

**Companies (Jersey) Law 1991  
MEMORANDUM OF ASSOCIATION  
OF  
Minera IRL Limited**

1. The name of the Company is Minera IRL Limited.
2. The Company is a public company.
3. The Company is a no par value company.
4. The Company is authorised to issue an unlimited number of shares with no par value of one class, designated as ordinary shares.
5. The liability of a member of the Company is limited to the amount unpaid (if any) on such member's share or shares.

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**1. Definitions and Interpretation**

1.1 In these Articles, unless inconsistent with the subject or context, the following expressions shall have the following meanings:

<b>Expressions</b>	<b>Meanings</b>
"these Articles"	These Articles of Association in their present form or as from time to time altered and "Article" shall refer to an Article of these Articles.
"AIM"	The AIM Market of the London Stock Exchange.
"AIM Listing Rules"	The rules for companies governing admission to and trading on AIM published by the London Stock Exchange.
"Approved Operator"	An "approved operator" as defined in the Order.
"auditors"	Auditors (if any) of the Company appointed pursuant to these Articles.
"bankrupt"	Shall have the meaning defined in the Interpretation (Jersey) Law, 1954.
"Board"	The board of directors of the Company.
"Business Day"	A day on which commercial banks in London and the Island of Jersey are open for general banking business other than Saturdays, Sundays and public holidays.
"Certificated Share"	A share which is recorded in the Register as being held in certificated form.
"clear days"	In relation to the period of a notice, shall mean that period excluding the day when the notice is served or deemed to be served and the day for which it is given or on which it is to take effect.
"Directors"	The directors of the Company for the time being.
"Jersey"	The Island of Jersey and its dependencies.
"the Law"	The Companies (Jersey) Law 1991.
"London Stock Exchange"	London Stock Exchange plc.
"Member"	A person whose name is entered in the Register as the holder of shares in the Company or where the context permits the members of the Company whose names are entered in the Register as joint holders of shares in the Company.
"Memorandum of Association"	The memorandum of association of the Company.
"month"	Calendar month.

“Nominated Adviser”	An advisor whose name appears on the register published by the London Stock Exchange and who is acting as the nominated adviser for the time being of the Company.
“notice”	A notice in writing unless otherwise specifically stated.
“Office”	The registered office of the Company.
“Operator”	CRESTCo Limited or such other person as may for the time being be approved by the Jersey Financial Services Commission as an approved operator under the Order.
“Operator-instruction”	A properly authenticated dematerialised instruction attributable to the Operator.
“Ordinary Resolution”	A resolution passed by a simple majority of the Members who are entitled to vote in respect of such resolution.
“ordinary shares”	ordinary shares in the capital of the Company as described in the Company’s Memorandum of Association.
“Order”	The Companies (Uncertificated Securities) (Jersey) Order 1999 and the terms “operator’s system”, “authorised operator”, “participating security” and “uncertificated” in these Articles shall have the meanings given in the Order.
“paid up”	Shall include credited as paid up.
“Participating Security”	A security title to units of which is permitted by the Operator to be transferred by means of a relevant system.
“present in person”	In relation to general meetings of the Company and to meetings of the holders of any class of shares, shall include present by attorney or by proxy or, in the case of a corporate shareholder, by representative.
“Register”	The register of members of the Company to be kept and maintained in Jersey pursuant to these Articles, Article 41 of the Law and Article 18 of the Order.
“relevant system”	A computer-based system, and procedures of the Operator, which enable title to units of a security to be evidenced and transferred without a written instrument pursuant to the Order.
“Seal”	The common seal of the Company.
“Secretary”	Any person appointed by the Directors to perform any of the duties of secretary of the Company (including a temporary or assistant secretary), and in the event of two or more persons being appointed as joint secretaries any one or more of the persons so appointed.
“Share Scheme”	A scheme or schemes for encouraging or facilitating the holding of shares or debentures in the Company by or for the benefit of employees, executive directors, non-executive directors, consultants to the Company or any of its subsidiaries or individuals who are employees of a company providing management services to the Company or any of its subsidiaries, where such services are required in the opinion of the Board for the on-going successful operation of the business enterprise of the Company or any of its subsidiaries.

~~“Sole Directorship Resolution”~~

~~Has the meaning given in Article 22.2.~~

“Special Resolution”	A resolution of the Company passed as a special resolution in accordance with the Law.
“Statutes”	The Law, the Order and every other statute or statutory instrument for the time being in force in Jersey concerning limited companies and affecting the Company.
“UK Companies Act”	The UK Companies Act 1985 (as amended).
“Written Instruments”	Any document or instrument in writing and includes contracts, agreements, deeds, mortgages, hypothecs, charges, conveyances, transfers, assignments, releases, receipts, discharges, all paper writings, all cheques, drafts or orders for the payment of money and all notes, acceptances and bills of exchange.

1.2 In these Articles, unless inconsistent with the subject or context:

- (a) the word “may” shall be construed as permissive and the word “shall” shall be construed as imperative;
- (b) the word “signed” shall be construed as including a signature or representation or facsimile of a signature affixed by mechanical or other means;
- (c) the words “in writing” shall be construed as including written, printed, telexed, electronically transmitted or any other mode of representing or reproducing words in a visible form;
- (d) words importing “persons” shall be construed as including companies or associations or bodies of persons whether incorporated or unincorporated; words importing the singular number shall be construed as including the plural number and vice versa; words importing one gender only shall be construed as including any other gender;
- (e) a reference to the Company being a private company or a public company is a reference to such status as determined for the time being in accordance with the Law;
- (f) the word “includes” shall mean “includes without limitation”;
- (g) where any expression is defined or the interpretation of it is set out herein, other parts of speech of such expression shall have a corresponding meaning; and
- (h) references to enactments are to such enactments as are from time to time modified, re-enacted or consolidated and shall include any enactment made in substitution for an enactment that is repealed.

The headings herein are for convenience only and shall not affect the construction of these Articles.

The expression “communication” shall have the meaning given to it in the UK Electronic Communications Act 2000 and the expression “electronic communication” shall have the meaning given to it in the Electronic Communications (Jersey) Law 2000, the latter including, without limitation, e-mail, facsimile, CD-Rom, audio tape and telephone transmission and (in the case of electronic communication by the Company in accordance with Article 41) publication on a web site.

The expression “address” shall include, in relation to electronic communication, any number or address used for the purposes of such communication.

References to a share (or to a holding of shares) being in certificated or uncertificated form are references, respectively, to that share being a certificated or an uncertificated unit of a security for the purposes of the Order.

Unless inconsistent with the subject or context, references to "holder" or "registered holder" are to a person whose name is entered in the Register as the holder of shares in the Company or where the context permits the persons whose names are entered in the Register as joint holders of shares in the Company.

Subject as aforesaid any words or expressions defined in the Law or the Order shall (if not inconsistent with the subject or context) bear the same meanings in these Articles.

## **2. Preliminary**

- 2.1 The preliminary expenses incurred in forming the Company or in its continuance under the Law may be discharged out of the funds of the Company.
- 2.2 The business of the Company shall be commenced or continued as soon after the incorporation of the Company as the Directors think fit.

## **3. Share Capital**

The share capital of the Company is as specified in the Memorandum of Association and the shares of the Company shall have the rights and be subject to the conditions contained in these Articles.

## **4. Shares**

- 4.1 All shares shall be fully paid for at the time of issuance.

4.1A Shares may be issued for cash or money; or in return for property or past services that in the opinion of the Directors have a value not less than the fair equivalent of the cash or money that the Company would have received if the share had been issued for cash or money.

4.1B Each Director who votes for or consents to a resolution authorizing the issue of a share for a consideration other than cash or money is liable, jointly and severally with every other such Director, to the Company to make good any amount by which the value of the consideration received is less than the fair equivalent of the money that the Company would have received if the share had been issued for cash or money on the date of the resolution.

4.1C The Company may not issue shares for consideration in the form of promissory notes or for services to be performed.

- 4.2 Without prejudice to any special rights for the time being conferred on the holders of any class of shares (which special rights shall not be varied or abrogated except with such consent or sanction as is required by Article 11.1 and subject to the Law) any share in the Company (including any share created on an increase or other alteration of share capital) may be issued with such preferred, deferred or other special rights, or such restrictions, whether in regard to dividends, return of capital, voting or otherwise, as the Company may from time to time, by Special Resolution, determine.
- 4.3 Subject to the restrictions contained in these Articles, including, without limitation, the provisions of Article 5 and Article 6 below, the unissued shares for the time being in the capital of the Company shall be at the disposal of the Directors, and they may (subject to the these restrictions) allot, grant options and warrants over, or otherwise dispose of them to such persons at such times and on such terms as they think proper.
- 4.4 The Company may issue fractions of shares in accordance with and subject to the provisions of the Law, provided that:

- (a) a fraction of a share shall be taken into account in determining the entitlement of a Member as regards dividends or on a winding up; and
  - (b) a fraction of a share shall not entitle a Member to a vote in respect thereof.
- 4.5 The Company may pay commissions as permitted by the Law and the AIM Listing Rules. Subject to the provisions of the Law and the AIM Listing Rules, any such commission may be satisfied either by the payment of cash or by the allotment of fully paid shares or partly in one way and partly in the other.
- 4.6 Except as required by law, no person shall be recognised by the Company as holding any share upon any trust, and the Company shall not be bound by or recognise any equitable, contingent, future or partial interest in any share, or (except only as by these Articles otherwise provided or as by law required) any interest in any fraction of a share, or any other right in respect of any share, except an absolute right to the entirety thereof in the registered holder.

## **5. Authority of the Company required for certain allotments**

- 5.1 The directors of the Company shall not exercise any power of the Company to allot relevant securities, unless they are, in accordance with this Article, authorised to do so by:
- (a) the Company in general meeting; or
  - (b) these Articles.

- 5.2 In these Articles "relevant securities" means:

- (a) shares in the Company other than shares shown in the Memorandum of Association to have been taken by the subscribers to it or shares allotted in pursuance of a Share Scheme, and
- (b) any right to subscribe for, or to convert any security into, shares in the Company (other than shares so allotted);

and a reference to the allotment of relevant securities includes the grant of such a right but (subject to Article 5.6 below), not the allotment of shares pursuant to such a right.

- 5.3 Authority under this Article may be given for a particular exercise of the power or for its exercise generally, and may be unconditional or subject to conditions.
- 5.4 The authority must state the maximum amount of relevant securities that may be allotted under it and the date on which it will expire, which must be not more than 5 years from whichever is relevant of the following dates:
- (a) in the case of an authority contained in these Articles at the time of its original incorporation under the Law, the date of that incorporation; and
  - (b) in any other case, the date on which the resolution is passed by virtue of which the authority is given;

but such an authority (including an authority contained in these Articles) may be previously revoked or varied by the Company in general meeting.

- 5.5 The authority may be renewed or further renewed by the Company in general meeting for a further period not exceeding 5 years; but the resolution must state (or restate) the amount of relevant securities which may be allotted under the authority or, as the case may be, the amount remaining to be allotted under it, and must specify the date on which the renewed authority will expire.

- 5.6 In relation to authority under this Article for the grant of such rights as are mentioned in Article 5.2(b), the reference in Article 5.4 (as also the corresponding reference in Article 5.5) to the maximum amount of relevant securities that may be allotted under the authority is to the maximum amount of shares which may be allotted pursuant to the rights.
- 5.7 The Directors may allot relevant securities, notwithstanding that authority under this Article has expired, if they are allotted in pursuance of an offer or agreement made by the Company before the authority expired and the authority allowed it to make an offer or agreement which would or might require relevant securities to be allotted after the authority expired.
- 5.8 A resolution of the Company to give, vary, revoke or renew an authority granted under Article 5.1(a) may be an ordinary resolution.
- 5.9 Nothing in this Article affects the validity of any allotment.

## **6. Offers to shareholders to be on pre-emptive basis**

- 6.1 Subject to the provisions of this Article, if the Company proposes to allot relevant securities:
- (a) the Company shall not allot any of them on any terms to a person unless it has made an offer to each person who holds shares to allot to him on the same or more favourable terms a proportion of those securities which is as nearly as practicable equal to the proportion of shares held by him of the aggregate of such shares; and
  - (b) the Company shall not allot any of those securities to a person unless the period during which any such offer may be accepted has expired or the Company has received notice of the acceptance or refusal of every offer so made.
- 6.2 Articles 5.1 and 6.1 do not apply to a particular allotment of relevant securities if these are, or are to be, wholly paid up otherwise than in cash. Articles 5.1 and 6.1 do not apply to the allotment of relevant securities which would, apart from a renunciation or assignment of the right to their allotment, be held under a Share Scheme.
- 6.3 An offer made pursuant to Article 6.1(a) shall be in writing or as otherwise permitted in terms of Article 41 hereof and shall be made to a holder of shares either personally or by sending it by post to him or to his registered address. If sent by post, the offer is deemed to be made on the 5<sup>th</sup> Business Day following the mailing of such offer. Where shares are held by two or more persons jointly, the offer may be made to the joint holder first named in the Register of Members in respect of the shares. The offer must state a period of not less than 21 days during which it may be accepted; and the offer shall not be withdrawn before the end of that period.
- 6.4 Where the Directors are authorised for purposes of Article 5 (whether generally or otherwise) to allot relevant securities, the Company may by special resolution resolve either:
- (a) that Article 6.1 shall not apply to a specified allotment of relevant securities to be made pursuant to that authority; or
  - (b) that Article 6.1 shall apply to the allotment with such modifications as may be specified in the resolution;
- and, where such a resolution is passed, this Article 6 shall be read accordingly.
- 6.5 Notwithstanding that any such authorisation or resolution granted or passed under Article 6.4 has expired, the Directors may allot relevant securities in pursuance of an offer or agreement previously made by the Company, if the power or resolution enabled the Company to make an offer or agreement which would or might require relevant securities to be allotted after it expired.

6.6 Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in these Articles, the provisions of Articles 5.1 and 6.1:

- (a) shall not apply until the ordinary shares have been admitted to trading on AIM and all shares which the Board has resolved to issue in connection with such admission have been issued; and
- (b) shall not apply to the issue of any ordinary shares in the Company pursuant to any option, warrant or other obligation whatsoever binding on or owing by the Company or any subsidiary or associated company of the Company where such option, warrant or other obligation was in existence at the date of admission to AIM of the Company's ordinary shares.

## **7. Certificated shares**

7.1 In relation to Certificated Shares every holder of shares shall be entitled:-

- (a) without payment, to one certificate for all his shares and, when part only of the shares comprised in a certificate is sold or transferred, to a new certificate for the remainder of the shares so comprised; or
- (b) upon payment of such sum for each certificate as the Directors shall from time to time determine, to several certificates each for one or more of his shares.

7.2 Every certificate shall be issued within two months after allotment or lodgement of transfer (or within such other period as the conditions of issue shall provide), shall be issued either under seal or signed by two Directors or by one Director and the Secretary, and shall specify the shares to which it relates and, if so required by the Law, the distinguishing numbers of such shares.

7.3 In respect of a share held jointly by several persons, the Company shall not be bound to issue more than one certificate, and delivery of a certificate for a share to one of several joint holders shall be sufficient delivery to all such holders.

7.4 If a share certificate is defaced, lost or destroyed, it may be renewed on payment of such fee and on such terms (if any) as to evidence and indemnity and the payment of out-of-pocket expenses of the Company in relation thereto as the Directors think fit.

## **8. Uncertificated shares**

8.1 The Board may, in accordance with the Law, the Order and the AIM Listing Rules, resolve that some or all of a class of shares are to become, or are to cease to be, in uncertificated form. The remaining provisions of this Article 8 shall only apply after such a resolution of the Board has been made.

8.2 Shares of a class shall not be treated as forming a separate class from other shares of the same class as a consequence of such shares being held in certificated or uncertificated form or of any provision in these Articles or the Order applying only to shares in certificated form or shares in uncertificated form, provided that for any purpose under these Articles, the Company may treat a Member's holding of shares in uncertificated form and of shares in certificated form of the same class as if they were separate holdings, unless the Directors otherwise decide.

8.3 Any share which is in uncertificated form may be changed from uncertificated form to certificated form and from a certificated form to uncertificated form in accordance with the Order.

8.4 These Articles apply to shares held in uncertificated form only to the extent that these Articles are consistent with the holding of such shares in uncertificated form, with the transfer of title

to such shares by means of the relevant system, with the exercise of any powers or functions by the Company or the effecting by the Company of any actions by means of the relevant system or with the Order.

- 8.5 Subject to the Law, the Board may lay down regulations not included in these Articles which (in addition to or in substitution for any provisions in these Articles):
- (a) apply to the issue, holding or transfer of shares in uncertificated form;
  - (b) set out (where appropriate) the procedures for conversion and/or redemption of shares in uncertificated form; and/or
  - (c) the Board considers necessary or appropriate to ensure that these Articles are consistent with the Order and/or the Approved Operator's rules and practices.
- 8.6 Such regulations will apply instead of any relevant provisions in these Articles which relate to certificates and the transfer, conversion and redemption of shares or which are not consistent with the Order, in all cases to the extent (if any) stated in such regulations. If the Board makes any such regulations, Article 8.4 of this Article will (for the avoidance of doubt) continue to apply to these Articles, when read in conjunction with those regulations.
- 8.7 Any instruction given by means of the relevant system shall be a dematerialised instruction given in accordance with the Order, the facilities and requirements of the relevant system and the Approved Operator's rules and practices.
- 8.8 For any purpose under these Articles, the Company may treat a Member's holding of Uncertificated Shares and of Certificated Shares of the same class as if they were separate holdings, unless the Board otherwise decides.
- 8.9 Where the Company is entitled under the Law, the Order, the Approved Operator's rules and practices, these Articles or otherwise to dispose of, forfeit, enforce a lien over or sell or otherwise procure the sale of any shares of a class which is an Uncertificated Share which are held in uncertificated form, the Board may take such steps (subject to the Order and to such rules and practices) as may be required or appropriate, by instruction by means of the relevant system or otherwise, to effect such disposal, forfeiture, enforcement or sale including by (without limitation):
- (a) requesting or requiring the deletion of any computer based entries in the relevant system relating to the holding of such shares in uncertificated form;
  - (b) altering such computer based entries so as to divest the holder of such shares of the power to transfer such shares other than to a person selected or approved by the Company for the purpose of such transfer;
  - (c) requiring any holder of such shares to take such steps as may be necessary to sell or transfer such shares as directed by the Company;
  - (d) otherwise rectify or change the Register in respect of any such shares in such manner as the Board considers appropriate (including, without limitation, by entering the name of a transferee into the Register as the next holder of such shares); and/or
  - (e) appointing any person to take any steps in the name of any holder of such shares as may be required to change such shares from uncertificated form to certificated form and/or to effect the transfer of such shares (and such steps shall be effective as if they had been taken by such holder).
- 8.10 In relation to any share in uncertificated form:

- (a) the Company may utilise the relevant system to the fullest extent available from time to time in the exercise of any of its powers or functions under the Law, the Order or these Articles or otherwise in effecting any actions and the Company may from time to time determine the manner in which such powers, functions and actions shall be so exercised or effected;
- (b) the Company may, by notice to the holder of that share, require the holder to change the form of that share to certificated form within such period as may be specified in the notice; and
- (c) the Company shall not issue a share certificate.

8.11 The Company may, by notice to the holder of any share in certificated form, direct that the form of such share may not be changed to uncertificated form for a period specified in such notice.

## **9. Interests in Shares**

9.1 Each Director shall disclose, and the Directors shall have the power by notice in writing to require each Director to disclose, without delay to the Company all information which the Company needs to enable it to comply with rule 15 (disclosure of deals by directors) of the AIM Listing Rules. The Company shall keep a written record of such disclosures.

9.2 The Directors shall have power by notice in writing to require any Director or Member to disclose without delay to the Company the identity of any person (an "interested party") who has or had within the 12 months preceding the date of the notice, to the knowledge of the Director or Member as the case may be, any interest in the Company's shares held by the Director or Member as the case may be and the nature of such interest and of any agreement or arrangement relating to the exercise of any rights conferred by the shares. "Interest" means any legal or beneficial interest, whether direct or indirect.

9.3 Any such notice referred to in Articles 9.1 and 9.2 shall require any information in response to such notice to be given in writing without delay but in any event within such time as the Directors shall determine.

9.4 The Company shall maintain a register of interested parties to which the provisions of Articles 41 of the Law shall apply *mutatis mutandis* and whenever in pursuance of a requirement imposed on a Director or Member as aforesaid the Company is informed of an interested party the identity of the interested party and the nature of the interest shall be promptly inscribed therein together with the date of the request.

9.5 The Directors may be compelled to exercise their powers under Articles 9.1 and 9.2 on the requisition of Members of the Company holding at the date of the deposit of the requisition not less than one-tenth of such of the paid-up capital of the Company as carries at that date the right of voting at general meetings of the Company.

9.6 The requisition must:-

- (a) state that the requisitionists are requiring the Directors to exercise their powers under this Article;
- (b) specify the manner in which they require those powers to be exercised; and
- (c) give reasonable grounds for requiring the Directors to exercise those powers in the manner specified,

and must be signed by the requisitionists and deposited at the Office.

- 9.7 The requisition may consist of several documents in like form each signed by one or more requisitionists.
- 9.8 On the deposit of a requisition complying with Articles 9.5 to 9.7 it is the Directors' duty to exercise their powers under Articles 9.1 and 9.2 in the manner specified in the requisition.
- 9.9 If any Director or Member has been duly served with a notice given by the Directors in accordance with Articles 9.1 or 9.2 and is in default for the prescribed period in supplying to the Company the information thereby required (either by failing to supply to the Company the information thereby required or, in purporting to comply with such notice, by making a statement which is false or inadequate in any material particular), then the Directors may in their absolute discretion at any time thereafter serve a notice (a "direction notice") upon such Director or Member as follows:
- (a) a direction notice may direct that, in respect of:
- (i) the shares comprising a Director's or Members account in the Register which comprises or includes the shares in relation to which the default occurred (all or the relevant number as appropriate of such shares being the "default shares"); and
  - (ii) any other shares held by the Director or Member;
- the Director or Member shall not be entitled to vote at a meeting of the Directors or a general meeting or meeting of the holders of any class of shares (as the case may be) either personally or by a duly authorised representative (if a corporation) or by proxy or to exercise any other right conferred by directorship or membership in relation to meetings of Directors or Members or of the holders of any class of shares of the Company (as the case may be); and
- (b) where the default shares represent at least 0.25 per cent in number of the issued shares of the class of shares concerned, then the direction notice may additionally direct that:
- (i) in respect of the default shares, any dividend or part thereof or other money which would otherwise be payable on such shares shall be retained by the Company without any liability to pay interest thereon when such money is finally paid to the Member;
  - (ii) no transfer other than an approved transfer as set out in Article 9.12(c) of any of the shares held by such Director or Member shall be registered unless:
    - (1) the Director or Member is not himself in default as regards supplying the information requested; and
    - (2) the transfer is of part only of the Member's holding and when presented for registration is accompanied by a certificate by the Member in a form satisfactory to the Directors to the effect that after due and careful enquiry the Member is satisfied that no person in default as regards supplying such information is interested in any of the shares the subject of the transfer.
- 9.10 The Company shall send to each other person appearing to be interested in the shares the subject of any direction notice a copy of the notice, but the failure or omission by the Company to do so shall not invalidate such notice.
- 9.11 Any direction notice shall have effect in accordance with its terms for as long as the default, in respect of which the direction notice was issued, continues but shall cease to have effect in relation to any shares which are transferred by such Member by means of an approved transfer as set out in Article 9.12(c). As soon as practical after the direction notice has

ceased to have effect (and in any event within 7 days thereafter) the Directors shall procure that the restrictions imposed by Articles 9.9 and 9.14 shall be removed and that dividends and other moneys withheld pursuant to Article 9.9(b)(i) above are paid to the relevant Member.

9.12 For the purpose of this Article:

- (a) a person shall be treated as appearing to be interested in any shares if the Member holding such Shares has given to the Company a notification which either (a) names such person as being so interested or (b) fails to establish the identities of those interested in the shares and (after taking into account the said notification and any other relevant notification) the Company knows or has reasonable cause to believe that the person in question is or may be interested in the shares;
- (b) the prescribed period in respect of any particular Member is 28 days from the date of service of the said notice in accordance with Article 9.2 except where the default shares represent at least 0.25 per cent by number of the issued shares of the class of shares concerned in which case such period shall be 14 days;
- (c) a transfer of shares is an approved transfer if but only if:
  - (i) it is a transfer of shares to an offeror by way or in pursuance of acceptance of a takeover offer (within the meaning of Article 116 of the Law) in respect of shares in the Company; or
  - (ii) the Directors are satisfied that the transfer is made pursuant to a sale of the whole of the beneficial ownership of the shares to a party unconnected with the Member and with other persons appearing to be interested in such shares; or
  - (iii) the transfer results from a sale made through a recognised investment exchange (as defined in the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 of the United Kingdom ("FSMA")) or any stock exchange outside the United Kingdom on which the Company's shares are normally traded.

For the purposes of this sub-paragraph any person referred to in Article 9.14 shall, *mutatis mutandis*, be included amongst the persons who are connected with the Member or any person appearing to be interested in such shares.

9.13 Any Member who has given notice of an interested party in accordance with Article 9.2 who subsequently ceases to have any party interested in his shares or has any other person interested in his shares shall notify the Company in writing of the cessation or change in such interest and the Directors shall promptly amend the register of interested parties accordingly.

9.14 For the purposes of Article 9.12(c) a person shall be treated as being connected with a Member or with a director if that person is:-

- (a) a spouse, child (under the age of 18) or step child (under the age of 18) of the Member or Director; or
- (b) an associated body corporate which is a Company in which the Member or director alone, or with connected persons, is directly or indirectly beneficially interested in 20% or more of the nominal value of the equity share capital or is entitled (alone or with connected persons) to exercise or control the exercise of more than 20% of the voting power at general meetings; or
- (c) a trustee (acting in that capacity) of any trust, the beneficiaries of which include the Member or a Director or persons falling within paragraphs (a) or (b) above excluding trustees of a Share Scheme or pension scheme; or

- (d) a partner (acting in that capacity) of the Member or director or persons in categories (a) to (c) above.

9.15 Where a person is interested in shares comprised in the Company's share capital ("share interest") and:

- (a) he has interests therein which are material interests (as defined in the UK Companies Act); and
- (b) the aggregate shares in which those material interests subsist equal or exceed 3% of the aggregate shares issued and outstanding of that share capital ("threshold notice level");

then such person has a notifiable obligation.

9.16 Where a person has previously triggered a notifiable obligation and increases or decreases his share interest by more than a whole percentage of that share capital, then he has a further notifiable obligation, which shall so continue until such time as his share interest has fallen below the threshold notice level and notice has been given in respect thereof.

9.17 Where a person has a notifiable obligation, he shall without delay provide notice to the Company of such information as may be required by the AIM Listing Rules and, in addition or for purposes of certainty as the case may be, his identity, the date on which the notifiable obligation arose, the price paid for the relevant shares, the nature of the transaction giving rise to the notifiable obligation, the nature and extent of his interest in the transaction, and, where the notification concerns a "related financial product" as defined in the AIM Listing Rules, the detailed nature of the exposure. Such notice shall also detail the number of aggregate shares in which he has a material interest and the nature of his material interest(s).

9.18 If any Member who has a notifiable obligation fails to comply with any of the obligations referred to in Article 9.17, then the Directors may in their absolute discretion at any time thereafter serve a notice (a "direction notice") upon such Member, whereupon the provisions of Article 9.9(a) and (b) above shall be applicable in relation to such default by a Member.

## **10. Alteration of Share Capital**

10.1 The Company may, by altering its Memorandum of Association by Special Resolution, alter its share capital in any manner permitted by the Law.

10.2 Any capital raised by the issue of shares shall, unless otherwise provided by the conditions of issue of such shares, be considered as part of the original capital, and such shares shall be subject to the provisions of these Articles with reference to the transfer and other provisions of these Articles applicable to the existing shares in the Company.

10.3 Subject to the provisions of the Law, the Company may, by Special Resolution, reduce its share capital in any way.

## **11. Variation of Rights**

11.1 Whenever the capital of the Company is divided into different classes of shares, the special rights attached to any class, unless otherwise provided by the terms of issue of the shares of that class, may be varied or abrogated, either whilst the Company is a going concern or during or in contemplation of a winding up, with the consent in writing of the holders of ~~the~~ a majority of two-thirds of the issued shares of that class, or with the sanction of ~~a resolution passed~~ holders holding not less than two-thirds of the votes cast at a separate meeting of the holders of shares of that class, and not otherwise. To every such separate meeting all the provisions of these Articles and of the Law relating to general meetings of the Company or to the proceedings thereat shall apply, *mutatis mutandis*, except that the necessary quorum

shall be two persons holding or representing at least one-third of the issued shares of that class but so that if at any adjourned meeting of such holders a quorum as above defined is not present, those holders who are present in person shall be a quorum.

- 11.2 The special rights conferred upon the holders of any class of shares issued with preferred or other special rights shall be deemed to be varied by the creation of further shares ranking in priority thereto, but shall not (unless otherwise expressly provided by these Articles or by the conditions of issue of such shares) be deemed to be varied by the creation or issue of further shares ranking after or *pari passu* therewith.

## **12. Register of Members**

- 12.1 The Directors shall keep or cause to be kept at the Office or at such other place in Jersey where it is made up, as the Directors may from time to time determine, a Register in the manner required by the Law. In each year the Directors shall prepare or cause to be prepared and filed an annual return containing the particulars required by the Law.
- 12.2 The Directors may rely upon the information provided to them from time to time by the Operator for the purposes of keeping the Register up to date in accordance with the Law. ~~Ne~~Subject as follows, no copy of the Register, list, record or information in respect of the members of the Company kept or maintained outside Jersey shall constitute the Register or any part of the Register and the Company shall not be bound to recognise any interest or right in respect of any share by virtue of it being contained or recorded in such copy of the Register or list, record or information. The Company may keep an overseas branch register in accordance with the Law.

## **13. Joint Holders**

- 13.1 Where two or more persons are registered as the holders of any share they shall be deemed to hold the same as joint tenants with the benefit of survivorship, subject to the following provisions:
- (a) the Company shall not be bound to register more than four persons as the joint holders of any share;
  - (b) the joint holders of any share shall be liable, severally as well as jointly, in respect of all payments to be made in respect of such share;
  - (c) any one of such joint holders may give a good receipt for any dividend, bonus or return of capital payable to such joint holders;
  - (d) only the senior of the joint holders of a share shall be entitled to delivery of the certificate relating to such share or to receive notices from the Company and any notice given to the senior joint holder shall be deemed notice to all the joint holders; and
  - (e) for the purpose of the provisions of this Article, seniority shall be determined by the order in which the names of the joint holders appear in the Register.

## **14. Transfer and Transmission of Shares**

- 14.1 Subject only to the Statutes and the provisions of this Article 14, all shares of the Company shall be freely transferable.
- 14.2 The Directors shall not refuse to register a transfer of shares made in accordance with these Articles.
- 14.3 All transfers of shares held in certificated form shall be effected by notice (a "Transfer Notice") in the usual common form or in any other form approved by the Directors.

- 14.4 All Transfer Notices shall be signed by or on behalf of the transferor. The transferor shall be deemed to remain the holder of the share until the name of the transferee is entered on the Register in respect thereof.
- 14.5 Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in these Articles, the shares of the Company (or any class thereof or any shares forming part of a class) may be held in uncertificated form. Subject to these Articles and the Law, all transfers of shares in uncertificated form shall be effected by means of the relevant system in accordance with the Order provided that title to such shares shall not pass until such transfer is entered onto the Register in Jersey.
- 14.6 Subject to the Statutes, the Directors may decline to recognise any Transfer Notice, unless:
- (a) the Transfer Notice is deposited at the Office or such other place as the Directors may appoint accompanied by the certificate for the shares to which it relates and such other evidence as the Directors may reasonably require to show the right of the transferor to make the transfer; and
  - (b) the Transfer Notice is in respect of only one class of shares.
- 14.7 The Directors shall register a transfer of title to any share in uncertificated form in accordance with the Order except for any transfer which the Directors are required to decline to register under the Order or the relevant system.
- 14.8 Subject to the Statutes, the Directors may also refuse to register a transfer of shares in favour of more than four persons jointly.
- 14.9 If the Directors refuse to register a transfer of shares in the circumstances contemplated in this Article 14, they shall within two months after the date on which:
- (a) the instrument of transfer was lodged with the Company (in the case of shares held in certificated form); or
  - (b) the Operator-instruction was received by the Company (in the case of shares held in uncertificated form),
- send to the transferee notice in writing of the refusal.
- 14.10 All Transfer Notices relating to transfers of shares which are registered shall be retained by the Company, but any Transfer Notices relating to transfers of shares which the Directors decline to register shall (except in any case of fraud) be returned to the person depositing the same.
- 14.11 The registration of transfers of shares or of any class of shares may not be suspended.
- 14.12 In respect of any allotment of any share the Directors shall have the same right to decline to approve the registration of any renounee of any allottee as if the application to allot and the renunciation were a transfer of a share under these Articles.
- 14.13 In the case of the death of a Member, the survivors or survivor, where the deceased was a joint holder, and the executors or administrators of the deceased, where he was a sole or only surviving holder, shall be the only persons recognised by the Company as having any title to his interest in the shares, but nothing in this Article shall release the estate of a deceased joint holder from any liability in respect of any share jointly held by him.
- 14.14 Any guardian of an infant Member and any curator or guardian or other legal representative of a Member under legal disability and any person becoming entitled to a share in consequence of the death or insolvency or bankruptcy of a Member or otherwise by operation of law may, upon such evidence as to his entitlement being produced as may from time to time be required by the Directors and subject as hereinafter provided, elect either to be

registered himself as the holder of the share or to have some person nominated by him registered as the holder thereof.

- 14.15 If the person so becoming entitled shall elect to be registered himself, he shall deliver or send to the Company a notice signed by him stating that he so elects together with such evidence as to his entitlement as may from time to time be required by the Directors. If he shall elect to have another person registered, he shall testify his election by signing a Transfer Notice in favour of that person. All the limitations, restrictions and provisions of these Articles relating to the right to transfer and the registration of transfers of shares shall be applicable to any such notice or Transfer Notice as aforesaid as would have existed had such transfer occurred before the death, insolvency or bankruptcy of the Member concerned.
- 14.16 A person becoming entitled to a share by reason of the death or insolvency or bankruptcy of a Member or otherwise by operation of law shall, upon such evidence as to his entitlement being produced as may from time to time be required by the Directors, be entitled to the same dividends and other advantages to which he would be entitled if he were the registered holder of the share, except that he shall not, before being registered as a Member in respect of the share, be entitled in respect of it to exercise any right conferred by membership in relation to meetings of the Company provided always that the Directors may at any time give notice requiring any such person to elect either to be registered himself or to transfer the share and if the notice is not complied with within one month such person shall be deemed to have so elected to be registered himself and all the restrictions on the transfer and transmission of shares contained in these Articles shall apply to such election.
- 14.17 Unless otherwise decided by the Directors in their sole discretion, no fee shall be charged in respect of the registration of any probate, letters of administration, certificate of marriage or death, power of attorney or other document relating to or affecting the title to any shares.

## **15. Untraced Shareholders**

- 15.1 The Company may sell (in such manner and for such price as the Directors think fit) the shares of a Member or the shares to which a person is entitled by virtue of transmission on death or bankruptcy if:
- (a) during the period of 12 years prior to the date of the publication of the advertisements referred to in paragraph (b) below (or, if published on different dates, the first date), being a period during which at least three dividends have been payable, all warrants and cheques in respect of the shares in question sent in the manner authorised by these Articles have remained uncashed;
  - (b) the Company on expiry of the period of 12 years has given notice, by advertisement in both a national newspaper and a newspaper circulating in the area in which the last known address of the Member or the address at which service of notices may be effected in the manner authorised by these Articles is located, of its intention to sell the shares;
  - (c) during the period of 12 years and the period of three months following the publication of the advertisements, or following the later publication if the two advertisements are published on different dates, the Company has received no indication of either the whereabouts or the existence of the Member or person; and
  - (d) notice has been given to the Nominated Adviser of its intention to make the sale.
- 15.2 To give effect to a sale the Company may appoint any person to execute as transferor an instrument of transfer of the shares. The instrument of transfer shall be as effective as if it had been executed by the registered holder of, or person entitled by transmission to, the shares and the title of the transferee shall not be affected by any irregularity or invalidity in the proceedings. The net proceeds of sale shall belong to the Company which shall be obliged to account to the former Member or other person previously entitled for an amount equal to the proceeds and shall enter the name of the former Member or other person in the books of

the Company as a creditor for that amount. No trust shall be created in respect of the debt, no interest shall be payable in respect of it and the Company shall not be required to account for any money earned on the net proceeds, which may be employed in the business of the Company or invested in such investments (other than shares of the Company or its holding company, if any) as the Directors think fit.

## **16. General Meetings and Class Meetings**

- 16.1 The provisions of Article 16.2 shall apply with regard to annual general meetings of the Company unless all of the Members have agreed in writing to dispense with the holding of annual general meetings and any such agreement is and remains valid in accordance with the Law.
- 16.2 An annual general meeting shall be held once in every calendar year; but so long as the Company holds its first annual general meeting within eighteen months of its incorporation it need not hold it in the year of its incorporation or in the following year. All other general meetings shall be called extraordinary general meetings. Each general meeting shall be held at such time and such place (either in or outside Jersey) as may be determined by the Directors.
- 16.3 The Directors may whenever they think fit, and upon a requisition made in writing by Members in accordance with the Law the Directors shall, convene an extraordinary general meeting of the Company. [The Directors shall also convene an extraordinary general meeting of the Company upon the requisition made in writing of holders holding not less than 5% of the issued ordinary share capital of the Company. Article 89 of the Law shall apply to such requisition as if were a "members' requisition" as defined in article 89\(2\) of the Law.](#)
- 16.4 At any extraordinary general meeting called pursuant to a requisition, unless such meeting is called by the Directors, no business other than that stated in the requisition as the objects of the meeting shall be transacted.
- 16.5 Save as is provided in this Article and otherwise in these Articles, all the provisions of these Articles and of the Law relating to general meetings of the Company and to the proceedings thereat shall apply, mutatis mutandis, to every class meeting. At any class meeting the holders of shares of the relevant class shall, on a poll, have one vote in respect of each share of that class held by each of them.

## **17. Notice of General Meetings**

- 17.1 At least twenty-one clear days' notice shall be given of every annual general meeting and of every general meeting called for the passing of a Special Resolution, and at least fourteen clear days' notice shall be given of all other general meetings, provided that the Company may determine that only those persons entered on the Register at the close of business on a day determined by the Company, such day being no more than 21 days before the day that notice of the meeting is sent, shall be entitled to receive such a notice. Every notice shall specify the place, the day and the time of the meeting and in the case of special business, the general nature of such business and, in the case of an annual general meeting, shall specify the meeting as such. Notice of every meeting shall be given in the manner hereinafter mentioned to all the Members and to the Directors and to the auditors. [Subject to the Law, if all members agree in writing that an annual general meeting in any year need not be held, the Company need not hold an annual general meeting in that year.](#)
- 17.2 A meeting of the Company shall, notwithstanding that it is called by shorter notice than that specified in Article 17.1, be deemed to have been duly called if it is so agreed:
- (a) in the case of an annual general meeting, by all the Members entitled to attend and vote thereat; and
  - (b) in the case of any other meeting, by a majority in number of Members having a right to attend and vote at the meeting, being a majority together holding not less than

ninety-five per cent of the total voting rights of the Members who have that right.

- 17.3 In every notice calling a meeting of the Company there shall appear with reasonable prominence a statement that a Member entitled to attend and vote is entitled to appoint one or more proxies to attend and vote instead of him and that a proxy need not also be a Member.
- 17.4 It shall be the duty of the Company, subject to the provisions of the Law, on the calling of a meeting on the requisition in writing of such number of Members as is specified by the Law:
- (a) to give to the Members entitled to receive notice of general meetings and to the Directors notice of any resolution which may properly be moved and which it is intended to move at that meeting; and
  - (b) to circulate to Members entitled to have notice of any general meeting sent to them, any statement of not more than one thousand words with respect to the matter referred to in any proposed resolution or the business to be dealt with at that meeting.
- 17.5 The accidental omission to give notice of a meeting to, or the non-receipt of notice of a meeting by, any person entitled to receive notice shall not invalidate the proceedings at that meeting.

## **18. Proceedings at General Meetings**

- 18.1 The business of an annual general meeting shall be to receive and consider the accounts of the Company and the reports of the Directors and auditors, to elect Directors (if necessary), to elect auditors and fix their remuneration, to sanction a dividend if thought fit so to do, and to transact any other business of which notice has been given.
- 18.2 No business shall be transacted at any general meeting except the adjournment of the meeting unless a quorum of Members is present at the time when the meeting proceeds to business. Such quorum shall consist of not less than two Members present in person, but so that not less than two individuals will constitute the quorum, provided that, if at any time all of the issued shares in the Company are held by one Member, such quorum shall consist of the Member present in person.
- 18.3 If within half an hour from the time appointed for the meeting a quorum is not present, or if during the meeting a quorum ceases to be present, the meeting, if convened by or upon the requisition of Members, shall be dissolved. If otherwise convened the meeting shall stand adjourned to the same day in the next week at the same time and place or such day, time and place as the Directors shall determine.
- 18.4 The chairman (if any) or the vice-chairman (if any) of the Directors shall preside as chairman at every general meeting of the Company. If there is no such chairman or vice-chairman, or if at any meeting neither is present, the Members present in person shall choose one of the Directors present to be chairman, or if no Director shall be present and willing to take the chair the Members present in person shall choose one of their number to be chairman.
- 18.5 The chairman may with the consent of any meeting at which a quorum is present (and shall if so directed by the meeting) adjourn the meeting from time to time and from place to place, but no business shall be transacted at any adjourned meeting other than the business left unfinished at the meeting from which the adjournment took place. When a meeting is adjourned for thirty days or more, notice of the adjourned meeting shall be given as in the case of the original meeting. Save as aforesaid, it shall not be necessary to give any notice of any adjourned meeting or of the business to be transacted at an adjourned meeting.
- 18.6 Minutes of all resolutions and proceedings of general meetings shall be duly and regularly entered in books kept for that purpose and shall be available for inspection by a Member during business hours without charge. A Member may require a copy of any such minutes in such manner, and upon payment of such sum, as provided in the Law.

18.7 If a Member is by any means in communication with one or more other Members so that each Member participating in the communication can hear what is said by any other of them, each Member so participating in the communication is deemed to be present in person at a meeting with the other Members so participating, notwithstanding that all the Members so participating are not present together in the same place. A meeting at which any or all of the Members participate as aforesaid shall be deemed to be a general meeting of the Company for the purposes of these Articles notwithstanding any other provisions of these Articles and all of the provisions of these Articles and of the Law relating to general meetings of the Company and to the proceedings thereat shall apply, mutatis mutandis, to every such meeting.

18.8 The Directors and the auditors shall be entitled to receive notice of and to attend and speak at any meeting of Members.

## **19. Voting at General Meetings**

19.1 Save where otherwise provided in these Articles, no person shall be entitled to be present or take part in any proceedings or vote either personally or by proxy at any general meeting unless he has been registered as owner of the shares in respect of which he claims to vote.

19.2 Save where otherwise provided in the Law or in these Articles, all resolutions shall be adopted if approved by a majority of the votes cast. In the event of an equality of votes at any general meeting, whether upon a show of hands or on a poll, the chairman shall not be entitled to a second or casting vote.

19.3 At any general meeting every question shall be decided in the first instance by a show of hands and, unless a poll is demanded by the chairman or by any Member, a declaration by the chairman that a resolution has on a show of hands been carried or not carried, or carried or not carried by a particular majority or lost, and an entry to that effect in the minutes of the meeting shall be conclusive evidence of the fact without proof of the number or proportion of the votes recorded in favour of or against such resolution.

19.4 On a show of hands every Member present in person shall have one vote.

19.5 If a poll is demanded in the manner mentioned above, it shall be taken at such time (within twenty-one days) and in such manner as the chairman directs and the results of such poll shall be deemed to be the resolution of the Company in general meeting. A poll may be demanded upon the election of the chairman and upon a question of adjournment and such poll shall be taken forthwith without adjournment. Any business other than that upon which a poll has been demanded may proceed pending the taking of the poll.

19.6 Subject to any special voting powers or restrictions for the time being attached to any shares, as may be specified in the terms of issue thereof or these Articles, on a poll every Member present in person shall have one vote for each share held by him.

19.7 On a poll a Member entitled to more than one vote need not use all his votes or cast all the votes he uses in the same way.

19.8 Where there are joint registered holders of any share, such persons shall not have the right of voting individually in respect of such share but shall elect one of their number to represent them and to vote whether in person or by proxy in their name. In default of such election the person whose name appears first in order in the Register in respect of such share shall be the only person entitled to vote in respect thereof.

19.9 A Member for whom a special or general attorney is appointed or who is suffering from some other legal incapacity or interdiction in respect of whom an order has been made by any court having jurisdiction (whether in Jersey or elsewhere) in matters concerning legal incapacity or interdiction may vote, whether on a show of hands or on a poll, by his attorney, curator, or other person authorised in that behalf appointed by that court, and any such attorney, curator or other person may vote by proxy. Evidence to the satisfaction of the Directors of the

authority of such attorney, curator or other person may be required by the Directors prior to any vote being exercised by such attorney, curator or other person.

- 19.10 No objection shall be raised to the qualification of any voter except at the meeting or adjourned meeting at which the vote objected to is given or tendered, and every vote not disallowed at such meeting shall be valid for all purposes. Any such objection made in due time shall be referred to the chairman of the meeting whose decision shall be final and conclusive.
- 19.11 Where a person is authorised under Article 21.11 to represent a body corporate at a general meeting of the Company the Directors or the chairman of the meeting may require him to produce a certified copy of the resolution from which he derives his authority.

## **20. Members' Resolutions in Writing**

- 20.1 A resolution in writing (including a Special Resolution but excluding a resolution removing an auditor) signed by all Members who would be entitled to receive notice of and to attend and vote at a general meeting at which such a resolution would be proposed, or by their duly appointed attorneys, shall be as valid and effectual as if it had been passed at a general meeting of the Company duly convened and held.
- 20.2 Any such resolution may consist of several documents in the like form each signed by one or more of the Members or their attorneys and signature in the case of a corporate body which is a Member shall be sufficient if made by a director or other duly authorised officer thereof or its duly appointed attorney.

## **21. Proxies for General Meetings and Corporate Members**

- 21.1 Any Member of the Company may appoint a proxy, who need not be a Member of the Company, to act at a general meeting on his behalf.
- 21.2 The instrument appointing a proxy shall be in writing under the hand of the appointor or of his attorney duly authorised in writing or if the appointor is a corporation either under seal or under the hand of an officer or attorney duly authorised. A proxy need not be a Member.
- 21.3 The appointment of a proxy must be in writing in any usual or common form or in any other form which the Directors may approve and:
- (a) in the case of an individual must either be signed by the appointor or his attorney or comply with Article 41; and
  - (b) in the case of a corporation must be either given under its common seal or be signed on its behalf by an attorney or a duly authorised officer of the corporation or comply with Article 41.
- 21.4 The signature on such appointment need not be witnessed. Where appointment of a proxy is signed on behalf of the appointor by an attorney, the power of attorney or a copy thereof certified notarially or in some other way approved by the Directors must (failing previous registration with the Company) be submitted to the Company, failing which the appointment may be treated as invalid.
- 21.5 The appointment of a proxy (together with such other documents, if any, required by Article 21.3 must be received at such address or one of such addresses (if any) as may be specified for that purpose in or by way of note to or in any document accompanying the notice convening the meeting (or, if no address is so specified, must be left at the Registered Office) within such time (not exceeding 48 hours) before the time appointed for the holding of the meeting or adjourned meeting or (in the case of a poll taken otherwise than at or on the same day as the meeting or adjourned meeting) for the taking of the poll at which it is to be used as may be specified in such notice, and in default shall not be treated as valid. The appointment shall, unless the contrary is stated thereon, be valid as well for any adjournment

of the meeting as for the meeting to which it relates. An appointment relating to more than one meeting (including any adjournment thereof) having once been so delivered for the purposes of any meeting shall not require again to be delivered for the purposes of any subsequent meeting to which it relates.

- 21.6 A proxy shall have the right to demand or join in demanding a poll and the right to speak at the meeting.
- 21.7 A Member may, by one or more instruments specifically identifying the number (and, if applicable, the class) of shares to which it relates and otherwise complying with these Articles, appoint different proxies in respect of different shares held by such Member and who shall each have the right to attend, speak and vote at the meeting for which he is appointed. Each such proxy shall take effect in accordance with these Articles only in respect of such specified number of shares held by such Member.
- 21.8 Unless the contrary is stated thereon the instrument appointing a proxy shall be as valid as well for any adjournment of the meeting as for the meeting to which it relates.
- 21.9 A vote given in accordance with the terms of an instrument of proxy shall be valid notwithstanding the previous death or insanity of the principal or revocation of the proxy or of the authority under which the proxy was executed provided that no intimation in writing of such death, insanity or revocation shall have been received by the Company at the Office before the commencement of the meeting or adjourned meeting or the taking of the poll at which the proxy is used.
- 21.10 The Directors may at the expense of the Company send by post or otherwise to the Members instruments of proxy (with or without provision for their return prepaid) for use at any general meeting or at any separate meeting of the holders of any class of shares of the Company either in blank or nominating in the alternative any one or more of the Directors or any other persons. If for the purpose of any meeting invitations to appoint as proxy a person or one or more of a number of persons specified in the invitations are issued at the Company's expense they shall be issued to all (and not to some only) of the Members entitled to be sent a notice of the meeting and to vote thereat by proxy.
- 21.11 Any body corporate which is a Member may by resolution of its directors or other governing body authorise such person as it thinks fit to act as its representative at any meeting of Members (or of any class of Members) and the person so authorised shall be entitled to exercise on behalf of the body corporate which he represents the same powers as that body corporate could exercise if it were an individual. The body corporate may, by one or more of such resolutions, specifically identifying the number (and, if applicable, the class) of shares to which it relates, appoint different persons in respect of different shares held by such body corporate. Each such resolution shall take effect in accordance with this Article only in respect of such specified number of shares held by such body corporate.
- 21.12 Where a person is authorised under this Article to represent a body corporate at a general meeting of the Company, the Directors or the chairman of the meeting may require him to produce a certified copy of the resolution from which he derives his authority.

## **22. Directors**

- 22.1 The Company may by ordinary resolution determine the maximum and minimum number of Directors and unless and until otherwise so determined ~~or (save where the Law otherwise provides) where only one Director is appointed by the majority of Members pursuant to Article 24,~~ the minimum number of Directors shall be ~~two~~three. The Company shall keep or cause to be kept at the Office a register of its Directors in the manner required by the Law.
- 22.2 ~~Save where the Law otherwise provides, the Company may determine by ordinary resolution that there shall be only one Director. Such resolution (a "Sole Directorship Resolution") shall cease to have effect upon the Company ceasing to be permitted by the Law to have only one~~

~~Director and shall not revive if the Company again becomes permitted by the Law to do so.~~  
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- 22.3 A Director need not be a Member but shall nevertheless be entitled to receive notice of and to attend and speak at any general meeting or at any separate meeting of the holders of any class of shares in the Company.
- 22.4 The ordinary remuneration of the Directors (other than any Director who for the time being holds an executive office with the Company or a subsidiary of the Company) shall from time to time be determined by the Directors except that such remuneration shall not exceed £200,000 annum in aggregate or such higher amount as may from time to time be determined by Ordinary Resolution of the Company and may be paid by way of cash, commission, shares or otherwise and shall (unless such resolution otherwise provides) be divisible among the Directors as they may agree, or, failing agreement, equally, except that any Director who shall hold office for part only of the period in respect of which such remuneration is payable shall be entitled only to rank in such division for a proportion of remuneration related to the period during which he has held office.
- 22.5 Any Director who holds any executive office with the Company or any subsidiary of the Company (including for this purpose the office of Chairman or Deputy Chairman whether or not such office is held in an executive capacity), or who serves on any committee of the Directors, or who otherwise performs services which in the opinion of the Directors are outside the scope of the ordinary duties of a Director, may be paid such extra remuneration by way of salary, commission or otherwise or may receive such other benefits as the Directors may determine.
- 22.6 The Directors may pay on behalf of, or repay to, any Director all such reasonable expenses as he may incur in attending and returning from meetings of the Directors or of any committee of the Directors or shareholders' meetings or otherwise in connection with the business of the Company.
- 22.7 The Directors shall have power to pay and agree to pay gratuities, pensions or other retirement, superannuation, death or disability benefits to (or to any person in respect of) any Director or ex-Director and for the purpose of providing any such gratuities, pensions or other benefits to contribute to any scheme or fund or to pay premiums.

### **23. Executive Directors**

- 23.1 The Directors may from time to time appoint one or more of their number to be the holder of any executive office on such terms and for such periods as they may determine. The appointment of any Director to any executive office shall be subject to termination if he ceases to be a Director, but without prejudice to any claim for damages for breach of any contract of service between him and the Company.
- 23.2 The Directors may entrust to and confer upon a Director holding any executive office any of the powers exercisable by the Directors, upon such terms and conditions and with such restrictions as they think fit, and either collaterally with or to the exclusion of their own powers and may from time to time revoke, withdraw, alter or vary all or any of such powers.

### **24. Appointment of Directors**

- 24.1 Subject to the provisions of Article 22.1, the Directors shall have power at any time and from time to time to appoint any person to be a Director, to fill a casual vacancy.
- 24.2 At any general meeting at which a Director retires or is removed from office the Company may elect a Director to fill the vacancy, unless the Company determines to reduce the number of Directors in office.
- 24.3 If the Company in general meeting determines to increase the number of Directors in office the Company shall elect additional Directors.

- 24.4 Seven clear days' notice shall be given to the Company of the intention of any Member to propose any person for election to the office of Director provided always that, if the Members present in person at a general meeting unanimously consent, the chairman of such meeting may waive the said notice and submit to the meeting the name of any person duly qualified and willing to act.

## **25. Resignation, Disqualification and Removal of Directors**

- 25.1 The office of a Director shall be vacated:

- (a) if he resigns his office by notice in writing to the Company; or
- (b) if he ceases to be a Director by virtue of any provision of the Law or becomes prohibited or disqualified by law from being a Director; or
- (c) if he becomes bankrupt or makes any arrangement or composition with his creditors generally; or
- (d) in the circumstances contemplated by Article 26.

Unless specified otherwise in the instrument or resolution of appointment, a Director shall hold office until he resigns or is disqualified in accordance with Article 25.1.

## **26. Retirement of Directors by Rotation**

- 26.1 At the first annual general meeting after the date of adoption of these Articles and at every subsequent annual general meeting, one-third of the Directors shall retire from office or, if their number is not three or a multiple of three, the number nearest to one-third shall retire from office; but:

- (a) if any Director has at the start of the annual general meeting been in office for more than three years since his last appointment or reappointment, he shall retire; and
- (b) if there is only one Director who is subject to retirement by rotation, he shall retire.

- 26.2 Subject to the Law and these Articles, the Directors to retire by rotation shall be those who have been longest in office since their last appointment or re-appointment. As between persons who became or were last re-appointed Directors on the same day those to retire shall (unless they otherwise agree among themselves) be determined by lot. The Directors to retire on each occasion (both as to number and identity) shall be determined by the composition of the Board at the date of the notice convening the annual general meeting. No Director shall be required to retire or be relieved from retiring or be retired by reason of any change in the number or identity of the Directors after the date of the notice but before the close of the meeting.

- 26.3 If the Company does not fill the vacancy at the meeting at which a Director retires by rotation or otherwise, the retiring Director shall, if willing to act, be deemed to have been re-appointed unless at the meeting it is resolved not to fill the vacancy or unless a resolution for the re-appointment of the Director is put to the meeting and lost.

- 26.4 No person other than a Director retiring by rotation shall be appointed a Director at any general meeting unless:

- (a) he is recommended by the Board; or
- (b) not less than seven nor more than 42 days before the date appointed for the meeting, notice executed by a Member qualified to vote at the meeting (not being the person to be proposed) has been given to the Company of the intention to propose that person for appointment stating the particulars which would, if he were so appointed, be

required to be included in the Company's register of directors, together with notice executed by that person of his willingness to be appointed.

- 26.5 Except as otherwise authorised by the Law, the appointment of any person proposed as a Director shall be effected by a separate Ordinary Resolution.
- 26.6 Subject as aforesaid, the Company may by resolution appoint a person who is willing to act to be a Director either to fill a vacancy or as an additional Director and may also determine the rotation in which any additional Directors are to retire. The appointment of a person to fill a vacancy or as an additional Director shall take effect from the end of the meeting.
- 26.7 The Board may appoint a person who is willing to act to be a Director, either to fill a vacancy or as an additional Director and in either case whether or not for a fixed term, provided that the appointment does not cause the number of Directors to exceed the number, if any, fixed by or in accordance with these Articles as the maximum number of Directors. Irrespective of the terms of his appointment, a director so appointed shall hold office only until the next following annual general meeting and shall not be taken into account in determining the Directors who are to retire by rotation at the meeting. If not re-appointed at such annual general meeting, he shall vacate office at its conclusion.
- 26.8 A Director who retires at an annual general meeting may, if willing to act, be re-appointed. If he is not re-appointed, he shall retain office until the meeting appoints someone in his place, or if it does not do so, until the end of the meeting.
- 26.9 No person shall be disqualified from being appointed or re-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 nor shall it be necessary by reason of his age to give special notice under the Laws of any resolution. Where the Board convenes any general meeting of the Company at which (to the knowledge of the board) a Director will be proposed for appointment or re-appointment who at the date for which the meeting is convened will have attained the age of 70 or more, the board shall give notice of his age in years in the notice convening the meeting or in any document accompanying the notice, but the accidental omission to do so shall not invalidate any proceedings, or any appointment or reappointment of that Director, at that meeting.
- 26.10 A Director shall not be required to hold any shares in the capital of the Company by way of qualification.

## **27. Powers of Directors**

- 27.1 The business of the Company shall be managed by the Directors who may exercise all such powers of the Company as are not by the Law or these Articles required to be exercised by the Company in general meeting, and the power and authority to represent the Company in all transactions relating to real and personal property and all other legal or judicial transactions, acts and matters and before all courts of law shall be vested in the Directors. ~~At any time that a Sole Directorship Resolution is in effect, the business of the Company shall be managed by the sole Director.~~ The Directors' powers shall be subject to any regulations of these Articles, to the provisions of the Law and to such regulations, being not inconsistent with the aforesaid regulations or provisions, as may be prescribed by the Company in general meeting, but no regulations made by the Company in general meeting shall invalidate any prior act of the Directors which would have been valid if such regulations had not been made.
- 27.2 The Directors may, by power of attorney, mandate or otherwise, appoint any person to be the agent of the Company for such purposes and on such conditions as they determine, including authority for the agent to delegate all or any of his powers.

## **28. Transactions with Directors**

28.1 A Director may hold any other office or place of profit under the Company (other than the office of auditor) in conjunction with his office of Director and may act in a professional capacity to the Company on such terms as to tenure of office, remuneration and otherwise as the Directors may determine.

28.2 (a) Subject to the requirements of the Law and (subject to the ordinary shares being admitted to trading on AIM) rule 13 of the AIM Listing Rules, a Director may be or become a director or other officer of or otherwise interested in any company promoted by the Company or in which the Company may be interested as Member or otherwise and no such Director shall be accountable to the Company for any remuneration or other benefits received by him as a director or officer of or from his interests in such other company unless the Company otherwise directs.

(b) No Director shall be disqualified by his office from contracting with the Company either as vendor purchaser or otherwise nor, subject to the provisions of the Law and Article 28.2(c) hereof, shall any such contract or any contract or arrangement entered into by or on behalf of the Company in which any Director shall be in any way interested be avoided or liable to be set aside.

(c) A Director who has directly or indirectly an interest in a transaction entered into or proposed to be entered into by the Company or by a subsidiary of the Company which to a material extent conflicts or may conflict with the interests of the Company or which would be (subject to the shares being admitted to trading on AIM) a Related Party Transaction (being a transaction to which rule 13 of the AIM Listing Rules applies) and of which he has actual knowledge shall disclose to the Company:

(i) at the first meeting of the Directors at which the transaction is considered after the Director concerned becomes aware of the circumstances giving rise to his duty to make it; or

(ii) if for any reason the Director fails to comply with Article 28.2(c)(i) above, as soon as practical after that meeting, by notice in writing delivered to the Secretary,

the nature and extent of his interest and in the case of a Related Party Transaction the information required by rule 13 of the AIM Listing Rules. Subject thereto any such Director shall not be liable to account to the Company for any profit or gain realised by him on such transaction.

(d) Unless the transaction is a Related Party Transaction in which case (subject to the shares being admitted to trading on AIM) the provisions of rule 13 of the AIM Listing Rules shall apply, a notice in writing given to the Company by a Director that he is to be regarded as interested in a transaction with a specified person is sufficient disclosure of his interest in any such transaction entered into after the notice is given.

(e) Provided he makes disclosure as required by Article 28.2(c) and subject to the terms of Articles 28.2(f) hereof and (subject to the shares being admitted to trading on AIM) rule 13 of the AIM Listing Rules, a Director may vote in respect of any such Related Party Transaction and if he does so vote his vote shall be counted and he shall be capable of being counted towards the quorum at any meeting of the Directors at which any such transaction shall come before the Directors for consideration.

(f) Save as herein provided and without prejudice to rule 13 of the AIM Listing Rules (subject to the ordinary shares being admitted to trading on AIM), a Director shall not vote at a meeting of the Directors in respect of any contract or arrangement or any other proposal whatsoever in which he has an interest which (together with any interest of any person connected with him) is to his knowledge a material interest otherwise than by virtue of his interests in shares or debentures or other securities of,

or otherwise in or through, the Company. A Director shall not be counted in the quorum present at a meeting in relation to any resolution on which he is not entitled to vote.

- (g) A Director shall (in the absence of some material interest other than as indicated below) be entitled to vote (and be counted in the quorum) at a meeting of the Directors in respect of any resolution concerning any of the following matters, namely:-
- (i) relating to the giving of any security, guarantee or indemnity in respect of money lent or obligations incurred by him or by any other person at the request of, or for the benefit of, the Company or any of its subsidiary undertakings;
  - (ii) relating to the giving of any security, guarantee or indemnity in respect of a debt or obligation of the Company or any of its subsidiary undertakings for which he himself has assumed responsibility in whole or in part under a guarantee or indemnity or by the giving of security;
  - (iii) relating to any contract, arrangement or other proposal concerning an offer of shares, debentures or other security of or by the Company or any of its subsidiary undertakings in which offer he is, or may be, entitled to participate as a holder of securities or interested as a participant in the underwriting or sub-underwriting thereof;
  - (iv) relating to any contract, arrangement or other proposal concerning another company in which he and any persons connected with him do not to his knowledge hold an interest in shares representing one per cent. or more of either any class of the equity share capital or the voting rights in such company;
  - (v) relating to any contract, arrangement or other proposal concerning an arrangement for the benefit of the employees of the Company or any of its subsidiary undertakings which does not award him any privilege or benefit not awarded to the employees to whom such arrangement relates; or
  - (vi) concerning any contract, arrangement or other proposal concerning insurance which the Company proposes to maintain or purchase for the benefit of any Directors or for the benefit of persons including Directors.
- (h) Subject to the provisions of the Law, any Director may act by himself or his firm in a professional capacity for the Company and he or his firm shall be entitled to remuneration for professional services as if he were not a Director.
- (i) Where proposals are under consideration concerning the appointment (including fixing or varying the terms of appointment) of two or more Directors to offices or employments with the Company or any body corporate in which the Company is interested, such proposals may be divided and considered in relation to each Director separately, and in such case each of the Directors concerned (if not debarred from voting under Article 28.2(f)) shall be entitled to vote (and be counted in the quorum) in respect of each resolution that does not concern his own appointment.
- (j) For the purposes of this Article an interest of a person who is, for the purposes of the Law, connected with a Director shall be treated as an interest of the Director.
- (k) If any question arises at any meeting as to the materiality of a Director's interest (other than the chairman's interest) or as to the entitlement of any Director (other than the chairman) to vote or be counted in the quorum, and such question is not resolved by his voluntarily agreeing to abstain from voting or from being counted in the quorum, such question shall be referred to the chairman of the meeting and his ruling in relation

to any such Director shall be final and conclusive except in a case where the nature or extent of the interests of the Director concerned has not been fairly disclosed.

- (l) If any question arises at any meeting as to the materiality of the chairman's interest or as to the entitlement of the chairman to vote or be counted in a quorum, and such question is not resolved by his voluntarily agreeing to abstain from voting or from being counted in the quorum, such question shall be decided by resolution of the Directors or committee members present at the meeting (excluding the chairman) whose majority vote shall be final and conclusive except in a case where the nature or extent of the interests of the chairman has not been fairly disclosed.

28.3 Where disclosure of an interest is made to the Secretary in accordance with this Article, the Secretary shall inform the Directors that it has been made and table the notice of the disclosure at the next meeting of the Directors. Any disclosure at a meeting of the Directors shall be recorded in the minutes of the meeting.

## **29. Proceedings of Directors**

29.1 The Directors may meet together for the despatch of business, adjourn and otherwise regulate their meetings as they think fit. Questions arising at any meeting shall be determined by a majority of votes. In case of an equality of votes the chairman shall have a second or casting vote. A Director may, and the Secretary on the requisition of a Director shall, at any time, summon a meeting of the Directors by giving to each Director not less than twenty-four hours' notice of the meeting provided that any meeting may be convened at shorter notice and in such manner as each Director shall approve provided further that unless otherwise resolved by the Directors notices of Directors' meetings need not be in writing.

29.2 A meeting of the Directors at which a quorum is present shall be competent to exercise all powers and discretions for the time being exercisable by the Directors. The quorum necessary for the transaction of the business of the Directors may be fixed by the Directors, and unless so fixed at any other number shall be two. ~~At any time that a Sole Directorship Resolution is in effect, such quorum shall be one.~~

29.3 A Director, notwithstanding his interest, may be counted in the quorum present at any meeting at which he is appointed to hold any office or place of profit under the Company, or at which the terms of his appointment are arranged, but he may not vote on his own appointment or the terms thereof.

29.4 A Director, notwithstanding his interest, may be counted in the quorum present at any meeting at which any contract or arrangement in which he is interested is considered and, subject to the provisions of Article 28.2, he may vote in respect of any such contract or arrangement.

29.5 The continuing Directors may act notwithstanding any vacancies in their number, but, if the number of Directors is less than the number fixed as the quorum, or less than the minimum number set pursuant to Article 22.1, the continuing Directors or Director may act only for the purpose of filling vacancies or of calling a general meeting of the Company. ~~This Article shall not apply at any time that a Sole Directorship Resolution is in effect.~~

29.6 If there are no Directors or no Director is able or willing to act, then any Member or the Secretary may summon a general meeting for the purpose of appointing Directors.

29.7 The Directors may from time to time elect from their number, and remove, a chairman and/or deputy chairman and/or vice-chairman and determine the period for which they are to hold office. The chairman, or in his absence the deputy chairman, or in his absence, the vice-chairman, shall preside at all meetings of the Directors, but if no such chairman, deputy chairman or vice-chairman be elected, or if at any meeting the chairman, the deputy chairman and vice-chairman be not present within five minutes after the time appointed for

holding the same, the Directors present may choose one of their number to be the chairman of the meeting.

- 29.8 The Directors may delegate any of their powers to committees consisting of such Directors or Director or such other persons as they think fit. Any committee so formed shall in the exercise of the powers so delegated conform to any regulations that may be imposed on it by the Directors. The meetings and proceedings of any such committee consisting of two or more persons shall be governed by the provisions of these Articles regulating the meetings and proceedings of the Directors, so far as the same are applicable and are not superseded by any regulations made by the Directors under this Article.
- 29.9 If a Director is by any means in communication with one or more other Directors so that each Director participating in the communication can hear what is said by any other of them, each Director so participating in the communication is deemed to be present at a meeting with the other Directors so participating, notwithstanding that all the Directors so participating are not present together in the same place. The place of any such meeting shall be recorded as the place at which the chairman is present, unless the Directors otherwise determine.
- 29.10 All acts done bona fide by any meeting of Directors or of a committee appointed by the Directors or by any person acting as a Director shall, notwithstanding that it is afterwards discovered that there was some defect in the appointment of any such Director or committee or person acting as aforesaid, or that they or any of them were disqualified or had vacated office or were not entitled to vote, be as valid as if every such person had been duly appointed and was qualified and had continued to be a Director or a member of a committee appointed by the Directors and had been entitled to vote.

### **30. Directors' Resolutions in Writing**

A resolution in writing of which notice has been given to all of the Directors or to all of the members of a committee appointed pursuant to Article 29.8 (as the case may be), if signed by ~~a majority~~all of the Directors or of the members of such committee (as the case may be), shall be valid and effectual as if it had been passed at a meeting of the Directors or of the relevant committee duly convened and held and may consist of two or more documents in like form each signed by one or more of the Directors or members of the relevant committee.

### **31. Borrowing Powers**

- 31.1 The Directors may exercise all the powers of the Company to borrow money, and to mortgage or charge all or any part of its undertaking, property and assets (both present and future), including its uncalled capital and, subject to the Law, to issue debentures and other securities, whether outright or as collateral security, for any debt, liability or obligation of the Company or of any third party.
- 31.2 The Board must restrict the borrowings of the Company and exercise all voting and other rights or powers of control exercisable by the Company in relation to its subsidiaries (if any) so as to secure (but as regards subsidiaries only in so far as, by the exercise of the rights or powers of control, the Board can secure) that the aggregate principal amount outstanding of all borrowings by the Group (exclusive of borrowings owing by one member of the Group to another member) does not, without the previous sanction of a resolution of the Company, exceed £50,000,000.
- 31.3 For this purpose:
- (a) "borrowings" include the following except in so far as otherwise taken into account:
    - (i) the nominal amount of any issued share capital and the principal amount of any debentures or borrowed monies of any person, the beneficial interest in which is not owned by a member of the Group and the payment or repayment of which is the subject of a guarantee or indemnity by a member of the Group, but

excluding acceptances of trade bills for the purchase of goods in the ordinary course of business;

- (ii) the outstanding amount raised by acceptances by a bank or accepting house under an acceptance credit opened on behalf of and in favour of a member of the Group, excluding acceptances of trade bills for the purchase of goods in the ordinary course of business;
- (iii) the principal amount of any debenture of a member of the Group owned otherwise than by another member of the Group;
- (iv) the principal amount of any preference share capital of a subsidiary owned otherwise than by a member of the Group; and
- (v) any premium payable on repayment on any borrowing or deemed borrowing; but does not include:
- (vi) borrowings for the purposes of repaying the whole or any part of borrowings by a member of the Group within six months of being borrowed, pending their application for that purpose within that period; and
- (vii) when the aggregate principal amount of borrowings to be taken into account for the purposes of this Article on any particular date is being ascertained:
- (viii) monies denominated or repayable in a currency other than sterling shall be converted for the purpose of calculating the sterling equivalent at the rate of exchange prevailing on that date in London or, if the amount of borrowings would as a result be less, at the rate of exchange prevailing in London six months before that date. For this purpose the rate of exchange shall be taken as the middle market rate as at the close of business; and
- (ix) Where under the terms of borrowing the amount of money that would be required to discharge the principal amount in full if it fell to be repaid (at the option of the Company or by reason of default) on that date is less than the amount that would otherwise be taken into account in respect of that borrowing for the purpose of this Article, the amount of the borrowing shall be taken to be the lesser amount; and

(b) the "Group" means the Company and its subsidiaries (if any).

31.4 Notwithstanding the foregoing, no lender or other person dealing with the Company shall be concerned to see or enquire whether the limit imposed by this Article is observed. No borrowing incurred or security given in excess of the limit shall be invalid or ineffectual, except in the case of express notice to the lender or the recipient of the security given that the limit had been or would be exceeded.

## **32. Minute Book**

The Directors shall cause all resolutions in writing passed in accordance with Articles 20.1 and 30 and minutes of proceedings at all general meetings of the Company or of the holders of any class of the Company's shares and of the Directors and of committees appointed by the Directors to be entered in books kept for the purpose. Any minutes of a meeting, if purporting to be signed by the chairman of the meeting or by the chairman of the next succeeding meeting, shall be evidence of the proceedings.

## **33. Secretary**

The Secretary shall be appointed by the Directors and any secretary so appointed may be removed by the Directors. Anything required or authorised to be done by or to the Secretary may, if the office is vacant or there is for any other reason no secretary capable of acting, be

done by or to any assistant or deputy secretary or if there is no assistant or deputy secretary capable of acting, by or to any officer of the Company authorised generally or specially in that behalf by the Directors provided that any provisions of these Articles requiring or authorising a thing to be done by or to a Director and the Secretary shall not be satisfied by its being done by or to the same person acting both as Director and as, or in place of, the Secretary. The Company shall keep or cause to be kept at the Office a register of particulars with regard to its Secretary in the manner required by the Law.

#### **34. Execution of Instruments, Seals and Authentication of Documents**

- 34.1 The Company may have a common seal and may, in accordance with the Law, have an official seal for use outside of the Island and an official seal for sealing securities issued by the Company or for sealing documents creating or evidencing securities so issued. The Directors shall provide for the safe custody of all seals. No seal of the Company shall be used except by the authority of a resolution of the Directors or of a committee of the Directors authorised in that behalf by the Directors.
- 34.2 The Directors may, by resolution, authorise a person or persons to witness the affixing of the Company's common seal to any Written Instrument to which the Company is a party. In the absence of an express authorisation, either generally or with respect to a specific Written Instrument, any two Directors or a Director and the Secretary, are authorised to witness the affixing of the Company's common seal to any Written Instrument to which the affixing of the common seal has been approved by the Directors.
- 34.3 Written Instruments to which the Company's common seal is not to be affixed may be signed on behalf of the Company by such person or persons as the Directors may from time to time by resolution authorise. In the absence of an express authorisation, either generally or with respect to a specific Written Instrument, any one Director is authorised to sign any Written Instrument on behalf of the Company.
- 34.4 Any Director and the Secretary (acting together) or any person appointed by the Directors for the purpose shall have power to authenticate any documents affecting the constitution of the Company (including the Memorandum of Association and these Articles) and any resolutions passed by the Company or the Directors and any books, records, documents and accounts relating to the business of the Company, and to certify copies thereof or extracts therefrom as true copies or extracts; and where books, records, documents or accounts are elsewhere than at the Office, the local manager or other officer of the company having the custody thereof shall be deemed to be a person appointed by the Directors as aforesaid.

#### **35. Dividends**

- 35.1 Subject to the provisions of the Law, the Company may by resolution declare dividends in accordance with the respective rights of the Members, but no dividend shall exceed the amount recommended by the Directors.
- 35.2 Subject to any particular rights or limitations as to dividend for the time being attached to any shares, as may be specified in these Articles or upon which such shares may be issued, all dividends shall be declared, apportioned and paid in proportion to the number of shares held by the relevant Member during any portion or portions of the period in respect of which the dividend is paid.
- 35.3 Subject to the provisions of the Law, the Directors may, if they think fit, from time to time pay to the Members such interim dividends as appear to the Directors to be justified.
- 35.4 If at any time the share capital of the Company is divided into different classes, the Directors may pay interim dividends in respect of those shares in the capital of the Company which confer on the holders thereof deferred or non-preferred rights, as well as in respect of those shares which confer on the holders thereof preferential rights with regard to dividend. The Directors may also pay half-yearly, or at other intervals as appear to the Directors to be justified, any dividend which may be payable at a fixed rate if they are of the opinion that the

profits of the Company justify the payment. Provided the Directors act bona fide they shall not incur any personal liability to the holders of shares conferring a preference for any damage that they may suffer by reason of the payment of an interim dividend on any shares having deferred or non-preferred rights.

- 35.5 Any resolution for the declaration or payment of a dividend on shares of any class, whether a resolution of the Company in General Meeting or a resolution of the Directors, may specify that the same shall be payable to the persons registered as the holders of such shares at the close of business on a particular date, subject to Article 35.2, notwithstanding that it may be a date prior to that on which the resolution is passed, and thereupon the dividend shall be payable to them in accordance with their respective holdings so registered, but without prejudice to the rights *inter se* in respect of such dividend of transferors and transferees of any such shares.
- 35.6 All unclaimed dividends may be invested or otherwise made use of by the Directors for the benefit of the Company until claimed. No dividend shall bear interest as against the Company.
- 35.7 Any dividend which has remained unclaimed for a period of ten years from the date of declaration thereof shall, if the Directors so resolve, be forfeited and cease to remain owing by the Company and shall thenceforth belong to the Company absolutely.
- 35.8 Any dividend or other moneys payable on or in respect of a share shall be paid to the Member, to trustees upon such trusts for the members as the Directors may think fit, or to such other person as the Member (or, in the case of joint holders of a share, all of them) may in writing direct. Such dividend or other moneys may be paid:
- (a) by cheque sent by post to the payee or, where there is more than one payee, to any one of them; or
  - (b) by inter-bank transfer to such account as the payee or payees shall in writing direct; or
  - (c) (if so authorised by the holder of shares in uncertificated form) using the facilities of a relevant system (subject to the facilities and requirements of the relevant system); or
  - (d) by such other method of payment as the member (or, in the case of joint holders of a share, all of them) may agree to.

Every such cheque shall be sent at the risk of the person or persons entitled to the money represented thereby, and payment of a cheque by the banker upon whom it is drawn, and any transfer or payment within (b), (c) or (d) above, shall be a good discharge to the Company.

- 35.9 Subject to the provisions of these Articles and to the rights attaching to any shares, any dividend or other moneys payable on or in respect of a share may be paid in such currency or currencies as the Directors may determine, using such exchange rate for currency conversions as the Directors may select provided that holders of ordinary shares shall be entitled to be paid dividends in sterling. The Directors may in their discretion make provisions to enable a member to elect to receive dividends in such currencies as the Directors may determine.
- 35.10 The Company may cease to send any cheque, warrant or order by post for any dividend on any shares which is normally paid in that manner if in respect of at least four consecutive dividends payable on those shares the cheque, warrant or order has been returned undelivered or remains uncashed or following three such occasions reasonable enquiries have failed to establish any new address of the registered holder but, subject to the provisions of these Articles, shall recommence sending cheques, warrants or orders in respect of the dividends payable on those shares if the holder or person entitled by

transmission claims the arrears of dividend and does not instruct the Company to pay future dividends in some other way.

- 35.11 A general meeting declaring a dividend may, upon the recommendation of the Directors, direct payment of such dividend wholly or in part by the distribution of specific assets, and in particular of paid up shares or debentures of any other company, and the Directors shall give effect to such resolution; and where any difficulty arises in regard to the distribution they may settle the same as they think expedient, and in particular may issue certificates representing part of a shareholding or fractions of shares, and may fix the value for distribution of such specific assets or any part thereof, and may determine that cash payment shall be made to any Members upon the footing of the value so fixed, in order to adjust the rights of Members, and may vest any specific assets in trustees upon trust for the persons entitled to the dividend as may seem expedient to the Directors, and generally may make such arrangements for the allotment, acceptance and sale of such specific assets or certificates representing part of a shareholding or fractions of shares, or any part thereof, and otherwise as they think fit.
- 35.12 Any resolution declaring a dividend on the shares of any class, whether a resolution of the Company in general meeting or a resolution of the Directors, or any resolution of the Directors for the payment of a fixed dividend on a date prescribed for the payment thereof, may specify that the same shall be payable to the persons registered as the holders of shares of the class concerned at the close of business on a particular date, notwithstanding that it may be a date prior to that on which the resolution is passed (or, as the case may be, that prescribed for payment of a fixed dividend), and thereupon the dividend shall be payable to them in accordance with their respective holdings so registered, but without prejudice to the rights inter se in respect of such dividend of transferors and transferees of any shares of the relevant class.

### **36. Reserve Fund**

Before the declaration of a dividend the Directors may set aside any part of the net profits of the Company to create a reserve fund, and may apply the same either by employing it in the business of the Company or by investing it in such a manner (not being the purchase of or by way of loan upon the shares of the Company) as they think fit. Such reserve fund may be applied for the purpose of maintaining the property of the Company, replacing wasting assets, meeting contingencies, forming an insurance fund, or equalising dividends or special dividends, or for any other purpose for which the net profits of the Company may lawfully be used, and until the same shall be applied it shall remain undivided profits. The Directors may also carry forward to the accounts of the succeeding year or years any balance of profit which they do not think fit either to divide or to place to reserve.

### **37. Capitalisation**

- 37.1 The Company may by Special Resolution, upon the recommendation of the Directors, resolve that it is desirable to capitalise an amount to the Members, by means of a transfer to the stated capital account maintained in accordance with the Law for any class of issued shares of the Company of the amount resolved to be capitalised from a profit and loss account or from any capital or revenue reserve, and accordingly that the Directors be authorised and directed to appropriate the amount resolved to be capitalised to the Members in the proportion in which such amount would have been divisible amongst them had the same been applicable and had been applied in paying dividends, and to apply such amount on their behalf in paying up in full any unissued shares or debentures of the Company, such shares or debentures to be allotted and distributed, credited as fully paid up, to and amongst such Members in the proportions aforesaid, provided that any unrealised profits may not be applied in the paying up of any debentures of the Company.
- 37.2 Whenever such a resolution as aforesaid shall have been passed, the Directors shall make all appropriations and applications of the amount resolved to be capitalised thereby, and all allotments and issues of fully paid shares or debentures, if any, and generally shall do all acts and things required to give effect thereto, with full power to the Directors to make such

provision by the issue of certificates representing part of a shareholding or fractions of shares or by payments in cash or otherwise as they think fit in the case of shares or debentures becoming distributable in fractions, and also to authorise any person to enter on behalf of all the Members entitled to the benefit of such appropriations and applications into an agreement with the Company providing for the allotment to them respectively, credited as fully paid up, of any further shares or debentures to which they may be entitled upon such capitalisation, and any agreement made under such authority shall be effective and binding on all such Members.

### **38. Accounts and Audit**

- 38.1 The accounting records shall be kept at the Office or at such other place or places as the Directors think fit and shall always be open to the inspection of the Directors the Secretary and any liquidator of the Company provided that if such records are kept outside Jersey the returns with respect to the business dealt with in such records shall be sent to and kept in Jersey where they must at all times be open to the inspection of the Directors the Secretary and any liquidator of the Company and must be such as to disclose with reasonable accuracy the financial position of the business in question at such intervals as shall be required by the Law and, from the time of admission of the shares to trading on AIM (if such period shall be longer than that prescribed by Law), as may be required by the AIM Listing Rules from time to time and enable the Directors to ensure that any accounts prepared by the Company comply with the requirements of the Law and with the requirements of the AIM Listing Rules. Subject to the provisions of the Law or any other law, such accounting records shall be preserved for a period of at least ten years from the date on which they are made.
- 38.2 Auditors shall be appointed for the Company under the provisions of the Law to examine and report in accordance with the Law and the AIM Listing Rules on the accounts of the Company. Subject to the provisions of the Law and the AIM Listing Rules, all acts done by any persons acting as Auditors shall, as regards all persons dealing in good faith with the Company, be valid, notwithstanding that there was some defect in their appointment or that they were at the time of their appointment not qualified for appointment or subsequently became disqualified. The Directors shall determine the powers and duties of the auditors and the scope of the auditors' report on the accounts of the Company and the re-appointment removal and replacement of the auditors, subject to the Law, other applicable laws and the AIM Listing Rules.
- 38.3 Within six months of the end of each financial period a copy of every balance sheet, profit and loss account and cash flow statement prepared in accordance with the requirements of AIM, and a copy of every Directors' and auditors' report on the same, shall be laid before a general meeting of the Company (including every document required by Law to be comprised therein or attached or annexed thereto). All such other accounts and reports, as may be required by Law or the AIM Listing Rules, shall be prepared by the Company or, where applicable, the auditor at the direction of the Company. Within six months after the end of each financial period, the Directors shall deliver to the registrar one copy and (subject to the shares being admitted to trading on AIM) to the London Stock Exchange three copies of the applicable accounts for that period signed by such of the Directors as may be required on behalf of them all and a copy of the auditor's report thereon.
- 38.4 The Directors shall determine and may vary the accounting reference date for the Company by resolution of the Directors. The first accounting reference period shall end no more than eighteen months after incorporation. The Company shall comply with rule 15 (notification of any change of accountants reference date) of the AIM Listing Rules. Thereafter the Directors shall cause to be prepared annual accounts for the Company for periods of not more than twelve months.
- 38.5 The provisions of this Article 38 which require compliance with the AIM Listing Rules shall only apply from the date of admission of the shares to trading on AIM.

### **39. Notices**

- 39.1 Any notice to be given to or by any person pursuant to these Articles shall be in writing, save as provided in Article 29.1. In the case of joint holders of a share, all notices shall be given to that one of the joint holders whose name stands first in the Register in respect of the joint holding and notice so given shall be sufficient notice to all the joint holders.
- 39.2 Any notice may be posted to or left at the registered address of any person, and any notice so posted shall be deemed to be served three clear days after the day it was posted and in proving service by post, it shall be sufficient to prove that such notice was properly addressed, stamped and posted.
- 39.3 Any Member present in person at any meeting of the Company shall, for all purposes, be deemed to have received due notice of such meeting and, where requisite, of the purposes for which such meeting was convened.
- 39.4 Any notice or document served on a Member shall, notwithstanding that such Member be then dead or bankrupt and whether or not the Company has notice of his death or bankruptcy, be deemed to have been duly served on such Member as sole or joint holder, unless his name shall at the time of the service of the notice or document have been removed from the Register, and such service shall for all purposes be deemed a sufficient service of such notice or document on all persons interested (whether jointly with or as claiming through or under him) in the shares of such Member.
- 39.5 Notwithstanding any of the provisions of these Articles, any notice to be given by the Company to a Director or to a Member may be given in any manner agreed in advance by any such Director or Member.
- 39.6 The accidental failure to send, or the non-receipt by any person entitled to, any notice of or other document relating to any meeting or other proceeding shall not invalidate the relevant meeting or other proceeding.
- 39.7 Any notice in writing given to that one of the joint holders of a share whose name stands first in the Register in respect of the share shall be sufficient notice to all the joint holders in their capacity as such.
- 39.8 If at any time by reason of the suspension or curtailment of postal services the Company is unable effectively to convene a shareholders' meeting by notices sent through the post, such meeting may be convened by a notice advertised in at least one UK national newspaper and such notice shall be deemed to have been duly served on all members entitled thereto on the day when the advertisement appears (or first appears).

### **40. Signature of documents**

Where under these Articles a document requires to be signed by a member or other person then, if in the form of an electronic communication, to be valid it must incorporate the electronic signature or personal identification details (which may be details previously allocated by the Company) of that member or other person, in such form as the Directors may approve, or be accompanied by such other evidence as the Directors may require to satisfy themselves that the document is genuine. The Company may designate mechanisms for validating any such document, and any such document not so validated by use of such mechanisms shall be deemed not to have been received by the Company.

### **41. Electronic communication**

- 41.1 Any Member may notify the Company of an address for the purpose of his receiving electronic communications from the Company, and having done so shall be deemed to have agreed to receive notices and other documents from the Company by electronic communication of the kind to which the address relates. In addition, if a member notifies the Company of his e-mail

address, the Company may satisfy its obligation to send him any notice or other document by:

- (a) publishing such notice or document on a web site; and
- (b) notifying him by e-mail to that e-mail address that such notice or document has been so published, specifying the address of the web site on which it has been published, the place on the web site where it may be accessed, how it may be accessed and (if it is a notice relating to a shareholders' meeting) stating: (i) that the notice concerns a notice of a company meeting served in accordance with the Law; (ii) the place, date and time of the meeting; (iii) whether the meeting is to be an annual or Extraordinary General Meeting; and (iv) such other information as the Law or the Order may prescribe.

41.2 Any amendment or revocation of a notification given to the Company under this Article 41 shall only take effect if in writing, signed by the member and on actual receipt by the Company thereof.

41.3 An electronic communication shall not be treated as received by the Company if it is rejected by computer virus protection arrangements.

41.4 Nothing in any of Articles 41.1 to 41.3 shall affect any requirement of the Law or the Order that any particular offer, notice or other document be served in any particular manner.

## **42. Winding Up**

42.1 Subject to any particular rights or limitations for the time being attached to any shares, as may be specified in these Articles or upon which such shares may be issued, if the Company is wound up, the assets available for distribution among the Members shall be applied in proportion to the number of shares held by the relevant Member.

42.2 If the Company is wound up, the Company may, with the sanction of a Special Resolution and any other sanction required by the Law, divide the whole or any part of the assets of the Company among the Members in specie and the liquidator or, where there is no liquidator, the Directors, may, for that purpose, value any assets and determine how the division shall be carried out as between the Members or different classes of Members, and with the like sanction, vest the whole or any part of the assets in trustees upon such trusts for the benefit of the Members as he with the like sanction determines, but no Member shall be compelled to accept any assets upon which there is a liability.

## **43. Indemnity**

43.1 In so far as the Law allows, every present or former officer of the Company shall be indemnified out of the assets of the Company against any loss or liability incurred by him by reason of being or having been such an officer.

43.2 In so far as the Law allows, the Directors and officers of the Company may purchase and maintain insurance at the expense of the Company for the benefit of any Director and officer against any liability which may attach to him or loss or expenditure which he may incur in relation to anything done or omitted to be done or alleged to have been done or omitted to be done as a director or officer of the Company.

## **44. Non-Application of Standard Table**

The regulations constituting the Standard Table in the Companies (Standard Table) (Jersey) Order 1992 shall not apply to the Company.

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