

1 Definitions

1.1 For the purposes of these Terms and Conditions or otherwise:

- a. **"Account Holder"** means the person or entity in whose name a Porter Account is opened and is deemed to include each Guarantor and, where the context permits, is deemed to include any agent, contractor, employee or representative of the Account Holder.
- b. **"Credit Limit"** means the credit limit from time to time specified by Porter Group in its absolute discretion on a Porter Account.
- c. **"Default Interest Rate"** means two percent per month compounding on the 20th day of each month or such other rate as Porter Group shall notify the Account Holder in writing as being the then current rate applicable to the Account Holder's Porter Account.
- d. **"Due Date"** means the 20th day of the month following the closing date of each Statement.
- e. **"Goods"** means all present and future acquired goods, plant, equipment, parts or other items purchased, leased, hired by, or financed to, the Account Holder by or from Porter Group.
- f. **"Guarantor"** means each guarantor named in this application as such and any other person or entity who gives a guarantee in respect of a Porter Account and, where the context permits, includes any agent, contractor, employee or representative of the Guarantor.
- g. **"Limited Damage Waiver"** means any arrangement made or deemed to be made pursuant to clause 5.10.
- h. **"Porter Account"** means any credit account created in accordance with these Terms and Conditions or otherwise that may be used by the Account Holder as a trading account with any one or more of the entities comprising the Porter Group.
- i. **"Porter Group Costs"** means costs, sums, fees, duties (including stamp duty), taxes (including GST, and any fines, interest and penalties), legal fees (including as between solicitor and client), including (without limitation) in respect of the negotiation, preparation, execution, registration and enforcement or attempting to enforce (or make good) any document or obligation of the Account Holder or Guarantor, registration fees, interest, premiums, penalties, break costs, loss of profit or margin, levies, payments, rates, rentals, charges, outgoings, expenses, liabilities, claims, losses and other financial obligations, in each case whether direct or indirect.
- j. **"Porter Group"** means any and all of:
 - i. Porter Hire Limited, Porter Finance Limited, Porter Equipment Limited, Porter Haulage Limited, Porter Access Hire Limited, Porter Cranes Limited, Porter Mechanical Limited, Porter Parts Limited and/or Porter Properties Limited and
 - ii. Any other company (whether incorporated in New Zealand or otherwise) which is related to any company specified in clause 1.1(i) in the manner provided in section 2(3) of the Companies Act 1993.
- k. **"PPSA"** means the Personal Property Securities Act 1999.
- l. **"Security Interest"** has the meaning provided in the PPSA.
- m. **"Services"** means any services, including machinery maintenance and repair, transportation and any other services, provided by Porter Group to the Account Holder.
- n. **"Statement"** means the monthly transaction statement issued by Porter Group in respect of a Porter Account.
- o. **"Terms and Conditions"** means these Terms and Conditions as amended, varied, updated, modified, or replaced from time to time by Porter Group and any other terms and conditions of use issued by Porter Group from time to time in relation to Porter Accounts.
- p. **"Transactions"** means any servicing, sale, lease, hire or other arrangement entered into between the Account Holder and Porter Group whereby Services are provided to the Account Holder, or Goods are supplied to the Account Holder, in respect of which these Terms and Conditions will apply.

2 The Contract

2.1 Upon agreement by the Account Holder in writing to accept these Terms and Conditions or by the Account Holder's use of its Porter Account, each Transaction will form a legal contract between the Account Holder and Porter Group. Use of the Porter Account by the Account Holder is at all times governed by the then current Terms and Conditions as varied from time to time by Porter Group by notice in writing, and/or changed on the Porter Group website (www.portergroup.co.nz). A reference to "Terms and Conditions" is also deemed to be a reference to the legal contract which exists in respect of each Transaction.

3 Porter Account

- 3.1** A Porter Account provides the Account Holder with a debit account against which the Account Holder can charge authorised Transactions.
- 3.2** Porter Group will maintain a Porter Account for the Account Holder to which all Transactions will be debited.
- 3.3** Porter Group may impose such fees and charges as notified to the Account Holder from time to time and such fees and charges (if any) will be debited to the Account Holder's Porter Account.
- 3.4** The Account Holder is liable for all Transactions, fees and charges charged to the Porter Account, and all Porter Group Costs.

4 Terms of Sale of Goods and Provision of Services on Credit

- 4.1** Goods sold whether on credit or otherwise to an Account Holder are:
 - a. sold for business purposes and the parties agree that the Consumer Guarantees Act 1993 (in this clause "the Act") shall not apply to those Goods. If the Account Holder supplies any Goods to any third party and that supply would otherwise be subject to the provisions of the Act, the Account Holder will obtain the agreement of its customer that the Act will not apply to that supply and if the Account Holder fails to obtain such agreement from its customer then the Account Holder indemnifies Porter Group against any liability incurred by Porter Group arising out of that failure;
 - b. at the Account Holder's risk from dispatch from Porter Group's premises or from premises which are under Porter Group's control and/or care at that

time (unless damage is directly as a result of any gross negligence or wilful act of Porter Group or any of its employees or authorised agents), provided that Porter Group shall retain title to all the Goods until all Goods have been paid for in full and the Account Holder has performed all of its obligations whether under these Terms and Conditions or otherwise. The Account Holder shall insure the Goods for their full price, and shall not sell, dispose, part with possession, charge, encumber, grant a Security Interest in, or otherwise do anything else inconsistent with Porter Group's ownership of the Goods, until title in them passes to the Account Holder.

- c. unless otherwise agreed, transported at the cost of the Account Holder. If Porter Group is delivering the Goods to the Account Holder, Porter Group will use its best endeavours to see that delivery is made according to schedule, but shall not be responsible for delays to any such schedule.
- 4.2** Services provided to an Account Holder whether on credit or otherwise are provided on the basis that:
 - a. the Services are provided for business purposes and the parties agree that the Consumer Guarantees Act 1993 shall not apply to those Services.
 - b. it is the Account Holder's responsibility to insure any of its property while it is in the control of Porter Group; and
 - c. all property of the Account Holder delivered to Porter Group's possession for provision of the Services is subject to a lien for any sums owing by the Account Holder.
- 4.3** Subject to clause 18, all claims by an Account Holder for errors or short delivery of Goods or provision of Services must be made in writing to Porter Group quoting relevant invoice numbers within seven days of delivery of the Goods or completion of the Services in question.
- 4.4** The Account Holder agrees and acknowledges that:
 - a. Porter Group has not made any representation that the Goods are of an acceptable quality, durability, or fitness nor that the Goods are new goods or equal to new;
 - b. The Account Holder does not rely on Porter Group's skill or judgment as to the quality, durability or fitness of the Goods for any particular purpose; and
 - c. The Account Holder enters into these Terms and Conditions and each Transaction solely in reliance upon its own judgment as to the quality, durability and fitness of the Goods for the Account Holder's purposes, and the risk in these respects is borne by the Account Holder.
- 4.5** The Account Holder agrees and acknowledges that the Account Holder has inspected the Goods and that the Goods were supplied by Porter Group on a fully operational basis, in proper working order and condition and that the Account Holder:
 - a. Will before using the Goods:
 - i. Ensure that all safety checks appropriate for the use of the Goods are carried out; and
 - ii. Conduct and be satisfied as to a risk assessment of all work sites at which the Goods will operate, including identifying possible hazards for its employees and other persons operating, or in the vicinity of, the Goods.
 - b. Acknowledges that it is aware of its obligations and duties under the Health and Safety at Work Act 2015 and warrants that the Account Holder:
 - i. Has written rules and procedures relating to health and safety which the Account Holder will follow to ensure the safety of its employees and all persons operating, or in the vicinity of, the Goods;
 - ii. Will ensure that all persons who use the Goods are competent to do so and will use it in the manner it was designed to be used, follow any directions from Porter Group, local authorities, codes of practice or from the manufacturer of the Goods relating to the use and safety of the Goods, and will comply with all obligations in relation to the use and control of the Goods and ensure persons using the Goods comply with the Health and Safety at Work Act 2015 and all other relevant legislation;
 - iii. Is responsible for all health and safety obligations in respect of the Goods and will take all practicable steps to eliminate, isolate, and minimise any hazards or risks for its employees or other persons operating, or in the vicinity of, the Goods and ensure the safety of any person operating the Goods or other persons in the vicinity of the Goods; and
 - iv. Will maintain a register of accidents and conform with any code of practice and regulations which relate to the particular work being undertaken by the Goods.

5 Terms of Hire

- 5.1** All Goods hired by Porter Group to the Account Holder are hired on the following terms (unless otherwise expressly provided in any other agreement drafted by Porter Group and entered into between the parties in writing or notified by Porter Group to the Account Holder from time to time).
- 5.2** Porter Group hires to the Account Holder, and the Account Holder takes on hire from Porter Group, the Goods for the hire charges, from the commencement date and for the hire period ("the Term") as advised by Porter Group to the Account Holder from time to time and otherwise on these Terms and Conditions. Any Goods hired or supplied at the Account Holder's request without formal record of the terms of hire will be charged for at Porter Group's standard hire rates.
- 5.3** No later than at least three months prior to the end of the Term, the Account Holder may give written notice to Porter Group that the Account Holder wishes to extend the Term. Porter Group may, but is under no obligation to, extend the Term on terms, including the Fee, notified by Porter Group to the Account Holder. In the event that there is no agreed Term, the Account Holder and Porter Group expressly agree that the Term is 12 months less one day.
- 5.4** The Account Holder must return the Goods at the end of the Term, provided that Porter Group will allow a grace period of 1 hour, without charge (until 9.00am on the day following the last day of the Term) for return of the Goods unless otherwise agreed in writing by Porter Group.
- 5.5** Where the Account Holder does not return the Goods in accordance with clause 5.4 then, without prejudice to Porter Group other rights and remedies, the Account Holder will continue to be bound by the Account Holder's obligations under this Agreement as if the Term had come to an end when the Goods are returned to Porter Group.
- 5.6** The Account Holder has no right to terminate the hireage before the end of the

Term. Notwithstanding this, if the Account Holder returns the Goods, terminates or purports to terminate the hireage, before the end of the Term (with or without the consent of Porter Group) the Account Holder will pay to Porter Group the total Fee for the Term and any resulting costs and losses (including indirect economic and consequential losses) suffered or incurred by Porter Group as a result of such return, termination or purported termination.

5.7 Porter Group undertakes with the Account Holder as follows:

- a. Porter Group must make the Goods available to the Account Holder;
- b. If the Goods are destroyed or damaged and any insurance money paid to Porter Group by an insurance company pursuant to any claim is, in the opinion of Porter Group, adequate to replace or repair the Goods, Porter Group shall apply the insurance money to this purpose. Pending such repair or replacement, the Account Holder will be liable to pay the Fee to Porter Group and to perform all other obligations to be performed by the Account Holder for the remainder of the Term, and/or on account of any other indebtedness of the Account Holder to Porter Group or any member of the Porter Group, in each case as if such destruction or damage had not occurred. The Account Holder will pay to Porter Group any shortfall between the insurance proceeds received and the cost to Porter Group of replacing the Goods with like Goods or repairing the Goods. If in the opinion of Porter Group, any insurance money received is not adequate to repair or replace the Goods or if any insurance cover is declined then Porter Group will notify the Account Holder of its opinion or that insurance cover has been declined and such notification will terminate the hireage. Termination will not affect any rights, remedies, obligations or liabilities of either party for any act, omission, or other matter whatsoever arising prior to termination and the Account Holder will be liable to pay the Fee to Porter Group and to perform all other obligations to be performed by the Account Holder for the remainder of the Term, and/or on account of any other indebtedness of the Account Holder to Porter Group or any member of the Porter Group, in each case as if termination had not occurred. The Account Holder will pay to Porter Group any shortfall between the insurance proceeds received and the cost to Porter Group of replacing the Goods with like Goods.

5.8 The Account Holder undertakes with Porter Group as follows:

- a. The Account Holder is responsible for arranging and paying for the carriage of the Goods to and from Porter Group's premises or such other premises as notified by Porter Group to the Account Holder and is responsible for all loss or damage to the Goods whatsoever during the carriage. Delivery and collection by a member of the Porter Group will be to and from the footpath unless and agreed otherwise by Porter Group.
- b. During the Term, the Goods are at the Account Holder's risk. Except where the Account Holder's liability is limited as set out in clause 5.10, the Account Holder is responsible for all loss or damage whatsoever to the Goods (other than fair wear and tear which is deemed to exclude any loss or damage to buckets, teeth or hoses, excessive wear on ground engaging parts, paint scratches, glass and panel damage and tyre damage (including punctures, cuts or blow outs)) including, without limitation, the cost of repairs suffered or incurred by Porter Group in consequence of any breakdown or damage to the Goods where such breakdown or damage is caused by any act or omission or misdirection or misuse of the Goods on the part of the Account Holder or persons under the control of the Account Holder, and any costs, loss or damage due to overloading mistakes or neglect in handling.
- c. The Account Holder will supply a suitably qualified, licensed, and competent operator to operate the Goods.
- d. The Account Holder will at its own expense supply and top up as necessary all fuel, oil, lubricating oil, cleaning and other consumables necessary for the operation of the Goods and is responsible for checking fuel, oil, lubricants and carrying out other operating checks prior to use of the Goods on a daily basis. Only fuel and lubricating oils approved by Porter Group shall be used.
- e. The Account Holder will ensure the Goods are kept in proper working order at the Account Holder's own expense, fair wear and tear excepted provided that fair wear and tear does not include any loss or damage to buckets, teeth or hoses, excessive wear on ground engaging parts, paint scratches, glass and panel damage and tyre damage (including punctures, cuts or blow outs)). The Account Holder will immediately advise Porter Group if the Goods require or are likely to require repair, replacement, service, maintenance, or other similar work required to ensure the Goods are kept in proper working order.

5.9 If it has been agreed that the Account Holder will insure the Goods, then the Account Holder will, in addition to any other requirements specified in writing by Porter Group from time to time:

- a. At its cost arrange for all insurances associated with or in respect of the Goods and its use on terms and with a New Zealand insurance company approved by Porter Group, including but not limited to insurance against fire, theft, accident and damage while in the Account Holder's possession.
- b. Ensure that the insurance policy is a full replacement insurance policy that provides for a maximum excess of \$5,000 (which is payable by the Account Holder) including without limitation coverage for hire charges, transit costs and public liability. Without limiting Porter Groups rights to claim loss of revenue from the Account Holder, the insurance policy must also include, at a minimum, coverage for Porter Groups loss of revenue while the Goods are being repaired or replaced, calculated for the purposes of this clause by multiplying the applicable hourly rate specified in Porter Groups then current price list or such other rate as notified by Porter Group to the Account Holder from time to time (and in either case whether before, on or after the commencement date, or whether before, on or after the expiry of the Term) by 6 hours per day for 3 calendar months ("**Three Months' Revenue**").
- c. Make a claim at any time the Goods are destroyed or damaged or at any other time directed by Porter Group.
- d. Agree to Porter Group, in the place of the Account Holder, making a claim or continuing any claim already made by the Account Holder, and agree to transfer to Porter Group, at Porter Groups request, all of its rights and entitlements in this regard.
- e. The insurance policies must show Porter Group as the insured party and must provide for duplicate renewal notices to be sent to Porter Group which has the right at any time to inspect the policy and to pay any outstanding

premiums not paid by the Account Holder and add them to the Fee and such outstanding premiums will become immediately due and payable by the Account Holder. The Account Holder must ensure that at least 14 days prior written notice is given to Porter Group of the expiry or proposed termination of the insurance policies.

- f. If any money is paid to the Account Holder by the insurance company pursuant to any claim or otherwise, the Account Holder shall be deemed to hold that money in trust for Porter Group and shall immediately pay such money to Porter Group.
- g. If, for any reason whatsoever, the Account Holder in breach of this clause does not hold the required insurance (or any insurance at all), or the Account Holder's insurer does not pay out on the relevant policy, the Account Holder warrants to Porter Group that it will personally be responsible for and liable to Porter Group for all of the obligations set out in this clause and that it will pay to Porter Group the full market replacement value of the Goods (as notified by Porter Group to the Account Holder) within 7 days of request by Porter Group in writing.
- h. The Account Holder must, on the commencement date and at any other time requested by Porter Group, provide to Porter Group evidence of insurances taken out. If the Account Holder does not provide such evidence, or does not provide evidence to the satisfaction of Porter Group, Porter Group may provide Limited Damage Waiver for the Goods with effect from the commencement date or such other date as is specified by Porter Group on the terms set out in clause 5.10 and the Account Holder will be liable for the surcharge set out in that clause together with all other costs and fees incurred by Porter Group.
- i. The Account Holder acknowledges that the Account Holder may be liable to Porter Group (including, without limitation, under this clause 5) to an extent greater than any proceeds which Porter Group may receive under any insurance policy contemplated by this clause 5.9.

Limited Damage Waiver

5.10 If it has been agreed that the Limited Damage Waiver will apply for the Goods (or if it has not been agreed that the Account Holder will insure the Goods pursuant to clause 5.9), then:

- a. A surcharge of 10% of the Fee will be added and paid by the Account Holder on receipt of an invoice from the Porter Group;
- b. Subject to clauses 5.10(c) and (d), where the Goods suffer loss or damage (other than loss or damage to buckets, teeth or hoses, excessive wear on ground engaging parts, paint scratches, glass and panel damage and tyre damage (including punctures, cuts or blow outs)) which are not covered by the Limited Damage Waiver, the Account Holder's liability to Porter Group in relation to such loss or damage is limited to the aggregate total of the following:
 - i. One months' revenue, calculated for the purposes of this clause by multiplying the applicable hourly rate specified in Porter Groups then current price list or such other rate as notified by Porter Group to the Account Holder from time to time (and in either case whether before, on or after the commencement date, or whether before, on or after the expiry of the Term) by 6 hours per day for 1 calendar month; and
 - ii. Any fines, penalties, infringement fees or other similar costs imposed by any authority having jurisdiction to do so (irrespective of whether the Account Holder has used the Goods for an authorised or unauthorised purpose); and
 - iii. Either:
 - A. Where Porter Group is insured with a third party, the excess payable pursuant to that insurance policy to a maximum of \$5,000; or
 - B. Where Porter Group is not so insured with a third party, \$5,000.
- c. The limitation of the Account Holder's liability contained in clause 5.10(b) will not apply, if, before, on or after the date the Goods suffer the loss or damage, any one or more of the following apply:
 - i. The Account Holder is in breach of this Agreement including, without limitation, as to payment of the Limited Damage Waiver surcharge pursuant to clause 5.10(a); or
 - ii. The Account Holder has breached (whether remedied or otherwise) or is currently in breach of any Other Agreement with any member of the Porter Group; or
 - iii. The Account Holder has breached (whether remedied or otherwise) or is currently in breach of any applicable laws; or
 - iv. The Account Holder has breached (whether remedied or otherwise) or is currently in breach of the manufacturer's or Porter Groups instructions; or
 - v. The loss or damage to the Goods is caused or contributed to by the Account Holder's or any other person's (whether permitted or otherwise by the Account Holder) intentional, malicious, reckless, dishonest, fraudulent or deliberate act or omission; or
 - vi. The loss or damage is caused or contributed to by the Account Holder, or any other person (whether permitted or otherwise by the Account Holder), operating the Goods under the influence of drugs, alcohol or other prohibited substance; or
 - vii. The loss or damage is caused or contributed to by the Account Holder, or any other person (whether permitted or otherwise by the Account Holder), using the Goods for any purpose that is not permitted by the manufacturer or that would void the warranty provided by the manufacturer of the Goods when the Goods were new, or subjecting the Goods to pollution, corrosive substance or contamination; or
 - viii. The loss or damage to the Goods is caused or contributed to by the Account Holder, or any other person (whether permitted or otherwise by the Account Holder), operating the Goods without being licensed to do so, or failing to comply with any licence conditions; or
 - ix. The loss or damage to the Goods is caused or contributed to by the Account Holder, or any other person (whether permitted or otherwise by the Account Holder), operating the Goods while having been directed by a medical or other professional person not to operate the Goods or any similar equipment due to any health condition, illness, medical treatment, or medication; or

- x. The Goods are seized by any authority having jurisdiction to do so, or any creditor of the Account Holder; or
 - xi. The loss or damage to the Goods is caused or contributed to by an event which the Account Holder could have prevented or mitigated by taking reasonable steps to prevent the loss or damage occurring; or
 - xii. The loss or damage to the Goods is caused or contributed to by the Account Holder, or any other person (whether permitted or otherwise by the Account Holder), operating the Goods in connection with hazardous stock, merchandise, chemicals or in any other hazardous situation, including without limitation where the Goods are deliberately, knowingly or recklessly exposed to a material risk of damage or loss, or where damage or loss of the Goods is reasonably foreseeable, obvious or imminent; or
 - xiii. The loss or damage to the Goods is caused or contributed to by the Account Holder, or any other person (whether permitted or otherwise by the Account Holder), operating the Goods for the purposes of a protest, civil disruption, unlawful purpose, or criminal activity; or
 - xiv. The loss or damage is caused or contributed to by the Account Holder, or any other person (whether permitted or otherwise by the Account Holder), operating the Goods for the purpose of carrying passengers; or
 - xv. The Account Holder, or any other person operating the Goods (whether permitted or otherwise by the Account Holder), does not provide Porter Group or the police or other regulatory authority with all assistance and information required to fully investigate and determine the circumstances surrounding the loss or damage to the Goods, does not do anything reasonably required by Porter Group to mitigate any loss, liability or damage incurred by Porter Group, or fails to report to Porter Group the police or other regulatory authority if required by Porter Group (including failing to take any required breath or blood test for drug or alcohol use).
- d. The Account Holder acknowledges that the Limited Damage Waiver applies only to liability owed by the Account Holder to the Porter Group that relates to or flows from the loss or damage of the Goods, and does not limit, prejudice, affect or otherwise exclude any liability, loss, damage or obligation that the Account Holder owes to:
- i. any third party; or
 - ii. the Porter Group that does not relate to or flow from the loss or damage of the Goods, including without limitation, a breach of this Agreement including, without limitation, under this clause 5.
- e. The Account Holder agrees that the Limited Damage Waiver is not a contract of insurance.
- 5.11** Notwithstanding clause 5.10, Porter Group reserves the right at any time before or during the hire term to decline or cancel Limited Damage Waiver, in which case either (at Porter Groups discretion):
- a. The Account Holder must insure to Porter Groups satisfaction in accordance with clause 5.9; or
 - b. Porter Group may terminate the hireage and the Account Holder will have no claim, right or remedy against Porter Group for such termination or in any other way howsoever.
- 5.12** The Account Holder is responsible for and Porter Group will not be liable for any losses, costs or damages suffered, whether direct or indirect as a result of any down time incurred by the Account Holder while the Goods are being serviced, maintained or repaired.
- 5.13** The Account Holder will not make any alterations to or modify the Goods without the prior written consent of Porter Group and will not remove any identification features on the Goods or any part of the Goods.
- 5.14** The Account Holder will not dispose of, create a Security Interest (as that term is defined in the Personal Property Securities Act 1999) in, encumber, charge, sell, sublet, hire or part with possession of the Goods and will not allow any lien to be created over the Goods for the cost of repairs or otherwise. The Account Holder will not on-hire the Goods or in any other way part with possession of the Goods to a third party without the prior written consent of Porter Group.
- 5.15** The Account Holder will immediately notify Porter Group in writing of any loss or damage to the Goods, including but not limited to mechanical breakdown.
- 5.16** The Goods will be situated during the Term, at such location as may be agreed from time to time by Porter Group and Account Holder. The Account Holder will keep the Goods safe and secure at all times when not in use.
- 5.17** If required by Porter Group, the Account Holder will obtain a written acknowledgement from the registered proprietor or landlord, and the mortgagee if applicable, of any land on which the Goods may be located acknowledging that Porter Group owns the Goods and that the registered proprietor or landlord, and the mortgagee of the land, has no right to distrain the Goods and has no other rights in respect of the Goods.
- 5.18** The Account Holder will only use or permit the Goods to be used for the type of work for which they are intended, unless otherwise agreed in writing by Porter Group.
- 5.19** The Account Holder will be responsible for all road user charges and any offences committed which involve the Goods, including but not limited to traffic infringements, parking fines, fines for overloading, operating without the correct licence, or carrying hazardous Goods without the correct permits or licences. The Account Holder will pay any administration fee charged by Porter Group in respect of any such offences, infringements or fines.
- 5.20** The Account Holder agrees and acknowledges that:
- a. Porter Group has not made any representation that the Goods are of an acceptable quality, durability, or fitness nor that the Goods are new equipment or equal to new;
 - b. The Account Holder does not rely on Porter Groups skill or judgment as to the quality, durability or fitness of the Goods for any particular purpose; and
 - c. The Account Holder enters into this Agreement solely in reliance upon its own judgment as to the quality, durability and fitness of the Goods for the Account Holder's purposes, and the risk in these respects is borne by the Account Holder.
- 5.21** The Account Holder agrees and acknowledges that the Goods were supplied by Porter Group on a fully operational basis and that the Account Holder:
- a. Will before using the Goods:
 - i. Ensure that all safety checks appropriate for the use of the Goods are carried out; and
 - ii. Conduct and be satisfied as to a risk assessment of all work sites at which the Goods will operate, including identifying possible hazards for its employees and other persons operating, or in the vicinity of, the Goods.
 - b. Will carry out prestart daily inspection reports in accordance with Porter Groups specifications from time to time before using the Goods. These inspection reports must be made available on request by Porter Group.
 - c. Acknowledges that it is aware of its obligations and duties under the Health and Safety at Work Act 2015 and warrants that the Account Holder:
 - i. Has written rules and procedures relating to health and safety which the Account Holder will follow to ensure the safety of its employees and all persons operating, or in the vicinity of, the Goods;
 - ii. Will ensure that all persons who use the Goods are competent to do so and will use it in the manner it was designed to be used, follow any directions from Porter Group, local authorities, codes of practice or from the manufacturer of the Goods relating to the use and safety of the Goods, and will comply with all obligations in relation to the use and control of the Goods and ensure persons using the Goods comply with the Health and Safety at Work Act 2015 and all other relevant legislation;
 - iii. Is responsible for all health and safety obligations in respect of the Goods and will take all practicable steps to eliminate, isolate, and minimise any hazards or risks for its employees or other persons operating, or in the vicinity of, the Goods and ensure the safety of any person operating the Goods or other persons in the vicinity of the Goods; and
 - iv. Will maintain a register of accidents and conform with any code of practice and regulations which relate to the particular work being undertaken by the Goods.
- 5.22** The Fee is to be paid in full without deduction, set off, or counterclaim with payments to be made to Porter Group in such manner as Porter Group may specify from time to time.
- 5.23** The Fee will be charged for the whole Term and no adjustment will be made for any time during which the Goods are not in use unless otherwise agreed in writing by Porter Group.
- 5.24** Subject to clauses 5.25 and 5.26, the Fee payable by the Account Holder to Porter Group is the greater of:
- a. The Fee specified by Porter Group; or
 - b. The amount calculated by multiplying the applicable hourly rate specified in Porter Groups then current price list or such other rate as notified by Porter Group to the Account Holder from time to time (and in either case whether before, on or after the Date Start, or whether before, on or after the expiry of the Term) by the number of hours the Goods are operated by the Account Holder or persons under the control of the Account Holder, as determined by Porter Group; or
 - c. The number of days the Goods are in the possession of or in the control of the Account Holder or persons under the control of the Account Holder (including beyond the end of the Term) multiplied by 6 hours per day multiplied by the applicable hourly rate specified in Porter Groups then current price list or such other rate as notified by Porter Group to the Customer from time to time (and in either case whether before, on or after the Date Start, or whether before, on or after the expiry of the Term). The Account Holder acknowledges that the hourly rates referred to above may alter on one or more occasions during the Term.
- 5.25** The Account Holder acknowledges that it is liable for the Fee specified by Porter Group as a minimum fee irrespective of actual usage of the Goods by the Account Holder.
- 5.26** Where the Goods have been damaged or destroyed, the Account Holder will be liable to pay the Fee for the greater of the Term and the period commencing on the commencement date and ending on the date upon which repair or replacement of the damaged or destroyed Goods has been completed (the Goods being deemed to be in the Account Holder's possession under clause 5.24(c) until the Goods are repaired or replaced). Where Porter Group has received loss of revenue insurance proceeds (clause 5.9) in respect of such damage or destruction, the Account Holder's liability to pay the Fee will be reduced by the amount of insurance proceeds actually received by Porter Group.
- 5.27** In addition to the Fee, the Account Holder will also pay any Levy charged by Porter Group to the Account Holder immediately upon receipt of an invoice for the same by the Account Holder.
- 5.28** On or before the commencement date or at any other time requested by Porter Group, the Account Holder will provide to Porter Group a bond in cash or other cleared funds as permitted by Porter Group, in the amount of:
- a. \$500 for Goods less than 2 tonne; or
 - b. \$1000 for Goods greater than 2 tonne ("the Bond").
- 5.29** On return of the Goods by the Account Holder, Porter Group may use the whole or any part of the Bond against the costs incurred by Porter Group pursuant to clause 5.31 or any other amounts outstanding by the Account Holder to Porter Group. Porter Group will pay the balance (if any) to the Account Holder.
- 5.30** The use of the Bond by Porter Group is without prejudice to any other rights or remedies available to Porter Group, including but without limitation under any indemnity given by the Account Holder to Porter Group.
- 5.31** The hire of the Goods will terminate at the end of the Term and subject to clause 5.4 the Account Holder shall deliver the Goods to Porter Group or such other party as Porter Group directs in good working order, repair, condition, and appearance as it was when delivered to the Account Holder, fair wear and tear only excepted. Notwithstanding the foregoing or anything to the contrary in this Agreement:
- a. The Account Holder will ensure the Goods are returned with a full tank of fuel;
 - b. The Account Holder is liable for and will indemnify Porter Group against all loss or damage to buckets, teeth or hoses, excessive wear on ground engaging parts, paint scratches, glass and panel damage and tyre damage (including punctures, cuts or blow outs) irrespective of whether such loss or damage arose from fair wear and tear;
 - c. The Account Holder will be liable for and will indemnify Porter Group against the cost of reconditioning any Goods rendered by the Account Holder unfit

- for further service.
- 5.32** Porter Group retains full title to the Goods notwithstanding:
- The delivery of the Goods to the Account Holder;
 - The possession and use of the Goods by the Account Holder; and /or
 - Any temporary attachment of the Goods to any land or premises to facilitate the use of the Goods.
- 5.33** Porter Group or anyone authorised by Porter Group may inspect the Goods at any reasonable time.
- 5.34** Porter Group or anyone authorised by Porter Group may enter any place where the Goods are kept or believed to be kept for inspection or testing purposes. The Account Holder will provide all necessary assistance to obtain the consent of the registered proprietor, landlord, and/or any mortgagee of any land upon which the Goods are situated to the entry by Porter Group for these purposes.
- 5.35** Porter Group or anyone authorised by Porter Group may inspect, and may at Porter Group's sole discretion, service and maintain the Goods, or otherwise deal with the Goods in Porter Group's sole discretion, at any reasonable time.
- 5.36** Porter Group or anyone authorised by Porter Group may enter any place where the Goods are kept or believed to be kept for any of the purposes set out in clause 5.35. The Account Holder will provide to Porter Group access to any such place, and will provide all necessary assistance to obtain the consent of the registered proprietor, landlord, and/or any mortgagee of any land upon which the Goods are kept or believed to be kept to the entry by Porter Group for these purposes and will make the Goods available for such purposes.
- 5.37** Until all moneys owed by the Account Holder to Porter Group under these Terms and Conditions or under any Other Agreement have been paid, and all the Account Holder's obligations under these Terms and Conditions or any Other Agreement satisfied in full, the Account Holder irrevocably grants Porter Group and its agent the right to enter into the Account Holder's property, any property occupied by the Account Holder or any other property where the Goods are stored and to take possession of the Goods. Porter Group shall not be responsible for any damage caused in the process of taking the Goods and the Account Holder will indemnify Porter Group against liability to any other party should Porter Group take the Goods.
- 5.38** In this clause 5:
- "**Levy**" means a fee or levy (as determined by Porter Group from time to time) to meet (in whole or in part) direct or indirect costs incurred or expected to be incurred by Porter Group in connection with the operation of its business including, without limitation, in compliance with Environmental Law.
 - "**Environmental Law**" means statutes, statutory provisions and other laws, and orders, directives, regulations, instruments, by-laws, codes or other subordinated legislation, in connection with or in relation to the Environment or the protection thereof.
 - "**Environment**" has the meaning given to that term by section 2 of the Resource Management Act 1991.
 - "**Goods**" includes all accessories and other equipment of Porter Group attached to or used in connection with the Goods. The Goods also include any equipment or other item substituted for the Goods by Porter Group which substitution has been consented to in writing by the Account Holder. The Account Holder will not unreasonably withhold its consent to such substitution by Porter Group.
 - "**Fee**" means the amount payable by the Account Holder for the hire of the Goods calculated in accordance with this clause 5.
 - "**persons under the control of the Account Holder**" means the employees and the agents of the Account Holder and any other person who may be at any time under the control or direction of the Account Holder including but not limited to, sub-contractors, independent contractors and their employees or agents.
- 6 Price and Payments**
- 6.1** All prices and hire charges are plus GST and other taxes and duties, which shall be paid by the Account Holder.
- Porter Group may change its prices or hire rates without notice to the Account Holder.
 - If Porter Group provides a quotation to the Account Holder, it is based on information available to Porter Group at that time and Porter Group may charge the Account Holder more than the amount quoted if its costs (such as the cost of labour, materials, transport, tax, exchange rates or other costs) or the specifications change or in accordance with clause 5.
- 6.2** A Statement will be issued in respect of Services provided and Goods sold, hired or leased on the terms applicable to the provision of Services or Goods as set out in separate terms for the relevant Transaction or, in the absence of any such terms, on the terms contained in these Terms and Conditions. A single Statement will be issued in respect of the Account Holder's Porter Account on the last day of each month unless the Porter Account has a nil balance and has had no activity during the preceding month. The balance shown on the Statement is due on the Due Date in full and no set off, deduction or counter claim is permitted.
- 6.3** If the Account Holder makes payment of the full amount shown on the Statement by the Due Date no interest will be charged on Transactions listed in the Statement EXCEPT where a balance is carried forward from an earlier Statement.
- 6.4** If the full amount of the Statement is not paid on or before the Due Date then interest shall accrue on the daily outstanding balance of the Porter Account so unpaid at the Default Interest Rate from the Due Date of the Transactions to which such outstanding balance relates to the date the amount is paid in full.
- 6.5** Interest accruing on a Porter Account shall be charged to that Porter Account on the 20th day of each month and shall compound monthly on the 20th day of each month until full payment has been made.
- 6.6** Subject to clause 6.7, any payments made will be applied against the Porter Account in the following order (unless otherwise agreed between Porter Group and the Account Holder):
- All interest accrued to the date of payment;
 - All fees or charges and any government duties shown on the current Statement and any previous Statement/s;
 - All costs incurred pursuant to clause 19 and any other costs incurred by any member of the Porter Group;
 - All Transactions outstanding on previous Statements;
- All Transactions outstanding on the current Statement;
 - All Transactions made since the commencement date of the current Statement;
 - Any other outstanding balances remaining unpaid.
- 6.7** In addition to any rights which Porter Group may have by law any member of the Porter Group may at any time without notice to or the consent of the Account Holder:
- Deduct from or set-off against any debts or liabilities of the Account Holder any debts or liabilities of any member of the Porter Group, to the Account Holder;
 - Apply any payments against the matters set out in clauses 6.6(a)-(g) owing in respect of any one or more of the companies comprising the Porter Group at the Porter Group's discretion and without need for the Account Holder's consent.
- 6.8** Notwithstanding clause 6.2, the outstanding balance of a Porter Account is repayable on demand or, failing demand, then on the expiry, cancellation or withdrawal of the Porter Account.
- 6.9** Payments may be made directly to Porter Group care of PO Box 10164, Hamilton or by direct credit to Porter Group's bank account by prior agreement with Porter Group, or in such other manner as notified by Porter Group to the Account Holder.
- 6.10** Payments other than notes and coins will be provisionally credited to a Porter Account but will not be treated as payment until cleared.
- 6.11** Statements may be subject to alteration by reversal of unpaid debits or credits processed on or about the date of the Statement.
- 7 Credit Limit**
- 7.1** The outstanding balance of a Porter Account shall not exceed the Credit Limit without Porter Group's written approval. If at any time, a Porter Account balance exceeds the Credit Limit the amount in excess of the Credit Limit will be immediately due and payable. Any such excess does not constitute approval from Porter Group as to an increase in the Credit Limit.
- 7.2** The Credit Limit may be increased, decreased or cancelled at the sole discretion of Porter Group and any Porter Account may be withdrawn at any time without Porter Group being required to provide any reason to the Account Holder.
- 8 Cancellation of a Porter Account**
- 8.1** A Porter Account may be cancelled by written notice to the Account Holder by Porter Group. Upon notification that a Porter Account has been cancelled, the Account Holder must immediately pay the outstanding balance of the Porter Account and any Porter Group Costs or other costs incurred by Porter Group in collecting payment. Interest at the Default Interest Rate shall accrue on the Porter Account until payment of the outstanding balance has been made.
- 8.2** An Account Holder may cancel its Porter Account at any time by notifying Porter Group in writing and immediately paying the outstanding balance of the Porter Account.
- 8.3** Cancellation of a Porter Account does not negate or reduce an Account Holder's liability to pay Porter Group all amounts outstanding at that time together with charges and debts relating to the Porter Account that may subsequently be processed, nor affect any rights of Porter Group that arise before termination.
- 9 Collateralisation**
- 9.1** These Terms and Conditions are interdependent and collateral to any other deed or agreement between Porter Group and the Account Holder that may be entered into at any time on, before, or after these Terms and Conditions ("**Other Agreement**") to the end and intent that:
- A default by the Account Holder under these Terms and Conditions shall constitute a default by the Account Holder under each Other Agreement; and
 - A default by the Account Holder under any Other Agreement shall constitute a default by the Account Holder under these Terms and Conditions.
 - All rights and powers of Porter Group pursuant to these Terms and Conditions or any Other Agreement (including, without limitation, the right to enforce any security) shall be available to Porter Group in respect of any such default by the Debtor under these Terms and Conditions or any Other Agreement.
- 9.2** The Account Holder agrees and warrants that the Account Holder will fully comply with the provisions of these Terms and Conditions and each Other Agreement.
- 10 Account Holder Representations and Warranties**
- 10.1** The Account Holder represents and warrants to Porter Group that:
- The information provided by the Account Holder in connection with these Terms and Conditions is true and correct and remains true to the date of these Terms and Conditions and there are no facts or circumstances that have not been disclosed to Porter Group which would make any information untrue, inaccurate or misleading;
 - All matters and things have been done and performed so as to authorise and make the execution and delivery of these Terms and Conditions legal, valid and binding;
 - It is unaware of any facts or circumstances which would or might, if disclosed, affect the decision of the Porter Group or any other lender considering whether or not to provide finance to the Account Holder for a like amount and on like terms as these Terms and Conditions; and
 - If a company, it can satisfy the "solvency test" according to the meaning of the term in section 4 of the Companies Act 1993.
- 11 Credit Contracts and Consumer Finance Act 2003 ("CCCFA")**
- 11.1** Where the Account Holder is an individual, the Account Holder has made a separate declaration that these Terms and Conditions have been entered into primarily for their business or investment purposes and accordingly the relevant provisions of the CCCFA do not apply.
- 12 Security**
- 12.1** Any and all of the Porter Group companies can be, at the discretion of the Porter Group, defined (if applicable) as a "**secured party**" for the purposes of the PPSA (whether together or individually). The Account Holder is defined as a "debtor" for the purposes of the PPSA.
- 12.2** The Goods shall be further defined (if applicable) as "**collateral**" for the purposes

- of the PPSA.
- 12.3** Except as relates to leases or hire for a term of less than 12 months, the Account Holder grants a Security Interest in the Goods, the proceeds of the Goods, and all present and after acquired property arising out of or as a result of the Goods, in favour of Porter Group as security for the payment of all moneys payable or to become payable by the Account Holder to Porter Group and the performance of all the Account Holder's obligations under these Terms and Conditions.
- 12.4** The Account Holder will, at any time requested by Porter Group, promptly execute any documents, provide any necessary information, and do anything else required by Porter Group to ensure the Security Interest constitutes a first ranking Perfected Security Interest (as that term is defined in the PPSA). The Account Holder shall provide all such information that Porter Group requires to complete a Financing Statement or Financing Change Statement (as those terms are defined in the PPSA).
- 12.5** The Account Holder must not grant to any other person a Security Interest, nor consent to any other person creating a Security Interest or registering a Financing Statement, in respect of the Goods, the proceeds of the Goods, and all present and after acquired property arising out of or as a result of the Goods, or the Account Holder's other personal property, without the prior written consent of Porter Group.
- 12.6** All costs of and incidental to the registration, amendment or discharge of the Security Interest, Financing Statement or Financing Change Statement must be paid by the Account Holder.
- 12.7** The Account Holder will promptly notify Porter Group of any changes to the Account Holder's details.
- 12.8** The Account Holder:
- Acknowledges that where Porter Group has rights in addition to, or existing separately from, those in Part 9 of the PPSA, those rights will continue to apply and, in particular, will not be limited by Section 109 of the PPSA;
 - Waives any rights it may have under sections 114 (1)(a), 116, 120(2), 121, 125, 126, 127, 129, 131, 133, 134 and 148 of the PPSA and any other sections that the Account Holder is able to waive its rights pursuant to;
 - Waives its right to receive a copy of the Verification Statement or a Financing Change Statement relating to any Security Interest created by these Terms and Conditions.
 - If the Goods that Porter Group has a Security Interest in are processed, included or dealt with in any way causing them to become accessions, processed or comingled goods, Porter Group's Security Interest will continue in the accessions, processed or comingled goods in which they are included. The Account Holder shall not grant any other Security Interest or any lien in the accessions, processed or comingled goods.
- 12.9** Until all moneys owed by the Account Holder to Porter Group under all of the Account Holder's Porter Accounts have been paid, the Account Holder's Porter Accounts closed and all the Account Holder's obligations under these Terms and Conditions satisfied in full, the Account Holder irrevocably grants Porter Group and its agents the right to enter into the Account Holder's property, any property occupied by the Account Holder or any other property where the Goods are stored and to take possession of the Goods. Porter Group shall not be responsible for any damage caused in the process of taking the Goods and the Account Holder will indemnify Porter Group against liability to any other party should Porter Group take the Goods.
- 12.10** Words in this clause shall, if the context permits, have the meanings given to them by virtue of the PPSA.
- 12.11** The Account Holder irrevocably appoints Porter Group and each of its directors (jointly and severally) to be its attorney to sign in its name and on its behalf any security which Porter Group shall request it to execute pursuant to this clause.
- 13 Default**
- 13.1** The Account Holder will be in default if:
- The Account Holder fails to pay any amounts due to Porter Group on the due date; or
 - The Account Holder commits a breach of any of its other obligations in these Terms and Conditions, any security granted, or the terms of any other agreement between the Account Holder, and Porter Group; or
 - The Account Holder goes into liquidation or receivership or a resolution to place it in liquidation is passed or proposed or the Account Holder is unable to pass the solvency test as defined in the Companies Act 1993; or
 - Execution or distress against the Account Holder or the assets of the Account Holder is levied; or
 - Any insurance proposal made by the Account Holder in respect of the Goods is declined or cancelled; or
 - The Account Holder does or omits to do anything which might endanger the safety or condition of the Goods; or
 - Porter Group believes the Goods are "at risk" as defined in the PPSA; or
 - The Account Holder enters into a scheme of arrangement with the Account Holder's creditors; or
 - The Account Holder has made a false statement when negotiating a Transaction.
 - An event or a series of events (whether related or not) occurs which, in Porter Group's opinion, may cause an adverse change in the Account Holder's ability to meet its obligations to Porter Group.
- 13.2** If the Account Holder is in default Porter Group may, at its discretion and without prejudice to its other rights and remedies, do any one or more of the following:
- Charge interest at the Default Interest Rate on any late payments calculated on a daily basis from the date payment is due until the date payment is received. Interest accrues after as well as before judgment;
 - Charge costs in accordance with clause 19 and any other costs incurred by any member of Porter Group;
 - Require the Account Holder to remedy the default in the manner and within a period notified by Porter Group;
 - Remedy the Account Holder's default and charge the Account Holder any costs incurred by Porter Group in so doing;
 - Require the Account Holder to pay to Porter Group all amounts the Account Holder owes immediately;
- Suspend or terminate the Account Holder's account with Porter Group or any other account or agreement the Account Holder has with any member of Porter Group;
 - Enforce Security Interests created by these Terms and Conditions;
 - Exercise any rights that Porter Group has under these Terms and Conditions or that are available at law;
 - Enter any place where the Goods are kept or believed to be kept and retake possession of the Goods.
- 13.3** If these Terms and Conditions are terminated then all monies payable under these Terms and Conditions, if they are not already due for payment, shall become due for payment at the time of termination.
- 13.4** Nothing in this clause will release the Account Holder from any past, present or future liability under these Terms and Conditions.
- 13.5** Nothing in this clause affects any other rights Porter Group may have at law or in equity against the Account Holder.
- 13.6** Nothing in this clause constitutes a waiver of the Account Holder's default and the default interest and other costs payable by the Account Holder are not an extension of credit to the Account Holder but are a genuine pre-estimate of Porter Group's loss caused by the Account Holder's failure to pay on the due date.
- 14 Indemnity**
- 14.1** To the maximum extent permitted by law, the Account Holder indemnifies Porter Group and its directors, employees, contractors and agents against all damages, costs, losses (including loss of revenue, business, goodwill, anticipated savings, and any other direct or indirect or consequential loss arising from the loss of, or the damage to, the Goods) or liabilities which may arise directly or indirectly in respect of the Goods or their use or operation by the Account Holder or any other party, and against any liability for any direct, indirect or consequential injury, loss or damage arising directly or indirectly out of any act or default or omission of, or any representations made by the Account Holder or by any servant, agent, employee, representative or contractor, of the Account Holder.
- 15 Personal Liability**
- 15.1** Where the Account Holder is a company, the persons signing these Terms and Conditions on behalf of the Account Holder shall be personally liable for all of the obligations of the Account Holder under these Terms and Conditions as if those persons signed as a Guarantor.
- 16 Joint Accounts**
- 16.1** Where there is more than one person named as Account Holder ("joint account"), the liability of those persons is joint and several.
- 16.2** Porter Group will accept instructions relating to a joint account from any of the named persons. To cancel a joint account, the consent or request of only one named person is necessary. Cancellation does not affect the Account Holder's liability until all obligations have been met.
- 17 Privacy Act**
- 17.1** Any personal information (as defined in the Privacy Act 2020) received by the Porter Group relating to the Account Holder, or their employees and agents, will be held, used and shared by the Porter Group in accordance with the Privacy Act 2020 and the Porter Group Privacy Policy that is located at www.portergroup.co.nz/privacy-policy, which may be updated by the Porter Group from time to time.
- 17.2** The Account Holder authorises the Porter Group to provide the Account Holder, and its employees and agents, with information about Porter Group's products and services, including commercial electronic messages. Any person may opt out of receiving commercial electronic messages by notifying the Porter Group at the address set out in clause 17.4 below or using an unsubscribe facility included in any such commercial electronic message.
- 17.3** The Porter Group acknowledges that the person that any personal information is held in respect of has the right to access and correction of such personal information. An access or correction request can be made by contacting the Porter Group at the address set out in clause 17.4 below.
- 17.4** If the Account Holder, or their employees or agents, have any questions regarding privacy at the Porter Group, they may contact the Porter Group Privacy Officer at privacy@porterce.com.
- 18 Liability**
- 18.1** To the extent permitted by law, all warranties, conditions or obligations imposed on Porter Group at law, in equity, or otherwise are expressly excluded.
- 18.2** The Account Holder and each member of the Porter Group contract out of sections 9, 12A, 13 and 14(1) of the Fair Trading Act 1986.
- 18.3** To the extent permitted by law, Porter Group or its directors, employees, contractors and agents shall not be liable for any loss, damage or liability of any kind whatsoever (including indirect or consequential losses or loss of profit, business, revenue, or goodwill), or for any delays, accidents or damages of any kind whether direct or indirect which arise through defect or breakdowns of the Goods, or any other way whether suffered or incurred by the Account Holder or another person and whether in contract, tort (including negligence), or otherwise, and whether such loss or damage arises directly or indirectly from the Goods or Services provided by Porter Group to the Account Holder or otherwise.
- 18.4** If, for any reason, a court finds, despite clause 18.3, that Porter Group is liable to the Account Holder then, to the maximum extent permitted by law, such liability will be limited to \$10,000.
- 19 Costs**
- 19.1** The Account Holder must pay the Porter Group Costs, including where not otherwise covered, Porter Group's costs (including legal costs, as between solicitor and client) of and incidental to the enforcement or attempted enforcement of Porter Group's rights, remedies and powers under these Terms and Conditions and any other agreement between the Account Holder and Porter Group, as well as the costs of and incidental to, the negotiation, preparation, execution and enforcement of any additional security or other agreement between the parties.
- 20 Miscellaneous**

- 20.1 Force Majeure:** Porter Group will not be in breach of these Terms and Conditions and will not be liable to the Account Holder or any Guarantor for costs or delay attributable in whole or in part to action by any government or governmental agency or other external agency or event, including, without limitation, natural disaster or emergency, industrial action, civil disorder, equipment failure, banking or computer system disruption or interruption of power supplies or any other event beyond Porter Group's control.
- 20.2 Certificates:** A certificate by Porter Group as to any amounts owing or payable under these Terms and Conditions, and any other agreement, will (in the absence of manifest error) be conclusive evidence for all purposes including legal proceedings.
- 20.3 Time of Essence:** Unless otherwise stated in these Terms and Conditions, time will be of the essence for the performance of any obligations of the Account Holder or any Guarantor.
- 20.4 Severance:** If any provision of these Terms and Conditions are found to be illegal, invalid or unenforceable, that provision shall be read down to the extent necessary and reasonable in all circumstances to give it a valid operation or partial character. If any provision cannot be so read down, that provision will be void and severable and the remaining provisions will not in any way be affected or impaired.
- 20.5 Survivorship:** Termination of these Terms and Conditions for any reason (including in the event of misrepresentation) will not affect the rights and obligations of the parties as are intended (expressly or impliedly) to survive the termination.
- 20.6 Waiver:** No delay, neglect or forbearance by either party in enforcing against the other party any provision of these Terms and Conditions will be a waiver, or in any way prejudice any right, of that party. None of the provisions of these Terms and Conditions will be considered to be waived by a party except when such waiver is given in writing and signed by a suitably authorised person for that party. No waiver by a party of any breach shall be deemed a waiver of any continuing or recurring breach unless it is expressly agreed to be so in writing by the parties.
- 20.7 Entire Agreement:**
- Subject to any other agreement entered into between the Account Holder and Porter Group (only where the agreement was prepared by Porter Group), these Terms and Conditions constitute the entire agreement and understanding between the parties and supersedes all prior discussions and agreements covering the subject matter of these Terms and Conditions.
 - These Terms and Conditions apply notwithstanding any provision to the contrary expressed or implied in any of the Account Holder's terms of trade or other documents.
 - To the extent of any inconsistency between these Terms and Conditions and any other agreement entered into between the Account Holder and Porter Group (only where the other agreement was prepared by Porter Group), the specific terms of the other agreement will prevail.
- 20.8 Amendment:** Porter Group may unilaterally amend these Terms and Conditions at any time either by written notice to the Account Holder or by publishing such changes on its website. Any such changes will take effect from the date of notification or publication on the website (as the case may be).
- 20.9 Assignment**
- The Account Holder shall not transfer, assign or otherwise deal with its rights, powers or obligations under these Terms and Conditions without Porter Group's prior written consent. A change in the effective management or control of the Account Holder will be deemed an assignment for the purposes of this clause.
 - Porter Group and its successors or assigns may in its absolute discretion without the consent of or notice to the Account Holder, transfer, assign or otherwise deal with its rights, powers or obligations under these Terms and Conditions to any other entity or person.
- 20.10 Additional Information:** Porter Group may at any time, whether before or after these Terms and Conditions form a binding agreement between the parties, request such additional information as it considers necessary from the Account Holder.
- 20.11 Creditor's Other Rights:** Nothing in this clause affects any other rights Porter Group may have at law or in equity as against the Account Holder. Rights and remedies specified in these Terms and Conditions are without prejudice to any other rights or remedies available to Porter Group.
- 20.12** The Account Holder irrevocably appoints Porter Group and its directors jointly severally as its attorney to do anything which the attorney thinks necessary or desirable to give effect to these Terms and Conditions and any other agreement between the Account Holder and Porter Group. This provision applies before and after any default by the Account Holder under these Terms and Conditions, and permits the signing of all documents and entry into any premises where the Goods are, or are reasonably assumed by Porters to be.
- 20.13 Haulage:** The Account Holder acknowledges that any delivery of the Goods by any member of the Porter Group is subject to the terms and conditions of haulage posted from time to time on the Porter Group website and that without limiting those terms and conditions, all Goods carried by any member of the Porter Group are carried at "limited carrier's risk" for the purposes of the subpart 1 of part 5 of the Contract and Commercial Law Act 2017.
- 20.14 Acceptance of Terms:** If the Account Holder does not sign these Terms and Conditions, the Account Holder is deemed to have accepted these Terms and Conditions upon use of the Porter Account.
- 20.15 Governing Law:** The law of New Zealand applies to these Terms and Conditions except to the extent expressly negated or varied by these Terms and Conditions.
- 21 Notices**
- 21.1** Notices, communications, documents or demands required to be made or served pursuant to these Terms and Conditions shall be in writing signed by the party giving the notice or by any officer or solicitor of that party. Any notice or document shall be deemed to be duly given or made:
- If delivered by hand, when so delivered;
 - If sent by post, on the third business day following posting;
 - In the case of a communication by facsimile, when transmitted with no indication of incomplete transmission to the recipient's last known facsimile number.
- 21.2** Notices may not be sent by email. Notices, communications, documents or demands shall be given by the Account Holder at the addresses/numbers shown in these Terms and Conditions.
- 21.3** Without prejudice to any other means of service, notices, communications, documents or demands given by Porter Group will be deemed to have been made, or sent (as appropriate) when delivered by hand, posted by ordinary post or sent by facsimile to the Account Holder's address or fax number, as the case may be, last known to Porter Group.
- 22 Exclusions**
- 22.1** No provision, other than those which are mandatory, shall be implied by statute or at common law or otherwise into these Terms and Conditions against Porter Group.
- 22.2** The Account Holder acknowledges that it has not been induced to enter into these Terms and Conditions by any representation made by or on behalf of Porter Group and relies solely on its own judgement in accepting any Goods pursuant to these Terms and Conditions.
- 23 Guarantee and Security**
- 23.1** In consideration of Porter Group entering into these Terms and Conditions at the Guarantors' request, the Guarantors (and if more than one, then the Guarantors jointly and severally) unconditionally and irrevocably guarantee to and indemnify Porter Group as set out in the Personal Guarantee provision on the front page of these Terms and Conditions.
- 23.2** The Account Holder and the Guarantors each grant to Porter Group a general Security Interest in all of the Account Holder's or that Guarantor's present and after acquired property on the latest Auckland District Law Society General Security Agreement terms as at the date of these Terms and Conditions. The provisions of clause 12 will apply to the general Security Interest granted by the Account Holder and the Guarantors including for clarity any acknowledgments by the Account Holder which are binding upon the Guarantors as if they were the Account Holder.
- 23.3** Without limiting the provisions of clause 23.2, Porter Group may from time to time require the Account Holder and/or the Guarantors to provide additional security for the Account Holder's Porter Account. The provisions of clause 12 will apply to such additional security in all respects including for clarity any acknowledgments by the Account Holder which are binding upon the Guarantors as if they were the Account Holder.
- 23.4** Execution of securities of any nature between the Account Holder and Porter Group shall not in any way affect or prejudice Porter Group's rights whether under these Terms and Conditions or otherwise.
- 23.5** Words in this clause shall, if the context permits, have the meanings given to them by virtue of the PPSA.
- 23.6** In addition to the security set out in this clause, the Guarantors and the Account Holder each agree that:
- The Guarantors and the Account Holder mortgage all properties in which they have an interest (whether now or at any time in the future) to Porter Group. The mortgage will be on terms contained in the latest Auckland District Law Society all obligations mortgage form.
 - Porter Group may, at any time until the mortgage is registered against the properties, caveat all or any of the properties to protect Porter Group's interest in the properties pursuant to this clause.
 - The Guarantors and the Account Holder irrevocably appoint Porter Group and each of its directors (jointly and severally) to be their attorney to sign in their names and on their behalf any document required to effect registration of the mortgage against the title to all or any of the properties.