

# SAPPI SOUTHERN AFRICA LIMITED: STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR THE SUPPLY OF DEMOLITION AND DISMANTLING SERVICES

## 1 INTERPRETATION

- 1.1 In this document, except where the context clearly indicates a contrary intention –
- 1.1.1 “business day” means any day other than Saturday, Sunday or public holiday in the Republic of South Africa;
  - 1.1.2 “buyer” means Sappi Limited or any subsidiary thereof as defined in the Companies Act, 71 of 2008, to which services are supplied by the supplier;
  - 1.1.3 “calendar month” means one of the 12 named months of the year from the 1st to the last day of such month;
  - 1.1.4 “COIDA” means the Compensation for Occupational Injuries and Diseases Act, 130 of 1993;
  - 1.1.5 “contract” means an agreement between the buyer and the supplier for the supply of the services by the supplier as specified in a purchase order, and which is entered into on these terms and conditions read with that purchase order, on the earliest of the date when the supplier:
    - 1.1.5.1 notifies the buyer in writing that it accepts the purchase order as the case may be, and/or that it will commence with the supply of the services; or
    - 1.1.5.2 commences with the execution of the order;
    - 1.1.5.3 supplies the services to the buyer; or
    - 1.1.5.4 accepts payment for the services;
  - 1.1.6 “day” means a calendar day, from 00:00 to 24:00;
  - 1.1.7 “directive” means a directive issued by the Commissioner for SARS stipulating the rate at which employees tax is to be withheld from the supplier’s remuneration and includes:
    - 1.1.7.1 an affidavit in the form prescribed by SARS to the effect that the supplier is an independent contractor and that the buyer need not withhold employees’ tax from any amount which it pays the supplier; and/or
    - 1.1.7.2 where the supplier is providing LB services, a valid and current IRP 30, that is a certificate of exemption issued by SARS in terms of paragraph 2(5) of the Fourth Schedule to the Income Tax Act 58 of 1962;
  - 1.1.8 “equipment” means all equipment required for the supply of the services, including, but not limited to, forklifts, machinery, tools, protective clothing, safety gear and all required computer systems;
  - 1.1.9 “invoice” means a tax invoice as defined in the Value Added Tax Act, 89 of 1991 where the supplier is a VAT vendor and where it is not a commercial invoice;

- 1.1.10 “IP” means any registered and unregistered intellectual property including any patent, trade secret, know-how, copyright, design, trademark or plant breeder’s rights;
- 1.1.11 “KPI’s” means the buyer’s minimum performance standards in respect of those of the requirements identified by the buyer as key performance indicators and which standards the supplier must achieve in order to avoid penalties and/or committing a material breach of a contract;
- 1.1.12 “law” means the common law, statutes and all subordinate legislation including regulations, bylaws and collective agreements and “laws” has a corresponding meaning;
- 1.1.13 “LB services” means labour broking services, that is, the procurement and provision, from time to time, of people who are employed and paid by the supplier and who will render services to, or perform work for, the buyer;
- 1.1.14 “materials” means all materials and substances required for, or in connection with, the services;
- 1.1.15 “notice of variation” means the notice given by the buyer to the supplier setting out any changes which the buyer requires to the contract;
- 1.1.16 “OHS Act” means the Occupational Health and Safety Act, 85 of 1993 and all Regulations made or deemed to be made thereunder;
- 1.1.17 “order” means a written order issued by the buyer to the supplier for the supply of the services described in that order;
- 1.1.18 “personnel” means the supplier’s member, directors, officers, employees, agents and contractors;
- 1.1.19 “requirements” means the requirements, specifications and/or standards referred to in the applicable order or contract documents and with which the services must comply, including any plans, diagrams, drawings, patterns, samples, brand names, methods and procedures;
- 1.1.20 “SARS” means the South African Revenue Service;
- 1.1.21 “service product” means any thing (corporeal or incorporeal) and including IP, created as a consequence or, or in the course of providing, the services;
- 1.1.22 “services” means the demolition and dismantling services to be provided by the supplier to the buyer as described in the order and including:
  - 1.1.22.1 decommissioning and dismantling plant and equipment identified in the order;
  - 1.1.22.2 complying with all laws applicable to the decommissioning and dismantling;
  - 1.1.22.3 safely demolishing the structures identified in the order;
  - 1.1.22.4 complying with all laws applicable to the demolition and procuring any local authority or other consents which may be required in this regard;
  - 1.1.22.5 removing and lawfully disposing of all waste;

- 1.1.22.6 as and when required by the buyer, recycling any waste or, if the supplier delivers the waste to someone else for recycling, ensuring that it is recycled and accounting to the buyer for that recycled waste;
- 1.1.23 “site” or “sites” means the buyer’s premises or the place/s at the buyer’s premises, designated by the buyer, where the supplier is required to perform any of its obligations in respect of the services;
- 1.1.24 “site rules’ means all the buyer’s rules, procedures, policies and regulations applied at each of the buyer’s sites, from time to time;
- 1.1.25 “supplier’ means SupplierName, being the person from whom the buyer purchases the services in terms of a contract;
- 1.1.26 “variation proposal” means any change proposed by the supplier, to a contract, in response to a notice of variation;
- 1.1.27 “VAT” means value added tax charged or payable in terms of the Value Added Tax Act, 89 of 1991;
- 1.1.28 “VAT certificate” means a notice of registration as a vendor in terms of the Value Added Tax Act, 89 of 1991;
- 1.1.29 “vehicles” means any motor vehicles used by the supplier for or in connection with the services and which must be safe, roadworthy, licensed and must comply with the requirements and any other requirements applied by law to vehicles used for the services;
- 1.1.30 “waste” means all waste, including building and other rubble, dismantled and decommissioned plant and equipment and scrap metal;
- 1.1.31 “week” means a period of 7 consecutive days;
- 1.1.32 “year” means a period of 365 consecutive days, and for the purposes of this clause, leap years will be ignored;
- 1.2 If a definition contains a substantive obligation, that obligation is enforceable even though it is included in that definition;
- 1.3 A reference to the singular included the plural and vice versa and a reference to any particular gender includes the other gender and the neuter. Unless the context indicates otherwise, a reference to a person includes natural persons, juristic persons, partnerships, and trusts;
- 1.4 If any notice period prescribed in this agreement expires on a Saturday, Sunday or a public holiday, it will be deemed to expire on the next business day thereafter;
- 1.5 Any notice period will be calculated by excluding the first day , and including the last day, thereof;
- 1.6 A reference to any law means that law as it applies on the date a contract is concluded and as that law is amended or replaced from time to time thereafter.
- 1.7 All contracts shall be exclusively governed by, and interpreted according to, the laws of the Republic of South Africa.

## 2 APPLICATION OF THESE TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- 2.1 No variation of these terms and conditions signed with electronic signatures will be valid or effective. Only a director or general manager of the buyer is authorised to vary these terms and conditions.
- 2.2 If these terms and conditions and the provisions of any order differ or conflict, then as long as a director or general manager of the buyer has approved the order by signing it with a hand-written signature, the order prevails. If someone other than a director or general manager of the buyer signs the order and it differs from or conflicts with these terms and conditions, these terms and conditions prevail over that order.
- 2.3 Each contract comprises the whole agreement between the supplier and the buyer and contains all the express provisions agreed by the parties, about the subject matter of that contract.
- 2.4 No failure to enforce, or delayed or partial enforcement of, a right by any party shall prejudice or derogate from the rights of such party under a contract, nor shall it constitute a waiver or novation of that party's rights under the contract and it shall not estop or otherwise prevent such party from enforcing at any time all its rights arising out of the contract.
- 2.5 THE SUPPLIER'S STANDARD TRADING TERMS AND CONDITIONS DO NOT APPLY UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES.
- 2.6 SHOULD THE BUYER SIGN OR ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF ANY DOCUMENT RECEIVED FROM THE SUPPLIER WHICH CONTAINS (OR REFERS TO) TERMS AND CONDITIONS, SUCH SIGNATURE OR ACKNOWLEDGMENT SHALL UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES AMOUNT TO ANY ACCEPTANCE OF THE TERMS CONTAINED, OR REFERRED TO, THEREIN AND THESE SAPPI SOUTHERN AFRICA PURCHASING TERMS AND CONDITIONS SHALL ALWAYS PREVAIL.
- 2.7 NO ACTION BY THE BUYER SHALL ENTITLE THE SUPPLIER TO ASSERT THAT THE SUPPLIER'S STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS APPLY TO THIS ORDER.
- 2.8 To the extent that the order is deemed in any way to be an acceptance of a quotation or any other offer by the supplier, any such acceptance by the buyer, and the resultant contract, is subject to these terms and conditions, and may not thereafter be varied, amended or substituted by the supplier by way of its acceptance or order, delivery note, invoice, or other documentation.
- 2.9 Since the provisions of this agreement have been settled by negotiation and each party has been free to secure independent legal advice, the rule of construction that clauses must be interpreted against the party principally responsible for drafting does not apply.

## 3 PRICE

- 3.1 The price of the services (or, where the price is determined by applying rates set out in an order, those rates) shall:
- 3.1.1 be firm and fixed and shall not, unless expressly agreed to the contrary in writing by an authorised representative of the buyer, be escalated or otherwise increased for any reason;

3.1.2 include all charges of and associated with the services including the costs of materials, vehicles and equipment, and any applicable insurance, license fees, royalties and all applicable duties, excise and taxes.

3.2 The buyer must pay the supplier the price of the services and any labour broking services, within 60 days after the end of the calendar month during which the buyer receives the supplier's invoice for that price. The buyer does not have to pay any amount to the supplier unless and until the supplier has complied with all of its obligations then due in terms of the applicable contract and the buyer has received a certified copy of the supplier's VAT certificate, where applicable.

#### 4 REQUIREMENTS AND DEADLINES

4.1 Time is of the essence of each contract. The supplier must provide the services at the sites designated by the buyer, if applicable, and in accordance with the requirements and any applicable deadlines.

4.2 The supplier must participate in any review of the KPI's conducted by the buyer and provide the buyer with all information and documents reasonably required by the buyer in this regard. If, at any review of the KPI's, the supplier fails to achieve any of the KPI's, then, without prejudice to any of its other rights or remedies, the buyer may recover from the supplier (including by deduction from any amount owed by the buyer to the supplier for any reason) a penalty amounting to 1% of the price set out in the order, for each week that the services fail to meet the KPI's, up to a maximum of 10% of that price. In lieu of such penalty, the buyer may recover from the supplier such damages as the buyer actually suffers because of the supplier's failure to achieve the KPI's.

4.3 Before the supplier takes any chemical or hazardous substance onto any of the buyer's sites the supplier must provide the buyer with a Material Safety Data Sheet in respect thereof.

4.4 Where the supplier's obligations include LB services, at the end of each week, the supplier must supply the buyer with a copy of the time sheets prepared by each of the personnel for that week showing the hours during which they worked for the buyer.

4.5 Should there appear to be any conflict, inconsistency, discordance or want of agreement between any of the requirements specified in the order, the matter shall be referred by the supplier to the buyer for a decision before proceeding to execute the order or any part thereof. The buyer's decision shall be final and binding.

4.6 Unless expressly agreed by the buyer in writing, the buyer is not obliged to buy the services exclusively from the supplier.

#### 5 COMPLIANCE, PERSONNEL AND HEALTH AND SAFETY

5.1 The supplier must comply with all applicable laws, including, but not limited to, the OHS Act, COIDA, other employment and health and safety laws, road transport and traffic laws, environmental laws and customs and excise and other tax laws.

5.2 The supplier is an "employer" in its own right as defined in the OHS Act and it accepts that it must fulfill all its obligations as an employer in terms of the OHS Act and comply with all the requirements of this clause 5 in respect of the supply of the services.

- 5.3 The supplier warrants that it is familiar with all the relevant sections of the OHS Act and that whilst it supplies the services, it will take all the steps necessary to comply with the OHS Act and all collective agreements, awards and determinations applicable to the supplier and/or its personnel.
- 5.4 The supplier undertakes to ensure that its personnel do not do or omit to do anything which would be an offence in terms of the OHS Act and to take all reasonable steps to prevent any such act or omission.
- 5.5 The supplier must immediately, and in writing, advise the buyer's safety, health and environmental representatives of any dangerous situation which may arise from any work which it performs at any of the buyer's sites.
- 5.6 The supplier must:
- 5.6.1 ensure that none of the personnel are under the influence of alcohol or any drug, medicine or other substance which could detrimentally affect their performance or safety when they are on the buyer's sites' and/or performing any of the supplier's obligations in terms of any contract;
  - 5.6.2 remove any of the personnel from the buyer's site's or stop them performing any of the supplier's obligations in terms of any contract if they are found to be under the influence of alcohol or any drug, medicine or other substance which detrimentally affects their performance or safety;
  - 5.6.3 ensure that all personnel entering the buyer's sites submit to such alcohol and medical testing and searches of their persons, possessions and vehicles as required by the buyer from time to time.
- 5.7 If, at any time, the supplier does not comply with any of its obligations in terms of a contract, the buyer may stop the supplier from entering and/or working on its site.
- 5.8 The procedures and arrangements in these terms and conditions read with the site rules are intended to satisfy the requirements of the OHS Act, including section 37(2) of the OHS Act.
- 5.9 If, whilst performing any of its obligations, the supplier creates any environmental pollution or contamination in any way, it must do whatever is necessary to clean it up to the higher of the standards required by the buyer or the applicable authorities, and the supplier must pay all the costs of doing so.
- 5.10 The supplier must:
- 5.10.1 ensure that the personnel are suitably qualified, experienced and competent;
  - 5.10.2 on request by the buyer, furnish the buyer with documentary proof of any of the personnel and proof that the supplier has verified that qualification;
  - 5.10.3 supply each of the personnel with everything required to enable them to perform the supplier's obligations including tools, protective clothing, safety equipment, transport, accommodation and meals;
  - 5.10.4 ensure that all the personnel wear uniforms which clearly identify them as the supplier's personnel;

- 5.10.5 ensure that all its personnel undergo the buyer's safety induction procedures before entering the buyer's site;
- 5.10.6 comply with, and procure that each of its personnel comply with, all of the applicable site rules;
- 5.10.7 ensure compliance with the OHS Act by the supplier and the personnel, including identifying potential health and safety hazards, taking precautions to eliminate or mitigate those hazards and instructing, training and supervising the personnel;
- 5.10.8 on receiving a request therefor by the buyer, remove any of the personnel from the buyer's site or stop them performing any of the supplier's obligations.
- 5.10.9 without derogating from any obligation or liability of the supplier, before commencing any of its obligations and thereafter whenever requested by the buyer to do so, provide proof to the buyer:
  - 5.10.9.1 in the form of a certificate of good standing issued by the Compensation Commissioner that:
    - 5.10.9.1.1 the supplier is registered as an employer with the Compensation Commissioner in terms of COIDA;
    - 5.10.9.1.2 the supplier has arranged, at the supplier's cost, insurance in terms of COIDA in respect of all the personnel;
    - 5.10.9.1.3 the supplier has paid all its assessments due in terms of COIDA; and
  - 5.10.9.2 that the supplier has taken out, and maintains, the insurance required in terms of clause 14.2.
- 5.11 At all times during a contract, the supplier must hold a valid, current certificate of good standing from the Compensation Commissioner and must provide the buyer with a certified copy thereof. Thereafter, whenever the current certificate terminates, the supplier must provide the buyer with the new certificate.
- 5.12 The supplier shall maintain a consistently high standard of integrity in all its business relationships with the buyer and foster the highest possible standards of professional competence in all its dealings with the buyer. The supplier acknowledges that the buyer has a code of ethics (the "Code"). A copy of the Code may be viewed on [www.sappi.com](http://www.sappi.com) and is available from the supplier or request. In supplying the services to the buyer, the supplier agrees that it shall not knowingly take action which violates the Code. Further, no employee of the buyer is authorised to propose to the supplier or approve conduct inconsistent with the Code.
- 5.13 The buyer shall have the right to terminate this contract and any other contract with the supplier if the supplier is in breach of the Code.
- 5.14 Unless expressly agreed by the buyer in writing, the buyer is not obliged to buy the services exclusively from the supplier.

## 6 OWNERSHIP / RISK

- 6.1 The supplier will not acquire ownership of any service product, or any other right in and to, any thing (corporeal or incorporeal) accessible to, or made available to the supplier by the buyer in order to facilitate the provision of the services, including (but not limited to) recyclable waste.
- 6.2 The buyer will become the owner of any service product on the earlier of the date when it is delivered to the buyer or when all or part of the price of the services is paid, irrespective of the location of that service product. If ownership of a service product passes to the buyer before delivery, the supplier will thereafter hold it on behalf of the buyer and must, if possible, tag or stamp it with the words "Property of" and the buyer's full name so as to make it clear that that service product belongs to the buyer. Unless otherwise specified in the order, delivery of any service product takes place on completion of unloading at the sites designated by the buyer.
- 6.3 Risk of loss of, or damage to, or caused by a service product remains with the supplier until it has been delivered to the buyer and signed for or on behalf of the buyer by a duly authorised representative of the buyer.
- 6.4 Risk of all loss, damages, claims, costs or any nature (including costs on the attorney and own client scale on a full indemnity basis), interest, fines and/or penalties, which the buyer or any of its members, directors, officers, employees or agents may sustain or incur and arising from, or in connection with, the services passes to the supplier when it takes possession and/or control of the site.

## 7 VARIATIONS

- 7.1 At any time during a contract, the buyer may issue a notice of variation to the supplier.
- 7.2 Within 7 days of receiving the notice of variation, the supplier must notify the buyer of any changes to the contract that may be required to give effect to the notice of variation, by way of a variation proposal.
- 7.3 The variation proposal must set out any changes which the supplier proposes to the contract and the reasons for those changes, including any increases or reductions in the supplier's costs.
- 7.4 The buyer may, within 7 days of receiving the variation proposal;
- 7.4.1 require the supplier to perform in accordance with the contract as it stood prior to the notice of variation; or
- 7.4.2 notify the supplier in writing of its acceptance of the variation proposal, in which case the contract will be deemed to have been amended in accordance with the variation proposal, with effect from the date of the buyer's notice, subject always to these terms and conditions.
- 7.5 Within 2 days of the buyer accepting the variation proposal, the supplier must, at its cost, return any obsolete requirements to the buyer, at the site.
- 7.6 At all times, the supplier must only use the current requirements to comply with its obligations.

7.7 The buyer will not be liable to pay the supplier for time and/or materials wasted because the supplier uses obsolete requirements.

## 8 INSPECTION

8.1 The supplier must procure that, at any time, on reasonable request by the buyer, the buyer's representatives have access to the supplier's premises and books and records relating to the services and those of the supplier's contractors or suppliers who are working on, or in connection with the services, to conduct inspections and audits.

8.2 No inspection, test, approval, certificate of acceptance, acknowledgment of delivery, receipt or payment will under any circumstances relieve the supplier from complying fully with its obligations in terms of a contract nor prejudice any of the buyer's rights to enforce same.

## 9 CONFIDENTIALITY

9.1 No information relating to a contract or the buyer's know-how and any other information which the supplier obtains from the buyer or about the buyer and the buyer's operations which is not public knowledge may be disclosed or communicated by the supplier to any third party for any reason, including publication or advertising, without the prior written consent thereto of the buyer in each instance. The supplier must ensure that the personnel comply with these confidentiality obligations as if they were the supplier.

9.2 The supplier must not reverse engineer any sample or software with which it is provided by the buyer.

9.3 Any information provided by the buyer including specifications, processes, methods, plans, drawings, patterns, formulation, recipes and/or samples:

9.3.1 may not be copied in any way by the supplier without the buyer's prior written consent, in each instance;

9.3.2 remains the property of the buyer;

9.3.3 must, together with any copies thereof, be returned by the supplier to the buyer in good order and condition, on the earlier or request by the buyer, termination of the contract or as soon as they are updated; and

9.3.4 may be used only for the purpose of performing the supplier's obligations in terms of a contract.

9.4 All IP arising from, or in connection with, the services, belongs to the buyer. The supplier must provide the buyer with all documents of title in respect of that IP and all electronic and hard copies of all information about, and records relating to, that IP, including processes, methods, plans, drawings, patterns, specifications, formulations, recipes and/or samples and/or , where applicable, source and object code. All electronic copies and records of the IP must be provided to the buyer in a format reasonably acceptable to the buyer. Where the IP vests in a member of the personnel, the supplier must procure that that person transfers to the buyer, on demand, all right, title and interest in and to that IP.

9.5 The provisions of clauses 10.1 – 10.4 shall survive the termination of the contract.

## 10 DATA PROTECTION

- 10.1 The performance of both Parties' obligations in terms of this Agreement shall be strictly in compliance with the Protection of Personal Information Act, the Electronic Communications and Transaction Act 2002, and all other laws, policies, and procedures relating to the protection, storage, handling, privacy, processing and destruction of personal data. In particular, and without limiting the generality of the foregoing, each of the Parties shall:
- 10.1.1 comply with each of the Conditions 1 to 8 contained in Chapter 3 of POPI;
  - 10.1.2 comply with section 18 of POPI, in that it shall secure the integrity of any Personal Information in its possession or under its control by taking appropriate, reasonable technical and organisational measures to prevent loss of, damage to or unauthorised destruction of Personal Information and/or unlawful access to or processing of Personal Information; and
  - 10.1.3 take all reasonable measures to—
    - 10.1.3.1 identify all reasonably foreseeable internal and external risks to Personal Information in its possession or under its control;
    - 10.1.3.2 establish and maintain appropriate safeguards against the risks identified;
    - 10.1.3.3 regularly verify that the safeguards are effectively implemented; and
    - 10.1.3.4 ensure that the safeguards are continually updated in response to new risks or deficiencies in previously implemented safeguards.
- 10.2 The Parties shall at all times during the performance of their obligations in terms of this Agreement:
- 10.2.1 ensure that no data collected from any person during the supply of the Services is sold, disclosed, commercially exploited, or used in any way other than as expressly authorised in this Agreement;
  - 10.2.2 ensure that it is able to identify all data relating to this Agreement and persons making use of the Services separately from other data under its control;
  - 10.2.3 ensure that it processes data for only the express purpose for which it was obtained;
  - 10.2.4 ensure that, once processed for the purposes for which it was obtained, all data will be destroyed to an extent that it cannot be reconstructed to its original form;
  - 10.2.5 ensure that all usernames and passwords affording access to the Personal Information remain secure, confidential and exclusively attributable to a specific employee;
  - 10.2.6 notify the other Party of any actual or suspected breach of its security measures; and
  - 10.2.7 have due regard to any applicable industry codes of practice relating to information security management.

## 11 SUPPLIER'S WARRANTIES

- 11.1 The supplier represents and warrants, in addition to any warranty implied by law, that at all times during each contract:
- 11.1.1 the services, materials, equipment and vehicles comply with the requirements;
  - 11.1.2 the services will be performed by the supplier in a good, proper, efficient, safe and workmanlike manner and to the extent that no higher standard is stipulated in the applicable contract, in accordance with that degree of skill, care and diligence normally practiced by a competent and prudent expert contractor whilst supplying services of a similar nature;
  - 11.1.3 the services will at least achieve the KPI's;
  - 11.1.4 the supplier and the services will comply with all applicable laws and regulations, including sections 10(1), (2) and (3) of the OHS Act.

## 12 INCOME TAX

- 12.1 Unless otherwise agreed with the buyer, in writing, the supplier must provide the buyer with the directive and keep it current at all times while the supplier supplies any services to the buyer. Until the supplier has done so, the buyer may withhold employees' tax from any amount which it pays the supplier and pay the employees' tax to SARS.
- 12.2 Every time the directive is renewed, the supplier must provide the buyer with the new directive within 1 business day of its renewal.
- 12.3 If the directive is cancelled, withdrawn or not renewed, for any reason, the supplier fails to provide to the buyer a valid directive, then without prejudice to any of the buyer's other rights, the buyer may deduct employees' tax plus any interest and/or penalties levied in respect thereof, at the maximum rate applicable, from any amount payable to the supplier, for any reason.

## 13 PROVISIONS SPECIFIC TO A LABOUR BROKING SERVICE

- 13.1 Where the services include LB services, the supplier hereby indemnifies the buyer against any claims, damages, costs of any nature (including costs on an attorney and own client scale on a full indemnity basis), interest and/or penalties and other liabilities incurred or suffered by the buyer on the basis of the provisions contained in section 198(4) of the Labour Relations Act, 66 of 1995, section 82(3) of the Basic Conditions of Employment Act 75 of 1997 and section 57 of the Employment Equity Act 55 of 1998.
- 13.2 The supplier hereby waives any claim which it may have against the buyer or any of the buyer's members, directors, officers, employees or agents and which arises from, or in connection with, any of the provisions of section 198(4) of the Labour Relations Act, 66 of 1995, section 82(3) of the Basic Conditions of Employment Act 75 of 1997 and section 57 of the Employment Equity Act 55 of 1998.
- 13.3 The buyer is not obliged to assist the supplier in respect of any disputes involving the supplier or any of its personnel.
- 13.4 The supplier must pay all expenses incurred by the buyer in dealing with any dispute in which the buyer is cited as the employer of any of the personnel.

## 14 INDEMNITY, INSURANCE AND LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

- 14.1 The supplier indemnifies the buyer against all loss, damages, claims, costs of any nature and howsoever arising (including, but not limited to, costs on the attorney and own client scale), interest, fines and/or penalties, which the buyer or any of its members, directors, officers, employees or agents may sustain or incur and arising from, or in connection with:
- 14.1.1 any claim, by any person, arising out of any negligent or intentional act or omission by the supplier or any of its personnel and which is connected to a contract in any way;
  - 14.1.2 any injury, death and/or property damage caused by any latent or patent defect in the service product, or in any way, directly or indirectly, by the supplier and/or its personnel while performing the services;
  - 14.1.3 any contravention by the supplier of any applicable law including, but not limited to, the OHS Act, COIDA, other employment laws, health and safety laws, road transport and traffic laws, environmental laws and customs and excise and other tax laws;
  - 14.1.4 any infringement and/or unauthorized use of any IP in respect of any thing supplied, or any services performed, by the supplier;
  - 14.1.5 the buyer's failure to deduct employees' or any other tax from any payment made to the supplier.
- 14.2 The supplier warrants that it will be adequately insured in respect of its risk arising from or in connection with each contract, including appropriate insurance in respect of compensation for occupational injuries, death and diseases, public liability insurance to the value of at least R5 million in respect of any 1 occurrence. That the supplier's obligation to obtain this insurance cover must not be interpreted as limiting any claims which the buyer may have against the supplier, in any way.
- 14.3 On demand, the supplier must provide the buyer with copies of any insurance policies taken out in terms of a contract or an underwriter's certificate confirming the nature and duration of cover, any exclusions and deductibles, and , in both cases, proof that the premiums for that insurance cover have been paid.
- 14.4 Other than for the breaches of a contract, the buyer is only liable to the supplier for claims which the supplier may have against the buyer and which arise from, or in connection with, any act or omission by the buyer or any of its agents or employees that is grossly negligent or is an international and lawful act or omission.
- 14.5 Despite any other applicable provisions, neither the buyer nor its members, directors, employees and/or agents are liable to the supplier for any indirect, consequential, or special damages (including but not limited to a loss of profits, loss or production or business interruption) arising from any cause, including a breach of contract, a delict or from strict liability.

## 15 INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

- 15.1 Copyright in respect of anything that is eligible for copyright protection and which is created by the supplier for the buyer within the scope of a contract (including a service product) will

vest exclusively in the buyer. The supplier hereby assigns to the buyer such copyright or where that copyright vests in the supplier's employees or contractors, the supplier must procure that they assign to the buyer, that copyright. Where a service product includes any software, the supplier hereby grants to the buyer a perpetual, non exclusive and unconditional license to use that software and warrants that it is entitled to do so.

- 15.2 The supplier warrants that no third party will have any valid claim against the buyer for infringement and/or unauthorized use of any IP in respect of any thing, software, services, process, method, design or technology supplied or performed by, or on behalf of, the supplier in terms of a contract.
- 15.3 Should any such claim succeed, then, should the buyer so require, the supplier must, at its cost, either acquire from the holder of the IP concerned, the right for the buyer to continue using the IP or the supplier must modify or substitute the infringing item, as approved by the buyer, so that that item no longer infringed that IP.
- 15.4 The supplier hereby confers on the buyer and on any contractor engaged by the buyer the free and unrestricted right to maintain, repair, manufacture and/or replace any lost, broken, worn and/or obsolete component part of any thing supplied in the course of the services and/or modify that thing.

## 16 BREACH

- 16.1 If the supplier breaches any provision of a contract, then without prejudice to any of its other rights in that contract or in law, the buyer may suspend all payments to the supplier and, if the contract is then cancelled, set off against those payments a reasonable estimate of any damages suffered by the buyer.
- 16.2 If the supplier breaches any provision of a contract and, where the breach can be remedied, fails to remedy that breach within 10 days of receiving notice to do so, then without prejudice to any of its other rights in a contract or in law, the buyer may:
- 16.2.1 cancel the contract; or
  - 16.2.2 claim specific performance; and
  - 16.2.3 in either case, claim damages.
- 16.3 The buyer may, without prejudice to any of its other rights or remedies in terms of this agreement or in law, with immediate effect, terminate the whole or any part of a contract and any other contract which it then has with the supplier, whether or not performed, if the supplier:
- 16.3.1 commits a material breach of a contract which cannot be remedied and failing to meet a deadline is deemed to be such a breach;
  - 16.3.2 is placed under judicial management or in liquidation, or is sequestrated (whether provisionally or finally, voluntarily or compulsory); or
  - 16.3.3 being a partnership, is dissolved; or
  - 16.3.4 effects or attempts to effect a compromise with all, or any significant class of, its creditors; or

- 16.3.5 prior to fulfillment of all its obligations in terms of a contract, disposes of the whole or greater part of its assets, or transfers the majority or controlling shareholding or members' interest in the supplier to a third party; or
  - 16.3.6 being a natural person, dies; or
  - 16.3.7 or any employee or agent of the supplier gives or offers any valuable consideration or benefit to any employee of the buyer to obtain or attempt to obtain any favour or advantage, or perpetrates or participates in any fraud which prejudices or might prejudice the buyer.
- 16.4 The supplier may not cancel a contract by virtue of any breach thereof by the buyer unless such breach is material and the buyer has failed to rectify such breach within 30 days after receiving written notice from the supplier requiring it to do so.
- 16.5 The buyer may, but is not obliged to, institute any legal proceedings against the supplier arising out of a contract in any Magistrates' Court having jurisdiction over the person of the supplier notwithstanding that the claim or the value of the matter in dispute may exceed the jurisdiction of such Court. The supplier is liable for all legal costs, including costs on the attorney and own client scale on a full indemnity basis and collection charges (including tracing costs), which may be incurred by the buyer, irrespective of whether or not court proceedings have been instituted.
- 16.6 Should the buyer at any time during or after the termination of a contract, reasonably suspect that the supplier or any employee or agent of the supplier has behaved dishonestly or unlawfully in respect of such contract and has caused prejudice to the buyer as a result thereof, the buyer may have any books, records and documents in the possession of or under the control of the supplier relating to transactions pursuant to such contract examined by the buyer's internal or external auditors for the purpose of verifying whether or not any such behaviour occurred.

## 17 LIENS

- 17.1 The supplier waives irrevocably any lien or other right or retention which it may have or which it may acquire in the future, in respect of any thing in respect of which the services are provided, any IP relating to those things, any service product and any documents relating to those things, IP and service products.
- 17.2 The supplier waives irrevocably any lien or right to retain possession of any thing or document of title belonging to the buyer, which lien or right the supplier may have or acquire in the course of a contract.
- 17.3 If the supplier leases its premises and has any of the buyer's property on its premises, it must notify its landlord that the buyer's property belongs to the buyer and mark the buyer's property with the words "Property of" and the buyer's full name and prove to the buyer that it has done so. If the supplier's landlord changes, the supplier must immediately give a notice in terms of this clause to its new landlord.

## 18 FORCE MAJEURE

- 18.1 Performance of the obligations of either party to this agreement shall be excused for as long as and to the extent that such party is unable to perform such obligations because of an event

or circumstance beyond that party's control and for which it is not responsible ("Force Majeure"), which, if qualifying as such shall include, without limitation, fire, flood, explosion, epidemic, interruption of electrical and/or any municipal service (planned or unplanned and arising from any cause whatsoever), riot, civil commotion, change in market conditions, recession of trade, any strike, lock-out or other industrial action, act of God, war or warlike hostility, terrorist activities, accidental or malicious damage, or any prohibition or restriction by any governments or other legal authority which affects this agreement and which is not in force on the date of this agreement.

- 18.2 If a party is prevented from performing its obligations in terms of this agreement by Force Majeure for a period of more than seven days, either party shall be entitled to terminate this agreement by written notice to the other.
- 18.3 As soon as a party becomes incapable of performing, it shall notify the other party in writing and shall provide an estimate of the duration for which performance will be impossible. The party shall thereafter use all reasonable endeavours to overcome, or failing which, to minimise the effect of its inability to perform.
- 18.4 The buyer shall be entitled, but not obliged, to engage one or more third parties to perform any obligations that the supplier is unable to perform as a result of Force Majeure.
- 18.5 The duration of this agreement shall not be extended as a result of Force Majeure.

## 19 TRANSFER OF RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS

No cession, delegation, assignment or sub-contract of all or any of the rights and/or obligations of either party under a contract is of any force or effect unless and until the other party thereto expressly consents thereto in writing, save and except that the supplier hereby consents to any such cession, delegation, assignment or subcontract by the buyer to Sappi Limited and its successor in title, or any subsidiary company of Sappi Limited.

## 20 ARBITRATION

- 20.1 Should any dispute arise between the parties in connection with the interpretation; effect; or implementation of the provisions of this agreement or any other matter arising directly or indirectly out of this agreement or the termination of this agreement, either party may demand that the dispute be determined in terms of this clause by written notice given to the other(s).
- 20.2 The arbitration shall be held in Johannesburg and conducted in accordance with the Supreme Court Act, No. 59 of 1959, and the rules made under it, provided that the arbitrator shall be entitled to dispense with or vary the rules so that the hearing of the matter may be expedited.
- 20.3 If the dispute is principally:
  - 20.3.1 a legal matter, the arbitrator shall be a practising advocate or attorney of at least ten years' standing;
  - 20.3.2 an accounting matter, the arbitrator shall be a practising chartered accountant of at least ten years' standing;
  - 20.3.3 any other matter, the arbitrator shall be any independent person, agreed upon between the parties to the dispute.

- 20.3.4 The parties shall jointly nominate the arbitrator. If the parties are unable to agree on an arbitrator within seven days of written request for nominations, the arbitrator shall be nominated by the President of the Law Society of the Province in which the arbitration is to be held or his/her successor-in-title.
- 20.4 The decision of the arbitrator shall be final and binding on the parties to the dispute and may be made an order of court at the instance of any of the parties to the dispute.
- 20.5 The provisions of this clause are severable from the rest of this agreement and shall remain in effect despite the termination or invalidity of this agreement.
- 20.6 The provisions of this clause shall not preclude a party from approaching the High Court for urgent interim relief.

## 21 NOTICES AND ADDRESSES FOR SERVICE

- 21.1 Unless otherwise specified any notice or communication in terms of a contract:
- 21.1.1 must be in writing to be effective;
  - 21.1.2 must be sent by hand to the buyer at its address set out in the order;
  - 21.1.3 must be sent by hand or email to the supplier at any address/email which the supplier has given to the buyer.
- 21.2 The buyer's *domicilium citandi et executandi* is 48 Ameshoff Street, Braamfontein, Johannesburg. Republic of South Africa or any other physical address of which the buyer notifies the supplier. The supplier's *domicilium citandi et executandi* is any address with which the supplier has provided the buyer.
- 21.3 Either party may change its address to any other address within South Africa. Such change will only take effect upon receipt or deemed receipt of such notice by the other party.
- 21.4 Any notice or communication shall, if delivered by hand between 08:00 and 16:30 on a business day, to the person apparently in charge of the premises selected by the addressee for the delivery of notices, be deemed to have been received on the date of delivery.
- 21.5 Any written notice or communication which has actually been received by a party shall be regarded as sufficient notice even if it has not been sent in the manner or to the address provided for above.