

**PROCURE IT FRAMEWORK  
VERSION 3.2**

**PART 2: CUSTOMER CONTRACT**

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# 1. Recitals

## PROCURE IT FRAMEWORK

- 1.1** The New South Wales Department of Finance, Services and Innovation administers the *Procure IT Framework*.
- 1.2** The Procure IT Framework sets out the standard terms used by NSW Government buyers for the acquisition of information and communications technology related products and services. Such standard terms are set out in:
- (a) in respect of Panel Arrangements, the relevant Part 1 - Head Agreement;
  - (b) Part 2 - the Customer Contract, including its Schedules;
  - (c) Part 3 - the Dictionary;
  - (d) Part 4 - the Modules; and
  - (e) Part 5 - the Module Order Forms.
- 1.3** The NSW Procurement Board ('the Board') is established under section 164 of the *Public Works and Procurement Act 1912* (NSW) ('PWP Act'). The Board may pursuant to section 174(1) of the PWP Act, establish a scheme under which a Government Agency accredited by the Board may procure goods and services for that Government Agency or for other Government Agencies, subject to any terms and conditions of its accreditation.
- 1.4** The Board may issue directions and policies in relation to the NSW Government's procurement system under section 175 of the PWP Act. When engaging contractors under the Procure IT Framework, Government Agencies must comply with all such directions and policies of the Board that are applicable from time to time.
- 1.5** The Contract Authority is the head of a Government Agency, which may procure goods and services for that Government Agency or for other Government Agencies consistent with any applicable policies and directions of the Board, the terms of its accreditation (if any) by the Board, and the principles of probity and fairness.
- 1.6** The relevant Contract Authority is responsible for the administration of the Head Agreement on behalf of Eligible Customers and has authority to act on behalf of these entities in this respect.
- 1.7** The *Procure IT Framework* is designed so that Products and Services can be acquired:
- (a) as a result of a panel arrangement where an entity acts as the Contract Authority and establishes a master purchasing arrangement where one or more Contractors agree to offer certain Products and/or Services to Eligible Customers at pre-agreed Prices and on pre agreed core terms and conditions, for a defined Term (**Panel Arrangement**); or
  - (b) using an alternate procurement process that does not involve a Panel Arrangement (**Non-Panel Arrangement**).

## PANEL ARRANGEMENT

- 1.8** Where the *Procure IT Framework* is used for a Panel Arrangement, the Contract Authority will undertake a procurement process and the successful Contractors will sign the Head Agreement and go onto the panel. The Head Agreement requires that all Eligible Customers

who acquire Products and Services under the Panel Arrangement acquire the Products and Services using the form of Customer Contract that is set out in the *Procure IT Framework*.

- 1.9** The Head Agreement describes the relationship between the Contract Authority and the Contractor for the administration of the Panel Arrangement, including the Products and Services that can be acquired under the Panel Arrangement, how those Products and Services can be updated during the Term, the Pricing for the Products and Services, which entities are entitled to acquire Products and Services under the Panel Arrangement, which Approved Agents can be used by the Contractor to supply the Products and Services, the Term of the Panel Arrangement, the minimum insurance requirements and any Performance Guarantee that might apply to Customer Contracts entered into under the Head Agreement, as well as the general terms and conditions applicable to the relationship.

#### NON-PANEL ARRANGEMENT

- 1.10** Where there is no Panel Arrangement, a Customer may acquire Products or Services from the Contractor under a Customer Contract, and the terms and conditions of the Head Agreement are not to be used.

#### CUSTOMER CONTRACT

- 1.11** The Customer Contract describes the relationship between the Customer and the Contractor for the supply of the Products and Services that are described in the Customer Contract. Where the Customer Contract is made under a Head Agreement:
- (a) the Products and Services that can be acquired, the Prices at which they can be sold, and the degree to which the terms and conditions can be varied are limited by the terms of the Head Agreement; and
  - (b) the Customer is entitled to the benefits of any arrangements that have been made by the Contract Authority under the Head Agreement in respect to insurance and any Performance Guarantee.

- 1.12** The Parties agree to perform their obligations in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Customer Contract.

#### DICTIONARY

- 1.13** The *Procure IT Framework* includes the Dictionary, which defines key terms and concepts.

## 2. Scope of Contract

#### PRODUCTS AND SERVICES

- 2.1** Where the Customer Contract is made under a Head Agreement, the Contractor must supply Products and/or Services stated in the Order Documents in accordance with the Head Agreement and Customer Contract, at the Prices, which must not exceed the amounts set out in Annexure 3 to the Head Agreement.
- 2.2** Where the Customer Contract is not made under a Head Agreement, the Contractor must supply the Products and/or Services stated in the Order Documents in accordance with the Customer Contract.

#### PRICING

- 2.3** The Price payable by the Customer for the Products or Services is set out in Item 11 of the General Order Form. In relation to Panel Arrangements, the amounts set out in Annexure 3 to

the relevant Head Agreement are the maximum amounts payable by a Customer for the Products or Services acquired during the Term of such Head Agreement, subject to any increase made in accordance with any price variation mechanism stated in Annexure 3 to the Head Agreement. Nothing in this clause 2.3 prevents:

- (a) the Contractor from charging a Customer for any item, service, expense or other thing which is permitted to be charged for under a Customer Contract; or
- (b) the Contractor and the Customer agreeing Prices which will apply to a Customer Contract which are lower than the amounts stated in Annexure 3 to the Head Agreement.

#### CONTRACT PERIOD

- 2.4** The Customer Contract commences on the Commencement Date and will expire at the end of the Contract Period stated in Item 10 of the General Order Form. The Customer may extend the Contract Period on the same terms and conditions for the period stated in Item 10 in the General Order Form, by giving the Contractor written notice at least 30 days prior to the end of the Contract Period.

#### NOMINEE PURCHASER

- 2.5** If an Eligible Customer requires a Nominee Purchaser to enter into a Customer Contract on its behalf, the Contractor may not refuse to enter into that Customer Contract solely on the basis that the Customer Contract will be signed by the Nominee Purchaser as agent for the Eligible Customer and will not be signed by the Eligible Customer itself, provided that the Nominee Purchaser:
- (a) provides its current registration number as given by the Contract Authority or Eligible Customer;
  - (b) provides its nominating Eligible Customer's Australian Business Number; and
  - (c) provides the Contractor with the written authorisation from the Contract Authority or Eligible Customer that confirms the Nominee Purchaser's rights to purchase Products and/or Services as agent for the Eligible Customer.

## 3. Formation of Customer Contract

#### FORMATION

- 3.1** A Customer Contract is entered into under a Head Agreement only where the Head Agreement is cross referenced in Item 7 of the General Order Form.
- 3.2** Where the Customer Contract is entered into (and there is either a Head Agreement or the Customer is not the Contract Authority), the Contractor and the Customer:
- (a) agree that the Contract Authority may enforce the Customer Contract as agent for the Customer, even though the Contract Authority is not a party to the Customer Contract in its own right and in such circumstances, the applicable limitations and exclusions of liability in respect of the relevant claim will be those set out in clause 18 below, rather than those set out in clause 12 of the Head Agreement; and
  - (b) may seek to include any Additional Conditions that vary any of the terms and conditions of the Customer Contract including the Protected Clauses, provided that the Customer first obtains the written approval of the Secretary, New South Wales Department of Finance, Services and Innovation in accordance with the directions and policies of the Board that are applicable from time to time.

- 3.3** A Customer Contract between the Contractor and Customer is created upon
- (a) the Parties: completing and agreeing the Order Details and any Additional Conditions; and
  - (b) signing the General Order Form.
- 3.4** The Parties must, at a minimum, include in the Order Documents details of the Parties (stated in Item 1 and Item 4 of the General Order Form), Item 7 (if the Customer Contract is placed under a Head Agreement), the relevant Modules that are to be included in Item 8, the Contract Period in Item 10, the Products and Services (stated in Item 11 of the General Order Form or in the relevant Module Order Form), the Price (or such details as are required to calculate the Price including those stated in Item 11 of the General Order Form or in the relevant Module Order Form), delivery details (including those stated in Item 12 of the General Order Form), the Contract Specifications (as stated in Item 13 of the General Order Form) and any details from the Module Order Forms that are required to describe the Products or Services.
- 3.5** The Parties may use a shortened version of the General Order Form (in hard or electronic format) which omits Items that the Parties agree are not required for the Customer Contract, provided that:
- (a) the minimum Order Details stated in clause 3.4 are included in that form, as well as any other Order Details that the Parties may agree to include;
  - (b) the structure and form of the General Order Form is consistent with Schedule 1 (even if some Items are omitted. Where Items are omitted subsequent Items that are included must retain their current Item number or heading so that the references in the Procure IT Framework remain accurate);
  - (c) the document is readily identifiable as a General Order Form that comprises part of this Customer Contract and:
    - (i) uses the heading:

“General Order Form. Schedule 1 to the Customer Contract (which is Part 2 of the *Procure IT Framework*)”
    - (ii) and includes the phrase:

“This General Order Form is part of the Customer Contract and incorporates all Parts, terms and conditions and other documents listed in clause 3.8 of Part 2 as if repeated in full in this General Order Form.”
  - and
  - (d) the shortened document is signed by both Parties.
- 3.6** The Parties may use an electronic form of any Order Document, provided that an electronic form of the relevant Order Document is lawful and is executed by the parties by means of electronic communication in accordance with relevant Statutory Requirements.
- 3.7** To the extent that an Item in the Order Documents has not been completed or is omitted, that Item will be deemed not applicable.
- 3.8** The Customer Contract comprises:
- (a) any Modules that are stated as forming part of the Customer Contract in Item 8 of the General Order Form and the corresponding Module Order Forms;



- (b) any Schedules that are stated as forming part of the Customer Contract in Item 9 of the General Order Form other than Schedule 1 (General Order Form), Schedule 2 (Agreement Documents), Schedule 3 (Service Level Agreement) or Schedule 12 (PIPP);
- (c) any Additional Conditions in Schedule 1 (if applicable);
- (d) the other provisions of Schedule 1;
- (e) these clauses 1 to 26;
- (f) Part 3, the Dictionary;
- (g) any PIPP agreed by the Parties based on Schedule 12 (PIPP);
- (h) any Service Level Agreement agreed by the Parties based on Schedule 3 (Service Level Agreement);
- (i) all other Order Documents;
- (j) Annexure 3 to the Head Agreement (if applicable); and
- (k) the Agreement Documents (if any).

**3.9** To the extent that there is any conflict between any of the documents that comprise the Customer Contract, the conflict shall be resolved by giving priority to the documents in the order in which they appear in clause 3.8 (with an item higher in the list having priority over a lower item).

**3.10** For clarity:

- (a) the terms and conditions of use of NSWBuy or any other electronic purchasing system used by the Customer are not part of the Customer Contract; and
- (b) if the Customer uses any document that has any terms and conditions on it as the basis of a General Order Form (including a purchase order) then any terms and conditions that are on that document (whether pre-printed, automatically generated or otherwise) but are not in the form and structure of the General Order Form, are expressly excluded from the Customer Contract. Any Additional Conditions must be inserted as Item 43 (Additional Conditions) of a General Order Form.

#### COMPLIANCE WITH CONSUMER LAWS

**3.11** To the extent that the provisions of the *Competition and Consumer Act 2010 (Cth)* (**CCA**) apply to Deliverables supplied under this Customer Contract, then the provisions of this Customer Contract are subject to the provisions of the CCA.

**3.12** To the extent that there is a failure to comply with a statutory guarantee under sections 54 to 59 in Schedule 2 of the CCA in respect of Deliverables comprising of goods, then subject to the qualifications in section 64A of Schedule 2 of the CCA or any other law, the Contractor's liability is limited to one or more of the following, at the election of the Contractor:

- (a) the replacement of the goods or the supply of equivalent goods;
- (b) the repair of the goods;
- (c) the payment of the cost of replacing the goods or of acquiring equivalent goods; and
- (d) the payment of the cost of having the goods repaired.

- 3.13** To the extent that there is a failure to comply with a statutory guarantee in respect of the supply of Deliverables comprising of services under sections 60 to 62 in Schedule 2 of the CCA, then subject to the qualifications in section 64A of Schedule 2 of the CCA or any other law, the Contractor's liability is limited to one or more of the following, at the election of the Contractor:
- (a) the supplying of the services again; or
  - (b) the payment of the cost of having the services supplied again.

## 4. Relationship

- 4.1** The Contractor agrees that it will not be taken to be and must not represent that it is the employee, partner, officer and/or agent of, the Customer.

## 5. Deliverable Specific Issues

### DELIVERY

- 5.1** The Contractor must deliver any Deliverables to the Site between the hours stated in Item 12 of the General Order Form or as otherwise agreed in writing.
- 5.2** The Contract Price is inclusive of any additional or separate delivery costs, unless otherwise stated in the Order Documents including Item 11 of the General Order Form.
- 5.3** The Parties must perform their obligations in accordance with any Service Level Agreement. Either Party may periodically review the Service Level Agreement and may recommend or request a change to a Service Level Agreement. Any change to a Service Level Agreement must be implemented as a Change Request in accordance with the procedures stated in Schedule 4 – Variation Procedures.

### DOCUMENTATION

- 5.4** The Contractor must provide the User Documentation and any Bespoke User Documentation to the Customer in either hard copy or electronic format. If the User Documentation is provided in hard copy format:
- (a) the Contractor must make available, at no additional cost to the Customer, at least one copy of the User Documentation and such related material as the Contractor usually makes available free to its other customers, upon supply of the Product or Service to the Customer, or at the time(s) stated in the PIPP; and
  - (b) additional copies of the User Documentation must, if requested by the Customer, be provided by the Contractor at the Price stated in Item 15 of the General Order Form, or if the Price is not stated in the Order Documents, at the Contractor's then current commercial price.
- 5.5** The Contractor must ensure that any User Documentation and Bespoke User Documentation:
- (a) is of a reasonable standard in terms of its presentation, accuracy and scope;
  - (b) provides an explanation of functions, capacity and operations of the relevant Product, Service or Deliverable;
  - (c) in the case of User Documentation only, is the most current and up-to-date version available; and

(d) is in the English language.

- 5.6** Where the Customer identifies any Defect in the User Documentation or Bespoke User Documentation within 30 days of the date of supply of the User Documentation or Bespoke User Documentation to the Customer, the Contractor must amend the defective User Documentation or Bespoke User Documentation and must promptly supply to the Customer the amended User Documentation or Bespoke User Documentation (or the relevant part) at no additional cost to the Customer.
- 5.7** The Contractor grants the Customer a right to use the User Documentation in connection with the authorised use of the Product or Service including for training purposes. Where the User Documentation is only provided in an electronic format the Customer may print ad hoc pages of the User Documentation. The Customer must not otherwise copy or adapt (including incorporating parts of the User Documentation into other Documents) without the Contractor's prior written consent (not to be unreasonably withheld).

#### NORMAL USE

- 5.8** Except where expressly specified in the Order Documents or any Additional Conditions, for the purposes of the CCA, the Deliverables provided under this Customer Contract are ordinarily supplied for the use in connection with processing internal data for business applications which:
- (a) do not require very high levels of availability or completely error free use;
  - (b) are not used for a Prescribed Use;
  - (c) are not for resale.

If the Parties agree that the Deliverables can be used for any other purpose that other purpose must be set out on the Order Documents.

#### PRODUCT SAFETY

- 5.9** If the Contractor determines that a Deliverable requires an engineering change that is classified by the supplier or manufacturer as being mandatory in order to ensure product safety then:
- (a) the Contractor will, at its own cost, provide a 'user installable part' which the Customer must promptly install; or
  - (b) the Customer will allow the Contractor to Install the engineering change, at the Contractor's own cost.
- 5.10** The Customer agrees that:
- (a) the Contractor may maintain such information (including Personal Information) as may be required to assist the Contractor in complying with its obligations under the CCA or other law in respect of product safety, including product recall; and
  - (b) it will promptly give the Contractor Notice in Writing of any information that the Contractor may need in order for the Contractor to provide any notice relating to product safety that it may be required to provide under the CCA or other law.

#### SYSTEM

- 5.11** If it is stated on the General Order Form that the Products and Services procured by the Customer pursuant to this Customer Contract comprise a System:

- (a) the Contractor must in an efficient and well-coordinated manner, and in accordance with the PIPP:
  - (i) develop suitable technical and functional specification documents for the proposed System;
  - (ii) design, develop and build the System; and
  - (iii) assist the Customer with Acceptance Testing the System,  
in accordance with this Customer Contract and the relevant Modules; and
- (b) final acceptance of the System under this Customer Contract will not occur until such time as the System as a whole, including all components, passes all Acceptance Tests, including such Acceptance Tests as are designed to ensure that the System is in accordance with the Contract Specifications.

## 6. Delivery Management

### PROJECT MANAGEMENT

- 6.1** Where the Customer Contract is made under a Head Agreement, the Customer shall have the right to appoint a representative of the Contract Authority to act as the Customer's agent for the purpose of exercising any of the Customer's rights arising out of, or in connection with, the Customer Contract.
- 6.2** The following clauses 6.3 to 6.9 apply if and to the extent stated in the Order Documents.

### MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

- 6.3** If it is stated on the General Order Form that a management committee is to be established, the Parties must agree and establish a management committee and a process for the conduct of the management committee's business by the date stated in the Order Documents.
- 6.4** The management committee must consist of the Party's project managers or officers, or such other persons as stated in the Order Documents including Item 16 of the General Order Form.
- 6.5** All members of the management committee must be authorised and properly qualified, informed and instructed to enable the management committee to properly assess progress under the Customer Contract.
- 6.6** The management committee must:
  - (a) review and monitor progress under the Customer Contract; and
  - (b) carry out any other functions stated in Item 16 of the General Order Form.
- 6.7** Unless agreed otherwise, the members of the management committee or their authorised delegates must meet weekly at the Customer's offices at an agreed time.
- 6.8** At least 1 Business Day prior to a management committee meeting, the Contractor's project manager must submit to the Customer's project manager a report of progress under the Customer Contract including:
  - (a) details (including dates) of Deliverables and Milestones commenced, completed or accepted;

- (b) details of any delays or issues arising from the project, including any known reasons for the delay or issue arising, and plans for the management of such delays and issues;
- (c) a review of any:
  - (i) minutes and actions from the last meeting;
  - (ii) issues log;
  - (iii) risk management plan, which must be prepared and maintained in accordance with AS/NZS ISO 31000 Risk Management Standard or equivalent, unless agreed otherwise in writing;
  - (iv) details of any outstanding invoices and any payments that are about to become due;
- (d) draft updates of relevant parts of the Contract Specifications;
- (e) any new Change Requests or Contract Variations (if applicable); and
- (f) details of the progress of any draft Change Requests or Contract Variations (if applicable).

**6.9** If the Customer disagrees with the details recorded in the report, then the Customer must, within 2 Business Days of receipt of the report, make a written endorsement on the report recording its version of the details. The amended report must be provided to the Contractor within 1 Business Day of the Customer updating the report.

#### PERFORMANCE REVIEWS

**6.10** If it is stated in Item 17 of the General Order Form that the Parties must conduct a service and performance review of the Contractor's performance of the Customer Contract, then the Parties must conduct such reviews at the intervals and in accordance with the other requirements, including any obligations under any Service Level Agreement, stated in the Order Documents.

**6.11** All reviews must be undertaken by representatives of both Parties who have the authority, responsibility and relevant expertise in financial and operational matters appropriate to the nature of the review. Where the Customer Contract is made under a Head Agreement, either Party may request the involvement of the Contract Authority in any review.

#### SITE SPECIFICATIONS

**6.12** Where it is stated in Item 18 of the General Order Form that a Site Specification is required, the Contractor must inspect the Site and provide the Customer with a Site Specification for the Customer's approval.

**6.13** The Contractor must make any amendment to the Site Specification that is reasonably required by the Customer, providing such amendments are requested prior to the delivery of the Deliverables. Where the Contractor reasonably believes that the required amendment will materially affect the Contractor's ability to perform its obligations under the Customer Contract, it will notify the Customer and the Parties will discuss in good faith whether any Change Request is required to deal with such required amendment.

## IMPLEMENTATION PLANNING STUDY

- 6.14** Where it is stated in Item 19 of the General Order Form that the Contractor must provide an implementation planning study, the Contractor must complete the implementation planning study in accordance with the requirements in Item 19 of the General Order Form.
- 6.15** Any implementation planning study must meet the objectives stated in Item 19 of the General Order Form which may include:
- (a) the Contractor's assessment of the scope and complexity of the project;
  - (b) the required Deliverables;
  - (c) the resources required (including any resources to be made available by the Customer); and
  - (d) the development of a PIPP or a Service Level Agreement.
- 6.16** The Contractor must deliver the implementation planning study to the Customer by the date stated in Item 19 of the General Order Form, and unless it is stated in the Order Documents that it is to undergo Acceptance Tests in accordance with clause 10.1(b), the AAD for the implementation planning study is determined in accordance with clause 10.1(a).

## PROJECT SCHEDULE

- 6.17** The Parties must perform their obligations at the times and in the manner stated in the PIPP and Item 20 of the General Order Form.

## CHANGE CONTROL

- 6.18** Either Party may recommend or request a change to the PIPP or any other part of the Customer Contract. Any change to the PIPP or any other part of the Customer Contract must be implemented as a Change Request in accordance with the variation procedures stated in Schedule 4 - Variation Procedures, subject to clauses 26.1 to 26.2.

## STAGED IMPLEMENTATION

- 6.19** The Parties agree to perform the Customer Contract in accordance with the Stages stated in the PIPP (if any).
- 6.20** The Customer must give written notice to the Contractor within 10 Business Days (or such longer period stated in Item 20 of the General Order Form) of the end of each Stage as to whether it wishes the Contractor to commence the following Stage.
- 6.21** The Contractor must not commence any work on a subsequent Stage until it receives written notice from the Customer to proceed with the work in that Stage. The signing of the Customer Contract is deemed to be sufficient notification to proceed with work in Stage one.
- 6.22** Nothing in the Customer Contract shall be construed as obliging the Customer to give the written notice referred to in clause 6.21 in respect of any Stage.
- 6.23** The Customer's liability to the Contractor for not proceeding to a subsequent Stage shall be limited to those costs that have been stated in the Order Documents (if any).

## EXTENSION OF TIME

- 6.24** Each Party must do all it reasonably can to promptly inform the other of anything that it becomes aware of which is likely to affect the cost, quality or timing of delivery of the Deliverables, and the Parties must then investigate how to avoid or minimise any adverse effect on the Customer Contract.
- 6.25** The Customer may consent to a request for extension of time provided that the Contractor provides the Customer with a plan indicating in detail the steps the Contractor proposes to take to minimise the impact of any delay.
- 6.26** The Contractor may be entitled to a reasonable extension in time and to claim any loss, damage or expense (calculated using the rates set out in the Customer Contract, or if none are stated, at the Contractor's then current commercial rates) suffered by the Contractor that arise out, or in connection with a delay which has occurred because of:
- (a) the Customer's failure to perform its obligations in accordance with the Customer Contract;
  - (b) the act or omission of any person who is identified in the Order Documents as being organised by, or under the direction of, the Customer;
  - (c) any change to access to the Customer's Site (including denial or suspension of access under clause 7.3 unless the change to access is due to an adverse finding arising out of an investigation into the conduct of the Contractor or its Personnel or a breach of clause 7.2; or
  - (d) any change to any of the Customer's secrecy or security requirements provided that the Contractor will mitigate any expenses incurred or delay caused as a result of complying with such changed requirements.
- 6.27** The Contractor must submit a Change Request to the Customer in respect of the relevant extension of time or change to any amount payable by the Customer in accordance with Schedule 4— Variation Procedures within 5 Business Days of the Contractor becoming aware of the relevant delay under clause 6.26.

## LIQUIDATED DAMAGES

- 6.28** Where the Parties have agreed in Item 21 of the General Order Form that liquidated damages will be payable for the late completion of an LD Obligation, clauses 6.29 to 6.34 apply.
- 6.29** Where the Contractor has not completed an LD Obligation by the Due Date, or if the Due Date has been varied by a Change Request or otherwise in accordance with the Customer Contract, such varied Due Date, the Contractor must pay liquidated damages stated in Item 21 of the General Order Form to the Customer unless the late completion of the LD Obligation is:
- (a) caused by a Force Majeure Event;
  - (b) caused by the Customer or its Personnel;
  - (c) caused by the act or omission of any person who is identified in the Order Documents as being organised by, or under the direction of, the Customer; or
  - (d) permitted because an extension of time for completion of the LD Obligation has been granted by the Customer in accordance with the Customer Contract.
- 6.30** The Customer must promptly give the Contractor Notice in Writing setting out the grounds on which the Customer claims that liquidated damages are payable.

- 6.31** Each Party acknowledges that the liquidated damages stated in Item 21 of the General Order Form are a genuine pre-estimate of the loss, damage or expense that the Customer will suffer during the period in which liquidated damages are payable under clause 6.32 as a result of the Contractor not completing the LD Obligation by the Due Date.
- 6.32** The Contractor must pay any liquidated damages that are due from the Due Date until the earlier of:
- (a) the date that the Contractor successfully completes the LD Obligation in relation to which the liquidated damages have been applied; or
  - (b) the date on which the maximum number of days for which liquidated damages are payable as stated in Item 21 of the General Order Form have elapsed (the **Longstop Date**).
- 6.33** Liquidated damages paid under clause 6.32:
- (a) are the Customer's sole and exclusive financial remedy for the loss, damage and expense that the Customer suffers during the period in which liquidated damages are payable under clause 6.32 out of or in connection with the Contractor not completing the LD Obligation by the Due Date, subject only to the Customer's rights under clause 6.34; but
  - (b) do not relieve the Contractor from any other liability or from meeting any other obligation under the Customer Contract.
- 6.34** The Customer may, at any time during the period in which liquidated damages are payable under clause 6.32, issue a Notice in Writing of a Substantial Breach in respect of the Contractor not completing the LD Obligation by the Due Date specifying a period during which the Contractor is required to remedy that Substantial Breach, such period to be the greater of:
- (a) 10 Business Days;
  - (b) the period during which liquidated damages are payable for that Substantial Breach; or
  - (c) such longer period stated in the Notice in Writing,
  - (d) and if the Contractor has not remedied that failure to complete the LD Obligation (by completing the LD Obligation) by the end of such period, the Customer may terminate the Customer Contract immediately by Notice in Writing to the Contractor.
- 6.35** The Parties agree that where the Contractor has not successfully completed the LD Obligation in relation to which the liquidated damages have been applied by the Longstop Date, the payment of liquidated damages by the Contractor under clause 6.32 is without prejudice to the Customer's right to claim damages at large in respect of loss, damage or expense that arise after the Longstop Date out of or in connection with the Contractor not completing the LD Obligation by the Longstop Date.

#### **CUSTOMER SUPPLIED ITEMS (CSI)**

- 6.36** The Customer must provide and maintain the CSI at the times and in accordance with the requirements stated in the Order Documents including Item 22 of the General Order Form.
- 6.37** The Customer must enforce any agreement with a third party under which products or services of that third party are being provided to the Contractor as CSI (**Third Party CSI**), including support and maintenance contracts, to the extent that the relevant third party's failure to provide or resolve any issues with the Third Party CSI materially impacts the Contractor's ability to perform its obligations under the relevant Customer Contract.



- 6.38** The Contractor must:
- (a) not use any CSI other than for the purposes of the Customer Contract without the prior written consent of the Customer;
  - (b) not part with possession of any CSI unless the Customer has provided its prior written consent, nor create or allow the creation of any lien, charge or mortgage over any CSI;
  - (c) take all reasonable care of all CSI including accounting for, preserving, installing or handling the CSI in accordance with the Order Documents;
  - (d) not modify any CSI without the prior written consent of the Customer;
  - (e) promptly inform the Customer of any loss, destruction or damage to any CSI;
  - (f) comply with any reasonable instruction of the Customer for preserving, forwarding or disposal of any damaged CSI; and
  - (g) pay the costs, if any, stated in Item 22 of the General Order Form, for CSI.
- 6.39** If the CSI is no longer required for the purposes of the Customer Contract, it must be returned to the Customer or destroyed at the Customer's request as soon as practicable, unless other arrangements are agreed.
- 6.40** Provided the Contractor complies with its obligations under clauses 6.38(c) to 6.38(f), the Customer must repair or replace CSI within a reasonable time of becoming aware that the CSI does not comply with the requirements stated in the Order Documents.

#### CUSTOMER ASSISTANCE

- 6.41** During the Contract Period, the Customer must:
- (a) make available to the Contractor all relevant instructions, information, data, documents, specifications, plans, drawings and other materials as specified in Item 22 of the General Order Form or as otherwise agreed in writing with the Contractor; and
  - (b) answer reasonable queries made by the Contractor relating to the Customer's requirements in connection with the Customer Contract.

#### ESCROW

- 6.42** If stated in Item 23 of the General Order Form, the Contractor must arrange:
- (a) for itself, the Customer and an escrow agent approved by the Customer to enter into an Escrow Agreement (or such other document reasonably acceptable to the Customer) in relation to the Escrow Materials; or
  - (b) for the Customer to become a party to an escrow arrangement which already covers the Escrow Materials which the Customer regards as a satisfactory arrangement.
- 6.43** Any escrow arrangements to which the Customer becomes a Party under clause 6.42 must endure for at least the period stated in Item 23 of the General Order Form unless otherwise agreed. The Parties will bear the costs connected with such escrow arrangements in the proportions agreed by them in the Escrow Agreement.
- 6.44** The Contractor must consult with and comply with the reasonable directions of the Customer in any negotiations with the escrow agent arising under clauses 6.42.

## BUSINESS CONTINGENCY

- 6.45** If stated in Item 24 of the General Order Form that a Business Contingency Plan is required, the Contractor must, within the time stated in Item 24 of the General Order Form or as otherwise agreed in writing, prepare a Business Contingency Plan for the approval of the Customer.
- 6.46** The Business Contingency Plan must include the details stated in Item 24 of the General Order Form or as otherwise agreed in writing. The Contractor must provide the Customer with a copy of the approved Business Contingency Plan within 30 days of the Commencement Date or such other period agreed by the Parties in writing.
- 6.47** The Business Contingency Plan must be reviewed, updated and tested by the Contractor at the intervals stated in Item 24 of the General Order Form.
- 6.48** If there is an interruption to the Customer's business that is contemplated by the Business Contingency Plan the Contractor must perform the obligations in the Business Contingency Plan. The Customer must provide the Contractor with any assistance reasonably required by the Contractor to create and perform the Business Contingency Plan.

## 7. Access

### ACCESS TO CUSTOMER'S SITE

- 7.1** Without prejudice to the Contractor's obligations under clauses 6.12 and 6.13, the Customer must prepare and maintain the Site:
- (a) to enable the supply of the Deliverables; and
  - (b) in accordance with the Site Specification that is approved under clauses 6.12 to 6.13, or as otherwise stated in Item 18 of the General Order Form.
- 7.2** Where the Customer provides the Contractor with access to the Customer's Site, the Contractor:
- (a) must ensure that its Personnel comply with the reasonable requirements and directions of the Customer with regard to conduct, behaviour, safety and security; and
  - (b) is liable for any damage to the extent that such damage is caused by the negligent act or omission of its Personnel on the Customer's Site.
- 7.3** The Customer may temporarily deny or suspend access to the Customer's Site in its discretion.

### CUSTOMER DATA

- 7.4** The Contractor does not own or have any interest in or rights to the Customer Data wherever it may be located other than as set out in the Customer Contract and the relevant Modules.
- 7.5** The Contractor must not transfer, take or send Customer Data which is a State Record outside the jurisdiction of New South Wales, Australia, or transfer the possession of the Customer Data, without the Customer's prior written consent or as specified in Item 25A of the General Order Form.

- 7.6** If the Customer provides the Contractor with consent under clause 7.5, the Contractor must comply with any conditions imposed by the Customer in relation to the Customer Data the subject of the consent.
- 7.7** The Contractor must retain only the Customer Data that the Customer has agreed the Contractor may retain and must only retain that Customer Data for the period of time and in the volumes notified by the Customer from time to time, after which date the Contractor must destroy the Customer Data or return it to the Customer, at the Customer's election.
- 7.8** Where the Customer has agreed in writing that Customer Data may be used for testing purposes, the Contractor must not use any Customer Data for testing purposes unless that Customer Data has first been masked or de-identified in a manner approved by the Customer.
- 7.9** If stated in a Module Order Form, the Contractor must take and maintain back ups of Customer Data that is loaded into a Deliverable so that there is no loss of Customer Data in the event that any failure of any Deliverable causes damage to, or loss of, any Customer Data.

## SECURITY

- 7.10** The Contractor must:
- (a) establish, maintain, enforce and continuously improve safety and security procedures and safeguards against the unauthorised access, use, destruction, loss or alteration of Customer Data and the Customer's other Confidential Information; and
  - (b) notify and keep the Customer notified at all times of the Contractor's current safety and security procedures and safeguards in respect of Customer Data and keep the Customer notified of any amendments to such procedures and safeguards that are made from time to time.
- 7.11** Without prejudice to clause 7.10, the Contractor must comply, and must ensure that its Personnel comply, with the secrecy and security requirements of the Customer as stated in Item 25 of the General Order Form, or of which the Customer subsequently provides the Contractor by written notice.
- 7.12** Unless approved by the Customer's Chief Information Officer and expressly agreed in the General Order Form, if the Contractor becomes aware of an actual, alleged or suspected breach of the secrecy and security requirements referred to in clause 7.10 or 7.11 (**Security Issue**), it must:
- (a) immediately notify the Customer of the Security Issue;
  - (b) within 48 hours from the notification in clause 7.12(a) conduct an investigation into the Security Issue and notify the Customer of the Contractor's findings in respect of whether a secrecy or security breach has occurred, the nature of the breach, its consequences and plan to remedy; and
  - (c) if a secrecy or security breach has occurred, within 24 hours from the conclusion of the investigation in clause 7.12(b) remedy the security breach and notify the Customer of the remedy.

## 8. Personnel

### PERSONNEL - GENERAL

- 8.1** Neither Party may, without the prior written consent of the other Party, engage, employ or induce or cause a third party to induce the other Party's Personnel engaged in the

performance of the Customer Contract to enter into a contract for service or a contract of employment with it.

- 8.2** The restriction in clause 8.1 shall apply during the Contract Period and for a period of six months after the end of the Contract Period.
- 8.3** A general solicitation for employment which is placed in good faith such as a newspaper advertisement shall not constitute a breach of clause 8.1.
- 8.4** The Parties agree that the restrictions in clauses 8.1 to 8.3 are necessary to protect the legitimate interests of each Party.
- 8.5** The Customer must make available its Personnel to work with the Contractor as stated in the Order Documents including Item 26 of the General Order Form. The Parties will identify such Personnel and their roles in the Order Documents.
- 8.6** The Customer must use reasonable efforts to ensure that its Personnel who are made available to work with the Contractor have the requisite authority, qualifications, competencies, skills and experience to perform their tasks.
- 8.7** The Contractor must ensure a safe system of work for any of the Customer's Personnel who the Customer makes available to perform work under the control and direction of the Contractor at the Contractor's premises.

#### **SPECIFIED PERSONNEL**

- 8.8** The identity and roles of any Specified Personnel must be stated in Item 27 of the General Order Form.
- 8.9** If Specified Personnel are unable or not suitable in the reasonable opinion of the Customer to undertake the work assigned to them the Contractor must provide replacement Personnel acceptable (on reasonable grounds) to the Customer at no additional charge as soon as is practicable.

#### **APPROVED AGENTS AND SUBCONTRACTORS**

- 8.10** The Contractor may supply Deliverables to the Customer through Approved Agents.
- 8.11** If a Customer Contract is entered into between the Customer and an Approved Agent, the Contractor is deemed to have entered into a Customer Contract with the Customer.
- 8.12** The Contractor must ensure that its Approved Agents supply the Deliverables only in accordance with the terms of the Customer Contract under which the Approved Agent is to supply the Deliverables.
- 8.13** If requested in writing by the Customer, the Contractor must arrange for its Approved Agents to execute a Deed Poll substantially in the form of Schedule 6 – Deed Poll.
- 8.14** The Contractor must not subcontract the performance or supply of any Services under the Customer Contract without obtaining the prior written consent of the Customer which will not be unreasonably withheld or delayed and which may be given on such conditions as the Customer thinks fit.
- 8.15** Where the Customer believes that any Subcontractor is in breach of its obligations to the Contractor, or its performance of obligations or services is unsatisfactory, so that the Contractor is likely to be in breach of the Customer Contract as a result, the Customer may:

- (a) provide Notice in Writing to the Contractor setting out the details of its concerns;
- (b) require the Contractor to meet with the Customer within 3 Business Days of the Contractor's receipt of the Notice in Writing to discuss the concerns; and
- (c) if, following the discussions with the Contractor, the Customer is satisfied that the Contractor will be in breach of the Customer Contract as a result of the performance of the Subcontractor, the Customer may give Notice in Writing that it is withdrawing its consent to allow the Subcontractor to continue to work in connection with the Customer Contract and require the Contractor to procure that the Subcontractor promptly ceases performing any work in connection with the Customer Contract subject to any contrary requirements of the Customer in respect of effecting an orderly transition notified to the Contractor, and in such circumstances, the Contractor agrees that the Customer will have no liability whatsoever to the Contractor for any loss, damage or expense suffered by the Contractor arising out of any termination of, or the continuation of, the relevant subcontract.

**8.16** The Contractor:

- (a) must ensure that each Subcontractor is aware of all the terms and conditions of the Customer Contract that are relevant to the Subcontractor's performance of its work;
- (b) is not relieved of its liabilities and obligations arising out of, or in connection with, a Customer Contract by subcontracting any work; and
- (c) must ensure that the Subcontractor ceases work upon receipt of a Notice in Writing from the Customer of withdrawal of the consent given under clause 8.15(c).

**8.17** If stated in Item 28 of the General Order Form, the Contractor must obtain from the Subcontractor a signed statutory declaration substantially in the form of Schedule 7 – Statutory Declaration – Subcontractor.

## 9. General Warranties

### CONTRACTOR WARRANTIES

**9.1** The Contractor warrants to the Customer that:

- (a) as at the Commencement Date, the Contractor is properly constituted and has the right and authority to enter into the Customer Contract;
- (b) to the best of its knowledge and belief there is no Conflict of Interest of the Contractor or its Personnel as at the Commencement Date, and during the Contract Period the Contractor will use its reasonable efforts not to permit a Conflict of Interest of the Contractor or its Personnel to arise in the performance of its obligations;
- (c) the information provided to the Customer in terms of the structure, viability, reliability, insurance cover, capacity, experience and expertise of the Contractor and its Personnel, was to the best of the Contractor's knowledge and belief correct when it was provided to the Customer;
- (d) as at the Commencement Date, to the best of its knowledge and belief the Contractor has all the necessary licences, approvals and consents necessary to perform its obligations under the Customer Contract;
- (e) it will not maliciously or negligently introduce any Virus into the Customer's systems during the Contract Period;

- (f) that to the best of its knowledge and belief, the Contractor has the necessary Intellectual Property Rights and has procured the necessary consents in relation to Moral Rights, to grant the Customer the rights to use and/or own (if applicable) the Deliverables in accordance with the Customer Contract;
- (g) it will perform its obligations in accordance with:
  - (i) the Statutory Requirements,
  - (ii) any other laws that are stated in Item 30 of the General Order Form;
  - (iii) the Worst Forms of Child Labour Convention, 1999 (ILO Convention 182) ensuring that the Deliverables have not been produced using "worst forms of child labour" as defined; and
  - (iv) the codes, policies, guidelines and standards listed in Item 8 of the Head Agreement Details and Item 30 of the General Order Form;
- (h) it will maintain the quality standard accreditation stated in Item 29 of the General Order Form during the Contract Period; and
- (i) it is responsible for the acts and omissions of its Personnel as if they were its own acts and omissions.

**9.2** All licences, approvals and consents obtained by the Contractor in relation to the Customer Contract must be obtained at the Contractor's cost.

**9.3** If stated in the General Order Form that the Products and Services procured by the Customer pursuant to this Customer Contract comprise a System:

- (a) subject to clauses 3.11 to 3.13 (inclusive), any qualifications to the warranties provided by the Contractor under the Modules in respect of the Products and Services comprising the System are excluded; and
- (b) the Contractor warrants to the Customer that to the best of its knowledge and belief:
  - (i) the System will comply with the Contract Specifications and the Customer Contract;
  - (ii) the System will be properly installed in a professional and competent manner;
  - (iii) each Deliverable comprising the System will be compatible, interoperable and integrate properly with each other Deliverable comprising the System; and
  - (iv) the System will be compatible, interoperable and integrate properly with the Designated Environment.

#### CUSTOMER WARRANTIES

**9.4** The Customer warrants to the Contractor that:

- (a) it has complied with all laws and policies, including procurement policies in awarding the Customer Contract to the Contractor;
- (b) it will provide the Contractor and its Personnel with a safe place to work;
- (c) it will supply any CSI in accordance with the requirements stated in the Order Documents;

- (d) it is responsible for the acts and omission of its Personnel as if they were its own acts and omissions;
- (e) it will not maliciously or negligently introduce any Virus into the Contractor's systems during the Contract Period;
- (f) that to the best of its knowledge and belief, the Customer has the necessary Intellectual Property Rights and has procured the necessary consents in relation to Moral Rights, to grant the Contractor and its Personnel the rights to use any CSI for the purpose of performing its obligations under the Customer Contract;
- (g) where there is more than one Eligible Customer being represented by the Customer, the Customer acts with full authority and as the sole representative of all the Eligible Customers; and
- (h) it will perform its obligations in accordance with:
  - (i) the Statutory Requirements,
  - (ii) any other laws that are stated in the Order Documents including Item 31 of the General Order Form;
  - (iii) the Worst Forms of Child Labour Convention, 1999 (ILO Convention 182) ensuring that the Deliverables have not been produced using "worst forms of child labour" as defined; and
  - (iv) the codes, policies, guidelines and standards listed in the Order Documents including Item 31 of the General Order Form.

## MUTUAL WARRANTIES

**9.5** Each Party warrants to the other Party that during the Contract Period it will:

- (a) co-operate with the other Party and its respective Personnel to ensure timely progress and fulfilment of the Customer Contract, provided that nothing in this clause 9.5 requires the disclosure of a Party's Confidential Information or granting of any Intellectual Property Rights;
- (b) act reasonably and in good faith with respect to matters that arise out of, or in connection with, the Customer Contract;
- (c) work together in a collaborative manner;
- (d) to the extent that is reasonably possible, perform its obligations so as to avoid hindering the performance of the other Party;
- (e) hold meetings (including meetings relating to planning, review and issue resolution) as necessary and report to the other Party on a regular basis to ensure the other Party is fully informed of the progress of work required under the Customer Contract; and
- (f) perform its obligations and responsibilities by the dates stated in the Customer Contract.

## 10. Acceptance

### ACCEPTANCE

**10.1** The Actual Acceptance Date (**AAD**) for a Deliverable occurs:

- (a) unless it is stated in Item 32 of the General Order Form that the Deliverable is required to undergo Acceptance Testing, 2 Business Days or such other period that is stated in Item 32 of the General Order Form following the delivery of the Deliverable as required in the Order Documents; or
- (b) where it is stated in Item 32 of the General Order Form that the Deliverable is required to undergo Acceptance Tests, on the sooner of:
  - (i) the date the Customer issues a certificate of acceptance; or
  - (ii) on the date the Customer issues a notice that it conditionally accepts the Deliverable in accordance with clauses 10.10(b) or 10.12(c); or
  - (iii) on the last day of the Acceptance Test Notification Period where acceptance is deemed to have occurred in accordance with clause 10.13.

### ACCEPTANCE TESTING

- 10.2** Where it is stated in Item 32 of the General Order Form that the Deliverable is required to undergo Acceptance Tests, Acceptance Tests must be conducted in relation to the Deliverable and the following provisions in clauses 10.3 to 10.16 will apply.

### CONDUCTING ACCEPTANCE TESTS

- 10.3** Acceptance Testing must be completed in accordance with the requirements of the Order Documents including Item 32 of the General Order Form, or if the details of the Acceptance Tests are not stated in the Order Documents, then at least 20 Business Days before the relevant Deliverable is due to be delivered (or such other period as the Parties may agree) the Parties must agree:
- (a) the identification of the Deliverables or part of the Deliverable to be tested;
  - (b) the allocation of each Party's responsibilities in relation to testing, including the Party responsible for conducting the Acceptance Tests;
  - (c) which Party is to provide the test environment, including hardware, software, power, consumables and other resources and when the environment and resources must be ready for use;
  - (d) the methodology and process for conducting the Acceptance Tests;
  - (e) the scheduling of Acceptance Tests, including the Acceptance Test Period and the Acceptance Test Notification Period;
  - (f) the Acceptance Criteria. The Acceptance Criteria should only test whether the Deliverable meets the Contract Specifications and other requirements of the Customer Contract and should not include any other criteria unless the Parties otherwise agree in writing; and
  - (g) the Acceptance Test Data. The Customer is responsible for ensuring that the Acceptance Test Data is representative of the data that will be used by the Deliverable in the Customer's business or production environment.
  - (h) Where the details of the Acceptance Tests are not stated in the Order Documents, the Contractor shall, not less than 60 Business Days before the relevant Deliverable is due to be delivered (or such other period as the Parties may agree), notify the Customer that details of the Acceptance Tests (including those in (a) to (g) above have not yet been agreed and must be agreed at least 20 Business Days before the relevant Deliverable is



due to be delivered (or such other period as the Parties may agree). Any failure of the Parties to agree any matter relating to the Acceptance Tests will be dealt with in accordance with clause 24 below, and the 20 Business Days requirement referred to above will not apply.

**10.4** To the extent that:

- (a) Acceptance Test Data is required for the Contractor to complete the Acceptance Tests; and
- (b) the provision of that Acceptance Test Data is specified as the Customer's responsibility in the Order Documents or the documents setting out the Acceptance Tests,

the Customer must provide that Acceptance Test Data to the Contractor:

- (c) at the times specified in the Order Documents or the documents that set out the Acceptance Tests; or
- (d) if no times are specified in those documents, at least 14 Business Days prior to the date on which the Acceptance Test Period for the applicable Acceptance Tests commences.

**10.5** Where the Contractor is conducting the Acceptance Tests, the Customer's representative must be available during Business Hours on each day during the Acceptance Test Period to give any assistance and/or information reasonably requested by the Contractor.

**10.6** Each Party must provide all reasonable cooperation and assistance to enable the performance of any Acceptance Tests.

**10.7** The Parties are entitled to observe and, to the extent reasonable, participate in the performance of any Acceptance Tests.

**10.8** The Party conducting the Acceptance Tests must provide the other Party within the Acceptance Test Notification Period a written test notification specifying:

- (a) a written summary of the Acceptance Tests;
- (b) the results achieved from those Acceptance Tests; and
- (c) a Defects List (if there are any Defects).

#### ACCEPTANCE TEST OUTCOMES

**10.9** Where at the end of the Acceptance Test Period the Acceptance Tests demonstrate that the Deliverable meets the Contract Specifications and other requirements under the Customer Contract, the Customer must issue a certificate of acceptance to the Contractor within the Acceptance Test Notification Period.

**10.10** Where at the end of the Acceptance Test Period the Acceptance Tests demonstrate that the Deliverable does not meet the Contract Specifications and other requirements under the Customer Contract then, if the Defects are only Minor the Customer must give the Contractor written notice within the Acceptance Test Notification Period that the Customer either:

- (a) waives the requirement for the Acceptance Test to be satisfactorily completed;
- (b) conditionally accepts the Deliverable, subject to the Contractor agreeing, at its own expense, to deliver a Workaround or to otherwise rectify any item on the Defects List within the Warranty Period in a manner that is acceptable to the Customer; or

(c) accepts the Deliverable subject to an agreed reduction in the Contract Price.

**10.11** Where the Customer conditionally accepts the Deliverable in accordance with clause 10.10(b) then:

- (a) the AAD occurs on the date that the Customer gives written notice that it conditionally accepts the Deliverable; and
- (b) the Customer may use the Deliverable in a business or production environment from the AAD.

**10.12** Where at the end of the Acceptance Test Period the Acceptance Tests demonstrate that the Deliverable fails to meet the Contract Specifications and other requirements under the Customer Contract because the Defects are more than Minor Defects, then the Customer must give the Contractor written notice within the Acceptance Test Notification Period that the Customer either:

- (a) waives the requirement for the Acceptance Test to be satisfactorily completed;
- (b) requires that the Contractor remedy the Defects on the Defects List, in which case the Contractor must remedy the Defects on the Defects List at its own expense within a reasonable period of time, and re-submit the Deliverable to further Acceptance Testing using the process in clauses 10.2 to 10.16 (except that the Acceptance Testing is restricted to testing the items that were on the Defects List and any necessary regression testing), at the Contractor's expense;
- (c) conditionally accepts the Deliverable, subject to the Contractor agreeing, at its own expense, to deliver a Workaround or to otherwise rectify any item on the Defects List within the Warranty Period in a manner that is acceptable to the Customer;
- (d) accepts the Deliverable subject to an agreed reduction in the Contract Price; or
- (e) subject to the Customer having provided the Contractor with one opportunity to re-submit the Deliverable for further Acceptance Testing, the Customer may, without limiting any other remedy, reject the Deliverable and require the removal of the Deliverable and any materials associated with the rejected Deliverable and require the restoration of anything affected by the Deliverable to its pre Customer Contract state, at the Contractor's expense.

**10.13** The Deliverables are deemed accepted if:

- (a) the Customer does not notify the Contractor within the Acceptance Test Notification Period that the Deliverable is rejected or conditionally accepted;
- (b) where the Customer is to perform the Acceptance Tests, the Customer fails to perform any Acceptance Test within the Acceptance Test Period for any reason, except for any delay resulting from any action of the Contractor unless otherwise agreed;
- (c) the Customer gives written notice that it waives the requirement for the Deliverable to pass the Acceptance Tests;
- (d) the Parties agree that the Deliverable is accepted based on an agreement to a reduction in the Contract Price; or
- (e) the Customer uses the Deliverable for its business purposes and/or in a production environment without the prior written consent of the Contractor.

- 10.14** Where the Acceptance Test relates to a Deliverable that is a Document, it is not a failure to provide the Document in accordance with the Contract Specifications and the other requirements of the Customer Contract where the Customer requests a change to:
- (a) any opinion expressed in the Document, provided that the opinion expressed in the Document is the professional opinion held by the Contractor;
  - (b) the style, formatting or layout of the Document, unless the style, formatting or layout is part of the Contract Specifications; or
  - (c) semantics.
- 10.15** The Warranty Period (if any) of a Deliverable commences on the AAD of that Deliverable.
- 10.16** In the event of power failure, air-conditioning failure or other cause outside the control of the Contractor:
- (a) the Customer must approve an extension of the Acceptance Test Period to accommodate any delays caused directly as a result of those circumstances; and
  - (b) the Contractor must ensure that the Deliverable is ready to resume or recommence Acceptance Tests when conditions are again satisfactory and stable.

## 11. Payment and Invoicing

### PAYMENT

- 11.1** In consideration for the Contractor providing a Deliverable in accordance with the Customer Contract, the Customer must pay the Contractor the Contract Price in the amounts and at the times stated in the Order Documents (including the PIPP) and/or Item 14 of the General Order Form. If the time for payment is not stated in the Order Documents and/or Item 14 of the General Order Form, then the Contract Price is due:
- (a) on AAD for Products;
  - (b) monthly in arrears for Recurring Services, other than Services provided under Modules 2 and 5;
  - (c) annually in advance for Services provided under Modules 2 and/or 5.
- 11.2** The Prices are fixed for the Contract Period, unless otherwise stated in the Order Documents including Item 14 of the General Order Form.
- 11.3** A Customer may pay any amount due under the Customer Contract by credit/debit card or electronic facility stated in Item 33 of the General Order Form. The Contractor may only charge a fee for payment by credit/debit card where the fee is stated in Item 33 of the General Order Form.
- 11.4** Without prejudice to the Customer's other rights and remedies, if the Contractor refuses, neglects or fails to perform an obligation to provide a Deliverable in accordance with the Customer Contract, the Customer may withhold the payment associated with that failure until the Contractor performs the relevant obligation in accordance with the Customer Contract.
- 11.5** The Customer may retain a proportion of the payment for any Milestones in the amount and for the period stated in the PIPP for the due and proper performance and completion of the Contractor's delivery obligations under the Customer Contract incurred prior to the end of the Warranty Period or a period otherwise stated in the PIPP.

- 11.6** The Customer must upon the completion of the Contractor's delivery obligations in accordance with the Customer Contract (incurred prior to the end of the Warranty Period or a period otherwise nominated in the PIPP) pay to the Contractor any amount retained under clause 11.5.

## INVOICING

- 11.7** The Parties agree that, subject to clauses 11.8 to 11.11, the Customer must pay the Contractor for the Deliverables within 30 days (or such other period agreed in the Order Documents including Item 14 and Item 20 of the General Order Form) of receipt of a Correctly Rendered Invoice. For the avoidance of doubt, no amount is payable by the Customer under a Customer Contract until a Correctly Rendered Invoice is received.
- 11.8** The Contractor must provide any further details in regard to an invoice that may be reasonably requested by the Customer.
- 11.9** The Contractor must send any invoices for any amount due to the person at the address stated in Item 14 of the General Order Form.
- 11.10** The making of a payment is not an acknowledgment that the Deliverables have been supplied or accepted in accordance with the Customer Contract.
- 11.11** If the Customer disputes an invoiced amount the Customer must:
- (a) provide the Contractor with written notice of the dispute, such written notice to be given within 10 Business Days from the date of receipt of the invoice; and
  - (b) pay the undisputed portion of the invoice by the date that payment must be made under the Customer Contract.

## 12. Taxes

- 12.1** Subject to clauses 12.2 and 12.3, the Contractor is liable for all Taxes imposed or levied in connection with the Contractor's performance of its obligations under the Customer Contract.
- 12.2** The Customer must pay any GST that is payable in respect of any Taxable Supply made under the Customer Contract in addition to the amount payable (exclusive of GST) for the Taxable Supply. GST is payable at the same time as the amount payable for the Taxable Supply to which it relates.
- 12.3** If there is any abolition or reduction, increase or introduction of any Tax, the Price that is payable for the Deliverable, or any other cost or expense that is payable under the Customer Contract must be varied so that the Contractor's net dollar margin for the Deliverable, cost or expense remains the same.
- 12.4** Any reference in the Customer Contract to a cost or expense to be reimbursed by one Party to another Party includes any GST payable in connection with a Taxable Supply to which that cost or expense relates, less the amount of any input tax credit that the Party requiring the reimbursement is entitled to claim.

## 13. Intellectual Property Rights

### OWNERSHIP

- 13.1** All Intellectual Property Rights in:

- (a) any Existing Material remain vested in the person that owns the Intellectual Property Rights at the Commencement Date (**Owner**); and
- (b) any adaptation, translation or derivative of that Existing Material, vests in, or, is hereby transferred or assigned to the Owner, immediately upon creation.

#### CONTRACTOR OWNED NEW MATERIAL

**13.2** The provisions of clauses 13.3 to 13.5 apply to New Material, unless clause 13.11 applies.

**13.3** All Intellectual Property Rights in any New Material vest in, or, are hereby transferred or assigned to, the Contractor, immediately upon creation.

**13.4** On the AAD of a Deliverable that incorporates the relevant New Material, the Contractor grants the Customer a non-exclusive, perpetual, irrevocable, royalty free, transferable licence to use, copy, adapt, translate, reproduce and in any way exploit that New Material in connection with, or for the operation, modification, support and/or use of, the Deliverable in which it is incorporated, subject to the restrictions set out in clause 13.5.

**13.5** The licence to New Material in clause 13.4:

- (a) does not permit the Customer to disclose the New Material to any other person, except as stated in clauses 13.5(c) to (e);
- (b) does not permit the Customer to manufacture, sell, license, transfer, commercialise or otherwise exploit any of the New Material or any Existing Material except as stated in clauses 13.5(c) to (e);
- (c) permits the Customer to sublicense any of the rights in clause 13.4 without additional charge to any "Public Service agency" or other "government sector agency" (as defined in the *Government Sector Employment Act 2013* (NSW)), any NSW Government agency or statutory body representing the Crown (as referenced in section 13A of the *Interpretation Act 1987* (NSW)), any other public authority that is constituted by or under an Act of the State of New South Wales or that exercises public functions, and any "public health organisation" (as defined in the *Health Services Act 1997* (NSW));
- (d) permits the Customer's subcontractors to access the New Material, without additional charge, for the internal purposes of the Customer provided that, unless otherwise required by the Contractor, the Customer's subcontractor first signs an agreement or undertaking in a form reasonably acceptable to the Contractor that protects the use and disclosure of the New Material in the same manner as stated in the Customer Contract; and
- (e) permits the Customer to sublicense any of the rights in clause 13.4, without additional charge, to a contractor that is providing outsource services to the Customer that include the operation of the New Material, provided that:
  - (i) the New Material is used solely for the internal business purposes of the Customer for the period of the outsource arrangement and the sublicense automatically terminates at the end of the period of the outsource arrangement; and
  - (ii) unless otherwise required by the Contractor, the contractor first signs an agreement or undertaking in a form reasonably acceptable to the Contractor that protects the use and disclosure of the New Material in the same manner as stated in the Customer Contract.

## EXISTING MATERIAL

- 13.6** On the AAD of a Deliverable that incorporates the Contractor's Existing Material, the Contractor grants the Customer a non-exclusive licence:
- (a) if that Existing Material is Licensed Software; to that Existing Material on the terms and conditions of the licence of that Licensed Software under the relevant Module;
  - (b) if that Existing Material is an adaptation, translation or derivative of Licensed Software; to that Existing Material on the same terms and conditions as the licence for the Licensed Software stated in clause 13.7(a);
  - (c) if that Existing Material is a tool, object library or similar routine that is not included in the Existing Materials stated in clauses 13.7(a) or 13.7(b); to use, reproduce and adapt that Existing Material for the Customer's own internal use in connection with, or for the operation, modification, support and/or use of, that Deliverable;
  - (d) if that Existing Material is a Document Deliverable and any adaptation, translation or derivative of that Existing Material; to use that Existing Material for the Customer's internal use; and
  - (e) if that Existing Material is an Online Service, the right to use and access that Existing Material on the terms and conditions under the relevant Module.
- 13.7** On the AAD of a Deliverable that incorporates Existing Material that is owned by a third party, including third party software, the Customer is granted a non-exclusive licence to that third party Existing Material to:
- (a) use, reproduce and adapt that third party Existing Material on the terms and conditions, and for the fees, stated in Item 34 of the General Order Form; or
  - (b) if no terms and conditions or fees are stated in Item 34 of the General Order Form; to use, reproduce and adapt that third party Existing Material for the Customer's own internal use in connection with, or for the operation, modification, support and/or use of, that Deliverable.
- 13.8** Where the Contractor uses a methodology in providing any Deliverable, the Contractor grants the Customer a non-exclusive licence to use that methodology during the Contract Period solely for the purposes of receiving the benefit of the Services under the Customer Contract or assisting the Contractor to perform its obligations under the Customer Contract.
- 13.9** Unless expressly agreed otherwise in the General Order Form, the licenses granted under clauses 13.6(c), 13.6(d), 13.7 and 13.8 are perpetual and irrevocable to the extent required for the Customer to receive the benefit of the Products and the Services in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Customer Contract.
- 13.10** The Contractor may charge for any licence to use any of its Existing Material, such fees to be stated in Item 34 of the General Order Form.

## CUSTOMER OWNED NEW MATERIAL

- 13.11** If it is stated on the General Order Form that this clause applies to some or all of the New Materials and subject to clauses 13.13 to 13.15, upon the AAD of the relevant Deliverable that incorporates the New Material:
- (a) any Intellectual Property Rights in the New Material vest in, or are hereby transferred or assigned by the Contractor to, the Customer; and

- (b) the Customer may, in its sole discretion and only if stated in the General Order Form, grant the Contractor a :
  - (i) non-exclusive, perpetual irrevocable, royalty free, transferable licence in respect of the Intellectual Property Rights in the New Material to use, copy, adapt, translate, manufacture and in any other way exploit the Intellectual Property Rights in the New Material; or
  - (ii) licence in respect of the Intellectual Property Rights in the New Material on such terms as are specified in the General Order Form.

### CUSTOMER MATERIAL

- 13.12** The Customer grants the Contractor a non-exclusive, non-transferable licence for the Contract Period for the Contractor and its Personnel to use the Customer's Materials to the extent necessary for the Contractor to perform its obligations under the Customer Contract.

### KNOW HOW ETC

- 13.13** Subject to the restrictions on the disclosure of Confidential Information:

- (a) the Contractor will retain all right, title and interest in and to all know-how, methodologies, processes, technologies, algorithms, development tools or forms, templates or output used in performing its obligations under the Customer Contract which are based on trade secrets or proprietary information of the Contractor; and
- (b) the Contractor will be free to use the ideas, concepts, methodologies, processes and know-how that are used, developed or created in the course of performing the obligations under the Customer Contract and may be retained by the Contractor's Personnel in intangible form.

### OPEN SOURCE LICENCE

- 13.14** The Contractor must not, without the prior written consent of the Customer:

- (a) develop or enhance any Deliverable using Open Source Software; or
- (b) insert any Open Source Software into any Deliverable.

- 13.15** Where the Customer provides its consent in relation to the use of any Open Source Software under clause 13.14(a) the Contractor will ensure that the use of that Open Source Software will not:

- (a) result in an obligation to disclose, license or otherwise make available any part of the Customer's environment, data or Confidential Information to any third party; or
- (b) diminish the Contractor's obligations under this Customer Contract.

## 14. Confidentiality

- 14.1** Except to the extent necessary to comply with any Statutory Requirement or government policy relating to the public disclosure of Confidential Information, neither Party will make public, disclose or use any Confidential Information of the other Party except in accordance with the Customer Contract, unless the other Party gives its prior written consent.

- 14.2** Each Party may disclose the Confidential Information of the other Party:

- (a) to the Contract Authority;
- (b) Secretary, New South Wales Department of Finance, Services and Innovation and to that Department's Personnel;
- (c) to its Personnel where the disclosure is essential to enable them to carry out their duties in connection with the Customer Contract or any Head Agreement;
- (d) to its Personnel, Related Companies and their directors, officers, employees, agents, contractors, lawyers, accountants, insurers, financiers and other professional advisers where the disclosure is in connection with advising on, reporting on, or facilitating the Party's performance under, the Customer Contract or any Head Agreement in circumstances where such persons have a need to know (and only to the extent that each has a need to know and has been directed and agrees to keep confidential the Confidential Information on terms not inconsistent with this Customer Contract); or
- (e) if the receiving Party is required to disclose by law, order of a court or tribunal of competent jurisdiction or the listing rules of an applicable securities exchange.

**14.3** Each Party must ensure that any Confidential Information of the other Party is used solely for the purposes permitted under clause 14.2.

**14.4** The Customer may at any time require the Contractor to arrange for its Subcontractors to execute without delay a Deed of Confidentiality between the Customer and the Subcontractor substantially in the form of Schedule 8 – Deed of Confidentiality.

## 15. Privacy

**15.1** The Contractor must when it collects, uses, discloses or holds Personal Information in the course of performing its obligations under this Customer Contract:

- (a) collect, use, access, disclose or hold such Personal Information obtained in connection with the Customer Contract only for the purposes of performing its obligations under this Customer Contract;
- (b) comply with all applicable Privacy Laws as if it were a person subject to the Privacy Laws;
- (c) not do any act or engage in any practice that would breach the Privacy Laws, or which if done or engaged in by the Customer, would be a breach of any Privacy Laws;
- (d) not disclose Personal Information to any other person without the prior written consent of the Customer or as expressly required by Statutory Requirements;
- (e) notify the Customer immediately upon becoming aware of a breach or possible breach of any of the obligations in this clause 15.1, whether by the Contractor, its Approved Agents or their Personnel, and comply with any reasonable direction from the Customer with respect to remedying that breach;
- (f) notify any individual that makes a complaint to the Contractor regarding the Contractor's acts or practices in relation to such individual's Personal Information, that the complaint may be investigated by the Privacy Commissioner;
- (g) comply with all reasonable directions of the Customer in relation to the care and protection of Personal Information held in connection with the Customer Contract or the rights of individuals to access and correct such Personal Information, and take all technical, organisational and other security measures reasonably within the Contractor's



power to protect the Personal Information from misuse, interference and loss and from unauthorised access or use, modification or disclosure;

- (h) not allow, or permit access to, or transfer any Personal Information that belongs to the Customer, has been provided by the Customer or has been collected, accessed or used by the Contractor with the consent of the Customer, outside of Australia, unless it has first obtained the Customer's approval in writing or as specified in Item 25B of the General Order Form;
- (i) ensure that any of the Contractor's Personnel who are required to deal with the Personal Information for the purposes of the Customer Contract are made aware of the obligations of the Contractor under this clause 15.1; and
- (j) ensure that any agreement with any Approved Agent or Subcontractor who may be fulfilling a requirement in relation to the Customer Contract which includes the handling of Personal Information contains substantially the same or equivalent obligations to this clause 15.1 which are enforceable by the Contractor against the Approved Agent or the Subcontractor, as applicable.

## 16. Insurance

**16.1** The Contractor must hold and maintain, or be an insured under, one or more insurance policies, that provide the following cover:

- (a) public liability insurance with an indemnity of at least \$10,000,000 in respect of each claim for the period of cover;
- (b) product liability insurance with an indemnity of at least \$10,000,000 for the total aggregate liability for all claims for the period of cover; and
- (c) workers' compensation insurance in accordance with applicable legislation.

The Contractor must maintain the coverage required under this clause 16.1 during the Contract Period.

**16.2** Where the Customer Contract is entered into under a Head Agreement, the Contractor must also hold and maintain, or be an insured under, one or more insurance policies that have been agreed by the Contractor and the Contract Authority under the Head Agreement. Details of these insurances are stated in Item 7 of the General Order Form.

**16.3** If the Customer Contract is for the provision of Services, the Contractor must hold and maintain, or be an insured under, one or more insurance policies that include professional indemnity or errors and omissions insurance that provide indemnity cover of at least the amount of \$1,000,000 in respect of the total aggregate liability for all claims for the period of cover. The Contractor must maintain the coverage required under this clause 16.3 during the Contract Period and until the date that is 4 years from the last day of the Contract Period.

**16.4** The insurance policies in clauses 16.1(a), 16.1(b) and 16.3 must include cover for the Contractor's liability for the acts and omissions of the Contractor's subcontractors to the same extent as if they were the acts and omissions of the Contractor.

**16.5** All policies of insurance must be entered into with an insurer which has a rating of A- or better by AM Best or an equivalent rating organisation at the date when cover is commenced, or for workers' compensation insurance the insurer (including any self-insurance) must be authorised by law.

- 16.6** The Contractor must within 30 days of the start of the Contract Period or of a request in writing from the Customer provide the Customer with a certificate of currency issued by its insurer or insurance broker (or other form of evidence acceptable to the Customer) confirming that all the insurance policies required by the Customer Contract are current and that the insurance has the required limits of cover. Where the Contractor is insured under a Related Company's insurance policy, the certificate of currency must also show that the insurance policy includes the Contractor as an insured.
- 16.7** The Contractor agrees to hold, maintain or be an insured under, any additional insurance stated in Item 36 of the General Order Form.
- 16.8** Where the Contractor does not wish to hold and maintain, or be an insured under, insurance required by clauses 16.1 to 16.5, or does not wish to enter into one or more of those insurance policies with an insurer of the type required by clause 16.5, the Contractor may make application to the Customer to be exempted from the provisions of clauses 16.1 to 16.6. Such application must be supported by such documentation as may be required by the Customer, (including the Contractor's financial records (limited to publicly available financial records where a Contractor or any of its Related Companies is publicly traded)). The Customer may accept, conditionally accept or reject the Contractor's application. The Customer must provide the Contractor with written notice within 30 days of receipt of the Contractor's application of the Customer determination under this clause 16.8, and in absence of receipt of such written notice, the Contractor's application is deemed accepted by the Customer.
- 16.9** Where the Customer Contract is entered into under a Head Agreement:
- (a) the Customer cannot grant the Contractor consent to be exempt from any insurance requirements required under the Head Agreement;
  - (b) if the Contractor has obtained the consent of the Contract Authority and the Secretary, New South Wales Department of Finance, Services and Innovation to be exempt from any insurance requirements under any Head Agreement, then the Customer must accept the Contractor's application for an application for any similar exemption under the Customer Contract.
- 16.10** The effecting of insurance does not limit or expand the liabilities or obligations of the Contractor under the other provisions of the Customer Contract.

## 17. Guarantees

### PERFORMANCE GUARANTEES

- 17.1** Where the Customer Contract is entered into under a Head Agreement and the Contractor has provided a Performance Guarantee under that Head Agreement:
- (a) the Contractor agrees that the Customer has the benefit of that Performance Guarantee provided that the Customer is a Government Agency;
  - (b) where the Customer is an Eligible non-Government Body, the Eligible non-Government Body cannot take the benefit of the Performance Guarantee provided to the Contract Authority under that Head Agreement, but the Eligible non-Government Body may separately agree with the Contractor that the Contractor is to provide a Performance Guarantee for the benefit of the Eligible non-Government Body under the Customer Contract in accordance with clause 17.2.
- 17.2** Where:
- (a) the Customer Contract is not entered into under a Head Agreement; or

- (b) the Customer Contract is entered into under a Head Agreement but the Contractor has not provided a Performance Guarantee under that Head Agreement,

and it is agreed in Item 37 of the General Order Form (provided that in the case of (b) above, the Contractor will notify the Contract Authority that the relevant Customer has requested a Performance Guarantee and the Contract Authority has given its written approval that a Performance Guarantee be provided for that Customer), the Contractor must arrange for a guarantor approved in writing by the Customer to enter into an agreement with the Customer substantially in the form of the agreement stated in Schedule 9 – Performance Guarantee, or such other document reasonably acceptable to the Customer. Where the guarantor is not domiciled in Australia the Customer may not refuse to accept an alternative form of guarantee solely on the basis that the jurisdiction and law of the guarantee is the jurisdiction and law of the country of the guarantor. This Performance Guarantee must be provided to the Customer within 30 days of the Commencement Date, or such other period stated in Item 37 of the General Order Form.

- 17.3** Any Performance Guarantee that is issued in favour of a Customer that is a Government Agency and clause 17.2(b) applies, can only be enforced by the Contract Authority acting on behalf of the Customer.

### FINANCIAL SECURITY

- 17.4** Where it is agreed in Item 38 of the General Order Form, the Contractor must provide a Financial Security in the amount stated in Item 38 of the General Order Form substantially in the form of the agreement stated in Schedule 10 – Financial Security, or in the standard form that is usually provided by the issuing entity. The Contractor must, following such a request, ensure that the Financial Security is provided within 14 days of the Commencement Date, or such other period as agreed in Item 38 of the General Order Form.
- 17.5** The Financial Security will be held as security for the due and proper performance and completion of all the obligations of the Contractor under the Customer Contract.
- 17.6** The Financial Security must be issued by an Australian domiciled bank, insurance company or other financial institution (**Issuer**) acceptable to the Customer.
- 17.7** If the Contractor fails to properly perform and complete its obligations under the Customer Contract, and the Customer suffers loss, damage or expense arising from, or in connection with, such failure by the Contractor, the Customer may deduct its loss, damage or expense (in so far as those losses, damages and expenses may be payable by the Contractor taking into account the terms and conditions of the Customer Contract, including the provisions of clause 18) from the Financial Security.
- 17.8** The Contractor agrees that the Customer will have no liability for any loss, damage or expense suffered or incurred by the Contractor where the Customer exercises its rights in accordance with clause 17.7 in good faith.
- 17.9** Upon performance of part of the Customer Contract in accordance with its terms, the Contractor may request the Customer to consent to the discharge of the Financial Security provided under the Customer Contract and the substitution of another Financial Security in substantially the same form but for a lesser maximum aggregate sum. The Customer must not unreasonably withhold its consent to the substitution where the part performance of the Customer Contract has proportionately reduced the risk for which the Financial Security was originally provided.
- 17.10** The Financial Security will end on the sooner of:
- (a) the date when payment is made by the Issuer up to the maximum amount required under the Financial Security;

- (b) one year from the date that the last Deliverable under the Customer Contract is scheduled to pass its Acceptance Tests, or if no Acceptance Tests were required, the date that is scheduled to be 180 days from the date of delivery of the last Deliverable or performance of the last Service under the Customer Contract;
- (c) the date the Customer and Contractor agree in writing to release the Issuer; or
- (d) the date the Customer notifies the Issuer that the Financial Security is no longer required.

**17.11** The Customer must reimburse the Contractor for any reasonable costs it incurs, including the fees payable to the Issuer, in connection with providing the Financial Security. These costs and fees must be reimbursed to the Contractor within 30 days of the Contractor providing a Correctly Rendered Invoice for the costs and fees.

## 18. Liability

**18.1** To the extent permitted by law, and subject to clauses 3.12, 3.13, and 18.2 to 18.7, the Contractor's liability in contract (including under an indemnity), tort (including negligence), breach of statutory duty or otherwise in respect of any loss, damage or expense arising out of, or in connection with, the Customer Contract shall not exceed in aggregate for all claims that arise out of, or in connection with, the Customer Contract, the greater of:

- (a) \$100,000; or
- (b) in respect of claims that arise from:
  - (i) a Non-Recurring Service or Product; two times the Contract Value for the Non-Recurring Service or Product;
  - (ii) a Short Term Recurring Service; the Contract Value for the Short Term Recurring Service;
  - (iii) a Recurring Service other than a Short Term Recurring Service;
    - (A) if the claim arose after the Recurring Service had been provided for 12 months; the amount paid or unpaid but due and outstanding, for the Recurring Service for the 12 months prior to the date that the claim first arose; or
    - (B) if the claim arose prior to the Contractor providing 12 months of Recurring Services; the amount that is 12 times the average monthly amount that was paid or unpaid but due and outstanding for the Recurring Service prior to the date on which the claim first arose; or
  - (iv) a System, two times the Contract Value for the Non-Recurring Service or Product comprising the System.

**18.2** In all cases, any refund of monies, payment of liquidated damages, or payment of any fees, rebates, credits, damages, losses, expenses, (including third party costs incurred and paid by the Contractor if a third party is engaged by the Customer to remedy a breach by the Contractor in accordance with the Customer Contract), liabilities or any other amounts that are stated as being payable by the Contractor in respect of any breach of the Customer Contract or under an indemnity, are included in determining whether the limitation of liability has been reached.

**18.3** If the Customer Contract is for the supply of any Deliverables:

- (a) where the Contract Price under the Customer Contract is greater than \$20,000,000; or
- (b) where the Customer Contract is for Deliverables that are to be used for a Prescribed Use,
- the Parties must discuss and agree an alternative cap of liability in Item 39 of the General Order Form.
- 18.4** Notwithstanding any other clause in the Customer Contract, neither Party is liable to the other Party for any Consequential Loss (including under an indemnity).
- 18.5** Notwithstanding any other clause in the Customer Contract, the Contractor has no financial cap on its legal liability where that liability arises from:
- (a) bodily injury (including sickness and death), including to the extent that the legal liability is covered by the indemnity in clause 19.1(b);
- (b) loss of, or damage to, tangible property, including to the extent that the legal liability is covered by the indemnity in clause 19.1(b);
- (c) breach of the Contractor's obligation of confidence under or pursuant to clause 14;
- (d) the Contractor's indemnity in respect of breach of privacy obligations as stated in clause 19.1(a); or
- (e) the Contractor's indemnity for IP Claims as stated in clause 19.1(c).
- 18.6** The liability of a Party (**Party A**) for any loss, damage or expense incurred by another Party (**Party B**) will be reduced proportionately to the extent that:
- (a) any negligent or malicious act or omission of Party B or its Personnel; or
- (b) any failure by Party B or its Personnel to comply with its obligations and responsibilities under the Customer Contract,
- contributed to the loss, damage or expense, regardless of whether legal proceedings are brought by Party A for negligence or breach of contract.
- 18.7** The Parties must use their reasonable efforts to mitigate any loss, damage or expense arising out of, or in connection with, the Customer Contract.

## 19. Indemnities

### CONTRACTOR INDEMNITY

- 19.1** The Contractor must indemnify and hold harmless the Customer, its officers and employees against any loss or expense which any of them pays, suffers, incurs or is liable for (including legal costs on a solicitor and client basis) to the extent it:
- (a) arises out of or in connection with the Contractor's breach of any privacy obligations under or pursuant to clause 15.1;
- (b) is the result of a claim against the Customer, its officers or employees made by a third party arising out of or in connection with a malicious or negligent act or omission of the Contractor, its directors, officers, employees, agents and subcontractors in the performance of the Contractor's obligations to the Customer under the Customer Contract; or

- (c) is the result of a claim against the Customer, its officers or employees made by a third party that the use of the Deliverable in accordance with the Customer Contract infringes any Intellectual Property Rights, including the Moral Rights, of the third party claimant, that are enforceable in Australia (**IP Claim**).
- 19.2** The Customer must promptly, and in any event within 5 Business Days of being notified of a claim for which it is seeking an indemnity under clause 19.1(b) or 19.1(c), provide the Contractor with Notice in Writing of the details of the claim. The Customer must (unless there is any government policy that prohibits the Contractor from handling the process for the settlement of the claim) permit the Contractor, at the Contractor's expense, to handle the process for the settlement of such claim and, as permitted by law, to control and direct any litigation that may follow a claim under clause 19.1(b) or 19.1(c) (including selecting solicitors and counsel), subject to the Contractor agreeing to comply at all times with the government policy relevant to the conduct of the litigation.
- 19.3** If the Customer does not permit the Contractor to handle the process for the settlement of such claim under clause 19.2 and, as permitted by law, to control and direct any litigation that may follow a claim under clause 19.1(b) or 19.1(c), then the Customer must promptly and fully defend the claim (whilst complying with government policy), and not settle the claim without the Contractor's prior written consent, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld. The Customer must keep the Contractor fully informed throughout the period of the claim, including providing copies of all relevant documents.
- 19.4** The Customer must, upon the Contractor confirming its obligations under the indemnity in clause 19.1, provide the Contractor with reasonable assistance in defending, settling or otherwise conducting the negotiations or litigation, at the Contractor's expense, including providing all relevant documents, permitting its Personnel to testify for the Contractor if requested by the Contractor and using any defence that might be available to the person being indemnified.
- 19.5** Notwithstanding clause 19.1(c), the Contractor is not required to indemnify the Customer, its officers and employees to the extent that an IP Claim is caused by:
- (a) any open source software that forms part of the Deliverable;
  - (b) the combination, operation or use of a Deliverable with any other product, equipment business method, software or data (unless such combination, operation or use is approved by the Contractor or in accordance with the Contract Specifications);
  - (c) any modification of a Deliverable by any person other than the Contractor or its Personnel unless such modification is approved by the Contractor;
  - (d) the Contractor following the designs, specifications or instructions provided by the Customer or other person on the Customer's behalf; or
  - (e) the continued use of a Deliverable after the Contractor has provided the Customer a new software version, patch or correction, or a replacement part or other correction, that would have overcome the infringement.
- 19.6** Without prejudice to the Customer's rights under clause 19.1(c), if there is an IP Claim then the Contractor may, with the consent of the Customer, at the Contractor's expense, either:
- (a) obtain for the Customer the right to the continued use of the Deliverable in accordance with the Customer Contract;
  - (b) replace or modify the Deliverable so that the alleged infringement ceases and the replaced or modified Deliverable provides the Customer with substantially similar functionality and performance as required in the Contract Specifications; or

- (c) if, in the opinion of the Contractor, neither clause 19.6(a) nor 19.6(b) is reasonably commercially available and the Customer is not subject to the benefits of the legislation in clause 19.9, the Contractor may terminate the Customer Contract on 30 days' Notice in Writing and will be liable for all loss, damage or expense suffered by the Customer in connection with such termination.

**19.7** Notwithstanding clause 19.1, the Contractor is not required to indemnify the Customer under clause 19.1(b) or 19.1(c) (as applicable), its officers and employees:

- (a) if the third party making a claim under clause 19.1(b) or the IP Claim (as applicable) is the Contract Authority or any other Eligible Customer who is obtaining the benefit of, or being provided with, the Product, Service or Deliverable under the Customer Contract; or
- (b) where the third party claim under clause 19.1(b) or the IP Claim arises from, or in connection with, the supply of any Product, Service or Deliverable (or the supply of any item based on any Product, Service or Deliverable) to the third party, whether the supply was made by the Customer or any person who has, directly or indirectly, acquired the Product, Service or Deliverable or item based on the Product, Service or Deliverable from the Customer.

**19.8** The Contractor's liability in respect of the indemnity provided under:

- (a) clause 19.1(a), is subject to clauses 18.4, 18.6 and 18.7;
- (b) clause 19.1(b), is subject to clauses 18.1 to 18.7;
- (c) clause 19.1(c), is subject to clauses 18.4, 18.6 and 18.7.

**19.9** For the purposes of clause 19.1(c) an infringement of Intellectual Property Rights includes unauthorised acts which would, but for the operation of section 163 of the Patents Act 1990 (Cth), sections 96 and 100 of the Designs Act 2003 (Cth), section 183 of the Copyright Act 1968 (Cth) and section 25 of the *Circuit Layouts Act 1989* (Cth), constitute an infringement.

## 20. Conflict of Interest

**20.1** The Contractor must:

- (a) provide the Customer with Notice in Writing upon becoming aware of the existence or possibility of a Conflict of Interest that arises in the performance of its obligations under the Customer Contract; and
- (b) comply with any direction given by Customer in relation to managing that Conflict of Interest.

## 21. Performance Management

### REPORTING

**21.1** The Contractor must provide to the Customer the reports stated in the Order Documents including Item 40 of the General Order Form in the time frame and format agreed in the Order Documents or as reasonably required by the Customer.

## 22. Government Policy

- 22.1** If there is a Head Agreement and the Contractor was required to provide a competitive quote prior to entering into this Customer Contract, the Contractor must, during the Contract Period, comply with the NSW Government policy known as the “Small and Medium Enterprises (‘SME’) Policy Framework” in respect of such competitive quote. The Contractor acknowledges that it has read clause 16 of the Head Agreement which sets out the requirements of the Contractor imposed by the “Small and Medium Enterprises (‘SME’) Policy Framework “ and agrees to comply with those requirements in respect of the competitive quote.
- 22.2** If there is no Head Agreement and the Customer Contract is a standalone Customer Contract then if the Contractor was required to provide a competitive quote prior to entering into this Customer Contract the Contractor must, during the Contract Period, comply with the NSW Government policy known as “Small and Medium Enterprises (‘SME’) Policy Framework ” in respect of the competitive quote. The Contractor acknowledges that it has read the “Small and Medium Enterprises (‘SME’) Policy Framework at <http://www.procurepoint.nsw.gov.au/procurement-reform/about-nsw-procurement-reform/small-and-medium-enterprises-policy-framework> which sets out the requirements of the Contractor imposed by the Small and Medium Enterprises (‘SME’) Policy Framework.
- 22.3** The Contractor must comply with the New South Wales Department of Finance, Services and Innovation Statement of Business Ethics (<http://www.services.nsw.gov.au/about-us/business-ethics>).

## 23. Contract Administration

### REPRESENTATIVES

- 23.1** Each Party may nominate an employee who is its Authorised Representative in Item 3 or Item 6 of the General Order Form.
- 23.2** Each Party warrants to the other Party that its Authorised Representative has the authority to provide such consents and approvals as are required for the purposes of this Customer Contract and to issue instructions and directions as necessary for the purposes of this Customer Contract, on behalf of that Party.

### NOTICE OF CHANGE IN CONTROL

- 23.3** The Contractor must promptly provide the Customer with Notice in Writing of any Change in Control, other than a Change in Control that is a solvent re-organisation with shares being transferred between Related Companies.

### RECORD KEEPING AND AUDIT

- 23.4** The Contractor must keep financial records and other information relevant to the performance of the Customer Contract including as are required to allow the Customer to determine the Contractor's compliance with this Customer Contract and the accuracy of its invoices.
- 23.5** Subject to clause 23.11, no more than once in any calendar year, the Customer may conduct an audit to enable the Customer to confirm the Contractor's compliance with this Customer Contract by giving the Contractor at least 5 Business Days' prior written notice. Clauses 23.6 to 23.8 apply to an audit conducted by the Customer.
- 23.6** The Contractor must give the Customer and its Personnel (including internal and external auditors and advisers) full access at all reasonable times and on reasonable notice:



(a) to data in the possession or control of the Contractor or any of its Subcontractors (other than any data or information containing the Contractor's or its Subcontractor's costs and margins or of a financially sensitive nature); and

(b) to the Contractor's Personnel,

for the purposes of obtaining information in connection with an audit under clauses 23.5 and 23.6.

- 23.7** For the purpose of complying with clause 23.6, the Contractor must promptly and efficiently give the Customer and their Personnel any assistance they reasonably require.
- 23.8** The Customer and its Personnel must comply with the Contractor's reasonable security requirements.
- 23.9** Without limiting the rights of the Customer, if an audit shows that the Contractor has breached or is in breach of this Customer Contract, the Contractor must promptly do all things necessary to remedy that breach and prevent it from recurring at no cost to the Customer.
- 23.10** If an audit shows that the Contractor has overcharged the Customer in any invoice, the Contractor must promptly refund any amounts that the Contractor has overcharged the Customer, and adjust all of the current invoices that have not been paid by the Customer to ensure that the Customer is only liable to pay the correct amount.
- 23.11** The Contractor and Customer may agree an alternative audit mechanism to that provided in clauses 23.5 to 23.8, such mechanism to be specified in Item 40A of the General Order Form or otherwise as agreed in writing. Any alternate audit mechanism agreed to under this clause 23.11 must address compliance with the Contractor's Customer Data, security and privacy obligations and such other of the Contractor's obligations required by the Customer and reasonably agreed by the Contractor.

## NOTICES

- 23.12** Any Notice in Writing must be sent to the receiving Party's Service Address addressed to the Party's nominee for receipt of notices, or if no such position is nominated, it must be addressed to the Authorised Representative of such Party.
- 23.13** Any Notice in Writing is regarded as given and received:
- (a) if sent by mail; 3 Business Days after it is posted;
  - (b) if sent by fax; at 9.00 am on the Business Day following the day when the addressee actually receives it in full and in legible form; and
  - (c) if sent by email; when the sender's system registers that the email has passed the internet gateway of the sender's system (and no delivery failure or out of office message is received by the sender within 24 hours of sending).

## 24. Dispute Resolution

- 24.1** The Parties agree to resolve any dispute between them that arises during the Contract Period out of, or in connection with, the Customer Contract in accordance with clause 24.
- 24.2** If a dispute arises out of, or in connection with, the Customer Contract during the Contract Period, then, subject to clause 24.13, the aggrieved Party must submit a Notice in Writing to the other Party of the issue, and if the issue relates to an allegation of breach of contract or any damages the notice must include details of the breach, including the relevant clauses of

the Customer Contract which are alleged to have been breached, and (if applicable) the damages claimed and how the damages are calculated (**Issue Notice**). The Issue Notice must be submitted within a reasonable time of the Party becoming aware of the issue. If the Party submitting the Issue Notice is the Contractor, then where the Customer Contract is made under a Head Agreement, the Contractor must send a copy of the Issue Notice to the Contract Authority.

- 24.3** If a Party submits an Issue Notice under clause 24.2, each Party must nominate in writing, within 7 days, a senior executive who will attempt to resolve the dispute. The nominated senior executives will promptly meet at a time and place that is mutually convenient with the objective of resolving the issue. The nominated senior executives may invite other Personnel to attend the mutually convenient conference subject to a list of additional invited Personnel being provided to the other nominated senior executive at least 24 hours prior to the conference.
- 24.4** If the Parties are able to agree upon a resolution to the dispute, the terms of the agreement are to be documented and signed by both nominated senior executives. Such an agreement will be binding on both Parties.
- 24.5** Each Party will bear its own costs under clauses 24.2 to 24.4.
- 24.6** If the dispute is not resolved within 21 days of the date that the Issue Notice was received by the other Party, either Party may then refer the dispute to expert determination in accordance with clauses 24.7 to 24.8.
- 24.7** The Party that requires that the dispute is resolved by expert determination must submit a Notice in Writing to the other Party specifying the issue to be decided by expert determination, and if the issue relates to an allegation of breach of contract or any damages the notice must include details of the breach, including the relevant clauses of the agreement which are alleged to have been breached, and (if applicable) the damages claimed and how the damages are calculated (**Referral Notice**).
- 24.8** If the dispute is to be resolved by expert determination the Parties will be bound by the provisions and procedures contained in Schedule 11 – Dispute Resolution Procedures, unless agreed otherwise in writing.
- 24.9** If a Referral Notice has not been submitted within 20 Business Days of becoming entitled under clause 24.6 then the issue is barred from expert determination or any other action or proceedings, subject to clause 24.13. The Customer and the Contractor may, in writing, agree to extend this 20 Business Days period for the purposes of continuing to negotiate a resolution of a particular dispute for up to another 20 Business Days.
- 24.10** Notwithstanding the existence of a dispute, each Party must continue to perform its obligations under the Customer Contract during the period of the attempt to resolve the dispute .
- 24.11** Unless the Parties otherwise agree in writing, clauses 24.7 to 24.8 do not apply to any dispute:
- (a) for which either Party's claim exceeds \$250,000 or the amount stated in Item 41 of the General Order Form;
  - (b) that involves a party claiming that a statutory guarantee under the CCA is involved in the dispute; or
  - (c) which relates to an issue of the type stated in Item 41 of the General Order Form.

In this case if the dispute is not resolved within 15 Business Days of the date that the Issue Notice was received by the other Party, either Party may commence any other form of resolution, including court proceedings.

- 24.12** The amount specified in Item 41 of the General Order Form shall include the total amount being claimed by both Parties including the amount of any cross claim but excludes any set offs, interest and legal costs. If the Parties are unable to agree on the total amount being claimed each Party shall submit a claim to the other Party detailing the nature of the claim, the relevant term of the Customer Contract which has been breached and how it calculated the amount of its claim. Where only one Party is submitting a claim the other Party shall be entitled to submit its estimate of the amount of the claim to the other Party. If the calculations of each Party differ from one another the amount in dispute for the purposes of Item 41 of the General Order Form shall be calculated by totalling the value of all the claims or estimated amount of the claims together and dividing that amount by the total number of claims and estimated claims.
- 24.13** The provisions of clauses 24.2 to 24.12 do not apply where a party seeks urgent interlocutory relief or where a Party has terminated the Customer Contract for a Substantial Breach or Fundamental Breach of the Agreement.

## 25. Termination

- 25.1** If the Customer Contract is made under a Head Agreement then termination or expiry of the Head Agreement does not affect the Customer Contract, unless the context necessarily requires it.

### TERMINATION FOR CAUSE BY THE CUSTOMER

- 25.2** The Customer may terminate the Customer Contract immediately by providing the Contractor Notice in Writing if:
- (a) the Contractor suffers an Insolvency Event; or
  - (b) the Contractor has committed a Substantial Breach and the Contractor has not either:
    - (i) rectified that Substantial Breach within 14 days (or such longer period as stated in the Notice in Writing) of receipt of a Notice in Writing specifying the details of the breach; or
    - (ii) proposed steps that are reasonably acceptable to the Customer that it will take to remedy the Substantial Breach and a timeframe within which the Contractor will take them which are reasonably acceptable to the Customer.
  - (c) the Contractor fails to comply with the New South Wales Department of Finance, Services and Innovation (DFSI) Statement of Business Ethics (<http://www.services.nsw.gov.au/about-us/business-ethics>) including failure to:
    - (i) comply with applicable NSW Government Code of Practice and DFSI's procurement policies and procedures,
    - (ii) provide accurate and reliable advice and information when required,
    - (iii) declare actual or perceived conflicts of interest as soon as the Contractor becomes aware of the conflict,
    - (iv) act ethically, fairly and honestly in all dealings with DFSI, the Contract Authority or the Customer,
    - (v) take all reasonable measures to prevent the disclosure of Confidential Information of DFSI, the Contract Authority and the Customer,

- (vi) assist DFSI, the Contract Authority or the Customer to prevent unethical practices in the business relationship,

or engaging in any form of collusive or unethical practices, including offering staff of DFSI, the Contract Authority or the Customer inducements or incentives designed to improperly influence the conduct of their duties.

#### TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE BY THE CUSTOMER

- 25.3** The Customer may by Notice in Writing at any time terminate the Customer Contract for convenience, such termination to be effective immediately unless stated otherwise on the Notice In Writing. The Contractor must immediately comply with any directions given in the Notice in Writing and must do everything that is reasonably practical to mitigate its losses arising in consequence of termination of the Customer Contract under this clause 25.3.
- 25.4** If the Customer exercises its right under clause 25.3, the Customer must:
- (a) if Item 42 of the General Order Form does not state an amount that is payable on termination, indemnify the Contractor against any losses, damages or expenses, which are reasonably and properly incurred by the Contractor to the extent that those losses, damages or expenses were incurred as a direct result of the termination of the Customer Contract in accordance with clause 25.3; or
  - (b) pay any amount that is stated in Item 42 of the General Order Form.
- 25.5** Once the Customer has paid the amounts in clause 25.4 no further compensation is payable for any termination under clause 25.3.

#### TERMINATION FOR CAUSE BY THE CONTRACTOR

- 25.6** The Contractor may terminate the Customer Contract immediately by providing the Customer Notice in Writing if the Customer has:
- (a) not paid any amount that has not been disputed by the Customer in accordance with clause 11.11 by the date that payment was due to be made; and
    - (i) the Contractor has provided written notice of this failure; and
    - (ii) the Customer has failed to pay that undisputed amount within 28 days of receipt of the written notice of failure;
  - (b) committed a Fundamental Breach of the Customer Contract and the Customer has not rectified that Fundamental Breach within 28 days (or such longer period as stated in the Notice in Writing) of receipt of a Notice in Writing from the Contractor specifying the details of the breach;
  - (c) committed, in respect of its:
    - (i) privacy obligations under the Customer Contract:
      - (A) more than one Unremedied Breach; or
      - (B) more than one breach which is incapable of remedy and, after the first such breach, the Customer has failed to take reasonable appropriate action to mitigate against the recurrence of such a breach;
    - (ii) obligations of confidentiality under the Customer Contract:

- (A) more than one Unremedied Breach; or
  - (B) more than one breach which is incapable of remedy and, after the first such breach, the Customer has failed to take reasonable appropriate action to mitigate against the recurrence of such a breach; or
- (iii) obligations as to the Contractor's Intellectual Property Rights under the Customer Contract:
- (A) more than one Unremedied Breach; or
  - (B) more than one breach which is incapable of remedy and, after the first such breach, the Customer has failed to take reasonable appropriate action to mitigate against the recurrence of such a breach;

where, for the purposes of this clause 25.6(c), "**Unremedied Breach**" means a breach which is capable of remedy and which has not been rectified within 28 days (or such longer period as stated in the Notice in Writing) of receipt of a Notice in Writing from the Contractor specifying the details of the breach; or

- (d) suffered an Insolvency Event.

#### CONSEQUENCES OF TERMINATION

**25.7** In the event of termination under clause 25.2, the Customer may obtain from any other source a reasonably similar alternative to the Deliverables in which case the Contractor shall, subject to clause 18, be liable to the Customer for any reasonable losses, damages or expenses incurred (including any price difference between the Deliverable and the similar alternative) or suffered by the Customer.

**25.8** If the Customer Contract:

- (a) is terminated by the Customer for cause or it expires, then the Customer may provide the Contractor with written notice requiring the Contractor at its expense to remove Deliverables or to dismantle or remove work from the Customer's premises by a date stated in that notice;
- (b) is terminated by the Contractor for cause, then the Contractor may provide the Customer with written notice requiring the Customer to return any Deliverables that have not been paid for in full, and the Customer must return those Deliverables at its expense by the date stated in that notice; and
- (c) such termination or expiry is without prejudice to any right of action or remedy that has accrued or may accrue to either Party.

**25.9** On termination of this Customer Contract for any reason:

- (a) subject to any obligations arising out of any applicable State security classification or Statutory Requirements or specified in the Order Documents, a Party may retain for quality assurance and risk management purposes any notes and other records created or received in providing the Product or performing the Service provided that any retained notes or records are subject to the confidentiality obligations in accordance with clause 14;
- (b) at the Customer's request made within 60 days following termination, the Contractor must provide the Customer with a copy of all Customer Data in the format specified in the Order Documents or if no format is specified, in the standard format as usually provided by the Contractor. Where it is specifically agreed that the Contractor may satisfy this clause by providing access to a copy of the data, the Contractor must first

advise the Customer by 30 days' notice in writing to both the Agency Head and Chief Information Officer of the Customer that such data will be available for download for a specified period (being no less than 60 days in duration) and on expiry of such period, such data will then be deleted;

- (c) the Contractor must delete Customer Data within the period specified in the Order Documents and, if requested by the Customer, provide certification that the Customer Data has been deleted;
- (d) the Contractor must cease providing the Products and Services; and
- (e) the Contractor must comply with any other reasonable direction issued by the Customer where permitted by the Customer Contract.

## 26. General

### VARIATION

- 26.1** Subject to any other rights given under this Customer Contract to vary its terms and the following provisions of clause 26.2, neither a Change Request nor a Contract Variation shall be valid unless agreed in writing and signed by both the Customer and the Contractor.
- 26.2** Where required under directions and policies issued by the Board from time to time, the Customer must obtain the written approval of the Secretary, New South Wales Department of Finance, Services and Innovation prior to agreeing to a variation of any term or condition of the Procure IT Framework, including a variation to any of the Protected Clauses. In such circumstances, the Contractor must obtain a copy of such written approval from the Customer before entering into the relevant Change Request that varies such term or condition, including a Protected Clause.

### ASSIGNMENT AND NOVATION

- 26.3** The Contractor must not assign in whole or in part or novate the Customer Contract without obtaining the prior written consent of the Customer, which consent may be withheld in its discretion.
- 26.4** The Contractor acknowledges that the Customer may conduct financial and other inquiries or checks on the entity proposing to take over the Customer Contract before determining whether or not to give consent to an assignment or novation.
- 26.5** The Customer, at its own cost, may assign or novate, the Customer Contract, where by operation of statute the Customer is reconstituted into a new legal entity, to that new legal entity. If the assignment or novation changes the scope of the obligations or Deliverables to be provided by a Contractor under a Customer Contract, a Change Request (or Contract Variation, if applicable) must be effected, which will include a variation to the Price to reflect any increased costs that are incurred by the Contractor, or increased benefits that are gained by the Customer (as newly defined), as a result.
- 26.6** The Customer may, at its own cost, assign or novate the Customer Contract to any other Eligible Customer with the prior written consent of the Contractor, such consent not to be unreasonably delayed or withheld.

### WAIVER

- 26.7** A waiver in respect of a breach of a provision of the Customer Contract by a Party shall not be taken to be a waiver in respect of any other breach. The failure of either Party to enforce any provision of the Customer Contract will not be interpreted as a waiver of that provision.

## MATERIAL ADVERSE EVENTS

- 26.8** The Contractor must provide the Customer with Notice in Writing immediately upon becoming aware of the existence or possibility of a Material Adverse Event.

## FORCE MAJEURE EVENTS

- 26.9** A Party is excused from performing its obligations to the extent it is prevented by a Force Majeure Event, except a Force Majeure Event which requires a Party to take steps pursuant to a Business Contingency Plan. The Contractor must immediately notify the Customer of the occurrence of the Force Majeure Event when the Contractor becomes aware of it or when the Contractor ought reasonably to be aware of it.
- 26.10** Each Party must make all reasonable efforts to minimise the effects of the Force Majeure Event. If the affected Party is prevented from performing its obligations under the Customer Contract by the Force Majeure Event for 60 days or such other period agreed in writing, then the other Party may in its discretion immediately terminate the Customer Contract by giving Notice in Writing of termination to the other Party.
- 26.11** Where the Customer Contract is terminated by the Customer in accordance with clause 26.10:
- (a) the Contractor is entitled to payment for work performed in accordance with the Customer Contract up to the date of termination; and
  - (b) the Parties must otherwise bear their own costs and will be under no further liability to perform the Customer Contract.

## GOVERNMENT INFORMATION

- 26.12** The Contractor acknowledges that the Customer is subject to the GIPA Act and agrees that the Customer may disclose any part or all of this Customer Contract on its nominated website established for GIPA Act disclosures. The Contractor irrevocably consents to the Customer acting in accordance with this clause.
- 26.13** To the extent that section 121 of the GIPA Act applies, the Contractor must, upon receipt of a written request by the Customer, provide the Customer with immediate access to the following information contained in records held by the Contractor:
- (a) information that relates directly to the performance of Services by the Contractor;
  - (b) information collected by the Contractor from members of the public to whom it provides, or offers to supply, Services; and
  - (c) information received by the Contractor from the Customer to enable it to provide Services.
- 26.14** For the purposes of clause 26.13, information does not include:
- (a) information that discloses or would tend to disclose the Contractor's financing arrangements, financial modelling, cost structure or profit margin;
  - (b) information that the Contractor is prohibited from disclosing to the Customer by provision made by or under any Act, whether of any State or Territory, or of the Commonwealth; or
  - (c) information that, if disclosed to the Customer, could reasonably be expected to place the Contractor at a substantial commercial disadvantage in relation to the Customer, whether at present or in the future.

**26.15** The Contractor will provide copies of any of the information in clause 26.13, as requested by the Customer, at the Contractor's own expense and in such medium as the Customer may reasonably require.

**26.16** Without limiting or otherwise restricting clauses 26.12 to 26.15, the Contractor:

- (a) authorises the Customer to make information concerning the Contractor available to other Government Agencies. Such information may include any information provided by the Contractor to the Customer and any information relating to the Contractor's performance under this Customer Contract;
- (b) acknowledges that information about the Contractor from any source, including substantiated reports of unsatisfactory performance, or any conduct including, any civil and/or criminal or alleged criminal conduct, by any Officers of the Contractor or a Related Company may be taken into account by Government Agencies considering whether to offer the Contractor future opportunities for working with Government Agencies;
- (c) agrees that the communication of such information to any Government Agency is a communication falling within section 30 of the *Defamation Act 2005* (NSW); and
- (d) releases and indemnifies the Customer and the State of New South Wales from and against any claim in respect of any matter arising out of such communications, including the use of such information by the recipient.

#### SEVERABILITY

**26.17** If any part of the Customer Contract is void or voidable, then that part is severed from the Customer Contract without affecting the continued operation of the remainder of the Customer Contract.

#### ENTIRE AGREEMENT

**26.18** To the extent permitted by law:

- (a) the Customer Contract constitutes the entire understanding and agreement between the Contractor and the Customer in relation to its subject matter. Any prior representation, arrangement, agreement or undertaking given or received by either Party is superseded and shall have no effect;
- (b) the warranties stated in the Customer Contract are the sole warranties provided by the Parties; and
- (c) neither Party makes any other warranty, including any implied warranties of merchantability and of fitness for a particular purpose.

#### RIGHTS ARE CUMULATIVE

**26.19** Subject to clause 6.33, the rights and remedies provided under the Customer Contract are cumulative and not exclusive of any rights or remedies provided by law or any other right or remedy.

#### SURVIVAL

**26.20** The provisions of clauses 3.11 to 3.13, 6.42 to 6.44, 8.1 to 8.4, 13.4 to 13.8, 13.9, 13.11, 13.13, 13.15, 14.1 to 14.3, 15, 16.3, 18, 19, 25.7, 25.8, 26.20 and 26.22, and any other clause which naturally should survive termination or expiry of the Customer Contract, shall survive termination or expiry of the Customer Contract.



## COUNTERPARTS

**26.21** If there are a number of counterparts of the Customer Contract, the counterparts taken together constitute one and the same instrument.

## APPLICABLE LAW

**26.22** The laws of New South Wales govern the Customer Contract and the Parties submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of New South Wales.