

Companies (Jersey) Law 1991 Company Limited by Shares

Articles of Association of WESTMOUNT ENERGY LIMITED



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WESTMOUNT ENERGY LIMITED

1 Definitions, interpretation and exclusion of standard table

Definitions

1.1 In these Articles, the following definitions apply:

AIM means the AIM Market, a market operated by the London Stock Exchange Plc;

AIM Rules for Companies means the rules for AIM companies published from time to time by the London Stock Exchange Plc governing admission to and the operation of AIM;

Articles means, as appropriate:

- (a) these Articles of Association as amended from time to time: or
- (b) two or more particular Articles of these Articles;

and Article refers to a particular Article of these Articles;

Authorized Operator shall have the meaning given to it in the Order;

Business Day means a day other than a public holiday in the place where the Company's registered office is located, a Saturday or a Sunday;

Certificated Share means a Share which is recorded in the register of members of the Company as being held in certificated form;

Clear Days, in relation a period of notice, means that period excluding:

- (a) the day when the notice is given or deemed to be given; and
- (b) the day for which it is given or on which it is to take effect;

Company means the above-named company;

Default Rate means 3 per cent. (three per cent.) per annum over the base rate of the Bank of England from time to time;

Electronic has the meaning given to that term in the Electronic Communications (Jersey) Law 2000;

Electronic Record has the meaning given to that term in the Electronic Communications (Jersey) Law 2000;

Electronic Signature has the meaning given to that term in the Electronic Communications (Jersey) Law 2000;

Fully Paid and Paid Up:

- (a) in relation to a Share with par value, means that the par value for that Share, and any premium payable in respect of the issue of that Share, has been fully paid or credited as paid in money or money's worth;
- (b) in relation to a Share without par value, means that the agreed issue price for that Share has been fully paid or credited as paid in money or money's worth;

Island means Jersey, Channel Islands;

Law means the Companies (Jersey) Law 1991;

Member means, subject to the Order, any person or persons entered on the register of members from time to time as the holder of a Share;

Memorandum means the Memorandum of Association of the Company as amended from time to time;

Officer means a person appointed to hold an office in the Company; and the expression includes a director, alternate director or liquidator, but does not include the Secretary;

Operator's System shall have the meaning given to it in the Order;

Order means the Companies (Uncertificated Securities) (Jersey) Order 1999, as amended from time to time;

Ordinary Resolution means a resolution of a duly constituted general meeting of the Company passed by a simple majority of the votes cast by, or on behalf of, the Members entitled to vote. The expression also includes a written resolution signed by or on behalf of each Member who, at the date when the resolution is deemed to be passed, would be entitled to vote on the resolution if it were proposed at a meeting;

PDF means Portable Document Format;

Secretary means a person appointed to perform the duties of the secretary of the Company, including a joint, assistant or deputy secretary;

Share means a share in the share capital of the Company; and the expression:

- (a) includes stock (except where a distinction between shares and stock is expressed or implied); and
- (b) where the context permits, also includes a fraction of a share;

Special Resolution has the meaning given to that term in the Law. The expression also includes a written resolution signed by or on behalf of each Member who, at the date when the resolution is deemed to be passed, would be entitled to vote on the resolution if it were proposed at a meeting; and

Uncertificated Share means a Share in uncertificated form title to which is permitted to be transferred by means of an Operator's System in accordance with the Order.

Interpretation

- 1.2 In the interpretation of these Articles, the following provisions apply unless the context otherwise requires:
 - (a) A reference in these Articles to a statute is a reference to a statute of the Island as known by its short title, and includes:
 - (i) any statutory modification, amendment or re-enactment; and
 - (ii) any subordinate legislation or regulations issued under that statute;
 - (b) Headings are inserted for convenience only and do not affect the interpretation of these Articles, unless there is ambiguity;
 - (c) If a day on which any act, matter or thing is to be done under these Articles is not a Business Day, the act, matter or thing must be done on the next Business Day;
 - (d) A word which denotes the singular also denotes the plural, a word which denotes the plural also denotes the singular, and a reference to any gender also denotes the other genders;

- (e) A reference to a "**person**" includes, as appropriate, a company, trust, partnership, joint venture, association, body corporate or government agency;
- (f) Where a word or phrase is given a defined meaning another part of speech or grammatical form in respect to that word or phrase has a corresponding meaning;
- (g) All references to time are to be calculated by reference to time in the place where the Company's registered office is located;
- (h) The words "written" and "in writing" include all modes of representing or reproducing words in a visible form, but do not include an Electronic Record where the distinction between a document in writing and an Electronic Record is expressed or implied; and
- (i) The words "including", "include" and "in particular" or any similar expression are to be construed without limitation.

Exclusion of Standard Table

1.3 The regulations contained in the Standard Table adopted pursuant to the Companies (Standard Table) (Jersey) Order 1992 and any other regulations contained in any statute or subordinate legislation are expressly excluded and do not apply to the Company.

2 Shares

Power to issue Shares and options, with or without special rights

- 2.1 The directors have general and unconditional authority to allot (with or without confirming rights of renunciation), grant options or warrants over or otherwise deal with any unissued Shares of the Company to such persons at such times and on such terms and conditions as they may decide. No Share may be issued at a discount except in accordance with the provisions of the Law.
- 2.2 Without limitation to the preceding Article, the directors may so deal with the unissued Shares of the Company:
 - (a) either, in the case of a par value company, at a premium or at par or, in the case of a no par value company, at an issue price determined by the directors;
 - (b) with the sanction of an Ordinary Resolution, with preferred, deferred or other special rights or restrictions whether in regard to dividend, voting, return of capital or otherwise;
 - (c) without preferred, deferred or other special rights or restrictions whether in regard to dividend, voting, return of capital or otherwise.

Power to issue fractions of a Share

2.3 Subject to the Law, the Company may issue fractions of a Share of any class. A fraction of a Share shall be subject to and carry the corresponding fraction of liabilities (whether with respect to calls or otherwise), limitations, preferences, privileges, qualifications, restrictions, rights and other attributes of a Share of that class of Shares.

Power to pay commissions and brokerage fees

- 2.4 Subject to the Law, the Company may pay a commission to any person in consideration of that person:
 - (a) subscribing or agreeing to subscribe, whether absolutely or conditionally; or
 - (b) procuring or agreeing to procure subscriptions, whether absolute or conditional,
 - for any Shares in the Company. That commission may be satisfied by the payment of cash or the allotment of Fully Paid or partly-paid Shares or partly in one way and partly in another.
- 2.5 The Company may employ a broker in the issue of its capital and pay him any proper commission or brokerage.

Trusts not recognised

- 2.6 Except as required by law:
 - (a) no person shall be recognised by the Company as holding any Share on any trust; and
 - (b) no person other than the Member shall be recognised by the Company as having any right in a Share.

Power to vary class rights

- 2.7 If the share capital is divided into different classes of Shares then, unless the terms on which a class of Shares was issued state otherwise, the rights attaching to a class of Shares may only be varied if one of the following applies:
 - (a) the Members holding two thirds of the issued Shares of that class consent in writing to the variation; or
 - (b) the variation is made with the sanction of a Special Resolution passed at a separate general meeting of the Members holding the issued Shares of that class.
- 2.8 For the purpose of paragraph (b) of the preceding Article, all the provisions of these Articles relating to general meetings apply, *mutatis mutandis*, to every such separate meeting except that:
 - (a) the necessary quorum shall be one or more persons holding, or representing by proxy, not less than one third of the issued Shares of the class; and
 - (b) any Member holding issued Shares of the class, present in person or by proxy or, in the case of a corporate Member, by its duly authorised representative, may demand a poll.

Effect of new Share issue on existing class rights

2.9 Unless the terms on which a class of Shares was issued state otherwise, the rights conferred on the Member holding Shares of any class shall not be deemed to be varied by the creation or issue of further Shares ranking *pari passu* with the existing Shares of that class.

Capital contributions without issue of further Shares

2.10 With the consent of a Member, the directors may accept a voluntary contribution from that Member without issuing Shares in return. If the directors agree to accept a voluntary contribution from a Member, the directors shall resolve whether that contribution shall be treated as an addition to the capital account of the Company or to a general reserve of the Company (it being understood that the contribution is not provided by way of loan).

No bearer Shares

2.11 The Company shall not issue bearer Shares.

Limit on the number of joint holders

- 2.12 In respect of a Share, the Company shall not be required to enter the names of more than four joint holders in the register of members of the Company.
- 2.13 If two or more persons are registered as joint holders of a Share, then any one of those joint holders may give effectual receipts for moneys payable in respect of that Share.

Treasury Shares

2.14 From time to time, the Company may hold its own Shares as treasury shares and the directors may sell, transfer or cancel any treasury shares in accordance with the Law. For the avoidance of doubt, the Company shall not be entitled to vote or receive any distributions in respect of any treasury shares held by it.

Branch Register

2.15 Subject to and to the extent permitted by the Law, the Company, or the Directors on behalf of the Company, may cause to be kept and maintained in any country, territory or place, a branch register of members resident in such country, territory or place and the Directors may make and vary such regulations as they may think fit regarding the keeping of any such branch register.

Uncertificated Shares

- 2.16 The directors may in accordance with the Law and the Order resolve that any Shares or any class of Shares may be held as Uncertificated Shares.
- 2.17 Uncertificated Shares of a class shall not be treated as forming a separate class from other Shares of the same class as a consequence of such Shares being held in certificated or uncertificated form or of any provision in these Articles or the Order applying only to Certificated Shares or Uncertificated Shares.
- 2.18 Any Uncertificated Share may be converted to a Certificated Share and any Certificated Share may be converted to an Uncertificated Share in accordance with the Order.
- 2.19 For any purpose under these Articles, the Company may treat a Member's holding of Uncertificated Shares and Certificated Shares of the same class as if they were separate holdings unless the directors otherwise decide.
- 2.20 Where the Company has in issue Uncertificated Shares, these Articles shall be subject always to and shall be construed to give effect to the provisions of the Order with the intention that these Articles are consistent with the Order and the holding of Uncertificated Shares and the transfer of title to such Shares in accordance with the Order.
- 2.21 Subject to the Law and these Articles, the directors may adopt such regulations as they think fit for the purposes of the Uncertificated Shares being held, transferred, converted or otherwise dealt with in accordance with the Order and the rules and practices from time to time of any Authorized Operator.
- 2.22 Subject to the Order, where the Company is entitled to dispose of, forfeit, enforce a lien over or sell or otherwise procure the sale of any Uncertificated Shares, the directors may take such steps as may be required (including instruction by means of the Operator's System) to effect such disposal, forfeiture or sale including (without limitation):
 - (a) requesting or requiring the deletion of any computer based entries in the Operator's System relating to the holding of such Shares in uncertificated form;
 - (b) altering such computer based entries so as to divest the holder of such Shares of the power to transfer such Shares other than to a person selected or approved by the Company for the purposes of such transfer;
 - (c) requiring any holder of such Shares to take such steps as may be necessary to sell or transfer such Shares as directed by the Company;
 - (d) otherwise rectify or change the register of members of the Company in respect of any such Shares in such manner as the directors consider appropriate (including, without limitation, by entering the name of a transferee into the register of members as the next holder of such Shares); and/or
 - (e) appointing any person to take any steps in the name of any holder of such Shares as may be required to change such Shares from uncertificated form to certificated form and/or to effect the transfer of such Shares (and such steps shall be effected as if they had been taken by such holder).

Disclosure of substantial interests in Shares

Notification of voting rights

- 2.23 If at any time the Company shall have any Shares admitted to trading on AIM, the provisions of Chapter 5 of the Disclosure and Transparency Rules (as amended from time to time) of the UK Financial Services Authority Handbook (**DTR 5**) relating to the disclosure of voting rights shall apply to the Company, the Shares and persons interested in Shares as if the Company were an "issuer" for the purposes of DTR 5 and as if the provisions of DTR 5 were set out in full herein and accordingly the vote holder and issuer notification rules set out in DTR 5 shall apply to the Company and each holder of Shares.
- 2.24 A Member shall, to the extent he is lawfully able to do so, comply with the requirements of DTR 5.
- 2.25 If it shall come to the notice of the directors that any Member has not, within the requisite period, made or, as the case may be, procured the making of any notification required by Article 2.23 and 2.24, the Company may (at the absolute discretion of the directors) at any time thereafter by notice (for the purposes of Articles 2.23 to 2.35 inclusive, a "restriction notice") to such Member direct that, in respect of the Shares in relation to which the default has occurred (for the purposes of Articles 2.23 to 2.35 inclusive, the "default shares" which expression shall include any further Shares which are issued in respect of any default shares), the Member shall not be entitled to be present or to vote on any question, either in person or by proxy, at any general meeting of the Company or separate general meeting of the holders of any class of Shares, or to be reckoned in a quorum.
- 2.26 Where the default shares represent at least 0.25 per cent. of the issued Shares of the same class as the default shares, then the restriction notice may also direct that:
 - (a) any dividend or any part thereof or other monies which would otherwise be payable on or in respect of the default shares shall be withheld by the Company; shall not bear interest against the Company; and shall be payable (when the restriction notice ceases to have effect) to the person who would but for the restriction notice have been entitled to them; and/or
 - (b) where an offer of the right to elect to receive Shares instead of cash in respect of any dividend or part thereof is or has been made by the Company, any election made thereunder by such Member in respect of such default shares shall not be effective; and/or
 - (c) no transfer of any of the Shares held by such Member shall be recognised or registered by the directors unless:
 - (i) the transfer is a permitted transfer as defined under Article 2.41; or
 - (ii) the Member is not himself in default as regards supplying the requisite information required under Article 2.23 and 2.24 and, when presented for registration, the transfer is accompanied by a certificate by the Member in a form satisfactory to the directors to the effect that after due and careful enquiry the Member is satisfied that none of the Shares the subject of the transfer are default shares.

Upon the giving of a restriction notice its terms shall apply accordingly.

- 2.27 The Company shall send a copy of the restriction notice to each other person appearing to be interested in the Shares the subject of such notice, but the failure or omission by the Company to do so shall not invalidate such notice.
- 2.28 Any restriction notice shall have effect in accordance with its terms until not more than seven days after the directors are satisfied that the default in respect of which the restriction notice was issued no longer continues but shall cease to have effect in relation to any Shares which are validly transferred by such Member pursuant to Article 2.26(c). The Company may (at the absolute discretion of the directors) at any time give notice to the Member cancelling, or suspending for a stated period the operation of, a restriction notice in whole or in part.

2.29 Notwithstanding the time limits for disclosure set out in DTR 5, the Company is required by Rule 17 of the AIM Rules for Companies to announce via a Regulatory Information Service as defined in the AIM Rules for Companies, all the information contained in any vote holder notification "without delay".

Power of the Company to investigate interests in Shares

- 2.30 For the purposes of Articles 2.30 to 2.41 inclusive:
 - (a) "Relevant Share Capital" means the Company's issued share capital of any class carrying rights to vote in all circumstances at general meetings of the Company; and for the avoidance of doubt (a) where the Company's share capital is divided into different classes of Shares, references to Relevant Share Capital are to the issued share capital of each such class taken separately and (b) any adjustment or restriction of voting rights (whether temporary or otherwise) in respect of Shares comprised in issued share capital of the Company of any such class does not affect the application of Article 2.30 to 2.41 inclusive in relation to interests in those or any other Shares comprised in that class;
 - (b) "interest" means, in relation to the Relevant Share Capital, any interest of any kind whatsoever in any Shares comprised therein (disregarding any restraints or restrictions to which the exercise of any right attached to the interest in the Share is, or may be, subject) and without limiting the meaning of "interest" a person shall be taken to have an interest in a Share if:
 - (i) he enters into a contract for its purchase by him (whether for cash or other consideration); or
 - (ii) not being the registered holder, he is entitled to exercise any right conferred by the holding of the Share or is entitled to control the exercise or non-exercise of any such right (and for these purposes a person is entitled to exercise or control the exercise of a right conferred by the holding of Shares if he has a right (whether subject to conditions or not) the exercise of which would make him so entitled, or is under an obligation (whether subject to conditions or not) the fulfilment of which would make him so entitled); or
 - (iii) he is a beneficiary of a trust where the property held on trust includes an interest in the Share; or
 - (iv) he has a right to call for delivery of the Share to himself or to his order; or
 - (v) he has a right to acquire an interest in the Share or is under an obligation to take an interest in the Share; or
 - (vi) he has a right to subscribe for the Share,

whether in any case the contract, right or obligation is absolute or conditional, legally enforceable or not and evidenced in writing or not, and it shall be immaterial that a Share in which a person has an interest is unidentifiable. Persons having a joint interest are treated as each having that interest;

- (c) a person is taken to be interested in any Shares in which his spouse or civil partner or any infant child or step-child of his is interested; and 'infant' means a person under the age of 18 years;
- (d) a person is taken to be interested in Shares if a body corporate is interested in them and:
 - (i) that body or its directors are accustomed to act in accordance with his directions or instructions; or
 - (ii) he is entitled to exercise or control the exercise of one-third or more of the voting power at general meetings of that body,

and for the purposes of this paragraph (d) a person is treated as entitled to exercise or control the exercise of voting power if (A) another body corporate is entitled to exercise or control the exercise of that voting power, and he is entitled to exercise or control the exercise of one-third or more of the voting power at general meetings of that body corporate; or (B) he has a right (whether or not subject to conditions) the exercise of which would make him so entitled, or he is under an obligation (whether or not subject to conditions) the fulfilment of which would make him so entitled; and

- (e) an interest in Shares may arise from an agreement between two or more persons that includes provision for the acquisition by any one or more of them of interests in Shares. Articles 2.30 to 2.41 apply to such an interest if:
 - (i) the agreement includes provision imposing obligations or restrictions on any one or more of the parties to it with respect to their use, retention or disposal of their interests in the Shares acquired in pursuance of the agreement (whether or not together with any other interests of theirs in the Shares to which the agreement relates); and
 - (ii) an interest in the Shares is in fact acquired by any of the parties in pursuance of the agreement,

and the reference above to the "use of" interests in Shares is to the exercise of any rights or of any control or influence arising from those interests (including the right to enter into an agreement for the exercise, or for control of the exercise, of any of those rights by another person). Once an interest in Shares has been acquired in pursuance of the agreement, Articles 2.30 to 2.41 continue to apply to the agreement so long as the agreement continues to include provisions of any description mentioned above. This applies irrespective of whether or not any further acquisitions of interests in the Shares take place in pursuance of the agreement, any change in the persons who are for the time being parties to it or any variation of the agreement. References in this paragraph (e) to the agreement include any agreement having effect (whether directly or indirectly) in substitution for the original agreement, and "agreement" includes any agreement or arrangement and references to provisions of an agreement include undertakings, expectations or understandings operative under an arrangement, and any provision whether express or implied and whether absolute or not. This paragraph (e) does not apply to an agreement that is not legally binding unless it involves mutuality in the undertakings, expectations or understandings of the parties to it; or to an agreement to underwrite or sub-underwrite an offer of Shares, provided the agreement is confined to that purpose and any matters incidental to it.

- 2.31 Each party to an agreement to which Article 2.30(e) applies is treated as interested in all Shares in which any other party to the agreement is interested apart from the agreement (whether or not the interest of the other party was acquired, or includes any interest that was acquired, in pursuance of the agreement). For those purposes an interest of a party to such an agreement in Shares is an interest apart from the agreement if he is interested in those Shares otherwise than by virtue of the application of Article 2.30(e) (and this Article 2.31) in relation to the agreement. Accordingly, any such interest of the person (apart from the agreement) includes for those purposes any interest treated as his under Article 2.30(c) or (d) (family or corporate interests) or by the application of Article 2.30(e) (and this Article 2.31) in relation to any other agreement with respect to Shares to which he is a party. A notification with respect to his interest in Shares made to the Company under Article 2.33 by a person who is for the time being a party to an agreement to which Article 2.30(e) applies must:
 - (a) state that the person making the notification is a party to such an agreement;
 - (b) include the names and (so far as known to him) the addresses of the other parties to the agreement, identifying them as such, and
 - (c) state whether or not any of the Shares to which the notification relates are Shares in which he is interested by virtue of Article 2.30(e) (and this Article 2.31) and, if so, the number of those Shares.

- 2.32 The provisions of Article 2.30 to 2.41 inclusive are in addition to, and separate from, any other rights or obligations arising at law or otherwise. The Company may by notice in writing request any person whom the Company knows or has reasonable cause to believe to be interested or, at any time during the three years immediately preceding the date on which the notice is issued, to have been interested in Shares comprised in the Relevant Share Capital:
 - (i) to confirm that fact or (as the case may be) to state whether or not it is the case; and
 - (ii) if he holds, or has during that time held, any such interest, to give such further information as may be requested in accordance with this Article.
- 2.33 A notice under Article 2.32 may require the person to whom it is addressed:
 - (a) to give particulars of his own past or present interest in Shares comprised in the Relevant Share Capital (held by him at any time during the three year period mentioned in Article 2.32);
 - (b) where the interest is a present interest and any other interest in the Shares subsists or, in any case, where another interest in the Shares subsisted during that three year period at any time when his own interest subsisted, to give (so far as lies within his knowledge) such particulars with respect to that other interest as may be requested by the notice including (without limitation):
 - (i) the identity of persons interested in the Shares in question; and
 - (ii) whether persons interested in the same Shares are or were parties to an agreement or arrangement relating to either the acquisition by one or more of them of interests in Shares or the exercise of any rights conferred by the holding of the Shares; and
 - (c) where his interest is a past interest, to give (so far as lies within his knowledge) particulars of the identity of the person who held that interest immediately upon his ceasing to hold it.
- 2.34 A notice under Article 2.32 shall request any information given in response to the notice to be given in writing within such time as may be specified in the notice, being a period of not less than 14 days following service thereof.
- 2.35 The provisions of Articles 2.30 to 2.41 inclusive apply in relation to a person who has or previously had, or is or was entitled to acquire, a right to subscribe for Shares which would on issue be comprised in Relevant Share Capital as it applies in relation to a person who is or was interested in Shares so comprised; and references above in this section to an interest in Shares so comprised and to Shares so comprised are to be read accordingly in any such case as including respectively any such right and Shares which would on issue be so comprised.

Failure to comply with notification requirements or a request notice

2.36 Subject to the provisions of Articles 2.30 and 2.41, if any Member, or any other person appearing to the directors to be interested in any Shares held by such Member, has been served with a request notice under Article 2.32 and does not within the 14 day period prescribed therein supply to the Company the information thereby requested, in each case the Company may (at the absolute discretion of the directors) at any time thereafter by notice (for the purposes of Articles 2.36 to 2.39 inclusive, a "restriction notice") to such Member direct that, in respect of the Shares in relation to which the default has occurred (for the purposes of Articles 2.36 to 2.39 inclusive, the "default shares" which expression shall include any further Shares which are issued in respect of any default shares), the Member shall not be entitled to be present or to vote on any question, either in person or by proxy, at any general meeting of the Company or separate general meeting of the holders of any class of Shares, or to be reckoned in a quorum.

- 2.37 Where the default shares represent at least 0.25 per cent. of the issued Shares of the same class as the default shares, then the restriction notice may also direct that:
 - (a) any dividend or any part thereof or other monies which would otherwise be payable on or in respect of the default shares shall be withheld by the Company, shall not bear interest against the Company, and shall be payable (when the restriction notice ceases to have effect) to the person who would but for the restriction notice have been entitled to them; and/or
 - (b) where an offer of the right to elect to receive Shares instead of cash in respect of any dividend or part thereof is or has been made by the Company, any election made thereunder by such Member in respect of such default shares shall not be effective; and/or
 - (c) no transfer of any of the Shares held by such Member shall be recognised or registered by the directors unless:
 - (i) the transfer is a permitted transfer as defined under Article 2.41; or
 - (ii) the Member is not himself in default as regards supplying the requisite information required under Articles 2.30 to 2.41 inclusive and, when presented for registration, the transfer is accompanied by a certificate by the Member in a form satisfactory to the directors to the effect that after due and careful enquiry the Member is satisfied that none of the Shares the subject of the transfer are default shares.

Upon the giving of a restriction notice its terms shall apply accordingly.

- 2.38 The Company shall send a copy of the restriction notice to each other person appearing to be interested in the Shares the subject of such notice, but the failure or omission by the Company to do so shall not invalidate such notice.
- 2.39 Any restriction notice shall have effect in accordance with its terms until not more than seven days after the directors are satisfied that the default in respect of which the restriction notice was issued no longer continues but shall cease to have effect in relation to any Shares which are transferred by such Member in accordance with Article 2.37(c) above on receipt by the Company of notice that a transfer as aforesaid has been made. The Company may (at the absolute discretion of the directors) at any time give notice to the Member cancelling, or suspending for a stated period the operation of, a restriction notice in whole or in part.
- 2.40 For the purposes of Articles 2.30 to 2.41 inclusive a person shall be treated as appearing to be interested in any Shares if:
 - (a) the Member holding such Shares has given to the Company a notification whether following service of a notice under Article 2.30 to 2.40 inclusive or otherwise which names such person as being so interested; or
 - (b) after taking into account any such notification as is referred to in paragraph (a) above or any other relevant information in the possession of the Company the directors know or have reasonable cause to believe that the person in question is or may be interested in the Shares.
- 2.41 For the purposes of Articles 2.26(c) and 2.37(c), a transfer of Shares is a "permitted transfer" if but only if:
 - it is a transfer by way of, or in pursuance of, acceptance of a takeover offer for the Company meaning an offer to acquire all the Shares, or all the Shares of any class or classes (other than Shares which at the date of the offer are already held by the offeror or persons acting in concert with the offeror), being an offer on terms which are the same in relation to all the Shares to which the offer relates or, where those Shares include Shares of different classes, in relation to all the Shares of each class; or
 - (b) the directors are satisfied that the transfer is made pursuant to a bona fide sale of the whole of the beneficial ownership of the Shares to a third party not connected with the transferring Member or with any other person appearing to the directors to be interested in such Shares.

- 2.42 The Company shall maintain a register of interested parties to which the provisions of these Articles and Articles 42 and 72 of the Law shall apply *mutatis mutandis* and whenever in pursuance of a requirement imposed on a Member as aforesaid the Company is informed of an interested party, the identity of the interested party and the nature of the interest shall be promptly inscribed therein together with the date of the request. The register kept under this Article must be kept available for inspection at the Company's registered office and must be open to inspection by any person without charge. Any person is entitled, on request and on payment of such reasonable fee as the directors may prescribe, to be provided with a copy of any entry in the register. A request to inspect or obtain a copy of the register must contain the following information:
 - (a) in the case of an individual, his name and address;
 - (b) in the case of an organisation, the name and address of an individual responsible for making the request on behalf of the organisation;
 - (c) the purpose for which the information is to be used; and
 - (d) whether the information will be disclosed to any other person, and if so:
 - (i) where that person is an individual, his name and address;
 - (ii) where that person is an organisation, the name and address of an individual responsible for receiving the information on its behalf; and
 - (iii) the purpose for which the information is to be used by that person.

Notification of directors' transfers

2.43 In order to enable the Company to comply with its obligations under Rule 17 of the AIM Rules, any Member who is a director shall notify the Company immediately of all "deals" (as that term is defined in the AIM Rules) in relation to Shares of the directors and members of their "family" (as that term is defined in the AIM Rules), notifying the Company of all the information required to be disclosed under Schedule 5 to the AIM Rules.

3 Share certificates

Issue of share certificates

- 3.1 Upon being entered in the register of members as the holder of a Share, a Member shall be entitled:
 - (a) without payment, to one certificate for all the Shares of each class held by that Member (and, upon transferring a part of the Member's holding of Shares of any class, to a certificate for the balance of that holding); and
 - (b) upon payment of such reasonable sum as the directors may determine for every certificate after the first, to several certificates each for one or more of that Member's Shares.
- 3.2 Every certificate shall specify the number, class and distinguishing numbers (if any) of the Shares to which it relates and whether they are Fully Paid or partly paid up. A certificate may be executed under seal or executed in such other manner as the directors determine.
- 3.3 The Company shall not be bound to issue more than one certificate for Shares held jointly by several persons and delivery of a certificate for a Share to one joint holder shall be a sufficient delivery to all of them.

Renewal of lost or damaged share certificates

- 3.4 If a share certificate is defaced, worn-out, lost or destroyed, it may be renewed on such terms (if any) as to:
 - (a) evidence;
 - (b) indemnity;

- (c) payment of the expenses reasonably incurred by the Company in investigating the evidence; and
- (d) payment of a reasonable fee, if any, for issuing a replacement share certificate,

as the directors may determine, and (in the case of defacement or wearing-out) on delivery to the Company of the old certificate.

4 Lien on shares

Nature and scope of lien

- 4.1 The Company has a first and paramount lien on all Shares (which are not Fully Paid) registered in the name of a Member (whether solely or jointly with others). The lien is for all moneys payable to the Company by the Member or the Member's estate:
 - (a) either alone or jointly with any other person, whether or not that other person is a Member; and
 - (b) whether or not those moneys are presently payable.
- 4.2 At any time the directors may declare any Share to be wholly or partly exempt from the provisions of this Article.

Company may sell Shares to satisfy lien

- 4.3 The Company may sell any Shares over which it has a lien if all of the following conditions are met:
 - (a) the sum in respect of which the lien exists is presently payable;
 - (b) the Company gives notice to the Member holding the Share (or to the person entitled to it in consequence of the death or bankruptcy of that Member) demanding payment and stating that if the notice is not complied with the Shares may be sold; and
 - (c) that sum is not paid within 14 Clear Days after that notice is deemed to be given under these Articles.
- 4.4 The Shares may be sold in such manner as the directors determine.
- 4.5 To the maximum extent permitted by law, the directors shall incur no personal liability to the Member concerned in respect of the sale.

Authority to execute instrument of transfer

4.6 To give effect to a sale, the directors may authorise any person to execute an instrument of transfer of the Shares sold to, or in accordance with the directions of, the purchaser. The title of the transferee of the Shares shall not be affected by any irregularity or invalidity in the proceedings in respect of the sale.

Consequences of sale of Shares to satisfy lien

- 4.7 On sale pursuant to the preceding Articles:
 - (a) the name of the Member concerned shall be removed from the register of members as the holder of those Shares; and
 - (b) that person shall deliver to the Company for cancellation the certificate for those Shares.

Despite this, that person shall remain liable to the Company for all monies which, at the date of sale, were presently payable by him to the Company in respect of those Shares. That person shall also be liable to pay interest on those monies from the date of sale until payment at the rate at which interest was payable before that sale or, failing that, at the Default Rate. The directors may waive payment wholly or in part or enforce payment without any allowance for the value of the Shares at the time of sale or for any consideration received on their disposal.

Application of proceeds of sale

- 4.8 The net proceeds of the sale, after payment of the costs, shall be applied in payment of so much of the sum for which the lien exists as is presently payable. Any residue shall be paid to the person whose Shares have been sold:
 - (a) if no certificate for the Shares was issued, at the date of the sale; or
 - (b) if a certificate for the Shares was issued, upon surrender to the Company of that certificate for cancellation,

but, in either case, subject to the Company retaining a like lien for all sums not presently payable as existed on the Shares before the sale.

5 Calls on shares and forfeiture

Power to make calls and effect of calls

- 5.1 Subject to the terms of allotment, the directors may make calls on the Members in respect of any moneys unpaid on their Shares including any premium. The call may provide for payment to be by instalments. Subject to receiving at least 14 Clear Days' notice specifying when and where payment is to be made, each Member shall pay to the Company the amount called on his Shares as required by the notice.
- 5.2 Before receipt by the Company of any sum due under a call, that call may be revoked in whole or in part and payment of a call may be postponed in whole or in part. Where a call is to be paid in instalments, the Company may revoke the call in respect of all or any remaining instalments in whole or in part and may postpone payment of all or any of the remaining instalments in whole or in part.
- 5.3 A Member on whom a call is made shall remain liable for that call notwithstanding the subsequent transfer of the Shares in respect of which the call was made. He shall not be liable for calls made after he is no longer registered as a Member in respect of those Shares.

Time when call made

5.4 A call shall be deemed to have been made at the time when the resolution of the directors authorising the call was passed.

Liability of joint holders

5.5 Members registered as the joint holders of a Share shall be jointly and severally liable to pay all calls in respect of the Share.

Interest on unpaid calls

- 5.6 If a call remains unpaid after it has become due and payable the person from whom it is due and payable shall pay interest on the amount unpaid from the day it became due and payable until it is paid:
 - (a) at the rate fixed by the terms of allotment of the Share or in the notice of the call; or
 - (b) if no rate is fixed, at the Default Rate.

The directors may waive payment of the interest wholly or in part.

Deemed calls

5.7 Any amount payable in respect of a Share, whether on allotment or on a fixed date or otherwise, shall be deemed to be payable as a call. If the amount is not paid when due the provisions of these Articles shall apply as if the amount had become due and payable by virtue of a call.

Power to accept early payment

5.8 The Company may accept from a Member the whole or a part of the amount remaining unpaid on Shares held by him although no part of that amount has been called up.

Power to make different arrangements at time of issue of Shares

5.9 Subject to the terms of allotment, the directors may make arrangements on the issue of Shares to distinguish between Members in the amounts and times of payment of calls on their Shares.

Notice of default

- 5.10 If a call remains unpaid after it has become due and payable the directors may give to the person from whom it is due not less than 14 Clear Days' notice requiring payment of:
 - (a) the amount unpaid;
 - (b) any interest which may have accrued;
 - (c) any expenses which have been incurred by the Company due to that person's default.
- 5.11 The notice shall state the following:
 - (a) the place where payment is to be made; and
 - (b) a warning that if the notice is not complied with the Shares in respect of which the call is made will be liable to be forfeited.

Forfeiture or surrender of Shares

5.12 If the notice under the preceding Article is not complied with, the directors may, before the payment required by the notice has been received, resolve that any Share the subject of that notice be forfeited. The forfeiture shall include all dividends or other moneys payable in respect of the forfeited Share and not paid before the forfeiture. Despite the foregoing, the directors may determine that any Share the subject of that notice be accepted by the Company as surrendered by the Member holding that Share in lieu of forfeiture.

Disposal of forfeited or surrendered Share and power to cancel forfeiture or surrender

5.13 A forfeited or surrendered Share may be sold, re-allotted or otherwise disposed of on such terms and in such manner as the directors determine either to the former Member who held that Share or to any other person. The forfeiture or surrender may be cancelled on such terms as the directors think fit at any time before a sale, re-allotment or other disposition. Where, for the purposes of its disposal, a forfeited or surrendered Share is to be transferred to any person, the directors may authorise some person to execute an instrument of transfer of the Share to the transferee.

Effect of forfeiture or surrender on former Member

- 5.14 On forfeiture or surrender:
 - (a) the name of the Member concerned shall be removed from the register of members as the holder of those Shares and that person shall cease to be a Member in respect of those Shares; and
 - (b) that person shall surrender to the Company for cancellation the certificate (if any) for the forfeited or surrendered Shares.
- 5.15 Despite the forfeiture or surrender of his Shares, that person shall remain liable to the Company for all moneys which at the date of forfeiture or surrender were presently payable by him to the Company in respect of those Shares together with:
 - (a) all expenses; and
 - (b) interest from the date of forfeiture or surrender until payment:
 - (i) at the rate of which interest was payable on those moneys before forfeiture; or
 - (ii) if no interest was so payable, at the Default Rate.

The directors, however, may waive payment wholly or in part.

Evidence of forfeiture or surrender

- 5.16 A declaration, whether statutory or under oath, made by a director or the Secretary shall be conclusive evidence of the following matters stated in it as against all persons claiming to be entitled to forfeited Shares:
 - (a) that the person making the declaration is a director or Secretary of the Company; and
 - (b) that the particular Shares have been forfeited or surrendered on a particular date.

Subject to the execution of an instrument of transfer, if necessary, the declaration shall constitute good title to the Shares.

Sale of forfeited or surrendered Shares

5.17 Any person to whom the forfeited or surrendered Shares are disposed of shall not be bound to see to the application of the consideration, if any, of those Shares nor shall his title to the Shares be affected by any irregularity in, or invalidity of the proceedings in respect of, the forfeiture, surrender or disposal of those Shares.

6 Transfer of shares

Form of transfer

- 6.1 Subject to the following Articles about the transfer of Shares, a Member may transfer Shares to another person by completing an instrument of transfer, in a common form or in a form approved by the directors, executed:
 - (a) where the Shares are Fully Paid, by or on behalf of that Member; and
 - (b) where the Shares are partly paid, by or on behalf of that Member and the transferee.

Power to refuse registration

6.2 The directors may refuse to register the transfer of a Share to any person. They may do so in their absolute discretion, without giving any reason for their refusal, and irrespective of whether the Share is Fully Paid or the Company has no lien over it.

Notice of refusal to register

6.3 If the directors refuse to register a transfer of a Share, they must send notice of their refusal to the existing Member within two months after the date on which the transfer was lodged with the Company.

Power to suspend registration

6.4 The directors may suspend registration of the transfer of Shares at such times and for such periods (not exceeding 30 days in any calendar year) as they determine.

Fee, if any, payable for registration

6.5 If the directors so decide, the Company may charge a reasonable fee for the registration of any instrument of transfer or other document relating to the title to a Share.

Company may retain instrument of transfer

6.6 The Company shall be entitled to retain any instrument of transfer which is registered; but an instrument of transfer which the directors refuse to register shall be returned to the person lodging it when notice of the refusal is given.

Transfer of Uncertificated Shares

6.7 Subject to these Articles and the Law, a Member may transfer all or any of his Uncertificated Shares without a written instrument in accordance with the Order.

- 6.8 Subject to the Applicable Stock Exchange Rules the directors shall register a transfer of title to any Uncertificated Shares held in accordance with the Order except that the directors may refuse to register any such transfer in favour of more than four persons jointly or in any of the circumstances permitted by Article 23 of the Order.
- 6.9 If the directors decline to register a transfer of an Uncertificated Share pursuant to article 6.8 above, the Company shall within two months of being required to do so send to the transferee notice of the refusal and, if required to register a transfer of title to Uncertificated Shares by an Authorized Operator's instruction subject to the Order, notify the Authorized Operator of its refusal to do so in accordance with the Order.

7 Transmission of shares

Persons entitled on death of a Member

- 7.1 If a Member dies, the only persons recognised by the Company as having any title to the deceased Members' interest are the following:
 - (a) where the deceased Member was a joint holder, the survivor or survivors; and
 - (b) where the deceased Member was a sole holder, that Member's personal representative or representatives.
- 7.2 Nothing in these Articles shall release the deceased Member's estate from any liability in respect of any Share, whether the deceased was a sole holder or a joint holder.

Registration of transfer of a Share following death or bankruptcy

- 7.3 A person becoming entitled to a Share in consequence of the death or bankruptcy of a Member may elect to do either of the following:
 - (a) to become the holder of the Share; or
 - (b) to transfer the Share to another person.
- 7.4 That person must produce such evidence of his entitlement as the directors may properly require.
- 7.5 If the person elects to become the holder of the Share, he must give notice to the Company to that effect. For the purposes of these Articles, that notice shall be treated as though it were an executed instrument of transfer.
- 7.6 If the person elects to transfer the Share to another person then:
 - (a) if the Share is Fully Paid, the transferor must execute an instrument of transfer; and
 - (b) if the Share is partly paid, the transferor and the transferee must execute an instrument of transfer.
- 7.7 All the Articles relating to the transfer of Shares shall apply to the notice or, as appropriate, the instrument of transfer.

Indemnity

7.8 The directors may require a person registered as a Member by reason of the death or bankruptcy of another Member to indemnify the Company and the directors against any loss or damage suffered by the Company or the directors as a result of that registration.

Rights of person entitled to a Share following death or bankruptcy

7.9 A person becoming entitled to a Share by reason of the death or bankruptcy of a Member shall have the rights to which he would be entitled if he were registered as the holder of the Share. But, until he is registered as Member in respect of the Share, he shall not be entitled to attend or vote at any meeting of the Company or at any separate meeting of the holders of that class of Shares in the Company.

8 Alteration of capital

Increasing, consolidating, converting, dividing and cancelling share capital

- 8.1 To the fullest extent permitted by the Law, the Company may by Special Resolution do any of the following (and amend its Memorandum and its Articles for that purpose):
 - (a) increase its share capital in the manner prescribed by the resolution;
 - (b) consolidate and divide all or any of its share capital;
 - (c) convert all or any of its Paid Up Shares into stock, and reconvert that stock into Paid Up Shares of any denomination;
 - (d) sub-divide its Shares or any of them, including, in respect of any sub-division, so that the proportion between the amount paid and the amount, if any, unpaid on each sub-divided Share shall be the same as it was in case of the Share from which the sub-divided Share is derived; and the resolution may determine that, as between the Shares resulting from the sub-division, one or more of the Shares may, as compared with the others, have such preferred, deferred or other special rights, or be subject to such restrictions as the Company has power to attach to unissued or new Shares;
 - (e) cancel Shares which, at the date of the passing of the Ordinary Resolution to cancel them, have not been taken or agreed to be taken by any person, and diminish the amount of its share capital by the amount of the Shares so cancelled or, in the case of Shares without nominal par value, diminish the number of Shares into which its capital is divided;
 - (f) convert all or any of the Shares denominated in a particular currency into Shares denominated in a different currency, the conversion being effected at the rate of exchange (calculated to not less than three significant figures) current at the date of the resolution being a time within 40 Clear Days before the conversion takes effect.

Reducing share capital

8.2 Subject to the Law and to any rights for the time being conferred on the Members holding a particular class of Shares, the Company may, by Special Resolution, reduce its share capital in any way.

Sale of fractions of Shares

8.3 Whenever, as a result of a consolidation of Shares, any Members would become entitled to fractions of a Share, the directors may, in their absolute discretion, on behalf of those Members, sell the Shares representing the fractions for the best price reasonably obtainable to any person (including, subject to the provisions of the Law, the Company) and distribute the net proceeds of sale in due proportion among those Members, and the directors may authorise some person to execute an instrument of transfer of the Shares to, or in accordance with the directions of, the purchaser. The transferee shall not be bound to see to the application of the purchase money nor shall his title to the Shares be affected by any irregularity in or invalidity of the proceedings in reference to the sale.

9 Redemption and purchase of shares

Power to issue redeemable Shares and to purchase Shares

- 9.1 Subject to the Law, and to any rights for the time being conferred on the Members holding a particular class of Shares, the Company may by its directors:
 - (a) issue Shares that are to be redeemed or liable to be redeemed, at the option of the Company or the Member holding those redeemable Shares, on the terms and in the manner its directors determine before the issue of those Shares; and
 - (b) purchase all or any Shares of any class including any redeemable Shares.

The Company may hold Shares acquired by way of purchase or redemption in treasury in a manner authorised by the Law.

The Company may make a payment in respect of the redemption or purchase of Shares in any manner authorised by the Law, including out of capital and otherwise than out of its profits or the proceeds of a fresh issue of Shares.

Power to pay for redemption or purchase in cash or in specie

9.2 When making a payment in respect of the redemption or purchase of Shares, the directors may make the payment in cash or *in specie* (or partly in one way and partly in the other way).

Effect of redemption or purchase of a Share

- 9.3 Upon the date of redemption or purchase of a Share:
 - (a) the Member holding that Share shall cease to be entitled to any rights in respect of the Share other than the right to receive:
 - (i) the price for the Share; and
 - (ii) any dividend declared in respect of the Share prior to the date of redemption or purchase;
 - (b) the Member's name shall be removed from the register of members with respect to the Share; and
 - (c) the Share shall be cancelled or become a treasury share.

For the purpose of this Article, the date of redemption or purchase is the date when the redemption or purchase falls due.

10 Meetings of members

Power to call meetings

- 10.1 The directors may call a general meeting at any time.
- 10.2 If there are insufficient directors to constitute a quorum and the remaining directors are unable to agree on the appointment of additional directors, the directors must call a general meeting for the purpose of appointing additional directors.
- 10.3 The directors must also call a general meeting if requisitioned in the manner set out in the next two Articles.
- 10.4 The requisition must be in writing and given by one or more Members who together hold at least 10 per cent. of the rights to vote at such general meeting.
- 10.5 The requisition must also:
 - (a) specify the purpose of the meeting;
 - (b) be signed by or on behalf of the requisitioners. The requisition may consist of several documents in like form signed by one or more of the requisitioners; and
 - (c) be delivered to the Company's registered office in accordance with the notice provisions.
- 10.6 Should the directors fail to call a general meeting within 21 Clear Days from the date of receipt of a requisition, the requisitioners or any of them may call a general meeting within three months after the end of that period.
- 10.7 Without limitation to the foregoing, if there are insufficient directors to constitute a quorum and the remaining directors are unable to agree on the appointment of additional directors, any one or more Members who together hold at least 10 per cent. of the rights to vote at a general meeting may call a general meeting for the purpose of considering the business specified in the notice of meeting which shall include as an item of business the appointment of additional directors.

10.8 If the Members call a meeting under the above provisions, the Company shall reimburse their reasonable expenses.

Annual general meetings

10.9 The Company shall hold annual general meetings unless otherwise dispensed with in accordance with the Law. The first annual general meeting shall be held within a period of 18 months of the Company's incorporation and thereafter at least once in every calendar year. Not more than 18 months, where the Company is a public company, or 22 months, where the Company is a private company, may elapse between one annual general meeting and the next.

Content of notice

- 10.10 Notice of a general meeting shall specify each of the following:
 - (a) the place, the date and the time of the meeting;
 - (b) if the meeting is to be held in two or more places, the technology that will be used to facilitate the meeting;
 - (c) subject to paragraph (d), the general nature of the business to be transacted;
 - (d) if a resolution is proposed as a Special Resolution, the text of that resolution; and
 - (e) in the case of an annual general meeting, that the meeting is an annual general meeting.
- 10.11 In each notice, there shall appear with reasonable prominence the following statements:
 - (a) that a Member who is entitled to attend and vote is entitled to appoint one or more proxies to attend and vote instead of that Member; and
 - (b) that a proxy need not be a Member.

Period of notice

- 10.12 A general meeting, including an annual general meeting, shall be called by at least 14 Clear Days' notice in writing in accordance with the Law. A meeting, however, may be called on shorter notice if it is so agreed:
 - (a) in the case of an annual general meeting, by all the Members entitled to attend and vote at that meeting; and
 - (b) in the case of any other meeting, by a majority in number of the Members having a right to attend and vote at that meeting, being a majority together holding not less than 95 per cent. of the total voting rights of the Members who have that right.

Persons entitled to receive notice

- 10.13 Subject to the provisions of these Articles and to any restrictions imposed on any Shares, the notice shall be given to the following people:
 - (a) the Members;
 - (b) persons entitled to a Share in consequence of the death or bankruptcy of a Member;
 - (c) the directors;
 - (d) the Company's auditor (if any); and
 - (e) persons entitled to vote in respect of a Share in consequence of the incapacity of a Member.

Publication of notice on a website

- 10.14 Subject to the Law, a notice of a general meeting may be published on a website providing the recipient is given separate notice of:
 - (a) the publication of the notice on the website;

- (b) the place on the website where the notice may be accessed;
- (c) how it may be accessed; and
- (d) the place, date and time of the general meeting.
- 10.15 If a Member notifies the Company that he is unable for any reason to access the website, the Company must as soon as practicable give notice of the meeting to that Member in writing or by any other means permitted by these Articles but this will not affect when that Member is deemed to have been given notice of the meeting.

Time a website notice is deemed to be given

10.16 A website notice is deemed to be given when the Member is given notice of its publication.

Required duration of publication on a website

10.17 Where the notice of meeting is published on a website, it shall continue to be published in the same place on that website from the date of the notification until the conclusion of the meeting to which the notice relates.

Accidental omission to give notice or non-receipt of notice

- 10.18 Proceedings at a meeting shall not be invalidated by the following:
 - (a) an accidental failure to give notice of the meeting to any person entitled to notice; or
 - (b) non-receipt of notice of the meeting by any person entitled to notice.
- 10.19 In addition, where a notice of meeting is published on a website, proceedings at the meeting shall not be invalidated merely because it is accidentally published:
 - (a) in a different place on the website; or
 - (b) for part only of the period from the date of the notification until the conclusion of the meeting to which the notice relates.

11 Proceedings at meetings of Members

Quorum

- 11.1 Save as provided in the following Article, no business shall be transacted at any meeting unless a quorum is present in person or by proxy. A quorum is as follows:
 - (a) if the Company has only one Member: that Member; or
 - (b) if the Company has more than one Member: two Members.

Lack of quorum

- 11.2 If a quorum is not present within 15 minutes of the time appointed for the meeting, or if at any time during the meeting it becomes inquorate, then the following provisions apply:
 - (a) if the meeting was requisitioned by Members, it shall be cancelled; or
 - (b) in any other case, the meeting shall stand adjourned to the same time and place seven days hence, or to such other time or place as is determined by the directors. If a quorum is not present within 15 minutes of the time appointed for the adjourned meeting, then the Members present in person or by proxy shall constitute a quorum.

Use of technology

11.3 A person may participate in a general meeting through the medium of conference telephone, video or any other form of communications equipment providing all persons participating in the meeting are able to hear and speak to each other throughout the meeting. A person participating in this way is deemed to be present in person at the meeting.

Chairman

- 11.4 The chairman of a general meeting shall be the chairman of the board or such other director as the directors nominate. Absent any such person being present within 15 minutes of the time appointed for the meeting, the directors present shall elect one of their number to chair the meeting.
- 11.5 If no director is present within 15 minutes of the time appointed for the meeting, or if no director is willing to act as chairman, the Members present in person or by proxy and entitled to vote shall choose one of their number to chair the meeting.

Right of a director or auditor's representative to attend and speak

11.6 Even if a director or a representative of the auditor (if any) is not a Member, he shall be entitled to attend and speak at any general meeting and at any separate meeting of Members holding a particular class of Shares.

Adjournment

- 11.7 The chairman may at any time adjourn a meeting with the consent of the Members constituting a quorum. The chairman may adjourn the meeting if so directed by the meeting. No business, however, can be transacted at an adjourned meeting other than business which might properly have been transacted at the original meeting.
- 11.8 Should a meeting be adjourned for more than 14 Clear Days, whether because of a lack of quorum or otherwise, Members shall be given at least 7 Clear Days' notice of the date, time and place of the adjourned meeting and the general nature of the business to be transacted. Otherwise it shall not be necessary to give any notice of the adjournment.

Method of voting

- 11.9 A resolution put to the vote of the meeting shall be decided on a show of hands unless before, or on the declaration of the result of the show of hands, a poll is duly demanded. A poll may be demanded:
 - (a) by the chairman; or
 - (b) by at least two Members having the right to vote on the resolution, or
 - (c) by any Member or Members present who, individually or collectively, hold at least 10 per cent. of the voting rights of all those who have a right to vote on the resolution, or
 - (d) by a Member or Members holding Shares conferring a right to vote on the resolution being Shares on which an aggregate sum has been paid up equal to not less than one-tenth of the total sum paid up on all the Shares conferring that right,

and a demand by a person as proxy for a Member shall be the same as a demand by the Member.

Outcome of vote by show of hands

11.10 Unless a poll is duly demanded, a declaration by the chairman as to the result of a resolution and an entry to that effect in the minutes of the meeting shall be conclusive evidence of the outcome of a show of hands without proof of the number or proportion of the votes recorded in favour of or against the resolution.

Withdrawal of demand for a poll

11.11 The demand for a poll may be withdrawn before the poll is taken, but only with the consent of the chairman. The chairman shall announce any such withdrawal to the meeting and, unless another person forthwith demands a poll, any earlier show of hands on that resolution shall be treated as the vote on that resolution; if there has been no earlier show of hands, then the resolution shall be put to the vote of the meeting.

Taking of a poll

11.12 A poll demanded on the question of adjournment shall be taken immediately.

- 11.13 A poll demanded on any other question shall be taken either immediately or at an adjourned meeting at such time and place as the chairman directs, not being more than 30 Clear Days after the poll was demanded.
- 11.14 The demand for a poll shall not prevent the meeting continuing to transact any business other than the question on which the poll was demanded.
- 11.15 A poll shall be taken in such manner as the chairman directs. He may appoint scrutineers (who need not be Members) and fix a place and time for declaring the result of the poll. If, through the aid of technology, the meeting is held in more than one place, the chairman may appoint scrutineers in more than one place; but if he considers that the poll cannot be effectively monitored at that meeting, the chairman shall adjourn the holding of the poll to a date, place and time when that can occur.

Chairman's casting vote

11.16 If the votes on a resolution, whether on a show of hands or on a poll, are equal the chairman may if he wishes exercise a casting vote.

Written resolutions

- 11.17 Members may pass a resolution in writing without holding a meeting if the following conditions are met:
 - (a) all Members entitled to vote:
 - (i) sign a document; or
 - (ii) sign several documents in the like form each signed by one or more of those Members; and
 - (b) the signed document or documents is or are delivered to the Company at the place and by the time nominated by the Company in the notice of the resolution including, if the Company so nominates, by delivery of an Electronic Record by Electronic means to the address specified for that purpose.

Such written resolution shall be as effective as if it had been passed at a meeting of all Members entitled to vote duly convened and held.

11.18 If a written resolution is described as a Special Resolution or as an Ordinary Resolution, it has effect accordingly.

Sole-member company

11.19 If the Company has only one Member, and the Member records in writing his decision on a question, that record shall constitute both the passing of a resolution and the minute of it.

12 Voting rights of members

Right to vote

- 12.1 Unless their Shares carry no right to vote, or unless a call or other amount presently payable has not been paid, all Members are entitled to vote at a general meeting, whether on a show of hands or a poll, and all Members holding Shares of a particular class are entitled to vote at a meeting of the holders of that class of Shares.
- 12.2 Members may vote in person or by proxy.
- 12.3 On a show of hands, every Member shall have one vote. For the avoidance of doubt, an individual who represents two or more Members, including a Member in that individual's own right, shall be entitled to a separate vote for each Member.
- 12.4 On a poll a Member shall have one vote for each Share he holds, unless any Share carries special voting rights.
- 12.5 A fraction of a Share shall entitle its holder to an equivalent fraction of one vote.

12.6 No Member is bound to vote on his Shares or any of them; nor is he bound to vote each of his Shares in the same way.

Rights of joint holders

12.7 If Shares are held jointly, only one of the joint holders may vote. If more than one of the joint holders tenders a vote, the vote of the holder whose name in respect of those Shares appears first in the register of members shall be accepted to the exclusion of the votes of the other joint holders.

Representation of corporate Members

- 12.8 Save where otherwise provided, a corporate Member must act by a duly authorised representative.
- 12.9 A corporate Member wishing to act by a duly authorised representative must identify that person to the Company by notice in writing.
- 12.10 The authorisation may be for any period of time, and must be delivered to the Company not less than 24 hours before the commencement of the meeting at which it is first used.
- 12.11 The directors of the Company may require the production of any evidence which they consider necessary to determine the validity of the notice.
- 12.12 Where a duly authorised representative is present at a meeting that Member is deemed to be present in person; and the acts of the duly authorised representative are personal acts of that Member.
- 12.13 A corporate Member may revoke the appointment of a duly authorised representative at any time by notice to the Company; but such revocation will not affect the validity of any acts carried out by the duly authorised representative before the directors of the Company had actual notice of the revocation.

Member with mental disorder

- 12.14 A Member in respect of whom an order has been made by any court having jurisdiction (whether in the Island or elsewhere) in matters concerning mental disorder may vote, whether on a show of hands or on a poll, by that Member's receiver, *curator bonis* or other person authorised in that behalf appointed by that court.
- 12.15 For the purpose of the preceding Article, evidence to the satisfaction of the directors of the authority of the person claiming to exercise the right to vote must be received not less than 48 hours before holding the relevant meeting or the adjourned meeting in any manner specified for the delivery of forms of appointment of a proxy, whether in writing or by Electronic means. In default, the right to vote shall not be exercisable.

Objections to admissibility of votes

12.16 An objection to the validity of a person's vote may only be raised at the meeting or at the adjourned meeting at which the vote is sought to be tendered. Any objection duly made shall be referred to the chairman whose decision shall be final and conclusive.

Form of proxy

- 12.17 An instrument appointing a proxy shall be in any common form or in any other form approved by the directors. A Member may appoint more than one proxy to attend on the same occasion.
- 12.18 The instrument must be in writing and signed in one of the following ways:
 - (a) by the Member; or
 - (b) by the Member's authorised attorney; or
 - (c) if the Member is a corporation or other body corporate, under seal or signed by an authorised officer, secretary or attorney.

If the directors so resolve, the Company may accept an Electronic Record of that instrument delivered in the manner specified below and otherwise satisfying the Articles about authentication of Electronic Records.

- 12.19 The directors may require the production of any evidence which they consider necessary to determine the validity of any appointment of a proxy.
- 12.20 A Member may revoke the appointment of a proxy at any time by notice to the Company duly signed in accordance with the Article above about signing proxies; but such revocation will not affect the validity of any acts carried out by the proxy before the directors of the Company had actual notice of the revocation.

How and when proxy is to be delivered

- 12.21 Subject to the following Articles, the form of appointment of a proxy and any authority under which it is signed, or a copy of the authority certified notarially or in any other way approved by the directors, must be delivered so that it is received by the Company not less than 48 hours before the time for holding the meeting or adjourned meeting at which the person named in the form of appointment of proxy proposes to vote. They must be delivered in either of the following ways:
 - (a) In the case of an instrument in writing, it must be left at or sent by post:
 - (i) to the registered office of the Company; or
 - (ii) to such other place within the Island specified in the notice convening the meeting or in any form of appointment of proxy sent out by the Company in relation to the meeting.
 - (b) If, pursuant to the notice provisions, a notice may be given to the Company in an Electronic Record, an Electronic Record of an appointment of a proxy must be sent to the address specified pursuant to those provisions unless another address for that purpose is specified:
 - (i) in the notice convening the meeting; or
 - (ii) in any form of appointment of a proxy sent out by the Company in relation to the meeting; or
 - (iii) in any invitation to appoint a proxy issued by the Company in relation to the meeting.
- 12.22 Where a poll is taken after the meeting at which it is demanded, the form of appointment of a proxy and any accompanying authority (or an Electronic Record of the same) must be delivered as required under the preceding Article not less than 24 hours before the time appointed for the taking of the poll.

Voting by proxy

12.23 A proxy shall have the same voting rights at a meeting or adjourned meeting as the Member would have had except to the extent that the instrument appointing him limits those rights. Notwithstanding the appointment of a proxy, a Member may attend and vote at a meeting or adjourned meeting. If a Member votes on any resolution a vote by his proxy on the same resolution, unless in respect of different Shares, shall be invalid.

13 Number of directors

13.1 Unless otherwise determined by Ordinary Resolution, the minimum number of directors shall be two but there shall be no maximum number.

14 Appointment, disqualification and removal of directors

First directors

14.1 The first directors shall be appointed in writing by the subscriber or subscribers to the Memorandum.

No age limit

14.2 There is no age limit for directors save that they must be aged at least 18 years.

Corporate directors

14.3 Unless prohibited by law, a body corporate may be a director. If a body corporate is a director, the Articles about representation of corporate Members at general meetings apply, *mutatis mutandis*, to the Articles about directors' meetings.

No shareholding qualification

14.4 Unless a shareholding qualification for directors is fixed by Ordinary Resolution, no director shall be required to own Shares as a condition of his appointment.

Appointment of directors

- 14.5 A director may be appointed by Ordinary Resolution or by the directors. Any appointment may be to fill a vacancy or as an additional director.
- 14.6 A remaining director may appoint a director even though there is not a quorum of directors.
- 14.7 No appointment can cause the number of directors to exceed the maximum; and any such appointment shall be invalid.

Removal of directors

14.8 A director may be removed by Ordinary Resolution.

Resignation of directors

- 14.9 A director may at any time resign office by giving to the Company notice in writing or, if permitted pursuant to the notice provisions, in an Electronic Record delivered in either case in accordance with those provisions.
- 14.10 Unless the notice specifies a different date, the director shall be deemed to have resigned on the date that the notice is delivered to the Company.

Termination of the office of director

- 14.11 A director's office shall be terminated forthwith if:
 - (a) the director resigns his office by notice in writing to the Company;
 - (b) he is prohibited by the law of the Island from acting as a director; or
 - (c) he is made bankrupt or makes an arrangement or composition with his creditors generally; or
 - (d) in the opinion of a registered medical practitioner by whom he is being treated he becomes physically or mentally incapable of acting as a director; or
 - (e) he is made subject to any law relating to mental health or incompetence, whether by court order or otherwise; or
 - (f) without the consent of the other directors, he is absent from meetings of directors for a continuous period of six months.

15 Alternate directors

Appointment and removal

- 15.1 Any director may appoint any other person, including another director, to act in his place as an alternate director. No appointment shall take effect until the director has given notice of the appointment to the Secretary.
- 15.2 A director may revoke his appointment of an alternate at any time. No revocation shall take effect until the director has given notice of the revocation to the Secretary.
- 15.3 A notice of appointment or removal of an alternate director must be given to the Company by notice in writing or, if permitted pursuant to the notice provisions, in an Electronic Record delivered in either case in accordance with those provisions in writing.

Notices

15.4 All notices of meetings of directors shall continue to be given to the appointing director and not to the alternate.

Rights of alternate director

- 15.5 An alternate director, where so appointed and acting, shall be entitled to attend and vote at any board meeting or meeting of a committee of the directors at which the appointing director is not personally present, and generally to perform all the functions of the appointing director in his absence. An alternate director, however, is not entitled to receive any remuneration from the Company for services rendered as an alternate director.
- 15.6 Save as otherwise provided in these Articles, an alternate director shall be deemed for all purposes to be a director and shall alone be responsible for his own acts and defaults and he shall not be deemed to be the agent of the director appointing him.

Appointment ceases when the appointor ceases to be a director

15.7 An alternate director shall cease to be an alternate director if the director who appointed him ceases to be a director.

16 Powers of directors

Powers of directors

- 16.1 Subject to the provisions of the Law, the Memorandum, these Articles and any directions given by Special Resolution, the business of the Company shall be managed by the directors who may for that purpose exercise all the powers of the Company.
- 16.2 No prior act of the directors shall be invalidated by any subsequent alteration of the Memorandum or these Articles or any direction given by Special Resolution. However, to the extent allowed by the Law, Members may in accordance with the Law validate any prior or future act of the directors which would otherwise be in breach of their duties.

Appointments to office

- 16.3 The directors may appoint a director:
 - (a) as chairman of the board of directors;
 - (b) as managing director;
 - (c) to any other executive office

for such period and on such terms, including as to remuneration, as they think fit.

- 16.4 The appointee must consent in writing to holding that office.
- 16.5 Any appointment of a director to an executive office shall terminate if he ceases to be a director but without prejudice to any claim for damages for breach of any agreement relating to the provision of the services of such director.
- 16.6 Where a chairman is appointed he shall preside at every meeting of directors unless, having regard in particular to Article 18.7, the directors decide otherwise at each relevant meeting.
- 16.7 Subject to the provisions of the Law, the directors may also appoint any person, who need not be a director:
 - (a) as Secretary; and
 - (b) to any office that may be required,

for such period and on such terms, including as to remuneration, as they think fit. In the case of an Officer, that Officer may be given any title the directors decide.

- 16.8 The Secretary or Officer must consent in writing to holding that office.
- 16.9 A director, Secretary or other Officer of the Company may not the hold office, or perform the services, of auditor.

Remuneration

- 16.10 Every director may be remunerated by the Company for the services he provides for the benefit of the Company, whether as director, employee or otherwise, and shall be entitled to be paid for the expenses incurred in the Company's business including attendance at directors' meetings.
- 16.11 A director's remuneration may be fixed by the Company by Ordinary Resolution. Unless that resolution provides otherwise, the remuneration shall be deemed to accrue from day to day.
- 16.12 Remuneration may take any form and may include arrangements to pay pensions, health insurance, death or sickness benefits, whether to the director or to any other person connected to or related to him.
- 16.13 Unless his fellow directors determine otherwise, a director is not accountable to the Company for remuneration or other benefits received from any other company which is in the same group as the Company or which has common shareholdings.

17 Delegation of powers

Power to delegate any of the directors' powers to a committee

- 17.1 The directors may delegate any of their powers to any committee consisting of one or more persons who need not be directors. Persons on the committee may include non-directors so long as the majority of those persons are directors.
- 17.2 The delegation may be collateral with, or to the exclusion of, the directors' own powers.
- 17.3 The delegation may be on such terms as the directors think fit, including provision for the committee itself to delegate to a sub-committee; save that any delegation must be capable of being revoked or altered by the directors at will.
- 17.4 Unless otherwise permitted by the directors, a committee must follow the procedures prescribed for the taking of decisions by directors.

Power to appoint an agent of the Company

- 17.5 The directors may appoint any person, either generally or in respect of any specific matter, to be the agent of the Company with or without authority for that person to delegate all or any of that person's powers. The directors may make that appointment:
 - (a) by causing the Company to enter into a power of attorney or agreement; or
 - (b) in any other manner they determine.

Power to appoint an attorney or authorised signatory of the Company

- 17.6 The directors may appoint any person, whether nominated directly or indirectly by the directors, to be the attorney or the authorised signatory of the Company. The appointment may be:
 - (a) for any purpose;
 - (b) with the powers, authorities and discretions;
 - (c) for the period; and
 - (d) subject to such conditions,

as they think fit. The powers, authorities and discretions, however, must not exceed those vested in, or exercisable by, the directors under these Articles. The directors may make such an appointment by power of attorney or any other manner they think fit.

17.7 Any power of attorney or other appointment may contain such provision for the protection and convenience for persons dealing with the attorney or authorised signatory as the directors think fit. Any power of attorney or other appointment may also authorise the attorney or authorised signatory to delegate all or any of the powers, authorities and discretions vested in that person.

18 Meetings of directors

Regulation of directors' meetings

18.1 Subject to the provisions of these Articles, the directors may regulate their proceedings as they think fit.

Calling meetings

18.2 Any director may call a meeting of directors at any time. The Secretary, if any, must call a meeting of the directors if requested to do so by a director.

Notice of meetings

18.3 Every director shall be given notice of a meeting, although a director may waive retrospectively the requirement to be given notice. Notice may be oral.

Use of technology

- 18.4 A director may participate in a meeting of directors through the medium of conference telephone, video or any other form of communications equipment providing all persons participating in the meeting are able to hear and speak to each other throughout the meeting.
- 18.5 A director participating in this way is deemed to be present in person at the meeting.

Quorum

- 18.6 The quorum for the transaction of business at a meeting of directors shall be two unless the directors fix some other number but in any case shall not be one director. In the event that the Company has one director, the transaction of business shall be by way of written resolution only.
- 18.7 At every meeting of the directors:
 - (a) the chairman of the meeting shall be physically present in the Island; and
 - (b) a majority of the directors (inclusive of the chairman of the meeting) shall each be physically present outside the United Kingdom.

Any decision reached or resolution passed by the directors at any meeting at which the requirements of this Article are not satisfied shall be invalid and of no effect.

Voting

18.8 A question which arises at a board meeting shall be decided by a majority of votes. If votes are equal the chairman of the meeting may, if he wishes, exercise a casting vote.

Validity

18.9 Anything done at a meeting of directors is unaffected by the fact that it is later discovered that any person was not properly appointed, or had ceased to be a director, or was otherwise not entitled to vote.

Recording of dissent

- 18.10 A director present at a meeting of directors shall be presumed to have assented to any action taken at that meeting unless:
 - (a) his dissent is entered in the minutes of the meeting; or
 - (b) he has filed with the meeting before it is concluded a signed dissent from that action; or
 - (c) he has forwarded to the Company as soon as practical following the conclusion of that meeting a signed dissent.

A director who votes in favour of an action is not entitled to record his dissent to it.

Written resolutions

- 18.11 The directors may pass a resolution in writing without holding a meeting if the following conditions are met:
 - (a) if the resolution is to be passed other than as a unanimous resolution, all directors are given notice of the resolution;
 - (b) the resolution is set out in a document or documents indicating that it is a written resolution; and
 - (c) a majority of the directors:
 - (i) sign a document; or
 - (ii) sign several documents in the like form each signed by one or more of those directors; and
 - (d) the signed document or documents is or are delivered to the Company, including, if the Company so nominates by delivery of an Electronic Record, by Electronic means to the address specified for that purpose.
- 18.12 Such written resolution shall be as effective as if it had been passed at a meeting of the directors duly convened and held; and it shall be treated as having been passed on the day and at the time that the last director or the number of directors necessary to achieve the requisite majority (as the case may be) signs.

19 Permissible directors' interests and disclosure

Permissible interests subject to disclosure

- 19.1 Save as expressly permitted by the Articles or as set out below, a director may not have a direct or indirect interest which to a material extent conflicts or may conflict with the interests of the Company.
- 19.2 Notwithstanding the prohibition in the preceding Article, a director:
 - (a) may be a party to, or otherwise interested in, any transaction or arrangement with the Company or in which the Company is or may otherwise be interested;
 - (b) may be interested in another body corporate promoted by the Company or in which the Company is otherwise interested. In particular, the director may be a director, secretary or officer of, or employed by, or be a party to any transaction or arrangement with, or otherwise interested in, that other body corporate if:
 - (i) he has notified his fellow directors, whether at a meeting of the board or otherwise (and, if otherwise, in writing) of the nature and extent of his interest in a transaction or arrangement or series of transactions or arrangements with the Company or in which the Company has any material interest; and
 - (ii) the board of directors approves the director's interest;
 - (c) shall not, by reason of his office, be accountable to the Company for any benefit which he derives from any such office or employment or from any such transaction or arrangement or from any interest in any such body corporate and no such transaction or arrangement shall be liable to be avoided on the ground of any such interest or benefit.

Notification of interests

- 19.3 For the purposes of the preceding Article, a director shall be taken to have sufficiently disclosed the nature and extent of any material interest in a transaction or arrangement if:
 - (a) the director gives a general notice to the other directors that a specific person or class of persons has an interest, of the nature and extent specified in the notice, in a transaction or arrangement; and
 - (b) the director meets the description of the specified person or class of persons.

19.4 A director shall not be treated as having an interest in a transaction or arrangement if he has no knowledge of that interest and it is unreasonable to expect the director to have that knowledge.

Voting where a director is interested in a matter

- 19.5 A director may vote at a meeting of directors on any resolution concerning a matter in which that director has an interest or duty, whether directly or indirectly, so long as that director discloses any material interest pursuant to these Articles. The director shall be counted towards a quorum of those present at the meeting. If the director votes on the resolution, his vote shall be counted.
- 19.6 Where proposals are under consideration concerning the appointment of two or more directors to offices or employment with the Company or any body corporate in which the Company is interested, the proposals may be divided and considered in relation to each director separately and each of the directors concerned shall be entitled to vote and be counted in the quorum in respect of each resolution except that concerning his or her own appointment.

20 Minutes

20.1 The Company shall cause minutes to be made in books kept for the purpose in accordance with the Law.

21 Accounts and audits

Accounting and other records

21.1 The directors must ensure that proper accounting and other records are kept, and that accounts and associated reports are distributed in accordance with the requirements of the Law.

No automatic right of inspection

21.2 Members are only entitled to inspect the Company's records if they are expressly entitled to do so by law, or by resolution made by the directors or passed by Ordinary Resolution.

Sending of accounts and reports

- 21.3 The Company's accounts and associated directors' report or auditor's report that are required or permitted to be sent to any person pursuant to any law shall be treated as properly sent to that person if:
 - (a) they are sent to that person in accordance with the notice provisions; or
 - (b) they are published on a website providing that person is given separate notice of:
 - (i) the fact that publication of the documents has been published on the website;
 - (ii) the address of the website;
 - (iii) the place on the website where the documents may be accessed; and
 - (iv) how they may be accessed.
- 21.4 If, for any reason, a person notifies the Company that he is unable to access the website, the Company must, as soon as practicable, send the documents to that person by any other means permitted by these Articles. This, however, will not affect when that person is taken to have received the documents under the next Article.

Time of receipt if documents are published on a website

- 21.5 Documents sent by being published on a website in accordance with the preceding two Articles are only treated as sent at least 14 Clear Days before the date of the meeting at which they are to be laid if:
 - (a) the documents are published on the website throughout a period beginning at least 14 Clear Days before the date of the meeting and ending with the conclusion of the meeting; and
 - (b) the person is given at least 14 Clear Days' notice of the meeting.

Validity despite accidental error in publication on website

- 21.6 If, for the purpose of a meeting, documents are sent by being published on a website in accordance with the preceding Articles, the proceedings at that meeting are not invalidated merely because:
 - (a) those documents are, by accident, published in a different place on the website to the place notified; or
 - (b) they are published for part only of the period from the date of notification until the conclusion of that meeting.

When accounts are to be audited

21.7 Unless the directors or the Members, by Ordinary Resolution, so resolve or unless the Law so requires, the Company's accounts will not be audited. If the Members so resolve, the Company's accounts shall be audited in the manner determined by Ordinary Resolution. Alternatively, if the directors so resolve, they shall be audited in the manner they determine.

22 Record dates

22.1 Except to the extent of any conflicting rights attached to Shares, the directors may fix any time and date as the record date for declaring or paying a dividend or making or issuing an allotment of Shares. The record date may be before or after the date on which a dividend, allotment or issue is declared, paid or made.

23 Dividends

Declaration of dividends by Members

23.1 Subject to the provisions of the Law, the Company may by Ordinary Resolution declare dividends in accordance with the respective rights of the Members but no dividend shall exceed the amount recommended by the directors. Any such declared dividend, subject to it not exceeding the amount recommended by the directors, shall be a debt owed by the Company due on the date that such dividend is declared to be payable or, if no date is specified, immediately.

Payment of interim dividends by directors

- 23.2 Subject to the provisions of the Law, the directors may pay interim dividends in accordance with the respective rights of the Members. Any interim dividend shall not be a debt owed by the Company until such time as payment of the dividend is made.
- 23.3 In relation to Shares carrying differing rights to dividends or rights to dividends at a fixed rate, the following applies:
 - (a) if the share capital is divided into different classes, the directors may pay dividends on Shares which confer deferred or non-preferred rights with regard to dividends as well as on Shares which confer preferential rights with regard to dividends but no dividend shall be paid on Shares carrying deferred or non-preferred rights if, at the time of payment, any preferential dividend is in arrears;
 - (b) subject to the provisions of the Law, the directors may also pay, at intervals settled by them, any dividend payable at a fixed rate if it appears to them that there are sufficient funds of the Company lawfully available for distribution to justify the payment;
 - (c) if the directors act in good faith, they shall not incur any liability to the Members holding Shares conferring preferred rights for any loss those Members may suffer by the lawful payment of the dividend on any Shares having deferred or non-preferred rights.

Apportionment of dividends

23.4 Except as otherwise provided by the rights attached to Shares, all dividends shall be declared and paid according to the amounts paid up on the Shares on which the dividend is paid. All dividends shall be apportioned and paid proportionately to the amount paid up on the Shares during the time or part of the time in respect of which the dividend is paid. But if a Share is issued on terms providing that it shall rank for dividend as from a particular date, that Share shall rank for dividend accordingly.

Right of set off

23.5 The directors may deduct from a dividend or any other amount payable to a person in respect of a Share any amount due by that person to the Company on a call or otherwise in relation to a Share.

Power to pay other than in cash

- 23.6 If the directors so determine, any resolution determining a dividend may direct that it shall be satisfied wholly or partly by the distribution of assets or the issue of Shares. If a difficulty arises in relation to the distribution, the directors may settle that difficulty in any way they consider appropriate. For example, they may do any one or more of the following:
 - (a) issue fractional Shares;
 - (b) fix the value of assets for distribution and make cash payments to some Members on the footing of the value so fixed in order to adjust the rights of Members; and
 - (c) vest some assets in trustees.

How payments may be made

- 23.7 A dividend or other monies payable on or in respect of a Share may be paid in any of the following ways:
 - (a) if the Member holding that Share or other person entitled to that Share nominates a bank account for that purpose, by wire transfer to that bank account; or
 - (b) by cheque or warrant sent by post to the registered address of the Member holding that Share or other person entitled to that Share.
- 23.8 For the purpose of paragraph (a) of the preceding Article, the nomination may be in writing or in an Electronic Record and the bank account nominated may be the bank account of another person. For the purpose of paragraph (b) of the preceding Article, subject to any applicable law or regulation, the cheque or warrant shall be made to the order of the Member holding that Share or other person entitled to the Share or to his nominee, whether nominated in writing or in an Electronic Record, and payment of the cheque or warrant shall be a good discharge to the Company.
- 23.9 If two or more persons are registered as the holders of the Share or are jointly entitled to it by reason of the death or bankruptcy of the registered holder (**Joint Holders**), a dividend (or other amount) payable on or in respect of that Share may be paid as follows:
 - (a) to the registered address of the Joint Holder of the Share who is named first on the register of members or to the registered address of the deceased or bankrupt holder, as the case may be: or
 - (b) to the address or bank account of another person nominated by the Joint Holders, whether that nomination is in writing or in an Electronic Record.
- 23.10 Any Joint Holder of a Share may give a valid receipt for a dividend (or other amount) payable in respect of that Share.

Dividends or other monies not to bear interest in absence of special rights

23.11 Unless provided for by the rights attached to a Share, no dividend or other monies payable by the Company in respect of a Share shall bear interest.

Dividends unable to be paid or unclaimed

- 23.12 If a dividend cannot be paid to a Member or remains unclaimed within six weeks after it was declared or both, the directors may pay it into a separate account in the Company's name. If a dividend is paid into a separate account, the Company shall not be constituted trustee in respect of that account and the dividend shall remain a debt due to the Member.
- 23.13 A dividend that remains unclaimed for a period of ten years after it became due for payment shall be forfeited to, and shall cease to remain owing by, the Company.

24 Capitalisation of profits

Capitalisation of profits or of any share premium account or capital redemption reserve

24.1 The directors may resolve to capitalise any part of the Company's reserves not required for paying any preferential dividend.

The amount resolved to be capitalised must be appropriated to the Members who would have been entitled to it had it been distributed by way of dividend and in the same proportions. The benefit to each Member so entitled must be given in either or both of the following ways:

- (a) by paying up the amounts unpaid on that Member's Shares;
- (b) by issuing Fully Paid Shares or debentures of the Company to that Member or as that Member directs. The directors may resolve that any Shares issued to the Member in respect of partly paid Shares ("**Original Shares**") rank for dividend only to the extent that the Original Shares rank for dividend while those Original Shares remain partly paid.

Applying an amount for the benefit of members

24.2 Subject to the Law, if a fraction of a Share or a debenture is allocated to a Member, the directors may issue a fractional certificate to that Member or pay him the cash equivalent of the fraction.

25 Seal

Company seal

25.1 The Company may have a seal if the directors so determine.

Official seal

- 25.2 Subject to the provisions of the Law, the Company may also have:
 - (a) an official seal or seals for use in any place or places outside the Island. Each such official seal shall be a facsimile of the original seal of the Company but shall have added on its face the name of the country, territory or place where it is to be used or the words "branch seal", and
 - (b) an official seal for use only in connection with the sealing of securities issued by the Company and such official seal shall be a copy of the common seal of the Company but shall in addition bear the word "securities".

When and how seal is to be used

- 25.3 A seal may only be used by the authority of the directors. Unless the directors otherwise determine, a document to which a seal is affixed must be signed in one of the following ways:
 - (a) by a director (or his alternate) and the Secretary; or
 - (b) by a single director (or his alternate).

If no seal is adopted or used

- 25.4 If the directors do not adopt a seal, or a seal is not used, a document may be executed in the following manner:
 - (a) by a director (or his alternate) and the Secretary; or

- (b) by a single director (or his alternate); or
- (c) by any other person authorised by the directors, or
- (d) in any other manner permitted by the Law.

Power to allow non-manual signatures and facsimile printing of seal

- 25.5 The directors may determine that either or both of the following applies:
 - (a) that the seal or a duplicate seal need not be affixed manually but may be affixed by some other method or system of reproduction;
 - (b) that a signature required by these Articles need not be manual but may be a mechanical or Electronic Signature.

Validity of execution

25.6 If a document is duly executed and delivered by or on behalf of the Company, it shall not be regarded as invalid merely because, at the date of the delivery, the Secretary, or the director, or other Officer or person who signed the document or affixed the seal for and on behalf of the Company ceased to be the Secretary or hold that office and authority on behalf of the Company.

26 Indemnity

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- 26.1 To the extent permitted by law, the Company shall indemnify each existing or former Secretary, director (including alternate director), and other Officer of the Company (including an administrator or liquidator) and their personal representatives against:
 - (a) all actions, proceedings, costs, charges, expenses, losses, damages or liabilities incurred or sustained by the existing or former Secretary or Officer in or about the conduct of the Company's business or affairs or in the execution or discharge of the existing or former Secretary's or Officer's duties, powers, authorities or discretions; and
 - (b) without limitation to paragraph (a), all costs, expenses, losses or liabilities incurred by the existing or former Secretary or Officer in defending (whether successfully or otherwise in accordance with the Law) any civil, criminal, administrative or investigative proceedings (whether threatened, pending or completed) concerning the Company or its affairs in any court or tribunal, whether in the Island or elsewhere.

No such existing or former Secretary or Officer, however, shall be indemnified in respect of any matter arising out of his own dishonesty.

26.2 To the extent permitted by law, the Company may make a payment, or agree to make a payment, whether by way of advance, loan or otherwise, for any legal costs incurred by an existing or former Secretary or Officer of the Company in respect of any matter identified in paragraph (a) or paragraph (b) of the preceding Article on condition that the Secretary or Officer must repay the amount paid by the Company to the extent that it is ultimately found not liable to indemnify the Secretary or that Officer for those legal costs.

Release

26.3 To the extent permitted by law, the Company may by Special Resolution release any existing or former director (including alternate director), Secretary or other Officer of the Company from liability for any loss or damage or right to compensation which may arise out of or in connection with the execution or discharge of the duties, powers, authorities or discretions of his office; but there may be no release from liability arising out of or in connection with that person's own dishonesty.

Insurance

- 26.4 To the extent permitted by law, the Company may pay, or agree to pay, a premium in respect of a contract insuring each of the following persons against risks determined by the directors, other than liability arising out of that person's own dishonesty:
 - (a) an existing or former director (including alternate director), Secretary or Officer or auditor of:
 - (i) the Company;
 - (ii) a company which is or was a subsidiary, as defined in Article 2 of the Law, of the Company;
 - (iii) a company in which the Company has or had an interest (whether direct or indirect); and
 - (b) a trustee of an employee or retirement benefits scheme or other trust in which any of the persons referred to in paragraph (a) is or was interested.

27 Notices

Form of notices

- 27.1 Save where these Articles provide otherwise, any notice to be given to or by any person pursuant to these Articles shall be:
 - (a) in writing signed by or on behalf of the giver in the manner set out below for written notices;
 - (b) subject to the next Article, in an Electronic Record signed by or on behalf of the giver by Electronic Signature and authenticated in accordance with Articles about authentication of Electronic Records; or
 - (c) where these Articles expressly permit, by the Company by means of a website.

Electronic communications

- 27.2 A notice may only be given to the Company in an Electronic Record if:
 - (a) the directors so resolve;
 - (b) the resolution states how an Electronic Record may be given and, if applicable, specifies an email address for the Company; and
 - (c) the terms of that resolution are notified to the Members for the time being and, if applicable, to those directors who were absent from the meeting at which the resolution was passed.

If the resolution is revoked or varied, the revocation or variation shall only become effective when its terms have been similarly notified.

27.3 A notice may not be given by Electronic Record to a person other than the Company unless the recipient has notified the giver of an Electronic address to which notice may be sent.

Persons authorised to give notices

27.4 A notice by either the Company or a Member pursuant to these Articles may be given on behalf of the Company or a Member by a director or the Secretary or a Member. Without limitation to the Articles about the power to allow non-manual signatures and facsimile printing of the seal, the signature of a person on a notice given by the Company may be written, printed or stamped.

Delivery of written notices

27.5 Save where these Articles provide otherwise, a notice in writing may be given personally to the recipient, or left at (as appropriate) the Member's or director's registered address or the Company's registered office, or posted to that registered address or registered office.

Joint holders

27.6 Where Members are joint holders of a Share, all notices shall be given to the Member whose name first appears in the register of members.

Signatures

- 27.7 A written notice shall be signed when it is autographed by or on behalf of the giver, or is marked in such a way as to indicate its execution or adoption by the giver.
- 27.8 An Electronic Record may be signed by an Electronic Signature.

Evidence of transmission

- 27.9 A notice given by Electronic Record shall be deemed sent if an Electronic Record is kept demonstrating the time, date and content of the transmission, and if no notification of failure to transmit is received by the giver.
- 27.10 A notice given in writing shall be deemed sent if the giver can provide proof that the envelope containing the notice was properly addressed, pre-paid and posted, or that the written notice was otherwise properly transmitted to the recipient.

Giving notice to a deceased or bankrupt Member

- 27.11 A notice may be given by the Company to the persons entitled to a Share in consequence of the death or bankruptcy of a Member by sending or delivering it, in any manner authorised by these Articles for the giving of notice to a Member, addressed to them by name, or by the title of representatives of the deceased, or trustee of the bankrupt or by any like description, at the address, if any, supplied for that purpose by the persons claiming to be so entitled.
- 27.12 Until such an address has been supplied, a notice may be given in any manner in which it might have been given if the death or bankruptcy had not occurred.

Date of giving notices

27.13 A notice is given on the date identified in the following table.

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	Method for giving notices	When taken to be given	
	Personally	At the time and date of delivery	
	By leaving it at the member's registered address	At the time and date it was left	
	If the recipient has an address within the Island, by posting it by prepaid post to the street or postal address of that recipient	24 hours after it was posted	
	If the recipient has an address outside the Island, by posting it by prepaid airmail to the street or postal address of that recipient	72 hours after posting for an address within the UK, the Isle of Man, another Channel Island or Europe	
		120 hours after posting for any other international address	
	By Electronic Record (other than publication on a website), to recipient's Electronic address	Within 24 hours after it was sent	
	By publication on a website (notice of general	For notice of a general meeting of Members, at	

the time and date that the recipient is deemed to have received notice of the publication

For accounts and reports specified in Article 21.3,

(Articles 10.14 and 10.16)

in accordance with Article 21.5

Saving provisions

- 27.14 A Member present, either in person or by proxy, at any general meeting or of the Members holding any class of Shares shall be deemed to have received notice of the meeting and, where requisite, of the purposes for which it was called.
- 27.15 Every person who becomes entitled to a Share shall be bound by any notice in respect of that Share which, before his name is entered in the register of members, has been duly given to a person from which he derives his title.
- 27.16 None of the preceding notice provisions shall derogate from the Articles about the delivery of written resolutions of directors and written resolutions of Members.

28 Authentication of electronic records

Application of Articles

28.1 Without limitation to any other provision of these Articles, any notice, written resolution or other document under these Articles that is sent by Electronic means by a Member, or by the Secretary, or by a director or other Officer of the Company, shall be deemed to be authentic if either Article 28.2 or Article 28.4 applies.

Authentication of documents sent by Members by Electronic means

- 28.2 An Electronic Record of a notice, written resolution or other document sent by Electronic means by or on behalf of one or more Members shall be deemed to be authentic if the following conditions are satisfied:
 - (a) the Member or each Member, as the case may be, signed the original document, and for this purpose "**Original Document**" includes several documents in like form signed by one or more of those Members; and
 - (b) the Electronic Record of the Original Document was sent by Electronic means by, or at the direction of, that Member to an address specified in accordance with these Articles for the purpose for which it was sent; and
 - (c) Article 28.7 does not apply.
- 28.3 For example, where a sole Member signs a resolution and sends the Electronic Record of the original resolution, or causes it to be sent, by facsimile transmission to the address in these Articles specified for that purpose, the facsimile copy shall be deemed to be the written resolution of that Member unless Article 28.7 applies.

Authentication of document sent by the Secretary or Officers by Electronic means

- 28.4 An Electronic Record of a notice, written resolution or other document sent by or on behalf of the Secretary or an Officer or Officers of the Company shall be deemed to be authentic if the following conditions are satisfied:
 - (a) the Secretary or the Officer or each Officer, as the case may be, signed the original document, and for this purpose "**Original Document**" includes several documents in like form signed by the Secretary or one or more of those Officers; and
 - (b) the Electronic Record of the Original Document was sent by Electronic means by, or at the direction of, the Secretary or that Officer to an address specified in accordance with these Articles for the purpose for which it was sent; and
 - (c) Article 28.7 does not apply.

This Article applies whether the document is sent by or on behalf of the Secretary or Officer in his own right or as a representative of the Company.

28.5 For example, where a sole director signs a resolution and scans the resolution, or causes it to be scanned, as a PDF version which is attached to an email sent to the address in these Articles specified for that purpose, the PDF version shall be deemed to be the written resolution of that director unless Article 28.7 applies.

Manner of signing

28.6 For the purposes of these Articles about the authentication of Electronic Records, a document will be taken to be signed if it is signed manually or in any other manner permitted by these Articles.

Saving provision

- 28.7 A notice, written resolution or other document under these Articles will not be deemed to be authentic if the recipient, acting reasonably:
 - (a) believes that the signature of the signatory has been altered after the signatory had signed the original document; or
 - (b) believes that the original document, or the Electronic Record of it, was altered, without the approval of the signatory, after the signatory signed the original document; or
 - (c) otherwise doubts the authenticity of the Electronic Record of the document,

and the recipient promptly gives notice to the sender setting the grounds of its objection. If the recipient invokes this Article, the sender may seek to establish the authenticity of the Electronic Record in any way the sender thinks fit.

29 Winding up

Distribution of assets in specie

- 29.1 If the Company is wound up, the Members may, subject to these Articles and any other sanction required by the Law, pass a Special Resolution allowing the liquidator or the directors, as the case may be, to do either or both of the following:
 - (a) to divide *in specie* among the Members the whole or any part of the assets of the Company and, for that purpose, to value any assets and to determine how the division shall be carried out as between the Members or different classes of Members;
 - (b) to vest the whole or any part of the assets in trustees for the benefit of Members and those liable to contribute to the winding up.

No obligation to accept liability

29.2 No Member shall be compelled to accept any assets if an obligation attaches to them.