

## OPTIO SYSTEMS LIMITED TERMS & CONDITIONS

This Agreement (“**Agreement**”) is by and between OPTIO SYSTEMS LIMITED (“**Optio Systems**”), a company incorporated and registered in England and Wales with company number 01442610 whose registered office is at Floor 1 Priory Court, Derby Road, Nottingham, England, NG9 2TA, and the Customer identified in the Proposal. This Agreement sets forth the terms and conditions pursuant to which the Customer will be permitted to use Software and Hardware provided by, and receive Services from, Optio Systems.

### 1. INTERPRETATION

1.1 The definitions and rules of interpretation in this clause apply in this Agreement.

**Business Day:** a day other than a Saturday, Sunday or public holiday in England when banks in London are open for business.

**Hardware:** all items of hardware supplied by Optio Systems to the Customer at any time.

**Competitor:** any person or entity (other than Optio Systems) that provides, develops, or supplies control systems or software products that are the same as, or substantially similar to, the Software.

**Control:** as defined in section 1124 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 and change of control shall be construed accordingly.

**Consumer Prices Index:** the Consumer Prices Index (CPI) (all items) (United Kingdom).

**Contract:** the contract between Optio Systems and the Customer as contained in the Proposal and this Agreement and which is deemed to come into existence upon the acceptance by the Customer of the Proposal.

**Customer:** the person identified as the customer in the Proposal who is granted the Software licence, purchases the Hardware, or to whom the Services are rendered.

**Intellectual Property Rights:** patents, utility models, rights to inventions, copyright and related rights, trademarks and service marks, trade names and domain names, rights in get-up, goodwill and the right to sue for passing off or unfair competition, rights in designs, rights in computer software, database rights, rights to preserve the confidentiality of information (including know-how and trade secrets) and any other intellectual property rights, including all applications for (and rights to apply for and be granted), renewals or extensions of, and rights to claim priority from, such rights and all similar or equivalent rights or forms of protection which subsist or will subsist, now or in the future, in any part of the world.

**Licence Certificate:** a certificate issued by Optio Systems relating to Software.

**Maintenance Certificate:** a certificate issued by Optio Systems relating to maintenance.

**Products:** the Software, the Hardware, and the Services, or any of them.

**Price:** the price of Software, the Hardware, and the Services, or any of them, as set out in the Proposal.

**Proposal:** the written proposal provided by Optio Systems to the Customer, which is valid for 30 days from the date thereof.

**Services:** the installation, the configuration or the commissioning of the Software, and any other additional services which are requested by, and provided to, the Customer.

**Site:** the location designated as such in the Software Maintenance Certificate or such other location determined by Optio Systems in writing from time to time.

**Support Services:** the Office Hours Support as set out in clause 6.2.

**Software:** the software products produced and supplied by Optio Systems (but not including Third Party Software) and set out in the Proposal.

**Supported Software:** has the meaning set out in clause 5.1.

**Specification:** the specification of the Software set out in the Licence Certificate.

**Third Party Software:** third party software products whether licensed directly to the Customer by a third party or sub-licensed by Optio Systems.

**VAT:** value added tax chargeable from time to time.

1.2 Holding company and subsidiary mean a "holding company" and "subsidiary" as defined in section 1159 of the Companies Act 2006. In the case of a limited liability partnership which is a subsidiary of a company or another limited liability partnership, section 1159 of the Companies Act 2006 shall be amended so that: (a) references in sub-sections 1159(1)(a) and (c) to voting rights are to the members' rights to vote on all or substantially all matters which are decided by a vote of the members of the limited liability partnership; and (b) the reference in section 1159(1)(b) to the right to appoint or remove a majority of its board of directors is to the right to appoint or remove members holding a majority of the voting rights.

1.3 Clause headings shall not affect the interpretation of these terms and conditions.

1.4 Unless the context otherwise requires:

(a) words in the singular shall include the plural and in the plural shall include the singular;

(b) a reference to a statute or statutory provision is a reference to it as amended, extended or re-enacted from time to time;

(c) a reference to a "clause" means a clause of these terms and conditions;

(d) a reference to one gender shall include a reference to the other genders; and

(e) any words following the terms including, include, in particular, for example or any similar expression shall be construed as illustrative and shall not limit the sense of the words, description, definition, phrase or term preceding those terms.

1.5 In the case of conflict or ambiguity between any provision contained in the body of this Agreement and any provision contained in the Proposal, the provision in the body of this Agreement shall take precedence.

1.6 A person includes a natural person, corporate or unincorporated body (whether or not having separate legal personality) and that person's personal representatives, successors and permitted assigns.

### 2. BASIS OF CONTRACT

2.1 The Contract applies to the exclusion of any other terms that the Customer seeks to impose or incorporate, or which are implied by trade, custom, practice or course of dealing.

2.2 This Agreement shall apply to the licensing of Software, the purchase of Hardware, and the provision of Services except where application to one or the other is specified.

### 3. DELIVERY

3.1 Optio Systems shall use reasonable endeavours to deliver the Products to the Site on the date agreed between Optio Systems and the Customer or as soon after such date as reasonably practicable.

3.2 The Customer shall verify the correct operation of the Software as soon as the notice of User Acceptance Testing is received and shall give notice within 30 Business Days ("Notice Period") to Optio Systems of any issues identified by the Customer with the Software. Issues identified by the Customer within the Notice Period shall be dealt with at Optio Systems' expense. Once the Notice Period expires, the Software is deemed to operate correctly, and any Services required will be payable by the Customer under clause 8.3(d).

### 4. LICENCE

4.1 Optio Systems grants, and the Customer accepts, a non-exclusive, non-transferable, non-sublicensable and non-assignable licence to use the Software as set forth in the Proposal for a period commencing on the date of the installation and terminating pursuant to section 15.

4.2 In relation to the grant set out in clause 4.1:

(a) the Customer may not use the Software other than as specified in clause 4.1 and the Proposal without the prior written consent of Optio Systems, and the Customer acknowledges that additional fees may be payable on any change of use approved by Optio Systems.

(b) the Customer may make backup copies of the Software as may be necessary for its lawful use. The Customer shall take all reasonable steps to prevent unauthorised copying of the Software.

(c) except as expressly stated in this clause 4, the Customer has no right (and shall not permit any third party) to copy, adapt, reverse engineer, decompile, disassemble, modify, adapt or make error corrections to the Software in whole or in part.

4.3 The Customer may not use any information provided by Optio Systems to create any software whose expression is substantially similar to that of the Software nor use such information in any manner which would be restricted by any copyright subsisting in it.

4.4 The Customer shall not:

(a) sub-license, assign or novate the benefit or burden of this licence in whole or in part;

(b) use the Software other than as specified in the Proposal without the prior written consent of Optio Systems;

(c) allow the Software to become the subject of any charge, lien or encumbrance; and

(d) deal in any other manner with any or all of its rights and obligations under these terms and conditions, without the prior written consent of Optio Systems and the Customer acknowledges that additional fees may be payable on any change of use approved by Optio Systems.

4.5 Optio Systems may at any time sub-license, assign, novate, charge or deal in any other manner with any or all of its rights and obligations under this licence, provided it gives written notice to the Customer.

4.6 Each party confirms it is acting on its own behalf and not for the benefit of any other person.

4.7 The Customer shall:

(a) ensure that the number of concurrent devices using the Software does not exceed the number stated in the Licence Certificate;

(b) ensure that the Software is installed on designated equipment only;

(c) notify Optio Systems as soon as it becomes aware of any unauthorized use of the Software by any person;

(d) pay, for broadening the scope of the licences granted under this licence to cover the unauthorized use, an amount equal to the fees which Optio Systems would have levied (in accordance with its normal commercial terms then current) had it licensed any such unauthorised use on the date when such use commenced together with interest at the rate provided for in clause 8.4, from such date to the date of payment.

4.8 The Customer undertakes that it shall not, without the prior written consent of Optio Systems, permit any Competitor to: (a) perform any work on, or provide any services in connection with, the Software; or (b) be granted or otherwise obtain access to the source code of the Software, which constitutes the Intellectual Property Rights of Optio Systems and remains the sole and exclusive property of Optio Systems. Any contravention to this clause 4.8 shall be deemed to be a material breach for the purposes of this Agreement.

### 5. SOFTWARE SUPPORT

5.1 The Supported Software is:

(a) the Software; and

(b) any other software which Optio Systems and Customer agree should be Supported Software for the purposes of these terms and conditions.

### 6. THE SERVICES

6.1 Optio Systems shall supply and the Customer shall take and pay for the Services set out in the Proposal, which may namely include the installation, configuration and commissioning of the Software.

6.2 The Office Hours Support Service shall be provided during the normal office hours in the United Kingdom on a Monday until Friday basis and Optio Systems shall use reasonable endeavours to respond.

6.3 Optio Systems shall have the right to make any changes to the Services which are necessary to comply with any applicable law or safety requirement, or which do not materially affect the nature or quality of the Services, and Optio Systems shall notify the Customer in such event.

6.4 The Customer must maintain a means of direct remote connection to its systems to enable Optio Systems to exercise remote control, transfer files, and provide the Support Services set out in the Maintenance Certificate.

6.5 Optio Systems shall not be liable to perform the Services if the systems used by the Customer to connect to the Software contain a Disabling Device. A "Disabling Device" means any program, mechanism, programming device, malware or other computer code (i) designed to disrupt, disable, harm or otherwise impede in any manner the operation of any software program or code, or any computer system or network; (ii) designed to or could reasonably be used to permit a third party to access any computer system or network; or (iii) designed to or could reasonably be used to permit a third party to track, monitor or otherwise report the operation and use of any software program or any computer system or network by the other party.

### 7. ADDITIONAL SERVICES

7.1 The Customer may, from time to time, request Optio Systems to provide Services other than those outlined in the Proposal ("Additional

Services"). Optio Systems shall use its reasonable endeavours to comply with the Customer's request, but the Customer acknowledges that Optio Systems' ability to supply the Additional Services shall depend on the availability of appropriate resources.

7.2 Where Optio Systems agrees to provide Additional Services, such agreement shall be embodied in an order for Additional Services or a Proposal. Each order for Additional Services shall be made under, and shall incorporate, the terms of this Agreement.

## 8. CHARGES

8.1 The Customer shall pay all of the charges set out in the Proposal according to the terms of this Agreement.

8.2 All amounts payable by the Customer under this Agreement are exclusive of VAT and any other appropriate taxes. Where any taxable supply for VAT purposes is made under the Contract by Optio Systems to the Customer, the Customer shall pay to Optio Systems such additional amounts in respect of VAT as are chargeable on the supply at the same time as the payments pursuant to clause 8.1 above, are due.

8.3 Our payment terms are:

(a) For the purchase of Hardware, the Price is payable in full no later than thirty (30) days upon Customer receipt of the invoice. Optio Systems shall issue the invoice when the Hardware is delivered to Optio Systems or to the Customer, as the case may be.

(b) for the installation, configuration and commissioning of the Software licence granted under this Agreement, or for the installation, configuration and commissioning of Hardware if applicable, the Price is payable as follows:

(i) if the installation, configuration and commissioning Price is less than £5,000.00, the Price is payable in full upon completion of the installation, the configuration, and the commissioning; and

(ii) if the installation and configuration Price is greater than £5,000.00, thirty five percent (35%) of the Price is payable upon the Customer's acceptance of the Proposal, thirty five percent (35%) of the Price is payable in stage payments set out in the Proposal or as subsequently agreed, and thirty percent (30%) of the Price is payable within 30 days of satisfactory installation, configuration, and commissioning.

(c) For the licence granting the use of the Software under clause 4, the Price specified in the Proposal is payable on the 30th day following the Customer's receipt of the User Acceptance Testing notice ("Payment Commencement Date") and annually thereafter on the same date of each subsequent year.

(d) For any Additional Services provided under clause 7, the Price is payable within 30 days of the Customer's receipt of the invoice.

8.4 If the Customer fails to make any payment due to Optio Systems under these terms and conditions by the due date for payment, then, without limiting Optio Systems' remedies under clause 15, the Customer shall pay interest on the overdue amount at the rate of 5% per annum above the Bank of England's base rate from time to time. Such interest shall accrue on a daily basis from the due date until actual payment of the overdue amount, whether before or after judgment. The Customer shall pay the interest together with the overdue amount.

8.5 If the Customer delays or halts, for any reason whatsoever, the installation, configuration or commissioning of the Software licence or the installation, configuration and commissioning of the Hardware for a period of more than three (3) months, Optio Systems may invoice the Customer all amounts due for the work completed on a pro rata basis. If the Customer notifies Optio Systems that the installation,

configuration, or commissioning may resume, Optio Systems will provide the Customer with a new Proposal for the work remaining.

## 9. PRICE INCREASES

9.1 Optio Systems may adjust the Prices and the payment terms as outlined in clause 8.3 as follows:

(a) For the Hardware, at any time with 30 days' written notice.

(b) for the installation, configuration and commissioning of the Software licence granted as outlined in this Agreement, or for the installation, configuration and commissioning of Hardware, at any time with 30 days' written notice.

(c) For the licence granting the use of the Software as outlined in clause 4, annually following the expiration of 12 months from the Payment Commencement Date with 30 days' written notice.

(d) For any Additional Services provided as outlined in clause 7, at any time with 30 days' written notice.

## 10. CONFIDENTIALITY AND PUBLICITY

10.1 Each party shall, during the term of this Agreement and thereafter, keep confidential all, and shall not use for its own purposes (other than implementation of this licence) nor without the prior written consent of the other disclose to any third party (except its professional advisors or as may be required by any law or any legal or regulatory authority) any, information of a confidential nature (including trade secrets and information of commercial value) which may become known to such party from the other party and which relates to the other party or any of its Affiliates, unless that information is public knowledge or already known to such party at the time of disclosure, or subsequently becomes public knowledge other than by breach of this licence, or subsequently comes lawfully into the possession of such party from a third party. Each party shall use its reasonable endeavours to prevent the unauthorised disclosure of any such information.

10.2 No party shall make, or permit any person to make, any public announcement concerning this Agreement without the prior written consent of the other parties (such consent not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed), except as required by law, any governmental or regulatory authority (including, without limitation, any relevant securities exchange), any court or other authority of competent jurisdiction.

10.3 The Customer grants Optio Systems the right to use in advertising, publicity, or other promotional activities, namely in a general listing of customers, its name, trade name, trademark or other designation.

## 11. OPTIO SYSTEMS' WARRANTIES

### 11.1 Software Warranty

(a) Optio Systems warrants that the Software will conform in all material respects to the Specification for a period of 1 year from the date the Customer commences operational use of the Software provided always that such defect or fault does not result from an act or omission of the Customer, or anyone acting with the authority of the Customer, having amended the Software or used it outside the terms of the licence granted under the terms of clause 4;

(b) Optio Systems does not warrant the Third Party Software; and

(c) Optio Systems does not warrant that the use of the Software will be uninterrupted or error-free.

## 11.2 Hardware Warranty

Optio Systems does not warrant the Equipment. Optio Systems assigns to the Customer the benefits of such warranties and guarantees that it has received from the manufacture and/or Optio Systems' supplier of the Hardware only to the extent that it is able to do so.

## 11.3 Services Warranty

(a) Optio Systems warrants to the Customer that the Services will be performed:

- (i) in accordance with all applicable laws and regulations; and
- (ii) using reasonable skill and care.

(b) No representation or warranty is given by Optio Systems that all faults will be fixed within a specified period of time.

11.4 All other conditions, warranties or other terms which might have effect between the parties or be implied or incorporated into this Agreement or any collateral contract, whether by statute, common law or otherwise, are hereby excluded, including the implied conditions, warranties or other terms as to satisfactory quality, fitness for purpose or the use of reasonable skill and care.

## 12. THE CUSTOMER'S RESPONSIBILITIES

12.1 The Customer shall:

(a) ensure that appropriate environmental conditions are maintained for the Supported Software and the Hardware and shall take all reasonable steps to ensure that the Supported Software and the Hardware are operated in a proper manner by the Customer's employees;

(b) allow Optio Systems full and free access to the Software and shall give Optio Systems all reasonable assistance in the diagnosis of the reasons for any malfunction;

(c) report all faults promptly to Optio Systems; and

(d) keep full back up copies of all of its data.

## 13. LIMITS OF LIABILITY

### **THE CUSTOMER'S ATTENTION IS PARTICULARLY DRAWN TO THIS CLAUSE.**

13.1 Except as expressly stated in clause 13.2:

(a) Optio Systems shall not in any circumstances have any liability for any losses or damages which may be suffered by the Customer (or any person claiming under or through the Customer), whether the same are suffered directly or indirectly or are immediate or consequential, and whether the same arise in contract, tort (including negligence) or otherwise howsoever, which fall within any of the following categories:

- (i) special damage even if Optio Systems was aware of the circumstances in which such special damage could arise;
- (ii) loss of profits;
- (iii) loss of anticipated savings;
- (iv) loss of business opportunity;
- (v) loss of goodwill;
- (vi) loss or corruption of data,

provided that this clause 13.1(a) shall not prevent claims for loss of or damage to the Customer's tangible property that fall within the terms of clause 13.1(b) or any other claims for direct financial loss that are not excluded by any of categories (i) to (vi) inclusive of this clause 13.1(a);

(b) the total liability of Optio Systems, whether in contract, tort (including negligence) or otherwise and whether in connection with this Contract or any collateral contract, shall:

(i) during the warranty period referred to in clause 11.1(a), in no circumstances exceed a sum equal to the aggregate of the payments set out in clause 8.3(a) exclusive of VAT and any other appropriate taxes;

(ii) in relation to the Support Services, in no circumstances exceed a sum equal to the amount paid by the Customer exclusive of VAT and any other appropriate taxes for the Support Service in the year ended on the date the circumstances arose that gives rise to such claim;

(iii) in relation to the Additional Services, in no circumstances exceed the amount paid by the Customer exclusive of VAT and any other appropriate taxes for the Additional Services; and

(iv) notwithstanding the foregoing, but subject to clause 13.2, Optio Systems' maximum aggregate liability for all acts, omissions or defaults of Optio Systems, its directors, employees, agents or subcontractors occurring in any twelve (12) month period shall in no circumstances exceed one hundred percent (100%) of the total Fees paid by the Customer under or in connection with this Agreement in the twelve (12) months immediately preceding the date on which the liability arose.

(c) the Customer agrees that, in entering into the Contract, it did not rely on any representations (whether written or oral) of any kind or of any person other than those expressly set out in this Agreement and if it did rely on any representations, whether written or oral, not expressly set out in this Agreement that it shall have no remedy in respect of such representations and in either case Optio Systems shall have no liability in any circumstances otherwise than in accordance with the express terms of this licence.

13.2 The exclusions in clause 11.4 and clause 13.1 shall apply to the fullest extent permissible at law, but Optio Systems does not exclude liability for:

(a) death or personal injury caused by the negligence of Optio Systems, its officers, employees, contractors or agents;

(b) fraud or fraudulent misrepresentation;

(c) breach of the obligations implied by section 12 of the Sale of Goods Act 1979 or section 2 of the Supply of Goods and Services Act 1982; or

(d) any other liability which may not be excluded by law.

13.3 All dates supplied by Optio Systems for the delivery of the Software, the delivery of the Hardware, or the performance of the Services shall be treated as approximate only. Optio Systems shall not in any circumstances be liable for any loss or damage arising from any delay beyond such approximate dates.

13.4 All references to "Optio Systems" in this clause 13 shall, for the purposes of this clause and clause 21 only, be treated as including all employees, subcontractors and suppliers of Optio Systems and its Affiliates, all of whom shall have the benefit of the exclusions and limitations of liability set out in this clause, in accordance with clause 21.

## 14. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS

14.1 The Customer acknowledges that all Intellectual Property Rights in the Software belongs to Optio Systems or third party owners (as the case may be), and the Customer shall have no rights in or to the Software other than the right to use it in accordance with the terms of clause 4 of this Agreement.

## 15. DURATION AND TERMINATION

15.1 The Contract shall take effect on the date of the Customer's acceptance of the Proposal and shall run for the duration specified in the Proposal or until such Hardware and Services specified in the proposal have been delivered, unless terminated by Optio Systems with 30 days' written notice, by the Customer with 60 days' written notice or unless terminated under clause 15.2.

15.2 Without affecting any other right or remedy available to it, Optio Systems may terminate the Contract and immediately suspend the Software licence granted under clause 4 with immediate effect if:

(a) the Customer fails to pay any amount due under this Agreement on the due date for payment and remains in default not less than 30 days after being notified in writing to make such payment;

(b) the Customer commits a material breach of any term of this Agreement and, if such a breach is deemed remediable at Optio Systems' sole discretion, fails to remedy the breach within a period of 20 days after being notified in writing to do so;

(c) the Customer suspends, or threatens to suspend, payment of its debts or is unable to pay its debts as they fall due or admits inability to pay its debts or is deemed unable to pay its debts within the meaning of section 123 of the Insolvency Act 1986;

(d) the Customer commences negotiations with all or any class of its creditors with a view to rescheduling any of its debts, or makes a proposal for or enters into any compromise or arrangement with its creditors;

(e) a petition is filed, a notice is given, a resolution is passed, or an order is made, for or in connection with the winding up of the Customer;

(f) an application is made to court, or an order is made, for the appointment of an administrator, or if a notice of intention to appoint an administrator is given or if an administrator is appointed, over the Customer;

(g) the holder of a qualifying floating charge over the assets of the Customer has become entitled to appoint or has appointed an administrative receiver;

(h) a person becomes entitled to appoint a receiver over the assets of the Customer or a receiver is appointed over the assets of the Customer;

(i) a creditor or encumbrancer of the other party attaches or takes possession of, or a distress, execution, sequestration or other such process is levied or enforced on or sued against, the whole or any part of the Customer's assets and such attachment or process is not discharged within 14 days;

(j) any event occurs, or proceeding is taken, with respect to the other party in any jurisdiction to which it is subject that has an effect equivalent or similar to any of the events mentioned in clause 15.2(c) to clause 15.2(i) (inclusive);

(k) the Customer suspends or ceases, or threatens to suspend or cease, carrying on all or a substantial part of its business; or

(l) the Customer undergoes a change of Control without having first obtained Optio Systems' prior written consent, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld.

15.3 Any provision of this Agreement that expressly or by implication is intended to come into or continue in force on or after termination or expiry of these terms and conditions shall remain in full force and effect.

15.4 Termination of this Agreement shall not affect any rights, remedies, obligations or liabilities of the parties that have accrued up to the date of termination or expiry, including the right to claim damages in respect of any breach of the agreement which existed at or before the date of termination or expiry.

15.5 On termination for any reason:

(a) all rights granted to the Customer under clause 4 above shall cease;

(b) the Customer shall cease all activities authorised by clause 4 above;

(c) the Customer shall immediately pay to Optio Systems any sums due to Optio Systems under the Agreement.

(d) the Customer shall immediately destroy or return to Optio Systems (at Optio Systems' option) all copies of the Software then in its possession, custody or control and, in the case of destruction, certify to Optio Systems that it has done so.

## 16. FORCE MAJEURE

16.1 Neither party shall be in breach of these terms and conditions nor liable for delay in performing, or failure to perform, any of its obligations under these terms and conditions if such delay or failure result from events, circumstances or causes beyond its reasonable control. In such circumstances the affected party shall be entitled to a reasonable extension of the time for performing such obligations. If the period of delay or non-performance continues for six months, the party not affected may terminate these terms and conditions by giving 30 days' written notice to the affected party.

## 17. WAIVER

No failure or delay by a party to exercise any right or remedy provided under this Agreement or by law shall constitute a waiver of that or any other right or remedy, nor shall it prevent or restrict the further exercise of that or any other right or remedy. No single or partial exercise of such right or remedy shall prevent or restrict the further exercise of that or any other right or remedy.

## 18. REMEDIES

Except as expressly provided in this Agreement, the rights and remedies provided are in addition to, and not exclusive of, any rights or remedies provided by law.

## 19. ENTIRE AGREEMENT

19.1 Optio Systems shall not be liable to the Customer for any loss arising from or in connection with any statements, agreements, undertakings or representations made before this Agreement comes into effect other than those representations contained in this Agreement.

## **20. SEVERANCE**

20.1 If any provision or part-provision of this Agreement is or becomes invalid, illegal or unenforceable, it shall be deemed modified to the minimum extent necessary to make it valid, legal and enforceable. If such modification is not possible, the relevant provision or part-provision shall be deemed deleted. Any modification to or deletion of a provision or part-provision under this clause shall not affect the validity and enforceability of the rest of these terms and conditions.

20.2 If any provision or part-provision of these terms and conditions is invalid, illegal or unenforceable, the parties shall negotiate in good faith to amend such provision so that, as amended, it is legal, valid and enforceable, and, to the greatest extent possible, achieves the intended commercial result of the original provision.

## **21. THIRD-PARTY RIGHTS**

21.1 Optio Systems and the entities referred to in clause 13.4 may enforce the terms of clause 11 and clause 12 subject to and in accordance with this clause 21, this licence and the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999.

21.2 Except as provided in clause 21.1, a person who is not a party to this Contract shall not have any rights under the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 to enforce any term of this Contract, but this does not affect any right or remedy of a third party which exists, or is available, apart from that Act.

## **22. NOTICES**

22.1 Any notice given to a party under or in connection with this Contract shall be in writing and shall be either:

(a) delivered by hand or by pre-paid first-class post or other next working day delivery service at its registered office (if a company) or its principal place of business (in any other case); or

(b) sent by email to the respective email address of each party set out in the Licence and/or Maintenance Certificate.

22.2 Any notice shall be deemed to have been received:

(a) if delivered by hand, on signature of a delivery receipt or at the time the notice is left at the proper address; or

(b) if sent by pre-paid first-class post at 9.00 am on the second Business Day after posting; or

(c) if sent by other next working day delivery service, at the time recorded by the delivery service; or

(d) if sent by email, at the time a confirmation email has been received by the sender from the recipient.

22.3 For the avoidance of doubt, a notice under the provisions under this clause 22 shall not be validly served if sent by fax.

22.4 This clause does not apply to the service of any proceedings or other documents in any legal action or, where applicable, any arbitration or other method of dispute resolution. For the purposes of this clause, "writing" shall not include e-mail.

## **23. GOVERNING LAW AND JURISDICTION**

This Contract and any dispute or claim arising out of or in connection with it or its subject matter or formation (including non-contractual disputes or claims) shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the law of England and Wales. The parties irrevocably agree that the courts of England and Wales shall have exclusive jurisdiction.