

# Terms of Trade (“Terms”)

## 1 Application of Terms

- 1.1 These Terms, together with the Hire Schedule, govern our hire of Equipment to you (whether or not a Dry Hire or Wet Hire basis), supply of Goods and Services, or transport of Consigned Goods.
- 1.2 If you wish to negotiate these Terms with us then you should respond to this document, marking up these Terms and drawing those changes to our attention and obtain our agreement in writing.
- 1.3 It is not our practice to otherwise review terms and conditions on documents that you issue to us.
- 1.4 Unless we otherwise agree in writing, we do not accept, and will not be bound by, any terms or conditions included in, attached to, or referenced in, any other document you give to us like a purchase order.

## 2 No liability as a common carrier

- 2.1 This clause 2 applies to Consigned Goods.
- 2.2 We are not a common carrier and accept no liability as a common carrier.
- 2.3 We may refuse to handle, store, or transport any goods (or any class of goods) for any reason (and without any requirement to provide any reason).

## 3 Quotations

- 3.1 Each quotation that we issue:
  - (a) is an estimate only;
  - (b) is not an offer or obligation to hire any Equipment or supply Goods or Services to you;
  - (c) is exclusive of GST;
  - (d) does not include the costs of delivering the Equipment or Goods; and
  - (e) remains valid for acceptance for a period of thirty (30) days from the date of quotation, unless withdrawn by us before a contract is formed,unless the quotation states otherwise.
- 3.2 Quotations provided orally are subject to written confirmation.

## 4 Formation of contract

- 4.1 If you request to hire Equipment from us on a Dry Hire or Wet Hire Basis (whether or not we have issued you a quotation), we will issue you a Hire Schedule. The Hire Schedule which contains details of the hire and may include additional terms and conditions which will supplement these Terms.
- 4.2 We are not obliged to hire any Equipment to you, or to supply you with Goods or Services until after a contract is formed.
- 4.3 A contract is formed, and you have accepted these Terms, when:
  - (a) we accept your Order in writing;
  - (b) we have supplied you with any Goods or performed any Services following receipt of your Order;
  - (c) you sign the Hire Schedule and return it to us; or
  - (d) you direct us to mobilise or otherwise deliver the Equipment.
- 4.4 If you revoke an Order:
  - (a) prior to the formation of a contract then:
    - (i) we will refund you any deposit you have paid in respect of that Order; and
    - (ii) you will not be required to pay any fee for the cancellation of the Order; or alternatively
  - (b) after the formation of a contract then unless we are in breach of the contract:
    - (i) you must pay all our reasonable costs associated with fulfilment of your Order; and
    - (ii) we may apply any deposit you have paid towards those costs.

## 5 Price – Goods and Services, Consigned Goods

- 5.1 The price payable for the Goods or Services will be:
  - (a) the price agreed in writing; or alternatively
  - (b) the price by our prevailing price list/rates as when you

place your Order.

- 5.2 We may vary our price or rates by notice to you if you request:
  - (a) the Goods or Services be rendered outside our usual business hours;
  - (b) different Goods or Services to be supplied to the contract for supply;
  - (c) that we delay provision of the Goods or Services for sixty (60) days or more; or
  - (d) the weight, measurements, or value of the Consigned Goods differs from the weight, measurements, or value you have given us.
- 5.3 Where we vary the price or rates payable for the Goods or Services pursuant to clauses 5.2, we will notify you of the new price/rates. Thereafter you may reject the new price/rates within seven (7) days and terminate the contract for supply without further cost, or any penalty to you, otherwise you agree that the price/rates will apply to the contract.
- 5.4 Notwithstanding the rest of this clause 5, you must:
  - (a) pay any charge for demurrage at the rate we are charged directly by any railway, shipping authority, or any other person;
  - (b) if the Consigned Goods are under customs control, pay all customs duty, excise duty, and costs (including any fine or penalty) which we become liable to pay (other than as a result of our negligence); and
  - (c) supply or pay for labour or machinery (or both) to load or unload the Consigned Goods.

## 6 Consignor’s warranties – Consigned Goods

You warrant and represent to us that:

- (a) you have complied with all laws and regulations relating to the nature, conditioning, classification, description, labelling, and packaging of the Consigned Goods, including the ADG Code;
- (b) the Consigned Goods are accurately described in writing, whether on a consignment note or otherwise, and accurately detail the nature and value of the Consigned Goods, as well as the requirements of any relevant authority and any other relevant information we may reasonably require (including the weight and measurements of the Consigned Goods);
- (c) the Consigned Goods are, given their nature, packed in a proper way to withstand the ordinary risks of handling, storage, and transport;
- (d) subject to clauses 7.1 and 7.2, the Consigned Goods are not Dangerous Goods;
- (e) you are either:
  - (i) the owner of the Consigned Goods; or
  - (ii) the duly authorised agent of the person who owns, or has an interest in, the Consigned Goods and are authorised to tender the Consigned Goods for transport;
- (f) you have in place, and will maintain, an insurance policy to cover any and all loss, damage, or deterioration to the Consigned Goods (however so caused) while the Consigned Goods are at our risk.

## 7 Dangerous Goods – Consigned Goods

- 7.1 You acknowledge and agree you must not tender for transport any Dangerous Goods without our prior written and fully informed consent.
- 7.2 If we agree to accept for transport any Dangerous Goods:
  - (a) such Dangerous Goods must be accompanied by an accurate written declaration that details the nature and value of the Dangerous Goods, as well as the requirements of any relevant authority and any other relevant information we may reasonably require; and
  - (b) you warrant and represent to us that you have complied with all laws and regulations in relation to the nature, conditioning, classification, description, labelling, and packaging of the Dangerous Goods, including the ADG Code.
- 7.3 If, in our reasonable opinion, the Dangerous Goods we accept for transport are liable to become dangerous, inflammable, explosive, volatile, offensive, or damaging in nature (whether to persons or property), we may, at any time and at your sole expense, destroy, dispose of, abandon, or render harmless the Dangerous Goods, without any liability to you or the Recipient whatsoever.

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## 8 Insurance – Consigned Goods

- 8.1 You acknowledge and agree that we are not an insurer of goods (either warehoused or in transit) and will not effect insurance in respect of the Consigned Goods, unless otherwise agreed writing (in which case such insurance will be effected in your name and will be at your sole expense).

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## 9 Delivery, route, and deviation – Consigned Goods

- 9.1 We will use reasonable endeavours to deliver the Consigned Goods at the time and place agreed for delivery.
- 9.2 You acknowledge and agree that:
- (a) time in respect of delivery is not of the essence; and
  - (b) any timeframe or date for delivery is an estimate only and is not a contractual commitment,
- unless the contract for transport expressly states otherwise.
- 9.3 You further acknowledge and agree that:
- (a) we may use any appropriate method to handle, transport, or store the Consigned Goods; and
  - (b) you authorise us using such methods,
- unless the contract for transport expressly states otherwise.
- 9.4 You authorise us, if we believe it reasonably necessary or desirable, to deviate from the usual route or method of transport.
- 9.5 Risk of loss, damage, or deterioration to the Consigned Goods passes from us to the Recipient, and delivery is deemed to occur, at the time we deliver the Consigned Goods to the delivery location stated in your Order (or to such other location as agreed in writing).
- 9.6 Where:
- (a) (the delivery location is attended): we will endeavour to obtain a signed delivery docket or consignment note from the Recipient (or any person with apparent authority on their behalf); or
  - (b) (the delivery location is unattended): we may:
    - (i) deposit the Consigned Goods at the delivery location; or
    - (ii) store the Consigned Goods on your behalf; or
    - (iii) return the Consigned Goods to you.
- 9.7 If delivery of the Consigned Goods is deferred:
- (a) at your request; or
  - (b) due to the Recipient being unable or unwilling to accept delivery of the Consigned Goods;
- in circumstances where:
- (c) we are ready to deliver the Consigned Goods and a delivery date has not been agreed; or
  - (d) the Consigned Goods are due to be delivered on an agreed delivery date,
- then you will pay to us:
- (e) reasonable daily storage charges (which will continue to accrue until such time as the Consigned Goods are delivered); and
  - (f) any costs associated with us attempting to re-deliver the Consigned Goods (where we have previously attempted to deliver the Consigned Goods).
- 9.8 You acknowledge and agree that we may deliver the Consigned Goods in one or more lots and may invoice you for pro rata progress in respect thereof.

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## 10 Delivery and risk - Goods

- 10.1 Unless otherwise agreed, you are responsible and liable for all reasonable charges and costs associated with delivery, shipping, freight or other transport costs.
- 10.2 We will use reasonable endeavours to deliver the Goods at the time and place agreed for delivery. You will make arrangements necessary to take delivery of the Goods.
- 10.3 You acknowledge and agree that:
- (a) unless the contract for supply expressly states otherwise, time in respect of delivery is not of the essence; and
  - (b) any timeframe or date for delivery is an estimate only and is not a contractual commitment.
- 10.4 Risk of loss, damage, or deterioration to the Goods passes to you, and delivery is deemed to occur, at the time:
- (a) you or any third party on your behalf collect the Goods from us;

- (b) we or our nominated carrier deliver the Goods to the delivery location stated in your Order (or to such other location as agreed in writing); or
  - (c) your nominated carrier takes possession of the Goods.
- 10.5 It is your responsibility to provide suitable, practical, and safe means of access and egress to the place agreed for delivery. If the site is deemed unsuitable or unsafe (at the delivery driver's sole discretion), then the delivery driver may:
- (a) refuse to deliver the Goods and return the Goods to the point of despatch (in which case an additional delivery fee will apply to any subsequent delivery attempt); or
  - (b) deliver the Goods to the location nearest to the agreed place for delivery where delivery can be safely effected.
- 10.6 You agree to sign our delivery docket or consignment note or that of our nominated carrier as confirmation that you have received the Goods, and if appropriate, certify that you have received the Goods in apparent good order and condition in the quantity or volume you have ordered.
- 10.7 If you authorise us to deliver the Goods to an unattended location or to leave them outside the agreed place for delivery, we may deliver the Goods as requested at your risk.
- 10.8 If delivery or collection of the Goods is deferred:
- (a) at your request; or
  - (b) due to you being unable or unwilling to accept delivery of the Goods (other than as a result of the Goods delivered not being in accordance with the contract for supply);
- in circumstances where:
- (c) we are ready to deliver the Goods and a delivery date has not been agreed; or
  - (d) the Goods are due to be delivered or collected on an agreed delivery date,
- then you will pay to us:
- (e) reasonable daily storage charges (which will continue to accrue until such time as the Goods are delivered or collected); and
  - (f) any costs associated with us or our nominated carrier attempting to re-deliver the Goods (where we or our nominated carrier has previously attempted to deliver the Goods).
- 10.9 You acknowledge and agree that we may deliver the Goods in one or more lots and may invoice you for pro rata progress in respect thereof.

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## 11 Retention of title - Goods

- 11.1 Until such time as you have made payment in full (in cash or cleared funds) for any Goods we have supplied:
- (a) title in the Goods does not pass to you and we retain the legal and equitable title in the Goods;
  - (b) you will hold the Goods as fiduciary and bailee for us and agree to store the Goods in such a manner as to enable them to be readily identifiable as our property;
  - (c) you undertake to not mix the Goods with similar goods;
  - (d) unless and until we notify you to the contrary, you will be entitled to sell the Goods in the ordinary course of your business (provided any such sale is at arm's length and on market terms) and will sell the Goods as our agent and bailee; and
  - (e) you undertake to hold any proceeds derived from the sale of the Goods on trust for us absolutely.
- 11.2 While title in the Goods remains with us, you permit us to enter upon any premises you occupy (or any premises any receiver, receiver and manager, administrator, liquidator, or trustee in bankruptcy of yours occupies) as your invitee to inspect the Goods and, when you are in default of payment of any invoice, to repossess any Goods in your possession, custody, or control.
- 11.3 Where we exercise our right of entry pursuant to clause 11.2, you agree that us doing so will not give rise to any Claim for trespass or similar action against us or our officers, employees, and agents.
- 11.4 Where we have retaken Goods into our possession, we have the right to sell or deal with those Goods, and, if necessary, sell any Goods bearing your name or trade mark, and you hereby grant us an irrevocable licence to do all things necessary to sell those Goods.

- 11.5 For the removal of doubt, our interest under this clause 11 constitutes a purchase money security interest for the purposes of the PPS Act.

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## 12 Particular Purpose

If you require any Goods for a particular purpose, you must advise us of that purpose prior to placing your Order and must obtain a written assurance from us that the Goods will meet your requirements. If you do not advise us of your requirements and we do not expressly warrant in writing that the Goods will be fit for your particular purpose, then you agree that you did not rely upon our skill or judgment in relation to the suitability of the Goods for that purpose.

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## 13 Hire Period – Equipment

- 13.1 This clause 13 applies to both the Dry Hire and Wet Hire of Equipment (as the context requires).
- 13.2 The Hire Period will commence:
- (a) (where you collect the Equipment):
- (i) on the On-Hire Date; or alternatively
- (ii) if the Equipment is collected after the On-Hire Date, when the Equipment leaves the point of hire; or
- (b) (where we deliver the Equipment) the date we or our nominated carrier delivers the Equipment to the Site (or to such other location as agreed in writing).
- 13.3 Where you hire the Equipment on a Dry Hire basis, we may, on or before the On-Hire Date, provide you with an On-Hire Report. The On-Hire Report will include:
- (a) a genuine indication of the state of the Equipment, including major componentry and sub-components;
- (b) the utilisation hours recorded by the Equipment's SMU (where applicable);
- (c) whether the Equipment is in a clean and serviceable condition;
- (d) any known faults; and
- (e) a list of any attachments or tools (including GETs), accessories, spares, and supporting documentation.
- 13.4 If a Minimum Hire Period applies, you agree to:
- (a) hire the Equipment for the Minimum Hire Period; and
- (b) pay us the full Hire Rate for the Minimum Hire Period.
- 13.5 For the removal of doubt, you must pay the full Hire Rate for the Minimum Hire Period, together with all other fees and charges stated in the Hire Schedule, even if you return the Equipment, or arrange for us to collect the Equipment, prior to the expiry of the Minimum Hire Period.

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## 14 Delivery and risk – Equipment

- 14.1 This clause 14 applies to the Dry Hire of Equipment.
- 14.2 Unless otherwise agreed, you are responsible for:
- (a) arranging the collection or delivery of the Equipment;
- (b) loading and unloading the Equipment; and
- (c) the costs of collecting or delivering the Equipment, unless the Hire Schedule states otherwise.
- 14.3 You acknowledge and agree that:
- (a) time in respect of delivery is not of the essence; and
- (b) any timeframe or date for delivery is an estimate only and is not a contractual commitment, unless the Hire Schedule states otherwise.
- 14.4 Risk of loss, damage, or deterioration to the Equipment passes to you, and delivery is deemed to occur, at the time:
- (a) (where you collect the Equipment):
- (i) you or any third party on your behalf collects the Equipment from the point of hire; or
- (ii) your nominated carrier takes possession of the Equipment; or
- (c) (where we deliver the Equipment) we or our nominated carrier delivers the Equipment to the Site (or to such other location as agreed in writing).
- 14.5 Risk in the Equipment remains with you until such time as:
- (a) you return the Equipment to us or our nominated carrier; or
- (b) we repossess the Equipment, **(Risk Period)**.

- 14.6 You must inspect the Equipment on delivery for any damage and you must satisfy yourself that:
- (a) you have received the Equipment in good order and condition and in accordance with the On-Hire Report (where provided);
- (b) you, and any of your Personnel operating the Equipment, understand its safe and proper operation; and
- (c) the Equipment is fit for the purpose for which you require it.
- 14.7 You must notify us within twenty-four (24) hours if you are not so satisfied. Failing such notification, you will be deemed to have accepted the Equipment in the condition in which it was delivered and as fit for the purpose for which you require it.

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## 15 Property and title in the Equipment

- 15.1 You acknowledge and agree that we are the owner of the Equipment and retain title to the Equipment in all circumstances. Your right under the contract to possess the Equipment is as a bailee only.
- 15.2 For the removal of doubt, neither payment of compensation nor any other event or circumstances will amount to, constitute, or result in any transfer of property or interest in the Equipment from us or any related body corporate of ours.

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## 16 End of Hire Period

- 16.1 This clause 16 applies to both the Dry Hire and Wet Hire of Equipment (as the context requires).
- 16.2 Unless the Hire Schedule provides we are to collect the Equipment, you must return the Equipment during Business Hours to the point of hire or to such other location advised by us (acting reasonably):
- (a) on the Off-Hire Date (or such other date as agreed between the parties); or otherwise
- (b) as soon as possible if the contract is terminated.
- 16.3 Subject to clauses 13.4 and 13.5, you may terminate a contract early by:
- (a) (in the case of the Dry Hire of Equipment):
- (i) returning the Equipment to us at the point of hire (during Business Hours); or
- (ii) notifying us the Equipment is ready for collection (in which case you must obtain from us an 'Off-Hire Number', failing which you will not be deemed to have notified us the Equipment is ready for collection);
- (b) (in the case of the Wet Hire of Equipment): by notifying us you no longer require the Equipment.
- 16.4 Where you notify us the Equipment is ready for collection pursuant to clause 16.3, you must do so prior to 10:00am on the day before the Equipment is to be off-hired, failing which we may charge you the applicable Hire Rate for that day.
- 16.5 Where you hire the Equipment on a Dry Hire basis, you must return the Equipment to us:
- (a) in the same state of cleanliness and in substantially similar condition that the Equipment was in when you took possession of it (Fair Wear and Tear excepted);
- (b) with a full tank of fuel which conforms with the Equipment manufacturer's specifications;
- (c) with cleaned and maintained accessories and additional tools;
- (d) without adverse contamination, including but not limited to, biological contaminants (such as fire ants or scatter seed), or chemical or caustic contaminants;
- (e) with all oil and lubricant reservoirs full with oil and lubricants which conform with the Equipment manufacturer's specifications; and
- (f) (where the Equipment is Weed and Seed Equipment) cleaned to an industry weed and seed standard.
- 16.6 If:
- (a) the contract expires or is terminated; and
- (b) you fail to comply with clause 16.1, then you:
- (c) permit us to enter upon any premises you occupy (or any premises any receiver, receiver and manager, administrator, liquidator, or trustee in bankruptcy of yours occupies) as your invitee to repossess the Equipment; and
- (d) authorise us to disconnect, dismantle, and remove the Equipment (whether or not it is affixed to the Site).

- 16.7 Where the Equipment is not returned to the original point of hire by the Off-Hire Date, we are entitled to charge you, and you agree to pay to us additional hire charges at our then applicable daily rate for each day until the Equipment is back in our custody and possession.

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## 17 Hire Rate and other charges

- 17.1 In consideration of us hiring the Equipment to you, you agree to pay us:
- (a) the Hire Rate;
  - (b) mobilisation and demobilisation costs;
  - (c) (where you hire the Equipment on a Wet Hire basis) loadings, penalties, and allowances for Diggitt Plant Hire Personnel pursuant to their terms of engagement with us including night shifts, weekends, standby, overtime, public holidays, meal, travel, and accommodation expenses;
  - (d) (where you hire the Equipment on a Dry Hire basis):
    - (i) the Damage Waiver (subject to clause 25.3);
    - (ii) cleanings costs (if the Equipment is returned to us in an unclean state);
    - (iii) decontamination costs (if the Equipment is contaminated with any hazardous substance, such as asbestos);
    - (iv) charges at our then prevailing rates where you require induction or training in relation to the operation of the Equipment;
    - (v) any tolls, levies, fines, or penalties we incur arising out of or in connection with your use or operation of the Equipment; and
  - (e) all other amounts, charges, levies, and fees stated in the Hire Schedule.
- 17.2 Where the Hire Schedule provides for a flat rate, the flat rate will be the Hire Rate and will be charged weekly in advance.
- 17.3 Where the Equipment is hired for a flat rate, we will not be required to adjust the Hire Rate based on the hours recorded by the Equipment's SMU or the number of days the Equipment is in operation.
- 17.4 Where the Hire Schedule contemplates a maximum usage for the Equipment (either in terms of days or operational hours), we may charge you reasonable additional charges if you exceed that maximum at any point in time during the Hire Period.
- 17.5 Unless the Hire Schedule states otherwise, any excess usage of the Equipment will be calculated and charged on a pro-rated basis of the Hire Rate.
- 17.6 If we incur any cost on your behalf or associated with your failure to perform your obligations under the contract such as where:
- (a) you fail to return the Equipment and we collect the Equipment;
  - (b) you return the equipment in an unclean state; or
  - (c) we incur demurrage costs associated with the delivery or collection of the Equipment,
- then you agree to pay us those costs plus an uplift of 10% as a management and administration charge.

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## 18 Payment terms

- 18.1 Unless you have a Credit Facility with us which is not in default:
- (a) deposits we have requested must be paid before we hire any Equipment to you or commence providing the Goods or Services;
  - (b) you must pay us the Hire Rate, together with any other amounts, fees, and charges, on or before the On-Hire Date;
  - (c) you must pay for all Goods before they are despatched (in cash or cleared funds); and
  - (d) you must pay for all Services on a progressive hourly basis as performed.
- 18.2 Payment may be made by cash or electronic funds transfer. We reserve the right to change the payment methods that we accept at any time.
- 18.3 We may charge a payment surcharge for applicable payment transactions equal to our reasonable cost of acceptance.
- 18.4 You agree to pay GST on all taxable supplies upon us issuing you a tax invoice relating to the taxable supply.
- 18.5 You agree to pay sums due to us free of any set off or counterclaim and without deduction or withholding.

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## 19 Wet Hire

- 19.1 This clause 19 applies to the Wet Hire of Equipment.
- 19.2 Where the Equipment is hired on a Wet Hire basis:
- (a) our Personnel will work under your direction;
  - (b) you must consult with and fully brief our Personnel on the proposed task, the Site, the conditions of the Site, and matters affecting health and safety and must furnish our Personnel with such other information and documentation they require to complete the task;
  - (c) you must not permit any other person other than our Personnel to enter or operate (or attempt to enter or operate) the Equipment; and
  - (d) our Personnel may refuse to carry out any direction you give if they consider it would be unsafe to any person or property to do so.

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## 20 Hirer's obligations

- 20.1 This clause 20 applies to the Dry Hire of Equipment.
- 20.2 You must:
- (a) comply with all laws relating to the transportation, storage, and operation of the Equipment;
  - (b) obtain, at your expense, all relevant Approvals before you take possession of the Equipment;
  - (c) protect the Equipment from loss or damage, and store the Equipment safely and securely;
  - (d) observe warranties and guidelines given by the manufacturer of the Equipment;
  - (e) keep the Equipment in good working order and condition and provide us with reports on the condition of the Equipment whenever reasonably requested to do so;
  - (f) where applicable, each day:
    - (i) complete the pre-start safety checklist or logbooks provided with the Equipment; and
    - (ii) check the Equipment for oil, lubricants, coolant, battery levels, any sign of looseness or wear, and anything else required by the pre-start safety checklist or logbook;
  - (g) service, maintain, and repair the Equipment in accordance with any service, maintenance, or repair items described in the Hire Schedule which are noted to be your responsibility (using only genuine new or reconditioned parts, components, consumables, and other items approved by us or the manufacturer of the Equipment);
  - (h) ensure that any Personnel operating the Equipment are lawfully authorised to do so and are suitability instructed in the safe and proper operation of the Equipment;
  - (i) ensure any Personnel operating the Equipment do so:
    - (i) properly and skilfully in accordance with the manufacturer of the Equipment's manuals and guidelines and our directions;
    - (ii) in accordance with any workplace health and safety laws;
    - (iii) under competent supervision; and
    - (iv) in a manner which will minimise damage to the Equipment;
  - (j) ensure any Personnel operating the Equipment are not affected or impaired by alcohol or drugs (prescribed or non-prescribed);
  - (k) allow us to affix labels, decals, or plates to the Equipment stating that the Equipment is our property (and you must not alter, remove, deface, or cover up such labels, decals, or plates);
  - (l) use best endeavours to ensure that the Equipment is not contaminated with any hazardous substances or biologics (including but not limited to, fire ants);
  - (m) ensure that no Personnel carry illegal or dangerous substances in or on the Equipment;
  - (n) allow our Personnel to at all reasonable times to enter upon the Site or any other premises you occupy to inspect the Equipment, and otherwise enforce our rights and carry out our obligations under the contract;
  - (o) immediately give us any notice or order received from any government authority about the operation or condition of the Equipment; and
  - (p) within five (5) Business Days from the end of each calendar month or upon our reasonable request,

provide to us the actual machine hours reported by the Equipment's SMU (where equipped),

unless the Hire Schedule states otherwise (or where no Hire Schedule has been issued, unless otherwise agreed).

20.3 You must not, without our prior written and fully informed consent:

- (a) remove the Equipment from the Site;
- (b) move the Equipment between Australian States or overseas;
- (c) (where you ought to reasonably know or have actual knowledge of fire and contamination of Equipment) move the Equipment without our prior consent;
- (d) move the Equipment over any body of water;
- (e) use the Equipment in conjunction with any forestry activity, underground mining or drilling activity, or for any purpose other than what the Equipment is designed or commonly used for;
- (f) use the Equipment in an area where asbestos is present;
- (g) use the Equipment in or around caustic or corrosive substances such as salt water, acid, or fertiliser;
- (h) use the Equipment to carry or transport animals;
- (i) make any replacements, modifications, alterations, additions, or improvements to the Equipment;
- (j) exceed the recommended or legal load and capacity limits of the Equipment;
- (k) place any identifying mark on the Equipment or allow it to become an accession (within the meaning of the PPS Act);
- (l) lease, sublease, licence, or lend the Equipment to any other person (or otherwise deal with the Equipment in a manner inconsistent with our rights and interest in the Equipment); or
- (m) do or allow to be done any act, matter, or thing which may invalidate or prejudice any:
  - (i) insurance policy effected and maintained by us or you;
  - (ii) defence or prosecution of any Claim; or
  - (iii) Claim or right we may have against any person.

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## 21 Servicing, maintenance, and repairs

21.1 This clause 21 applies to the Dry Hire of Equipment.

21.2 During the Hire Period we will carry out, at our own expense:

- (a) any repair which is necessary to rectify any damage to, or malfunction of, the Equipment to the extent that such damage or malfunction was caused by any act or omission of ours or that of our Personnel;
- (b) repairs which are necessary to rectify any damage to, or malfunction of, the Equipment caused by Fair Wear and Tear where the damage or malfunction renders the Equipment unsafe or unsuitable for normal use or operation; and
- (c) any service, maintenance, or repair items described in the Hire Schedule which are noted to be our responsibility.

21.3 Where we are responsible for carrying out any repairs to the Equipment:

- (a) we will do so as soon as possible after being notified by you of the damage or malfunction, and if it is necessary for the Equipment to be returned to our premises for repairs, then we will collect the Equipment from you and will re-deliver the repaired Equipment or a suitable replacement as soon as reasonably practicable; and
- (b) you must not carry out any repairs on our behalf without our prior written and fully informed consent. If you carry out repairs without first obtaining our consent, we will not be liable for the cost of those repairs.

21.4 You acknowledge that we may carry out pre-arranged repairs or servicing during Business Hours.

21.5 Notwithstanding clauses 21.2 and 21.3, you are otherwise responsible for maintaining, servicing, and repairing the Equipment at your own expense and must perform such work in accordance with:

- (a) the maintenance schedule provided by us; and
- (b) the servicing and maintenance manuals or guidelines provided by the manufacturer of the Equipment; or alternatively

(c) customer service documentation pre-approved by us.

21.6 To the extent that you are responsible for maintaining and servicing the Equipment, you are also solely responsible for the cost of any replacement parts and consumables that would ordinarily be installed in the Equipment as part of its regular maintenance or servicing.

21.7 You are responsible for supplying at your own expense all fuel, oil, hydraulic fluid, and other consumable items required for the proper operation of the Equipment. If levels are not returned at the same level at the end of the Hire Period, additional charges will apply.

21.8 You acknowledge and agree that all replacements, modifications, alterations, additions, and improvements which you make to the Equipment and which cannot be removed from the Equipment without detriment to it will become our property and the title to those things will vest in us on their incorporation.

21.9 In the case of any approved replacements, modifications, alterations, additions, and improvements which you make to the Equipment and which cannot be removed from the Equipment without detriment to it will become our property and the title to those replacements, modifications, alterations, additions, or improvements vest in us on their incorporation.

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## 22 Wear and tear

22.1 This clause 22 applies to both the Dry Hire and Wet Hire of Equipment (as the context requires).

22.2 We accept liability for the Fair Wear and Tear of major and minor components of the Equipment.

22.3 Physical harm to the Equipment and major components that fail prematurely (i.e. they fail outside of the manufacturer of the Equipment's expected life cycle) will be considered to be damage caused to the Equipment if we can prove, on the balance of probabilities, that the damage was caused by the wilful neglect, negligence, or the improper operation of the Equipment by you, your Personnel, or any other third party during the Risk Period.

22.4 You are responsible for all wear to tyres, tracks, GETs, trays, and undercarriages (**Wear Items**).

22.5 You acknowledge and agree that excessively worn, damaged or broken GETs (including but not limited to, drill teeth and pilots) are not considered Fair Wear and Tear.

22.6 Before the Equipment is mobilised, we will measure the amount of wear in respect of each of the Wear Items. When the Equipment is returned to the original point of hire, we will take these measurements again.

22.7 Usage of each of the Wear Items will be measured by comparing the percentage of use at the On-Hire Date with the percentage of use at the end of the Hire Period.

22.8 We will advise you in writing of the amount of wear incurred to the Wear Items during the Hire Period.

22.9 You agree to pay for any wear incurred to the Wear Items, calculated on a pro rata basis as a percentage increase in wear multiplied by the cost of a new Wear Item of the same or substantially similar type and quality.

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## 23 Damage, loss, and theft

23.1 You are strictly liable for any damage, loss, or theft to the Equipment that occurs during the Risk Period.

23.2 If the Equipment breaks down, is damaged, or otherwise becomes inoperable (for whatever reason, including due to it being deemed unsafe to operate), you must promptly:

- (a) notify us by telephone and in email; and
- (b) take all reasonable steps to secure and safeguard the Equipment from any potential damage or injury to any person or property (including further damage to the Equipment); and
- (c) not attempt to make any repairs to the Equipment.

23.3 Upon receipt of your notice under clause 23.2(a):

- (a) the Hire Rate will be suspended until such time as the Equipment is repaired or we have provided you with a suitable replacement (unless you or your Personnel have caused the damage); and
- (b) we will take all reasonable steps to repair the Equipment or provide you with a suitable replacement as soon as reasonably practicable.

23.4 If the Equipment breaks down, is damaged, needs to be recovered (due to it being bogged or stuck), or otherwise becomes inoperable due to any act or omission of yours, your Personnel, or any third party, you agree to:

- (a) pay us any costs we incur to repair or recover

- the Equipment (as the case may be); and
- (b) continue to pay us the Hire Rate during the period in which we are recovering or repairing the Equipment or procuring a suitable replacement.
- 23.5 If the Equipment is unable to be returned to us (for example, if it is lost, stolen, damaged beyond economic repair, or if title to the Equipment is lost) then you must pay us the aggregate of the following:
- (a) all money past due but not yet paid under the contract;
- (b) any salvage costs we incur in salvaging the Equipment; and
- (c) the replacement cost of the Equipment (calculated in accordance with then prevailing market value of the Equipment).
- 23.6 If the Equipment is stolen during the Risk Period, you must promptly (and in any event within forty-eight (48) hours of the date the Equipment was stolen) provide us with a copy of a police report explaining the circumstances of the theft.

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## 24 Stand downs

- 24.1 This clause 24 applies to both the Dry Hire and Wet Hire of Equipment (as the context requires).
- 24.2 Subject to clause 23.3, you acknowledge and agree you are not entitled to any discount or rebate for any period in which the Equipment:
- (a) is not in use by you; or
- (b) is stood down by you.
- 24.3 We may (but are not obliged to) grant you a discount or rebate in circumstances where you cannot operate the Equipment (for example, due to adverse weather conditions).
- 24.4 Subject to clause 23.3, a 50% stand down discount may apply to daily or weekly hires where you have a Credit Facility with us, subject to you notifying us of your intention to stand down the Equipment before 09:00am on the day you wish to stand down the Equipment.

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## 25 Damage Waiver

- 25.1 This clause 25 applies to the Dry Hire of Equipment.
- 25.2 Subject to clause 25.3, as a condition of hire, you must pay us the Damage Waiver. The Damage Waiver:
- (a) is not insurance and is not a substitute for insurance;
- (b) will automatically be charged to you (in addition to the Hire Rate); and
- (c) must be paid to us on or before the On-Hire Date.
- 25.3 You do not have to pay us the Damage Waiver if you:
- (a) insure the Equipment on or before the On-Hire Date for an amount not less than the Insured Value in accordance with clause 26.2(a); and
- (b) provide us with a certificate of currency or such other evidence we may reasonably require evidencing the insurance contemplated by clause 26.2(a).
- 25.4 Upon payment of the Damage Waiver, we will be responsible for the cost of any damage, loss, of theft to the Equipment during the Hire Period, subject to clause 25.5.
- 25.5 We will not waive our rights to Claim against you for any damage, loss, of theft of the Equipment and the Damage Waiver will not apply to damage, loss, of theft to the Equipment arising out of or in connection with:
- (a) your negligence;
- (b) your unlawful use of the Equipment;
- (c) burglary, theft, or vandalism of the Equipment (where you have failed to properly secure the Equipment);
- (d) theft of any components, replacement parts, tools, or accessories supplied with the Equipment;
- (e) use of the Equipment in any forestry activity, underground mining or drilling activity, or for any purpose other than what the Equipment is designed or commonly used for (unless pre-approved by us);
- (f) caustic or corrosive substances such as salt water, acid, or fertiliser;
- (g) any misuse, abuse, wilful or malicious acts or omissions, or reckless use (including exceeding the legal load and capacity limits of the Equipment);
- (h) lack of lubrication or improper lubrication or your failure to otherwise adhere to your repair and maintenance responsibilities;
- (i) any unexplained disappearance of the Equipment;
- (j) any lifting of the Equipment;

- (k) damage caused by an overhead collision due to insufficient clearance;
- (l) damage to tyres (including punctures, cuts, and abrasions) and other Wear Items, glass, or instrumentation;
- (m) use of the Equipment in or over water (including damage caused by partial or total submersion); or
- (n) damage to the interior of the Equipment.
- 25.6 The Damage Waiver will not continue to operate after the Hire Period expires unless otherwise agreed in writing.
- 25.7 This clause 25 in no way entitles you to, nor implies the availability of, compensation from us for any liability incurred by you in relation to your use or operation of the Equipment.

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## 26 Insurance

- 26.1 This clause 26 applies to the Dry Hire of Equipment.
- 26.2 You must for the duration of the Risk Period effect and maintain, at your own expense:
- (a) a policy of plant insurance and must keep the Equipment insured for no less than the Insured Value (with our interest as owner of the Equipment noted on the policy), against fire, theft, and damage and the other usual risks which a prudent owner or hirer would insure and any other risks specified by us, acting reasonably; and
- (b) a policy of public liability insurance to cover your liability for loss or damage to property and the death of or injury to any person (other than liability which applicable law requires to be covered under a workers compensation policy) for no less than \$20,000,000 in respect of any one occurrence,
- unless the Hire Schedule states otherwise (or where no Hire Schedule has been issued, unless otherwise agreed).
- 26.3 You must ensure that each insurance you are required to effect and maintain under clause 26.1 is:
- (a) effected with an insurer with a financial security rating equal to or better than Standard and Poor's A minus rating or the equivalent rating with another recognised agency; and
- (b) on terms and conditions usual to that class of insurance.
- 26.4 You must, in respect of each insurance required by clause 26.1:
- (a) when requested by us, promptly satisfy us that each insurance is current by providing us with certificates of currency or such other evidence we may reasonably require;
- (b) pay each insurance premium before the due date and, upon request, produce receipts for the payment;
- (c) bear the cost of any excesses and deductibles;
- (d) not do, omit to do, or permit anything which prejudices the insurances;
- (e) not, without our prior written and fully informed consent:
- (i) insure the Equipment only in your name; or
- (ii) vary, cancel, or allow to lapse any insurance;
- (f) immediately rectify anything which might prejudice the insurances and reinstate any insurance if it lapses; and
- (g) notify us immediately when an event occurs which gives rise or might give rise to a Claim under any of the insurances.

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## 27 Security interest

- 27.1 Unless you have obtained our prior written and fully informed consent, you undertake not to:
- (a) register a financing change statement in respect of a security interest in our favour; or
- (b) create, or purport to create, any security interest in the Equipment, nor register, nor permit to be registered, a financing statement or financing change statement in relation to the Equipment in favour of any third party.
- 27.2 You:
- (a) waive your right to receive a copy of any verification statement in accordance with section 157 of the PPS Act; and
- (b) agree that, to the extent permitted by the PPS Act:

- (i) sections 95, 96, 117, 118, 120, 121(4), 123, 125, 126, 128, 129, 130, 132, 134, 135, 142, and 143 of the PPS Act do not apply and are hereby contracted out of; and
  - (ii) you waive your right to receive notices under sections 95, 118, 121(4), 127, 130, 132(3)(d), and 132(4) of the PPS Act.
- 27.3 We need not disclose information of the kind detailed in section 275(1) of the PPS Act, unless required by law.
- 27.4 Where we have rights in addition to those under Part 4 of the PPS Act, those rights continue to apply.

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## 28 Default

- 28.1 Clauses 28.2 to 28.5 apply if you fail to pay sums to us when they fall due.
- 28.2 We may charge you interest on the outstanding debt (including any judgment debt) at the rate of 10% per annum.
- 28.3 We will have the right of a general lien on the Consigned Goods (and any relevant documentation) in our possession to secure payment of all amounts due to us.
- 28.4 We may suspend or cease the supply of any further Equipment to you.
- 28.5 We may require pre-payment in full for any Equipment which has not yet been supplied.

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## 29 Indemnity

- 29.1 If you default in the performance or observance of your obligations under any contract of which these Terms form part, then:
- (a) we will take steps to mitigate our loss and act reasonably in relation to any default by you; and
  - (b) we will give you notice requesting payment for loss and damage occasioned in respect of those events and requesting that you remedy any breach within a reasonable time; and
  - (c) if that demand is not met then you indemnify us in respect of loss, damage, costs (including collection costs, bank dishonour fees, and legal costs on an indemnity basis) that we have suffered arising therefrom.
- 29.2 Your liability to indemnify us will be reduced proportionally to the extent that any fraud, negligence, or wilful misconduct by us or a breach of our obligations under contract has contributed to the Claim, loss, damage, or cost which is the subject of the indemnity.
- 29.3 Your liability to indemnify us is a continuing obligation separate and independent from your other obligations and survives the termination or performance of any contract of which these Terms form part.

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## 30 Limitation of liability

- 30.1 No party is liable to the other party for any Consequential Loss, including under clause 29, however caused arising out of or in connection with any contract of which these Terms form part.
- 30.2 While we will take reasonable endeavours to meet any estimated delivery date for Equipment, you acknowledge and agree that we are not liable for any delay associated with meeting those estimated timeframes.
- 30.3 If the contract is not a Consumer Contract or a Small Business Contract then, to the extent permitted by law, our liability is limited to:
- (a) (in the case of the hire of Equipment):
    - (i) us repairing the Equipment or providing a suitable replacement; or
    - (ii) us paying you the cost of having the Equipment repaired or procuring a suitable replacement.
  - (b) (in the case of a supply of services):
    - (i) us supplying the services again; or
    - (ii) us paying you the cost of having equivalent services supplied.

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## 31 Termination

A party may, with immediate effect, terminate any contract of which these Terms form part by notice in writing, if the other party:

- (a) commits a material or persistent breach of these Terms and does not remedy that breach (if capable of

remedy) within seven (7) days of the receipt of a notice (or such longer time as specified in the notice) identifying the breach and requiring its remedy; or

- (b) has failed to pay sums due to the party within seven (7) days; or
- (c) has indicated that it is, or may become, insolvent; or
- (d) ceases to carry on business; or
- (e) comprises an entity which is the subject of the appointment of receivers or managers; or
- (f) comprises a natural person who:
  - (i) has committed an act of bankruptcy; or
  - (ii) has been made bankrupt;
- (g) comprises a corporation which:
  - (i) enters into voluntary administration;
  - (ii) is subject to a deed of company arrangement; or
  - (iii) is subject to the appointment of liquidators or provisional liquidators.

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## 32 Trustees

- 32.1 If you are the trustee of a trust (whether disclosed to us or not), you warrant to us that:
- (a) you enter into the contract for supply in both your capacity as trustee and in your personal capacity;
  - (b) you have the right to be reasonably indemnified out of trust assets;
  - (c) you have the power under the trust deed to enter into the contract for supply; and
  - (d) you will not retire as trustee of the trust nor appoint any new or additional trustee without first notifying us in writing and having the new or additional trustee sign an agreement on terms substantially the same as those governing your Credit Facility (where applicable).
- 32.2 You must give us a true and complete copy of the trust deed upon request.

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## 33 Variation

We may amend these Terms in the future by notifying you in writing. The amended Terms will thereafter apply to each Order you place unless you earlier give us written notice in advance of placing a further Order.

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## 34 Assignment

A party may only assign its rights under the contract with the written consent of the other party.

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## 35 Subcontracting

Given the nature of our business and industry, we reserve the right to reasonably subcontract any part of our obligations under the contract, including, for example, our obligation to repair the Equipment. However, any subcontracting of our obligations will not relieve us of any of our obligations to you under the contract.

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## 36 Conflicts and Inconsistencies

If there is any conflict or inconsistency between any of the documents which together govern the relationship between the parties, it is agreed the order of precedence will be (highest to lowest):

- (a) the Hire Schedule (if any);
- (b) any terms governing your Credit Facility; and
- (c) these Terms.

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## 37 Severance

If any part or term of our agreement with you (including any Credit Facility) is illegal, invalid, or unenforceable, it will be read down so far as necessary to give it a valid and enforceable operation or, if that is not possible, it will be severed from the contract and the remaining provisions will not be affected, prejudiced, or impaired by such severance.

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## 38 Governing law and jurisdiction

- 38.1 Our relationship is governed by and must be construed according to the law applying in the State of Queensland.

38.2 The parties irrevocably submit to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of the State of Queensland with respect to any proceedings that may be brought at any time relating to our relationship.

## 39 Definitions

In these Terms, unless the context otherwise requires, the following apply.

- 39.1 **ADG Code** means The Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road & Rail (or its successor).
- 39.2 **Approval** means any authorisation, assessment, accreditation, determination, registration, clearance, permit, licence, consent, certificate, or other approval obtained or required or applying in connection with any contract of which these Terms form part.
- 39.3 **Australian Consumer Law** means Schedule 2 to the *Competition and Consumer Act 2010* (Cth), as amended.
- 39.4 **Business Hours** means between 06:00am to 6:00pm on a day that is not a Saturday, Sunday, or gazetted public holiday in the place where the Equipment is to be hired.
- 39.5 **Claim** includes a claim, notice, demand, action, proceeding, litigation, investigation, judgment, or award howsoever arising, whether present, unascertained, immediate, future, or contingent, whether based in contract, tort, pursuant to statute or otherwise and whether involving a third party or a party to a contract.
- 39.6 **Consequential Loss** includes any:
- (a) consequential loss;
  - (b) loss of anticipated or actual profits or revenue;
  - (c) loss of production or use;
  - (d) financial or holding costs;
  - (e) loss or failure to realise any anticipated savings;
  - (f) loss or denial of business or commercial opportunity;
  - (g) loss of or damage to goodwill, business reputation, future reputation, or publicity;
  - (h) loss or corruption of data;
  - (i) downtime costs or wasted overheads; or
  - (j) special, punitive, or exemplary damages.
- 39.7 **Consigned Goods** means all plant, machinery, equipment, goods, livestock, articles, items, and/or cargo (together with any pallets) we accept for transportation from one location to another location by way of our Services.
- 39.8 **Consumer Contract** has the meaning given to this term in section 23(3) of the Australian Consumer Law.
- 39.9 **Credit Facility** means an account we have opened for you on which we may, from time to time, extend you with additional time to pay for the hire of Equipment and associated charges.
- 39.10 **Damage Waiver** means the amount stated in the Hire Schedule you are required to pay to reduce your financial liability in the event of damage, loss, or theft to the Equipment (or, where no amount is stated, the Damage Waiver will be an amount equal to 10% of the Hire Rate).
- 39.11 **Dangerous Goods** means goods classified as 'Dangerous Goods' by the ADG Code and also includes:
- (a) goods that are (or may become) dangerous, noxious, flammable, explosive, or radioactive that may cause damage to property or injury or death to any person; or
  - (b) goods that are, in our reasonable opinion, likely to cause damage to property or injury or death to any person.
- 39.12 **Dry Hire** means the hire of Equipment under the exclusive direction and control of the Hirer.
- 39.13 **Equipment** means the plant, machinery, vehicles, tools, or equipment described in the Hire Schedule (including, unless otherwise agreed in writing, any replacement parts, components, tools, and other items used to service and maintain the Equipment), including manuals and logbooks, associated or attached tools (including GETs), accessories and parts we have agreed to hire to you in accordance with the contract.
- 39.14 **Fair Wear and Tear** means wear and tear which would be normal for similar Equipment operated under normal operating conditions (and within its design parameters and recommended procedures), but expressly excludes:
- (a) wear of, or damage to, Wear Items;
  - (b) dents or other impact damage;
  - (c) damage to glass or instrumentation; and

- (d) panel or structural damage from collision or abuse and damage to the drive system.
- 39.15 **GETs** means any wear part or tool of the Equipment that engages the ground or comes into contact with specific material and includes all cutting edges, bucket teeth, hardwire, bucket ends, ripper teeth, blade faces, blade push arms, blade mould boards, and roller feet.
- 39.16 **Goods** means all goods supplied by us, as described on our quotation, invoice, or any other form issued by us.
- 39.17 **Hire Period** means the period the Equipment is to be hired by you, as stated in the Hire Schedule (or where no Hire Schedule has been issued, the period we have agreed to hire the Equipment to you).
- 39.18 **Hire Rate** means the rate payable by you to hire the Equipment, calculated in accordance with rates stated in the Hire Schedule (or where no Hire Schedule has been issued, the rate payable by you to hire the Equipment as advised by us).
- 39.19 **Hire Schedule** means the document, if any, provided by us which includes particulars of the Equipment, the Site, the Hire Rate, any other applicable charges, and the Off-Hire Date.
- 39.20 **Customer, Consignor, Hirer, you** means the person or other entity that has:
- (a) engaged us to supply Goods or Services; or
  - (b) is hiring Equipment from us.
- 39.21 **Insured Value** means the value of the Equipment stated in the Hire Schedule or otherwise advised by us (or where no Hire Schedule has been issued, the value of the Equipment as advised by us).
- 39.22 **Minimum Hire Period** means:
- (a) the minimum Hire Period stated in the Hire Schedule (if any); or
  - (b) (for 1 to 8 tonne Equipment) 4 hours minimum hire period; or
  - (c) (for 9 to 12 tonne Equipment) 6 hours minimum hire period.
- 39.23 **Off-Hire Date** means the date you expect the Hire Period to end, as stated in the Hire Schedule (or where no Hire Schedule has been issued, the date you expect the Hire Period to end as advised by you).
- 39.24 **On-Hire Date** means the date stated in the Hire Schedule as the on-hire date (or where no Hire Schedule has been issued, the on-hire date advised by us).
- 39.25 **On-Hire Report** means an on-hire inspection report prepared by us.
- 39.26 **Order** means a written or oral order from you requesting to hire Equipment from us, or requesting that we provide Goods or Services.
- 39.27 **Personnel** means officers, employees, and agents engaged by each party (but does not include the other party) and, in the case of Diggit Plant Hire includes its subcontractors (and any employee of those subcontractors).
- 39.28 **PPS Act** means the *Personal Property Securities Act 2009* (Cth), as amended.
- 39.29 **Recipient** means the person to whom the Consigned Goods are delivered.
- 39.30 **Site** means the land (including any structure or other facility on the land) upon, over, below, or through where the Equipment will be used, as stated in the Hire Schedule (or where no Hire Schedule has been issued, the land (including any structure or other facility on the land) upon, over, below, or through where the Equipment will be used advised by you and agreed by us).
- 39.31 **Services** means all services performed by us, as described on our quotation, invoice, or any other form issued by us.
- 39.32 **Small Business Contract** has the meaning given to this term in section 23(4) of the Australian Consumer Law.
- 39.33 **SMU** means a service meter unit or similar device fitted to the Equipment designed to record the utilisation hours of the Equipment.
- 39.34 **Supplier, Diggit Plant Hire, we, us** means Diggit Plant Hire Pty Ltd (ACN 116 473 011).
- 39.35 **Wet Hire** means the hire of fully maintained Equipment together with Diggit Plant Hire's Personnel to operate the Equipment.
- 39.36 **Weed and Seed Equipment** means equipment that requires special cleaning for the purpose of complying with an industry standard.



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## 40 Interpretation

In these Terms, unless the context otherwise requires:

- 40.1 A time is a reference to the time zone of Brisbane, Australia unless otherwise specified.
- 40.2 \$, dollar, or AUD is a reference to the lawful currency of Australia.
- 40.3 A party includes a reference to that person's executors, administrators, successors, substitutes (including a person who becomes a party by novation), assigns, and in the case of a trustee, includes any substituted or additional trustee.
- 40.4 A right includes a benefit, remedy, authority, discretion, or power.
- 40.5 The singular includes the plural and vice versa, and a gender includes other genders.
- 40.6 "In writing" or "written" means any expression of information in words, numbers, or other symbols, which can be read, reproduced, and later communicated, and includes electronically transmitted and stored information.
- 40.7 If a word or phrase is given a defined meaning, its other grammatical forms have a corresponding meaning.
- 40.8 Words such as "includes", "including", and "for example" are not words of limitation and are to be construed as though followed by the words "without limitation".
- 40.9 A term of an agreement in favour of two or more persons is for the benefit of them jointly and each of them separately.