vote which he may have.
- 13.6 A form appointing a proxy shall be in writing, and shall be in the usual form or in such other form which the Directors may approve, unless the Board requires a particular form in which case the form appointing the proxy must be in such form.

#### **14. NUMBER OF DIRECTORS**

Unless and until otherwise determined by special resolution, the number of Directors (other than alternate directors) is not subject to any maximum and the minimum is one.

#### **15. ALTERNATE DIRECTORS**

- 15.1 Any Director may appoint any person willing to act, whether or not he is a director of the Company, to be an alternate director. Any appointment or removal of an alternate must be effected by notice in writing to the Company signed by the appointor.
- 15.2 An alternate director has the same rights in relation to any decision of the Directors as the alternate's appointor.
- 15.3 Except as the Articles specify otherwise, alternate directors:
- 15.3.1 are deemed for all purposes to be Directors;
  - 15.3.2 are liable for their own acts and omissions;
  - 15.3.3 are subject to the same restrictions as their appointors; and
  - 15.3.4 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.
- 15.4 A person who is an alternate director but not a Director:
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- 15.4.1 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);
  - 15.4.2 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
  - 15.4.3 shall not be counted as more than one Director for the purposes of Articles 15.4.1 and 15.4.2.
- 15.5 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.
- 15.6 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.
- 15.7 An alternate director's appointment will terminate:
  - 15.7.1 when the alternate's appointor revokes the appointment by notice to the Company in writing specifying when it is to terminate;
  - 15.7.2 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;
  - 15.7.3 when the alternate's appointor's appointment as a Director terminates; or
  - 15.7.4 if he resigns by written notice left at or sent to the registered office of the Company.

## **16. DELEGATION OF DIRECTOR'S POWERS**

Regulation 5 is modified by the addition at the end of the Regulation of the following sentence: "Where a provision of these Articles refers to the exercise of a power, authority or discretion by the Directors and that power, authority or discretion has been delegated by the Directors to a committee, the provision must be construed as permitting the exercise of the power, authority or discretion by the committee."

## **17. APPOINTMENT, RETIREMENT AND REMOVAL OF DIRECTORS**

- 17.1 No person shall be disqualified from being appointed a Director and no Director shall be required to vacate that office by reason only of the fact that he has attained the age of 70 years or any other age.
  - 17.2 The holder or holders of such number of Shares as give the right to a majority of votes at general meetings of the Company may, by giving notice to the Company, remove any Director from office and/or appoint any person to be a
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Director. The notice must be signed by or on behalf of such holder or holders (and may consist of several documents in similar form each signed by or on behalf of one or more holders) and must be left at or sent by post or fax to the registered office or such other place designated by the Directors for the purpose. Such removal or appointment will take effect when the notice is received by the Company or on such later date (if any) as may be specified in the notice. This Article 17.2 is not to be taken as depriving a person removed under it of compensation or damages payable to him in respect of the termination of his appointment as Director or of any appointment terminating with that as Director.

17.3 Regulation 17(1) shall not apply.

17.4 Regulation 18 is modified by the addition at the end of the Regulation of the following provisions:

- (g) being an executive Director he ceases, for whatever reason, to be employed by the Company;
- (h) he becomes, in the opinion of all his co-Directors, incapable by reason of mental disorder of discharging his duties as Director;
- (i) he has for more than six consecutive months been absent without permission of the Directors from meetings of Directors held during that period and his alternate director (if any) has not during that period attended any such meetings instead of him, and the Directors resolve that his office be vacated;
- (j) he is removed from office by notice addressed to him at his last-known address and signed by all his co-Directors;
- (k) he is removed from office by notice given by a member or members under Article 17.2.

## **18. REMUNERATION**

The Board may not provide benefits for any Director who has held but no longer holds any executive office within the Company and Regulation 19(3) is modified accordingly.

## **19. DIRECTORS' CONFLICTS OF INTERESTS**

19.1 The Board may, in accordance with the requirements set out in this Article 19, authorise any matter proposed to them by any Director which would, if not authorised, involve a Director breaching his duty under section 175 of the Companies Act to avoid conflicts of interest ("**Conflict**").

19.2 Any authorisation under this Article 19 will be effective only if:

- 19.2.1 the matter in question shall have been proposed by any Director for consideration at a meeting of the Board 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;

- 19.2.2 any requirement as to the quorum at the meeting of the Directors at which the matter is considered is met without counting the Director in question; and
    - 19.2.3 the matter was agreed to without his voting or would have been agreed to if his vote had not been counted.
  - 19.3 Any authorisation of a matter under this Article may (whether at the time of giving the authority or subsequently):
    - 19.3.1 extend to any actual or potential conflict of interest which may reasonably be expected to arise out of the matter so authorised;
    - 19.3.2 be subject to such terms and for such duration, or impose such limits or conditions as the directors may determine;
    - 19.3.3 be terminated or varied by the Board at any time,but the foregoing will not affect anything done by the Director prior to such termination or variation in accordance with the terms of the authorisation.
  - 19.4 In authorising a Conflict the Board may decide (whether at the time of giving the authority or subsequently) that if a Director has obtained any information through his involvement in the Conflict otherwise than as a Director and in respect of which he owes a duty of confidentiality to another person the Director is under no obligation to:
    - 19.4.1 disclose such information to the Board or to any Director or other officer or employee of the company;
    - 19.4.2 use or apply any such information in performing his duties as a Director;
    - 19.4.3 where to do so would amount to a breach of that confidence.
  - 19.5 Where the Directors authorise a Conflict they may provide, without limitation (whether at the time of giving the authority or subsequently) that the Director:
    - 19.5.1 is excluded from discussions (whether at meetings of directors or otherwise) related to the Conflict;
    - 19.5.2 is not given any documents or other information relating to the Conflict;
    - 19.5.3 may or may not vote (or may or may not be counted in the quorum) at any future meeting of directors in relation to any resolution relating to the Conflict.
  - 19.6 Where the Board authorises a Conflict:
    - 19.6.1 the Director will be obliged to conduct himself in accordance with any terms imposed by the directors in relation to the Conflict;
    - 19.6.2 the Director will not infringe any duty he owes to the company by virtue of sections 171 to 177 of the Companies Act provided he
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acts in accordance with such terms, limits and conditions (if any) as the directors impose in respect of its authorisation.

- 19.7 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.

## **20. DIRECTORS' DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

- 20.1 A Director who is in any way, whether directly or indirectly interested in a proposed transaction or arrangement with the Company shall declare the nature and extent of his interest to the other Directors before the Company enters into the transaction or arrangement in accordance with the Companies Act.
- 20.2 A Director who is in any way, whether directly or indirectly, interested in a transaction or arrangement that has been entered into by the Company shall declare the nature and extent of his interest to the other Directors as soon as is reasonably practicable in accordance with the Companies Act, unless the interest has already been declared under Article 20.1.
- 20.3 Subject, where applicable, to the disclosures required under Article 20.1 and Article 20.2, a Director shall be entitled to vote in respect of any proposed or existing transaction or arrangement with the Company in which he is interested and if he shall do so his vote shall be counted and he shall be taken into account in ascertaining whether a quorum is present.
- 20.4 A Director need not declare an interest under Article 20.1 and Article 20.2 as the case may be:
- 20.4.1 if it cannot reasonably be regarded as likely to give rise to a conflict of interest;
  - 20.4.2 of which the Director is not aware, although for this purpose a Director is treated as being aware of matters of which he ought reasonably to be aware;
  - 20.4.3 if, or to the extent that, the other Directors are already aware of it, and for this purpose the other Directors are treated as aware of anything of which they ought reasonably to be aware; or
  - 20.4.4 if, or to the extent that, it concerns the terms of his service contract that have been, or are to be, considered at a Board meeting.
- 20.5 Regulation 14 will not apply to the Company.

## **21. BORROWING POWERS**

The Directors may exercise all the powers of the Company (whether express or implied) to borrow and/or secure the payment of money, to guarantee the payment of money, the fulfilment of obligations and the performance of contracts and to mortgage

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or charge the property, assets and uncalled capital of the Company, and (subject to section 549 of the Companies Act) to issue debentures, debenture stock and all other securities whether outright or as security for any debt, liability or obligation of the Company or of any third party.

## **22. PARTICIPATION IN DIRECTORS' MEETINGS**

- 22.1 Any Director may participate in a meeting of the directors in person or by means of video conference, telephone or any suitable electronic means agreed by the Directors and by which all those participating in the meeting are able to communicate with all other participants.
- 22.2 If all the Directors participating in the meeting are not in the same place, they may decide that the meeting is to be treated as taking place wherever any of them is.

## **23. PROCEEDINGS OF DIRECTORS**

- 23.1 In the case of an equality of votes, the chairman from time to time of the Board will not have a second or casting vote. Regulation 13 shall not apply.
- 23.2 The quorum necessary for the transaction of business at any meeting of the Directors will be two and Regulation 11(2) shall be modified accordingly. If any meeting of the Directors is inquorate then it will be adjourned for the consideration of the same business until the same time and place the next following week when those Directors present will constitute a quorum.
- 23.3 For the purposes of Regulation 8, any unanimous decision of eligible Directors (as defined in Regulation 8(3)) must take the form of a resolution in writing, copies of which have been signed by each eligible director or to which each eligible director has otherwise indicated agreement in writing and Regulation 8 is modified accordingly.

## **24. INDEMNITIES**

- 24.1 Subject to the Companies Act, but without prejudice to any indemnity to which a Director may otherwise be entitled, each Director or other officer of the Company (other than any person (whether an officer or not) engaged by the Company as auditor) shall be indemnified out of the Company's assets against all costs, charges, losses, expenses and liabilities incurred by him as a Director or other officer of the Company or any company that is a trustee of an occupational pension scheme (as defined in section 235(6) of the Companies Act) in the actual or purported execution and/or discharge of his duties, or in relation thereto including any liability incurred by him in defending any civil or criminal proceedings, in which judgement 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 relief from liability for negligence, default, breach of duty or breach of trust in relation to the Company's affairs.
  - 24.2 The Company may buy and maintain insurance against any liability falling upon its Directors or other officers which arises out of their respective duties to the Company, or in relation to its affairs.
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