Warringtonfire Consulting Limited
Purchasing Terms and Conditions

1 GENERAL

a. In these Conditions “Buyer” means Warringtonfire Consulting Limited (a company registered in England with registered number 11371431), a member of the Element Materials Technology Group; “Supplier” means the supplier indicated on the Order; “Goods” means the goods or other materials stated on the Order and any necessary ancillary goods or materials; “Services” means the services stated on the Order and any necessary ancillary services; “Company” means Warringtonfire Consulting Limited and any of its subsidiary companies (within the meaning of s.1159 of the Companies Act 2006); “Contract” means the contract (incorporating these Conditions and the Order) made between the Buyer and the Supplier for the sale and purchase of the Goods and/or the Services; “Order” means the Buyer’s order for the Goods and/or the Services from the Supplier; “Supplier’s Warranties” means those warranties as set out in clauses 5a, 5b and 5c.

b. The Order is an offer by the Buyer to purchase Goods and/or Services from the Supplier in accordance with these Conditions. The Order shall be deemed to be accepted on the earlier of:
   i. the supplier issuing written acceptance of the Order; or
   ii. any act by the Supplier consistent with fulfilling the Order, at which point and on which date the Contract shall come into existence.

2 DELIVERY OF GOODS/PROVISION OF SERVICES

a. The Supplier shall deliver the Goods and/or complete the provision of the Services by the delivery or completion date(s) stated on the Order. If no dates are so specified, delivery of the Goods and/or completion of the Services will be within 28 days of the date of the Order or by such later date as may be agreed by the Buyer and the Supplier in writing. Time for delivery of the Goods and/or completion of the Services shall be of the essence of the Contract.

b. Delivery of the Goods and provision of the Services to the Buyer shall be made at the place(s) specified in the Order (or, if none specified, at the Buyer’s premises from which the Order is despatched) and by the method(s) specified on the Order (or, if none specified, using such method as accords with best accepted industry practices).

c. The Supplier shall deliver the quantity of goods stated on the Order. The Buyer may at its discretion accept a quantity variation and pay pro-rata for the actual quantity delivered.

d. The Goods shall be properly packed and stored during transit so as to reach their destination in an undamaged condition. All containers and other packaging shall be returned to the Supplier at the Buyer’s cost unless otherwise stated on the Order.

e. The Supplier shall at its own cost obtain and comply with any necessary export/import licences, permits or consents (including work permits or consents) for the supply and delivery of the Goods or provision of the Services.

f. The Buyer or its representatives shall have the right to inspect and test the Goods and inspect the provision of the Services, and the Supplier irrevocably grants the Buyer the right to enter its premises for these purposes. If as a result of such inspection or testing the Buyer is not satisfied that the Goods or the Services comply with the Contract and the Buyer so informs the Supplier then the Supplier shall take all necessary steps to ensure compliance. No inspection or testing shall imply any acceptance by the Buyer.

g. The Buyer may at any time make changes in writing relating to the Order including changes in the specification of the Goods or the method of performance of the Services, quantities, packing or time or place of delivery of the Goods or performance of the Services. If such changes result in an increasing cost of, or time required for, the delivery of the Goods and/or the performance of the Services, an equitable adjustment shall be made to the price and/or the schedule for the delivery of the Goods or the performance of the Services. Any change for adjustment by the Supplier must be approved by the Buyer in writing before the Supplier proceeds with such changes.

h. The Buyer may, at any time, cancel the Contract in whole or in part by giving notice to the Supplier at any time prior to delivery of the Goods or performance of the Services, in which event the buyer’s sole liability shall be to pay to the Supplier fair and reasonable compensation for work in-progress at the time of cancellation but such compensation shall not include loss of anticipated profits or any consequential loss.

3 PRICE AND PAYMENT

a. Unless otherwise stated on the Order the price for the Goods and/or the Services is exclusive of VAT but inclusive of all other duties, fees or taxes, cost of delivery, carriage, packing or provision to the Buyer, and shall not be subject to adjustment without the Buyer’s prior written consent.

b. If no price is stated on the Order, a price must be agreed in writing with the Buyer before the Order is acted upon by the Supplier.

c. The Supplier’s invoices shall not be paid by the Buyer unless they show: the order number, VAT rate, amount of VAT charged and the Supplier’s VAT registration number. Unless otherwise stated on the Order, payment shall be due from the Buyer sixty (60) days from the date of invoice which the Buyer receives from the Supplier. The Supplier may not invoice the Buyer until delivery of the Goods to the Buyer or completion of the Services unless otherwise stated on the Order.

d. Payments to the Buyer shall be without prejudice to any claims or rights which the Buyer may have against the Supplier and shall not constitute any admission by the Buyer as to satisfaction of the Supplier’s obligations under the Contract. The Buyer may withhold payment of any sums due under the Contract in the event of any dispute with or claim against the Supplier.

e. The Buyer may, by notice in writing to the Supplier, set off any or all of the monies owing by the Buyer to the Supplier for the Goods or the Services against any amount owing from the Supplier to any Company (without prejudice to any other remedies of the Buyer in respect of any default by the Supplier).

4 RISK AND TITLE

a. In the case of the Goods the Supplier warrants to the Buyer that:
   i. the Goods as delivered shall comply with all specifications and/or drawings supplied by the Buyer to the Supplier or, if none, with the Supplier’s standard specifications and with any description or sample;
   ii. the Goods shall be of satisfactory quality (within the meaning of the Sale of Goods Act 1979, as amended), sound design, materials and workmanship and fit for any purpose held out by the Supplier or specified by the Buyer or as may be reasonably inferred from the Contract or dealings between the parties and the Supplier or otherwise in the Buyer’s own risk and treat with the highest degree of care and skill accepted within the trade all items or other materials of the Buyer (if any) provided to the Supplier for or in connection with the supply of the Goods; and
   iii. the Goods shall comply with all applicable laws, standards and regulations (and with any collection, quantity or other requirements stated on the Order) concerning the manufacture, packaging, labelling, storage, handling and delivery of the Goods, and with all relevant Health and Safety and Environmental regulations, European and British Standards and with best accepted industry standards

b. In the case of the Services the Supplier warrants to the Buyer that:

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i. the Services shall, on completion of their provision to the Buyer, comply with the agreed specification or, if none, with the Supplier’s standard specification and with any description or demonstration and shall otherwise be the best of their kind provided in the trade and to be the Buyer’s reasonable satisfaction;

ii. the Services shall be provided with the highest standards of care, skill and workmanship accepted within the trade and the Supplier shall hold in safe custody at its own risk and treat with the highest degree of care and skill accepted within the trade all items or other materials of the Buyer (if any) provided to the Supplier for or in connection with the provision of the Goods or Services;

iii. it shall use personnel who are suitably skilled and experienced to perform tasks assigned to them, and in sufficient number to ensure that the Supplier’s obligations are fulfilled in accordance with this Contract;

iv. it shall use the best quality goods, materials, standards and techniques, and ensure that the deliverables and all goods and materials supplied and used in the Services or transferred to the Buyer, will be free from defects in workmanship, installation and design;

v. the Services shall be provided in accordance with all applicable standards, regulations and/or legal requirements, all relevant European and British Standards, and best accepted industry practices;

vi. in the case of the Services provided on or at premises of the Buyer, the Supplier shall comply with all relevant Buyer policies (including health and safety policies and physical, systems and information security policies) and with the Buyer’s site regulations in force from time to time and with other reasonable requests of the Buyer.

c. The Supplier warrants that it shall not do or omit to do anything which may cause the Buyer to lose any licence, authority, consent or permission upon which it relies for the purposes of conducting its business, and the Supplier acknowledges that the Buyer may rely or act on the Services.

d. If the Buyer finds that the Goods and/or the Services (or any of them) fail to comply with any of the Supplier’s Warranties (however slight the breach) the Buyer may, by giving notice to the Supplier:

i. reject any of the Goods or any part thereof (including any or all of the Goods not affected by such failure to comply), and/or require the immediate refund of any moneys already paid and/or cancel the Order and for the avoidance of doubt, such right shall still be available to the Buyer even if the Buyer has re-sold or otherwise dealt with the Goods;

ii. refuse any further delivery of any Goods or the further provision of any Services (including under another Contract);

iii. require the Supplier (free of charge) to make good or replace the Goods or re-performance of the Services to the Buyer’s satisfaction (in either case within 30 days). Any defect which is unable to be rectified either by making good, repair or re-performance is unsatisfactory. Any replacement Goods or re-performed Services shall comply in all respects with the Supplier’s Warranties;

iv. (by itself or through arrangements with a third party) make good, modify repair or otherwise correct the Goods or re-performance the Services at the Supplier’s cost. The Supplier shall immediately on demand reimburse the Buyer its costs and expenses of such making good, modification, repair, correction or re-performance.

e. The Goods which are alleged not to comply with the Supplier’s Warranties shall as far as practicable be preserved by the Buyer for inspection by the Supplier (provided that the Supplier inspects the Goods within 14 days of being notified of the alleged defect by the Buyer), and shall, if reasonably practicable, be returned to the Supplier at the Supplier’s cost’s.

f. The Supplier shall take out and maintain insurance with a reputable insurance company against any loss or damage whatsoever to the Buyer, the Buyer’s employees, the Buyer’s property, and any third party, whether caused by the Supplier’s (or its sub-contractors’) default in providing the Services or supplying the Goods or otherwise through the Supplier’s (or its sub-contractors’) negligence in amounts adequate to cover any such potential loss or damage that may be incurred by the Buyer (or such other amounts as may be specified on the Order). The Supplier shall provide evidence of such cover to the Buyer upon the Buyer’s request.

6. FORCE MAJEURE

The Buyer has the right to defer the date of delivery or payment, cancel the Order, and/or otherwise vary the Contract if it is prevented from or delayed in the carrying on of its business through any circumstances beyond its reasonable control (including acts of God, war, fire, breakdown of plant or machinery, unavailability of fuel or power, flood, storm, tempest, explosion and national emergencies).

7. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY: THIRD PARTY CLAIMS

a. All designs, drawings, prints, samples, specifications and other materials prepared by the Buyer for the purposes of the Contract, and any such items prepared by the Supplier for the purposes of the Contract and representing, containing or embodying proprietary designs or other intellectual property (including patents, inventions, know-how, trade secrets, registered designs, copyrights, database rights, trade marks, service marks, logos, domain names, business names, trade names and design rights) of the Buyer or prepared by the Supplier in accordance with the Buyer’s commission or specification shall remain or become the Buyer’s property, and any third party, whether caused by the Supplier’s (or its sub-contractors’) default or other cause, shall be entitled to such rights.

b. Where the Buyer or any of its employees, the Buyer’s agents or (where applicable) subcontractors have contributed to the development of the Goods or Services, the Supplier shall ensure that the Supplier’s obligations under the Contract are conditioned on the Supplier ensuring compliance with Articles 28(2) and 28(4) of the GDPR; and (vii) cease Processing the Personal Data within ninety (90) days upon the termination or expiry of this Contract or, if sooner, the Service to which it relates and as soon as possible thereafter (at the Buyer’s option), either return, or securely wipe from its systems, the Personal Data and any copies of it or of the information it contains, other than to the extent that, and for so long as, the Supplier is required to retain the Personal Data due to a legal or regulatory requirement.
c. If the Buyer receives a request from a Data Subject to exercise any of its rights pursuant to Chapter III of the GDPR, the Supplier shall notify the Buyer as soon as reasonably practicable and shall implement and maintain appropriate measures and provide all such assistance as the Buyer may reasonably require to enable the Buyer to timely comply with the subject access request.

d. The Supplier shall notify the Buyer promptly and without undue delay (and in any event within 24 hours upon becoming aware) of any actual or alleged infringement by the Supplier of the rights of a third party or the Buyer under any patent, trade mark, copyright, design right, trade mark, service mark or other intellectual property rights.

e. The Supplier shall notify the Buyer as soon as feasible pursuant to Chapter III of the GDPR, the Supplier shall notify the Buyer as soon as reasonably practicable and shall implement and maintain appropriate measures and provide all such assistance as the Buyer may reasonably require to enable the Buyer to timely comply with the subject access request.

10. ANTI-CORRUPTION

a. The Supplier undertakes to comply with all applicable laws, statutes, regulations and codes relating to anti-bribery and anti-corruption including the Bribery Act 2010 (“Anti-Corruption Laws”) and that it shall not do, nor omit to do, any act that will lead to the Buyer being in breach of any of the Anti-Corruption Laws. The Supplier shall comply with the Buyer’s anti-corruption policies as may be notified to the Supplier and updated from time to time.

b. The Supplier shall promptly report to the Buyer any request or demand for any undue financial or other advantage of any kind received by the Supplier in connection with the performance of the Contract.

11. MODERN SLAVERY

a. In performing its obligations under the contract, the Supplier, and shall ensure that each of its subcontractors shall, comply with all applicable laws, statutes, regulations and codes relating to the prevention of slavery and human trafficking including the Modern Slavery Act 2015. The Supplier shall implement due diligence procedures for its own suppliers, subcontractors and other participants in its supply chains, to ensure that there is no slavery or human trafficking in its supply chains.

b. The Supplier shall notify the Buyer as soon as it becomes aware of any actual or suspected slavery or human trafficking in its supply chains.

12. INDEMNITY

The Supplier shall indemnify the Buyer against any direct, indirect or consequential losses, damages, proceedings, liabilities, claims, costs and expenses (including legal expenses on a full indemnity basis) which may be suffered or incurred by the Buyer as a result of or arising out of or in connection with:

i. any Goods and/or Services failing to comply with any of the Supplier’s Warranties;

ii. any Goods and/or Services being defective or failing to comply with any applicable laws or regulations;

iii. any late or incomplete delivery of the Goods or performance of the Services by the Supplier;

iv. any other breach of the Contract by the Supplier or any negligent act of the Supplier, its employees, agents or contractors (whether or not causing or contributing to death and/or personal injury);

v. any claim made against the Buyer in respect of any liability, loss, damage, cost or expense sustained by the Buyer’s employees or agents or any other third party to the extent that such liability, loss, damage, cost or expense was caused by, relates to or arises from the Goods and/or the Services; or

vi. any actual or alleged infringement by the Supplier of the rights of a third party or the Buyer under any patent, registered design, copyright, design right, trade mark, service mark or trade-name or other intellectual property rights.

13. TERMINATION AND SUSPENSION

a. The Buyer may terminate the Contract forthwith or suspend the whole or any outstanding part of the Order by written notice to the Supplier if:

i. the Supplier fails to deliver or dispatch the Goods or commence or complete the Services on the date or within the period (as the case may be) required under clause 2a or breaches any other term of the Contract;

ii. the Supplier is unable to pay its debts as they fall due, ceases (or threatens to cease) to carry on its business, enters into any arrangement or composition with its creditors, commits any act of bankruptcy or an order is made or an effective resolution is passed for its winding up, or if a petition is presented to court, or if a receiver and manager, receiver, administrative receiver or administrator is appointed or suffers any foreign equivalent of the foregoing; or

iii. the Buyer has reasonable grounds for suspecting that an event in clause 13a.ii has occurred or will occur, or that the Supplier will not deliver the Goods or provide the Services in accordance with the Contract.

b. The Buyer reserves the right in the circumstances stated in clause 13a to remove from the premises where they are being processed or otherwise dealt with in connection with the Services any materials provided to or on behalf of the Supplier in connection with the Services. The Buyer shall be entitled to charge the Supplier the costs incurred by the Buyer in having the Goods and/or the Services completed by others but shall credit to the Supplier a fair proportion of the price for any Services provided, the Goods or materials so removed or work in progress taken over by the Buyer.

14. MISCELLANEOUS

a. Each right or remedy of the Buyer under the Contract is without prejudice to any other right or remedy of the Buyer under this Contract or any other contract.

b. Nothing in this Contract shall create or be deemed to create a partnership between the parties.

c. The Supplier shall not assign, transfer, charge, subcontract or deal in any other manner with all or any of its rights or obligations under the Contract without the prior written consent of the Buyer.

d. Any provision of these Conditions which is held by a competent authority to be invalid, void, voidable, unenforceable or unreasonable (in whole or in part) shall to the extent of such invalidity, voidness, voidability, unenforceability or unreasonableness be deemed severable and the other provisions of these Conditions and the remainder of such provision shall not be affected.

e. Notices must be in writing, in English, to the Buyer’s or the Supplier’s address and may be delivered by hand, first class post, facsimile or by electronic mail. If delivered by hand, the notice shall be deemed delivered on the first working day after day of delivery. If delivered by post, the notice will be deemed delivered on the third working day after being placed prepaid in the first class post. If delivered by facsimile or electronic mail, the notice will be deemed delivered at the time of transmission.

f. No failure or delay by the Buyer to exercise any right, power or remedy will operate as a waiver of it nor will any partial exercise preclude any further exercise of the same or of some other right, power or remedy. No remedy for the Buyer conferred by any of the provisions of the contract is intended to be exclusive of any other remedy, and every remedy will be cumulative and in addition to every other remedy.

g. The provisions of these Conditions which expressly or impliedly have effect after termination of the Contract shall continue to be enforceable notwithstanding termination (including clauses 7, 8, 10, and 13b).

h. The parties to the Contract do not intend that any of its terms will be enforceable by virtue of the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 by any person not a party to it. To avoid doubt, a person who is not a party to the Contract shall not have any rights under or in connection with it.

i. The Contract shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of England and Wales and the Supplier submits to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of England and Wales.