

## HSL - STANDARD LICENCE AGREEMENT

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- B Example Ltd a company registered in England under number 12345678, whose registered office is at Sample Street, London (the "**Licensee**")

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### 3 LICENCE FEES

3.1 The Licensee will pay the Licence Fee to STFC in accordance with the provisions of this clause.

3.2 STFC will issue its invoice to the Licensee within 21 days of the date of this Licence Agreement.

3.3 The Licensee will settle STFC's invoice within 30 days of the date of such invoice.

- 3.4 If the Licensee fails to pay the amount by the due date for payment, the Licensee will, without prejudice to any other right or remedy available to STFC, pay interest on that amount and the costs of recovery in accordance with the Late Payment of Commercial Debts (Interest) Act 1998.
- 3.5 The Licence Fee is exclusive of VAT. The Licensee will pay VAT, if applicable, in addition to the Licence Fee.
- 3.6 No refund of the Licence Fee will be made on the termination of this Licence Agreement.

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## **7 TERMINATION**

- 7.1 Either Party may terminate this Licence Agreement with immediate effect by giving notice to the other Party if:
- 7.1.1 the other Party is in breach of any provision of this Licence Agreement and (if it is capable of remedy) the breach has not been remedied within 30 days after receipt of written notice specifying the breach and requiring its remedy; or
  - 7.1.2 the other Party becomes insolvent, or if an order is made or a resolution is passed for its winding up (except voluntarily for the purpose of solvent amalgamation or reconstruction), or if an administrator, administrative receiver or receiver is appointed over the whole or any part of the other Party's assets, or if the other Party makes any arrangement with its creditors.
- 7.2 The Licensee's right to use the Software will cease immediately on the termination of this Licence Agreement.
- 7.3 Immediately upon the termination of the Licence Agreement the Licensee shall destroy the Software and all copies of the whole or any part thereof and certify in writing to STFC that they have been destroyed.
- 7.4 Any termination of this Licence Agreement (howsoever occasioned) shall not affect any accrued rights or liabilities of either party nor shall it affect the coming into force or the continuance in force of any provision in this Licence Agreement which is expressly or by implication intended to come into or continue in force on or after such termination.

## **8 GENERAL**

- 8.1 STFC may assign any of its rights and obligations under this Licence Agreement, upon written notice, to any affiliated organization or to a statutory successor. Any assignment shall be subject to the assignee undertaking to observe the terms and conditions of this Licence Agreement.

- 8.2 The Licensee may not assign, transfer, charge, sublicense or otherwise deal in or dispose of in whole or in part any of its rights or obligations under this Licence Agreement without the prior written consent of STFC (such consent not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed).
- 8.3 Nothing in this Licence Agreement will constitute or will be deemed to constitute between the parties a partnership, association, joint venture or other co-operative entity, or constitute the relationship of principal and agent.
- 8.4 Neither party shall have any liability under or be deemed in breach of this Licence Agreement for any delays or failures in performance of this Licence Agreement which result from circumstances beyond the reasonable control of that party including, without limitation, fire, explosion, flood, tempest, unusually adverse weather conditions, failure or shortage of power supplies, war, hostilities, riot or acts of terrorism. The party affected by such circumstances shall promptly notify the other party in writing when such circumstances cause a delay or failure in performance and when they cease to do so. If circumstances continue for a continuous period of one (1) month, either party may terminate this Licence Agreement by written notice to the other party.
- 8.5 No forbearance, delay or indulgence by either party in enforcing the provisions of this Licence Agreement shall prejudice or restrict the rights of that party nor shall any waiver of its rights operate as a waiver of any subsequent breach and no right, power or remedy herein conferred upon or reserved for either party is exclusive of any other right, power or remedy available to that party and each such right, power or remedy shall be cumulative.
- 8.6 This Licence Agreement supersedes all prior agreements, arrangements and understandings between the parties and constitutes the entire agreement between the parties relating to the subject matter hereof (save that neither party seeks to exclude liability for any fraudulent pre-contractual misrepresentation upon which the other party can be shown to have relied). The Licensee hereby warrants to STFC that the Licensee has not been induced to enter into this Licence Agreement by any prior representations or warranties, whether oral or in writing, except as specifically contained in this Licence Agreement and the Licensee hereby irrevocably and unconditionally waives any right it may have to claim damages for any misrepresentation not contained in this Licence Agreement or for breach of any warranty not contained herein (unless such misrepresentation or warranty was made fraudulently and was relied upon by the Licensee) and/or to rescind this Licence Agreement. No addition to or modification of any provision of this Licence Agreement shall be binding upon the parties unless made by a written instrument signed by a duly authorised representative of each of the parties.
- 8.7 Notwithstanding that the whole or any part of any provision of this Licence Agreement may prove to be illegal or unenforceable the other provisions of this Licence Agreement and the remainder of the provision in question shall remain in full force and effect.
- 8.8 The parties confirm their intent not to confer any rights on any third parties by virtue of this Licence Agreement and accordingly the Contracts (Rights of Third parties) Act 1999 shall not apply to this Licence Agreement.
- 8.9 This Licence Agreement shall be interpreted and construed in accordance with the laws of England and Wales. The English Courts will have exclusive jurisdiction to deal with

any dispute which has arisen or may arise out of or in connection with this Licence Agreement, however STFC may enforce the Licensee's obligation of confidence in the courts of any jurisdiction having competence to issue an injunction directly enforceable against the Licensee.

**SIGNED** for and on behalf of STFC:

Name:

Position:

Signature:

Date:

**SIGNED** for and on behalf of the Licensee:

Name:

Position:

Signature:

Date:

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