

## Directors' and Officers' Liability Insurance Policy Claims Made Wording

**It only responds to any CLAIM which is first made against any INSURED PERSON during the POLICY PERIOD or EXTENDED REPORTING PERIOD if applicable.**

### **Please read this Policy carefully**

In consideration of the payment of the Premium stated in Item 5 of the Schedule, **the Insurers named in the Schedule** ("Underwriters") agree as follows.

#### **1. COVER PROVIDED**

Underwriters shall pay LOSS as incurred by:

- (a) an INSURED PERSON; or
- (b) the COMPANY by way of REIMBURSEMENT.

#### **2. EXTENSIONS**

##### 2.1 Professional Consultancy Expenses

In the event that an INSURED PERSON or the COMPANY becomes aware of circumstances which might reasonably be expected to give rise to a CLAIM and they reasonably consider that the services of a professional consultancy firm are required urgently in order to prevent or minimize the risk of a CLAIM which would be covered under this Policy, then Underwriters will reimburse reasonable fees and costs (other than COSTS AND EXPENSES) incurred as a result of instructing an appropriate professional consultancy firm up to a maximum limit of British Pounds £50,000 in the aggregate. Such limit shall be part of and not in addition to the Limit of Liability stated in Item 3 of the Schedule.

Entitlement to this additional cover is conditional upon the INSURED PERSON or the COMPANY providing Underwriters with full written details of the action taken no later than 21 days after first becoming aware of the circumstances that require the services of the professional consultancy firm.

##### 2.2 New Subsidiaries

- (a) The benefit of the insurance cover provided by this Policy shall extend automatically to any newly acquired or created entity that becomes a SUBSIDIARY of the COMPANY provided that:
  - (i) the total gross assets of such newly acquired or created entity do not exceed 20% of the total gross assets of the COMPANY as at the inception date of this Policy; and
  - (ii) such newly acquired or created entity does not or has not had a listing of any of its securities on any exchange.
- (b) In respect of a newly acquired or created SUBSIDIARY that:
  - (i) has total gross assets that exceed 20% of the total gross assets of the COMPANY as at the inception date of this Policy; or
  - (ii) has or has had a listing of any of its securities on any exchange;

the COMPANY may request Underwriters to extend the insurance cover provided by this Policy to such newly acquired or created SUBSIDIARY. If Underwriters agree to extend cover to such new SUBSIDIARY, they shall be entitled to amend the terms of this Policy and/or to charge an additional premium.

### 2.3 Additional INSURED PERSONS

The following shall be deemed INSURED PERSONS under this Policy:

- (a) lawful spouse or domestic partner of any INSURED PERSON but only where recovery is sought in respect of property held jointly by the spouse or domestic partner in respect of LOSS arising from a CLAIM against such INSURED PERSON;
- (b) in the event of the death, incapacity or bankruptcy of an INSURED PERSON, their legal representative, heir and or assign for LOSS arising from a CLAIM against such INSURED PERSON;
- (c) OUTSIDE ENTITY DIRECTOR provided that cover shall apply solely to the extent that such OUTSIDE ENTITY DIRECTOR is not indemnified by their OUTSIDE ENTITY.

### 2.4 Emergency COSTS AND EXPENSES

If in an emergency Underwriters' written consent cannot reasonably be obtained before COSTS AND EXPENSES are incurred with respect to any CLAIM, Underwriters' shall provide retrospective approval for such COSTS AND EXPENSES up to 10 per cent (10%) of the Limit of Liability as stated in Item 3 of the Schedule. This limit shall be part of and not in addition to the Limit of Liability stated in Item 3 of the Schedule.

### 2.5 EXTENDED REPORTING PERIODS

#### (a) Optional Bilateral EXTENDED REPORTING PERIOD

If this policy is not renewed for any reason nor replaced with any other form of management liability insurance, the COMPANY shall be entitled to purchase an EXTENDED REPORTING PERIOD of 12 calendar months.

To purchase such EXTENDED REPORTING PERIOD, the COMPANY must:

- (i) serve written notice to Underwriters no later than 15 days after the expiry date of this Policy; and
- (ii) pay to Underwriters an additional premium of 100% of the annual or annualized equivalent of the premium charged for this Policy as stated in Item 5 of the Schedule within 30 days of the expiry date of this Policy.

The additional premium in respect of the EXTENDED REPORTING PERIOD is not refundable and the EXTENDED REPORTING PERIOD is not cancellable.

#### (b) RETIRED DIRECTORS EXTENDED REPORTING PERIOD

If this policy is not renewed for any reason nor replaced with any other form of management liability insurance, the RETIRED DIRECTORS shall automatically be entitled to an EXTENDED REPORTING PERIOD of 72 months without payment of an additional premium.

If an EXTENDED REPORTING PERIOD is effective by virtue of (a) or (b) above, the Limit of Liability as stated in Item 3 of the Schedule shall not be increased in any way.

### 3. DEFINITIONS

3.1 CLAIM means any:

- (a) civil suit or proceedings for a WRONGFUL ACT against any INSURED PERSON seeking monetary damages or other relief, including non-pecuniary relief; or
- (b) written allegation of a WRONGFUL ACT communicated to any INSURED PERSON or the COMPANY; or
- (c) administrative or regulatory proceedings against any INSURED PERSON for a WRONGFUL ACT; or
- (d) official investigation into the affairs of the COMPANY or the OUTSIDE ENTITY as applicable or the affairs of an INSURED PERSON in their capacity as such once the INSURED PERSON becomes legally compelled to attend or is identified in writing by an investigating authority as a subject of the proceeding or official investigation; or
- (e) criminal proceedings or any EXTRADITION PROCEEDING against any INSURED PERSON for a WRONGFUL ACT;

which is first made during the POLICY PERIOD (or EXTENDED REPORTING PERIOD if applicable), provided always that a series of CLAIMS arising out of or which are attributable to or which are otherwise causally connected with a single WRONGFUL ACT shall constitute a single CLAIM for the purposes of this Policy.

3.2 COMPANY means the entity named in Item 1 of the Schedule and any SUBSIDIARY thereof (including any division, sector, region, product group or other internal COMPANY structure or segment detailed in an organization chart or similar document).

3.3 COSTS AND EXPENSES means all reasonable and necessary fees and expenses incurred by or on behalf of any INSURED PERSON with the prior written consent of Underwriters (which shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed), and which result from the investigation, defense and/or settlement of or in connection with a CLAIM including:

- (a) any appeal relating thereto, including a separate proceeding to overturn an order made in any EXTRADITION PROCEEDING; and
- (b) premium paid for a financial instrument for appeal, bail or similar bonds.

3.4 EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES WRONGFUL ACTS means any actual or alleged:

- (a) wrongful termination of the employment of (including but not limited to constructive and or unfair dismissal), demotion of, or failure or refusal to employ or promote any person in relation to the COMPANY; or
- (b) discrimination or harassment affecting any employee of, or prospective employee with, the COMPANY; or
- (c) retaliatory treatment against an employee of the COMPANY on account of the employee's exercise or attempted exercise of his or her legal rights.

3.5 EXTENDED REPORTING PERIOD means the period immediately following expiry of the POLICY PERIOD during which time written notice may be given to Underwriters of a CLAIM first made during such period or the POLICY PERIOD, in respect of a WRONGFUL ACT that occurred prior to the expiry of the POLICY PERIOD.

3.6 EXTRADITION PROCEEDING shall mean a proceeding following a request for extradition or the execution of a warrant of arrest as part of the extradition process.

3.7 INSURED PERSON means any natural person who is, was prior to or becomes during the POLICY PERIOD:

- (a) a director or officer of the COMPANY including for this purpose anyone alleged to have been acting as a SHADOW DIRECTOR of the COMPANY;
- (b) an employee of the COMPANY to the extent that they:
  - (i) are joined as co-defendants in any action against any natural person defined in (a) above; or
  - (ii) were acting in a managerial or supervisory capacity when the WRONGFUL ACT was or was alleged to have been committed; or
  - (iii) have received approval from the Financial Services Authority to perform one or more of Control Functions for the COMPANY pursuant to the relevant Financial Services and Markets Act.

3.8 LOSS means the liability of any INSURED PERSON incurred as a result of a CLAIM to pay:

- (a) damages and costs awarded against them; and

- (b) any settlement as agreed by Underwriters (which agreement shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed); and
- (c) COSTS AND EXPENSES; and
- (d) punitive or exemplary damages; and
- (e) reasonable fees and costs incurred as a result of the instruction of an appropriate professional consultancy firm to prevent or minimize the risk of a CLAIM in accordance with extension 2.1.

LOSS does not mean:

- (i) taxes; or
- (ii) remuneration or employment related benefits; or
- (iii) the multiplied portion of multiple damages.

3.9 OUTSIDE ENTITY means any entity other than an entity that is:

- (a) the COMPANY;
- (b) incorporated, domiciled or has a listing of any of its securities on any exchange; is or has securities that are legally required to be the subject of any registration statement filed with any relevant Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"), or is subject to any obligation to file reports with the SEC in accordance with relevant Securities Exchange Act.

3.10 OUTSIDE ENTITY DIRECTOR means any director or officer or employee of the COMPANY who:

- (a) was, is or may during the POLICY PERIOD becomes a director or officer of an OUTSIDE ENTITY at the specific request of the COMPANY; or
- (b) is alleged to have been acting as a SHADOW DIRECTOR of such OUTSIDE ENTITY by reason of his or her duties as a director or officer or employee of the COMPANY.

3.11 POLICY PERIOD means the period stated in Item 6 of the Schedule.

3.12 POLLUTANT means any substance, solid, liquid, gaseous or thermal irritant or contaminant including but not limited to smoke, vapours, soot, fumes, acids, alkalis, chemicals and waste materials (including but not limited to, recycled, reconditioned or reclaimed materials).

3.13 REIMBURSEMENT means the obligation upon Underwriters to pay on behalf of the COMPANY in respect of any amounts which the COMPANY has paid to or on behalf of an INSURED PERSON in respect of LOSS.

3.14 RETIRED DIRECTOR means any INSURED PERSON who voluntarily relinquishes their position within the COMPANY during the POLICY PERIOD and who does not subsequently resume or assume a position of director, officer or employee in the COMPANY.

3.15 SHADOW DIRECTOR means any natural person who is deemed a shadow director, as defined in the relevant Companies Act or re-enactment thereof.

3.16 SUBSIDIARY means any entity the COMPANY, either directly or indirectly through one or more SUBSIDIARIES, controls or controlled:

- (a) through holding a majority of the voting rights; or
- (b) through having the right to appoint or remove the majority of its board of directors; or
- (c) alone, or pursuant to a written agreement with other shareholders or members, a majority of the voting rights of the entity; or
- (d) the composition of the board of directors.

3.17 WHISTLEBLOWER means any INSURED PERSON filing a CLAIM either directly or indirectly under any law affording whistleblower protection including but not limited to the relevant Public Interest Disclosure Act (UK), False Claims Act (USA) or Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (USA).

3.18 WRONGFUL ACT means any actual or alleged or proposed breach of duty, breach of trust, neglect, error, omission, misstatement, misleading statement, mistreatment, breach of a fiduciary obligation, libel, slander, wrongful trading, breach of warranty of authority or any other act attempted or committed that gives rise to legal liability on the

part of any INSURED PERSON, jointly and severally, which arises solely by reason of the conduct of their duties in their capacity as INSURED PERSONS, or, any matter claimed against an INSURED PERSON solely because of their status as such. WRONGFUL ACT shall also include EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES WRONGFUL ACT,

## 4. EXCLUSIONS

Underwriters shall not be liable for any LOSS in respect of a CLAIM:

### 4.1 Injury and Property Damage

for bodily injury, sickness, disease, death or emotional distress of any person or damage to or destruction of any tangible property, including loss of use thereof, other than:

- (a) for emotional distress forming part of a CLAIM in respect of EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES WRONGFUL ACTS; or
- (b) COSTS AND EXPENSES arising from criminal proceedings against an INSURED PERSON for manslaughter in relation to the business of the COMPANY.

### 4.2 Prior Claims and Circumstances

arising out of, based upon, attributable to or in any way involving:

- (a) any facts alleged or contained in any CLAIM or circumstance which might give rise to a CLAIM which have been notified under any other policy in force prior to the inception of this Policy; or
- (b) any pending or prior litigation as at the pending date set out in Item 7 of the Schedule or alleging or deriving from the same or substantially the same facts alleged in the pending or prior litigation.

For the purposes of this exclusion, 'litigation' shall mean any civil, administrative, regulatory or criminal proceedings or any official investigation.

### 4.3 Pollution

arising out of, based upon, attributable to or in any way involving:

- (a) any actual, alleged or threatened discharge, dispersal, release or escape of a POLLUTANT whether such discharge, dispersal, release or escape is intentional or accidental; or
- (b) any direction or request to test for, monitor, clean up, remove, contain, treat, detoxify or neutralize a POLLUTANT.

It is agreed, however, that this exclusion shall not apply to:

- (a) COSTS AND EXPENSES; or
- (b) any CLAIM brought by or on behalf of any shareholder in the COMPANY, either directly or derivatively, which alleges damage to the COMPANY and/or its shareholders provided that:
  - (i) on or before the date specified in Item 8 of the Schedule, the INSURED PERSONS and the COMPANY did not know of nor could have reasonably foreseen that there existed any situation, circumstance or WRONGFUL ACT which could give rise to the CLAIM; and
  - (ii) any matter(s) or incident(s) giving rise to the CLAIM occurred entirely outside the homeland of the Company and the CLAIM is brought or maintained entirely outside the homeland of the Company.

### 4.4 CLAIMS by the OUTSIDE ENTITY

against an OUTSIDE ENTITY DIRECTOR by or on behalf of another director or officer of the same OUTSIDE ENTITY or by the OUTSIDE ENTITY itself, other than:

- (a) COSTS AND EXPENSES incurred in defending such a CLAIM;
- (b) any CLAIM in respect of EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES WRONGFUL ACTS;
- (c) any CLAIM for contribution or indemnity in respect of a CLAIM which is otherwise payable under the terms of this Policy;

- (d) any CLAIM brought as a shareholder derivative action which has not been solicited or willingly assisted by the OUTSIDE ENTITY or a director or officer thereof;
- (e) any CLAIM brought by a liquidator, administrator or administrative receiver directly or derivatively on behalf of the OUTSIDE ENTITY that has not been solicited or willingly assisted by the OUTSIDE ENTITY or a director or officer thereof;
- (f) any CLAIM brought against any OUTSIDE ENTITY DIRECTOR who is a former director or officer of the OUTSIDE ENTITY and who is no longer employed by it, and the CLAIM is not brought by or on behalf of a company which falls within the definition of a close company in the relevant Income and Corporation Taxes Act;
- (g) any CLAIM made by a former director or officer of the OUTSIDE ENTITY.

#### 4.5 Local CLAIMS by the COMPANY

brought in the jurisdiction of the Homeland of the COMPANY by or on behalf of another INSURED PERSON or the COMPANY, other than:

- (a) COSTS AND EXPENSES incurred in defending such a CLAIM;
- (b) any CLAIM in respect of EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES WRONGFUL ACTS;
- (c) any CLAIM for contribution or indemnity in respect of a CLAIM which is otherwise payable under the terms of this Policy;
- (d) any CLAIM brought as a shareholder derivative action which has not been solicited or willingly assisted by the COMPANY or an INSURED PERSON;
- (e) any CLAIM brought by a liquidator, administrator or administrative receiver directly or derivatively on behalf of the COMPANY that has not been solicited or willingly assisted by the COMPANY or an INSURED PERSON;
- (f) any CLAIM against an INSURED PERSON who is a former director or officer of the COMPANY and who is no longer employed by it, and the CLAIM is not brought by or on behalf of that of a company which falls within the definition of a close company in the relevant Income and Corporation Taxes Act;
- (g) the CLAIM is made by a former director or officer of the COMPANY;
- (h) by a WHISTLEBLOWER.

#### 4.6 Routine Inspections

arising out of, based upon, attributable to or in any way involving any routine regulatory supervision, inspections or compliance reviews or any investigation which concerns the industry in which the COMPANY or the OUTSIDE ENTITY is engaged as opposed to conduct by an INSURED PERSON or the COMPANY or the OUTSIDE ENTITY.

#### 4.7 Nuclear

arising out of, based upon, attributable to or in any way involving ionizing radiations or contamination by radioactivity from any nuclear fuel or from any nuclear waste from the combustion of nuclear fuel or the radioactive, toxic, explosive or other hazardous properties of any explosive nuclear component thereof.

#### 4.8 Trustees

arising out of, based upon, attributable to or in any way involving any INSURED PERSON acting in the capacity of a trustee, fiduciary or administrator of a COMPANY's or as applicable an OUTSIDE ENTITY's pension, profit-sharing or employee benefits programme including any actual or alleged violation of the responsibilities, obligations or duties imposed by the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (USA) or the Pensions Act 1995 (UK) or any similar provisions of the law, common or statutory, of any state, territory, jurisdiction, or political subdivision thereof.

#### 4.9 War and Terrorism

arising out of, based upon, attributable to or in any way involving any of the following regardless of any other cause or event contributing concurrently or in any other sequence to LOSS:

- (a) war, invasion, acts of foreign enemies, hostilities or warlike operations (whether war be declared or not), civil war, rebellion, revolution, insurrection, civil commotion assuming the proportions of or amounting to an uprising, military or usurped power; or  
(b) any act of terrorism.

For the purposes of this exclusion, an 'act of terrorism' means an act, including but not limited to the use of force or violence and/or the threat thereof, of any person or group(s) of persons, whether acting alone or on behalf of or in connection with any organisation(s) or government(s), committed for political, religious, ideological or similar purposes including the intention to influence any government and/or to put the public, or any section of the public, in fear.

This exclusion also excludes any LOSS on account of any CLAIM of whatsoever nature directly or indirectly caused by, resulting from or in connection with any action taken in controlling, preventing, suppressing or in any way relating to (a) and/or (b) above.

If Underwriters allege that by reason of this exclusion any LOSS is not covered by this Policy, the burden of proving the contrary shall be upon the INSURED PERSONS and/or the COMPANY.

In the event that any portion of this exclusion is found to be invalid or unenforceable, the remainder shall remain in full force and effect.

4.10 for any actual or alleged failure to perform professional services rendered to third parties or back-office supporting services directly related thereto.

#### 4.11 Strike, Riot, Civil Commotion and Malicious Acts Exclusion

This Exclusion applies to all coverage grant(s) under the Policy, including extensions, additional coverages and exceptions to any exclusion.

This Exclusion shall be paramount and shall override anything contained in the Policy inconsistent with it.

In the event any part or term of this Exclusion is found to be invalid or unenforceable, the remainder shall remain in full force and effect.

1. The Policy does not insure any loss, damage, claim, cost, expense or other sum of whatsoever nature, directly or indirectly caused by, resulting from, arising out of or in connection with any Strike, Riot, Civil Commotion and/or Malicious Act, including any action taken by any person or authority in controlling, preventing or suppressing any Strike, Riot, Civil Commotion and/or Malicious Act. This Exclusion applies regardless of whether any loss, damage, claim, cost, expense or other sum of whatsoever nature is caused by, results from, arises out of or in connection with any other cause or event contributing concurrently or in any other sequence to it.
2. If Underwriters allege that by reason of this Exclusion, any loss, damage, claim, cost, expense or other sum of whatsoever nature is not covered, the burden of proving the contrary shall be upon the Insured.
3. Definitions For the purposes of this Exclusion, Strike, Riot, Civil Commotion and Malicious Act mean:

Strike means a lockout or total or partial work stoppage to enforce demands made on an employer or to protest against an act or condition.

Riot means a violent disturbance by a group of persons assembled together for a common purpose which threatens the public peace.

Civil Commotion means a substantial violent disturbance by a large number of persons assembled together and acting with common purpose or intent.

Malicious Act means deliberate act(s) causing loss of or damage to property during and/or following Strike, Riot or Civil Commotion, including but not limited to vandalism, looting, theft of or the taking of goods by force.

Except as provided for in this Exclusion, all other terms, conditions and exclusions of the Policy remain the same and fully applicable.

#### 4.12 Prospectus Exclusion

This policy does not provide coverage for any claims, suits, proceedings, or investigations arising out of, or in any way related to, the contents of a prospectus, registration statement, offering memorandum, or any other document used in connection with the offer or sale of securities. This exclusion specifically includes, but is not limited to:

**Misstatements or Omissions:** Claims alleging misstatements, omissions, or inaccuracies in the prospectus or any related document used to solicit or offer securities to the public.

**Securities Offerings:** Claims arising from or related to the offer, sale, or purchase of securities, including initial public offerings (IPOs), secondary offerings, or other capital-raising activities.

**Regulatory Compliance:** Claims related to compliance or alleged non-compliance with securities laws, regulations, or requirements in the preparation, review, or distribution of prospectuses or similar documents.

**Securities Fraud:** Claims arising from alleged securities fraud or other wrongful conduct associated with securities offerings, including claims brought by investors or regulatory authorities.

This exclusion applies regardless of whether the claim is brought by or against the organization, its directors or officers, or any other party, and irrespective of the cause or nature of the claim. Directors and officers involved in securities offerings are advised to obtain separate insurance coverage specifically addressing risks related to prospectuses and securities offerings.

#### 4.13 Professional Indemnity Exclusion

This policy does not provide coverage for any claims, losses, or liabilities arising out of, or in any way related to, professional indemnity or errors and omissions in the performance of professional services by the directors or officers of the organization. Specifically, this exclusion applies to any claims alleging negligence, misstatements, misleading statements, errors, or omissions committed in the rendering of professional services or advice for which a fee is charged or compensation is received, irrespective of whether such services are performed within the scope of the director's or officer's official duties.

Directors and officers are advised to obtain separate professional indemnity insurance to cover any such professional services provided outside the scope of their roles and responsibilities within the organization.

#### 4.14 Sanction Limitation and Exclusion Clause

No (re)insurer shall be deemed to provide cover and no (re)insurer shall be liable to pay any claim or provide any benefit hereunder to the extent that the provision of such cover, payment of such claim or provision of such



benefit would expose that (re)insurer to any sanction, prohibition or restriction under United Nations resolutions or the trade or economic sanctions, laws or regulations of the European Union, United Kingdom or United States of America.

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#### 4.15 USA/Canada Exclusion

This policy does not provide coverage for any claims, suits, proceedings, or investigations arising out of, or in any way related to, the laws, regulations, or statutes of the United States of America or Canada, or any of their territories or possessions. This exclusion applies to:

1. Claims or Actions: Any claims or actions brought in or under the jurisdiction of the United States of America or Canada, including claims for damages, penalties, or fines.
2. Regulatory or Administrative Proceedings: Any regulatory, administrative, or investigative proceedings initiated by authorities from the United States of America or Canada.
3. Violations of US/Canadian Laws: Any claims alleging violations of the laws, statutes, or regulations of the United States of America or Canada, including but not limited to securities laws, anti-corruption laws, and employment practices laws.

This exclusion is applicable regardless of whether the claim, suit, or proceeding is brought by or against the organization, its directors or officers, or any other party. Directors and officers are advised to seek separate coverage or policies specifically addressing claims arising in or under the jurisdiction of the United States of America or Canada.

#### 4.16 Nuclear Exclusion

This policy does not provide coverage for any claims, suits, proceedings, or investigations arising out of, or in any way related to, any nuclear matter, including but not limited to:

1. Nuclear Energy Liability: Claims arising from the ownership, operation, or use of any nuclear reactor, nuclear facility, or nuclear energy source, including but not limited to claims related to the production, handling, processing, or storage of nuclear material.
2. Radiation: Claims arising from exposure to radiation or radioactive contamination, whether or not directly related to nuclear energy or materials.
3. Nuclear Incidents: Claims related to any nuclear explosion, nuclear accident, or other nuclear event causing damage or harm, including those resulting from a release or potential release of radioactive materials.
4. Nuclear Waste: Claims arising from the disposal, management, or storage of nuclear waste or other radioactive substances.

This exclusion applies regardless of whether the claim is brought by or against the organization, its directors or officers, or any other party, and irrespective of the cause or nature of the claim. Directors and officers are advised to obtain separate insurance coverage for risks related to nuclear activities or materials.

#### 4.17 Asbestos Exclusion

This policy does not provide coverage for any claims, suits, proceedings, or investigations arising out of, or in any way related to, asbestos or asbestos-containing materials, including but not limited to:

1. **Asbestos Exposure:** Claims related to exposure to asbestos or asbestos-containing materials, including claims for personal injury, property damage, or economic loss arising from such exposure.
2. **Asbestos Remediation:** Claims arising from the handling, removal, containment, or disposal of asbestos or asbestos-containing materials, including any costs or expenses associated with such activities.
3. **Asbestos-Related Liability:** Claims alleging liability for damages or compensation related to asbestos, including claims brought by employees, contractors, or other parties affected by asbestos exposure or asbestos-related conditions.
4. **Asbestos Regulations:** Claims related to violations or alleged violations of laws, regulations, or standards governing asbestos or asbestos-containing materials.

This exclusion applies regardless of whether the claim is brought by or against the organization, its directors or officers, or any other party, and irrespective of the cause or nature of the claim. Directors and officers are advised to obtain separate insurance coverage specifically addressing risks related to asbestos.

#### 4.18 Parent Company Exclusion Clause

##### 1. Exclusion of Parent Company-Related Claims

Notwithstanding any other provision in this policy, coverage under this Directors and Officers Liability Insurance Policy shall not apply to any claims, actions, suits, or proceedings arising out of, based upon, or related to the operations, actions, or omissions of [Parent Company Name] (the "Parent Company"). This exclusion specifically includes, but is not limited to:

- a. Claims alleging wrongful acts, breaches of fiduciary duty, or any other liability of the Parent Company.
- b. Claims arising from or related to the management, governance, or operations of the Parent Company, including any actions or decisions made in its capacity as the parent company of its subsidiaries.

##### 2. Exclusion of Parent Company Obligations

The policy does not cover any obligations, liabilities, or expenses related to or incurred by the Parent Company, including any claims or legal costs associated with the Parent Company's activities or decisions.

### 3. Subsidiary Coverage

This exclusion does not affect the coverage available for claims arising from the actions or omissions of the directors and officers of the subsidiaries of the Parent Company, provided such claims are otherwise covered under the terms of this policy.

### 4. No Coverage for Parent Company

In no event shall coverage be provided for any legal costs, damages, settlements, or other liabilities incurred by the Parent Company or its directors and officers in connection with claims related to the Parent Company's activities.

## 4.19 Patent Exclusion Clause

### 1. Exclusion of Patent-Related Claims

Notwithstanding any other provision in this policy, coverage under this Directors and Officers Liability Insurance Policy shall not apply to any claims, actions, suits, or proceedings arising out of, based upon, or related to any patent or patent-related activities. This exclusion specifically includes, but is not limited to:

- a. Claims alleging infringement of any patent rights, including but not limited to claims for damages, royalties, or other monetary relief related to patent infringement.
- b. Claims related to the acquisition, licensing, enforcement, or defense of patents or patent applications.
- c. Claims arising from disputes over the validity or enforceability of patents.

### 2. No Coverage for Patent-Related Liabilities

No coverage shall be provided for any legal costs, damages, settlements, or other liabilities incurred by the insured directors and officers in connection with patent-related claims, as defined above.

### 3. Other Provisions

All other terms and conditions of this policy shall remain in full force and effect, except as expressly modified by this Patent Exclusion Clause.

## 5. CONDITIONS

### 5.1 Territory

This Policy shall apply to LOSS which results from any CLAIM made against an INSURED PERSON during the POLICY PERIOD, or EXTENDED REPORTING PERIOD if applicable, pursuant to the laws of and under the jurisdiction of any recognized country in the World.

### 5.2 Aggregate Limit of Liability for LOSS

Underwriters' total aggregate liability under this Policy in respect of all LOSS arising from CLAIMS made during the POLICY PERIOD, and the EXTENDED REPORTING PERIOD if applicable, shall not exceed the aggregate Limit of Liability stated in Item 3 of the Schedule.

### 5.3 Deductible

(a) Underwriters shall only be liable to pay any LOSS to the extent that it exceeds the amount of the Deductible stated in Item 4 of the Schedule. Such Deductible shall be paid by the COMPANY and shall not be insured.

(b) If the COMPANY is permitted to indemnify any INSURED PERSON and does not do so, Underwriters shall pay LOSS on behalf of the INSURED PERSON without regard to the DEDUCTIBLE and the COMPANY shall reimburse Underwriters upon demand to the fullest extent that the DEDUCTIBLE applies.

(c) For the purposes of determining the applicable Deductible, the Memorandum of Association, Articles of Association and or Byelaws (or the equivalent in any jurisdiction) of the COMPANY shall be deemed to permit indemnification to INSURED PERSONS to the fullest extent authorised and not prevented by law or pursuant to any contract.

### 5.4 Advancement of COSTS AND EXPENSES

Underwriters shall advance covered COSTS AND EXPENSES to the INSURED PERSONS and or the COMPANY as applicable as and when they are incurred following receipt of sufficiently detailed invoices. If a CLAIM is ultimately determined not to be covered under this Policy then all such COSTS AND EXPENSES shall be reimbursed to Underwriters on demand.

Such payment of COSTS AND EXPENSES shall not create any presumption with respect to the allocation of amounts of covered LOSS or uncovered loss as described in Clause 5.5.

### 5.5 Allocation

If both LOSS covered by this Policy and loss not covered by this Policy are incurred either because the CLAIM includes both covered and uncovered claims or because it includes both INSURED PERSONS and uninsured parties, then the COMPANY, the INSURED PERSONS and Underwriters agree to use their best endeavors to fairly and reasonably allocate amounts between covered LOSS and uncovered loss.

In the event that agreement on such allocation cannot be reached the COMPANY, the INSURED PERSONS and Underwriters agree that the allocation of such amounts shall be determined by an independent Counsel (whose identity shall be agreed by the parties, or the chairman of the Bar Council if not agreed) who shall be empowered to obtain such additional expert input as they think necessary. The costs of the Counsel, including his expenses and the fees related to any expert input, shall be borne by Underwriters.

Whether agreed or determined by Counsel, any allocation of LOSS on account of a CLAIM shall be applied retrospectively including all COSTS AND EXPENSES on account of such CLAIM notwithstanding the basis of any prior advancement of LOSS or COSTS AND EXPENSES.

The COMPANY or the INSURED PERSONS as applicable agree to reimburse Underwriters in respect of any payments made to the extent that such payments or parts thereof are ultimately determined not to be covered by this Policy.

## 5.6 Subsidiaries

Coverage will apply in relation to any SUBSIDIARY only in respect of any WRONGFUL ACT committed whilst a SUBSIDIARY.

Coverage will cease as at the effective date of the sale, disposal or dissolution of any SUBSIDIARY for any WRONGFUL ACT committed after such date of sale, disposal or dissolution.

## 5.7 Securities and Exchange Exposure

If during the POLICY PERIOD, any

(a) share capital or stock of the COMPANY is or becomes legally required to be the subject of any registration statement filed with the relevant Securities and Exchange Commission in accordance with relevant Sections of the relevant Securities Act; or

(b) COMPANY is or becomes subject to any obligation to file reports with any Securities and Exchange Commission in accordance with relevant Securities Exchange Act;

then, where such registration or reporting obligation first attached during the POLICY PERIOD, this Policy shall continue in full force and effect provided the entity named in Item 1 of the Schedule has;

(i) as soon as is practicable provided Underwriters with notice of such registration or reporting requirements and such information as Underwriters may require in order to fully evaluate and assess any additional exposure; and

(ii) accepted any amendment to the terms and conditions of this Policy and has agreed to pay any additional premium charged in relation to such additional exposure.

For the avoidance of doubt, this Condition 5.7 shall not apply to any share capital or stock of the COMPANY purchased or sold pursuant to Rule 144A of the USA Securities Act 1933.

## 5.8 Changes to the COMPANY

(a) In the event of a merger or takeover of the entity named in Item 1 of the Schedule, Underwriters shall only be liable in respect of WRONGFUL ACTS committed prior to the date of merger or takeover;

(b) For the purposes of this clause, the entity named in Item 1 of the Schedule shall be deemed to have merged with or been taken over by another company if an offer is made for a controlling interest in the issued share capital of the entity named in Item 1 of the Schedule which is declared or becomes unconditional, or if there has otherwise been a fundamental change in the share ownership or control of the entity named in Item 1 of the Schedule.

## 5.9 CLAIMS Provisions

(a) As a condition precedent to Underwriters' liability under this Policy, notice of any CLAIM shall be given to Underwriters as soon as is practicable and in any event within 30 days of the expiry of the POLICY PERIOD or EXTENDED REPORTING PERIOD if applicable. Notice of a CLAIM shall be in writing and shall be delivered by fax, email or post to the persons and address specified in Item 9 of the Schedule.

(b) In the event that an INSURED PERSON or the COMPANY becomes aware of circumstances which might reasonably be expected to give rise to a CLAIM and provides Underwriters with notice of them with full details relating to the WRONGFUL ACT concerned and the potential claimant pursuant to the provisions of this clause, any CLAIMS subsequently made which arise from those circumstances shall be deemed to have been reported to Underwriters on the date when the circumstances were notified to them.

## 5.10 CLAIM Handling

- (a) The INSURED PERSONS shall have the right and duty to defend any CLAIM. Underwriters shall be entitled:
- (i) to participate fully in the defence and in the negotiation of any settlement that involves or appears likely to involve Underwriters; and
  - (ii) at any time to take over and conduct in the name of the INSURED PERSON and/or the COMPANY the defence or settlement of any CLAIM, or to prosecute in the name of the INSURED PERSONS and/or the COMPANY for their own benefit any associated claim against a third party.
- (b) Subject to (a) above, the INSURED PERSONS may, subject to Underwriters prior written consent (which shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed), appoint solicitors or counsel to represent them in defending any CLAIM, but where the same or a similar CLAIM is made against more than one INSURED PERSON the same solicitors and counsel shall be appointed to defend all INSURED PERSONS unless there is a conflict of interest between them.
- (c) The INSURED PERSONS and the COMPANY shall provide all information and assistance reasonably required to enable any CLAIM to be effectively investigated and/or defended.
- (d) The INSURED PERSONS and the COMPANY shall not do or omit to do anything which may prejudice the investigation and/or defence of a CLAIM.
- (e) Liability shall not be admitted nor any settlement agreed in respect of any CLAIM nor any COSTS AND EXPENSES incurred without the prior written consent of Underwriters (which shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed).
- (f) In the event of a disagreement arising between Underwriters, any INSURED PERSON and/or the COMPANY regarding whether or not to contest legal proceedings, the matter shall be remitted to a Counsel (whose identity shall be agreed by the parties, or by the chairman of the Bar Council if not agreed) whose decision on whether the proceedings should be contested shall be binding. The costs of consulting the Counsel shall be borne by Underwriters.

#### 5.11 Representations to Underwriters

- (a) Underwriters have relied upon the material statements and information supplied in the proposal form, together with its attachments and they are the basis of this Policy and shall be deemed to be incorporated into and form part of this Policy. The information so supplied shall be construed as a separate proposal by each INSURED PERSON.
- (b) Underwriters agree not to exercise their right to avoid this Policy where it is alleged there has been non-disclosure or mis-representation of facts, or untrue statements in the proposal form or supplementary information or failure to notify a circumstance which may give rise to a loss or claim, provided always that the INSURED PERSONS shall establish to the Underwriters' satisfaction that such alleged non-disclosure, misrepresentation, untrue statement or failure to notify a circumstance was innocent and free of any fraudulent conduct or intention to deceive.
- (c) Where the INSURED PERSONS' innocent breach or non-compliance with any condition of this Policy has resulted in prejudice to the handling or settlement of any CLAIM, the indemnity offered by this Policy in respect of any such CLAIM (including costs and expenses) shall be reduced to such sums as would have been payable by them in the absence of such prejudice.
- (d) If the INSURED PERSONS or the COMPANY shall make any request for payment in respect of any LOSS knowing the same to be false or fraudulent as regards amount or otherwise, all requests for payment in respect of such LOSS hereunder shall be forfeited. However, the fraud of any one INSURED PERSON shall not be imputed to any other INSURED PERSON in this regard.
- (e) Underwriters shall not avoid this Policy by reason only that they may be so entitled by virtue of any statute or rule of law that makes or deems void any provision of this Policy to indemnify or make payment to any INSURED PERSON or the COMPANY against liability for any WRONGFUL ACT.
- (f) Any reference in this Policy to any cause of action known to English law shall be extended to include any cause of action in similar circumstances under any foreign law.

#### 5.12 Severability

No WRONGFUL ACT or knowledge of or statement made by one INSURED PERSON shall be imputed to any other INSURED PERSON for the purposes of determining their entitlement to cover pursuant to this Policy.

#### 5.13 Subrogation

In the event that Underwriters make any payment in respect of LOSS pursuant to the provisions of this Policy, they shall be subrogated to all of the INSURED PERSONS and/or the COMPANY's rights of recovery to the extent of the payment made. The INSURED PERSONS and/or the COMPANY shall do all things reasonably necessary to enable Underwriters to bring a claim in their name(s).

#### 5.14 Variation and Assignment

No variation or assignment of interest under this Policy shall be effective unless made in writing and signed by an authorised representative of Underwriters.

#### 5.15 Authority of the COMPANY

The COMPANY shall act on behalf of the INSURED PERSONS in respect of the giving and receipt of all notices pursuant to this Policy and in relation to the payment of premium.

#### 5.16 Interpretation

Any reference in this Policy to a statute, statutory instrument, regulation or order shall include all amendments made to them. Any reference to the singular shall include the plural and vice versa. Any references to any legislation enacted in the United Kingdom shall include any equivalent legislation enacted in any territory to which this Policy applies.

#### 5.17 Dispute Resolution

Save in relation to the resolution of a dispute under Clause 5.5 or Clause 5.10(f):

(a) Any dispute arising out of or in connection with this Policy, including any question regarding its formation, existence, validity or termination, shall be referred to arbitration in London, England in accordance with the Arbitration Act 1996. The rules for the conduct of the arbitration shall, subject to the provisions of the Arbitration Act 1996, be in the discretion of the arbitrator.

(b) There shall be a sole arbitrator whose identity shall be mutually agreed upon between the Underwriters and the INSURED PERSONS and/or the COMPANY. In the absence of agreement, the arbitrator shall be selected by the Chairman of the Bar Council from a list comprised of three nominations from each of the Underwriters and the INSURED PERSONS and / or the COMPANY.

(c) The arbitrator (whether appointed by agreement or selected) shall be a present or former member of the English Commercial Bar with experience in insurance law who has attained the status of Queen's Counsel.

#### 5.18 Other Insurance

This Policy shall always apply excess of any other more specific insurance and or indemnification available from any other source.

#### 5.19 Currency Equivalent

It is agreed that wherever an amount appears in this Policy in Sterling (GBP) it shall be deemed to have the following words added after the amount "(or the equivalent amount in any other currency)".

#### 5.20 Third Party Rights

A person who is not a party to this Policy may not enforce any of its terms under the relevant Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act.

#### 5.21 Governing Law

This Policy shall be governed exclusively by and construed according to the law of the homeland of the Insured.

## NOTICE TO THE INSURED

### Data Protection Act 1998

We may store your information on a computer and use it for administration, risk assessment, research and statistical purposes, marketing purposes and for crime prevention (see further details below). We will only disclose your personal details to third parties, if it is necessary for the performance of your contract with us.

In order to assess the terms of the insurance contract or administer claims that arise, we may need to collect data that the Data Protection Act defines as sensitive, such as medical history or criminal convictions. By proceeding with this contract you will signify your consent to such information being processed by us or our agents.

We will keep your information secure at all times. In certain circumstances, for example for systems administration purposes, we may have to transfer your information to another country, which may be a country outside the European Economic Area (EEA). By proceeding with your insurance application, we will assume you are agreeable for us to transfer your information to a country outside the EEA.

### Claims Notification Procedure

In the event of a claim notice or notification due to be made under this Policy or the handling of a Claim, you should in the first instance refer to your insurance broker or intermediary, and notify it also to:

Director of Claims  
By Quest Partnership  
Suite 1991, 74 Church Road, Maidstone, Kent ME15 6QY United Kingdom  
Telephone: +44 (0) 1622 687725  
Fax: +44 (0) 1622 687728  
Email: [admin@thequestpartnership.co.uk](mailto:admin@thequestpartnership.co.uk)

### Complaint Procedure

Underwriters are committed to providing a first class service at all times.

If at any time there are questions or concerns regarding this Policy or the handling of a Claim, you should in the first instance refer to your insurance broker or intermediary, if any. If your problem cannot be resolved, any question or complaint should then be addressed to:

Director of Claims  
By Quest Partnership  
Suite 1991, 74 Church Road, Maidstone, Kent ME15 6QY United Kingdom  
Telephone: +44 (0) 1622 687725  
Fax: +44 (0) 1622 687728  
Email: [admin@thequestpartnership.co.uk](mailto:admin@thequestpartnership.co.uk)

Or to the Company at [info@klapton.com](mailto:info@klapton.com)



