

Gamma Horizon

Managed Services Agreement

1. Term of Agreement

- 1.1 The initial term of this Agreement shall start upon the Commencement Date and shall remain in force until the original contract date and be co-terminus with the original Horizon phone solution agreement. The term of this Agreement shall renew automatically for a subsequent period of 1 year beginning on the day immediately following the end of the Initial Term, subject to earlier termination in accordance with its terms.
- 1.2 Without prejudice to any rights of either party that have accrued under this Agreement or any of its rights or remedies, this Agreement may be terminated by either party immediately upon written notice if:
- (a) the other party commits any material breach of this Agreement and fails to remedy such breach within thirty (30) days of receipt of written notice specifying the breach; or
 - (b) the other party terminates or suspends its business operations, unless it is succeeded by a permitted assignee under this Agreement; or
 - (c) the other party suspends, or threatens to suspend, payment of its debts or is unable to pay its debts as they fall due or admits inability to pay its debts or (being a company) is deemed unable to pay its debts within the meaning of section 123 of the Insolvency Act 1986 or (being an individual) is deemed either unable to pay its debts or as having no reasonable prospect of so doing, in either case, within the meaning of section 268 of the Insolvency Act 1986 or (being a partnership) has any partner to whom any of the foregoing apply; or
 - (d) the other party commences negotiations with all or any class of its creditors with a view to rescheduling any of its debts, or makes a proposal for or enters into any compromise or arrangement with its creditors other than (being a company) for the sole purpose of a scheme for a solvent amalgamation of that other party with one or more other companies or the solvent reconstruction of that other party; or
 - (e) a petition is filed, a notice is given, a resolution is passed, or an order is made, for or in connection with the winding up of the other party (being a company) other than for the sole purpose of a scheme for a solvent amalgamation of that other party with one or more other companies or the solvent reconstruction of that other party; or
 - (f) an application is made to court, or an order is made, for the appointment of an administrator, or if a notice of intention to appoint an administrator is given or if an administrator is appointed, over the other party (being a company); or
 - (g) the holder of a qualifying floating charge over the assets of the other party (being a company) has become entitled to appoint or has appointed an administrative receiver; or
 - (h) a person becomes entitled to appoint a receiver over the assets of the other party or a receiver is appointed over the assets of the other party; or
 - (i) the other party (being an individual) is the subject of a bankruptcy petition or order; or
 - (j) a creditor or encumbrancer of the other party attaches or takes possession of, or a distress, execution, sequestration or other such process is levied or enforced on or sued against, the whole or any part of the other party's assets and such attachment or process is not discharged within 14 days; or
 - (k) any event occurs, or proceeding is taken, with respect to the other party in any jurisdiction to which it is subject that has an effect equivalent or similar to any of the events mentioned in this clause (c) to clause (i) (inclusive); or
 - (l) the other party suspends or ceases, or threatens to suspend or cease, carrying on all or a substantial part of its business.
- 1.3 This Agreement may be terminated by EXCALIBUR upon ninety (90) days written notice to the Client.
- 1.4 This Agreement may be terminated by the Client upon ninety (90) days written notice to EXCALIBUR in advance of the annual renewal date.
- 1.5 If either party terminates this Agreement under clause 1.3 or 1.4 above, EXCALIBUR will assist Client in the orderly termination of services, including timely transfer of the services to another designated provider. Client agrees to pay EXCALIBUR the actual costs of rendering such assistance.

2. Fees and Payment Schedule

- 2.1 In consideration for the provision by EXCALIBUR of the Services, the Client shall pay to EXCALIBUR a monthly fee agreed in the quotation. The Fee will be invoiced by EXCALIBUR to Client on a monthly basis and will become due and payable on the first day of each month. EXCALIBUR may at its discretion suspend or cancel the provision of any of its services supplied to the customer if payment of any instalment of the Fee is not received within 5 days following the due date for payment under this clause 2.4.
- 2.2 Significant changes in resource time change of +/- 20% in a quarter will constitute a reason for EXCALIBUR implementing a cost adjustment (from Q2 of any support contract).
- 2.3 Excalibur has the right to review its standard Hosted Telephony Service charges at any time and will provide the customer with 30 days' notice of any changes. The client has 30 days from receipt of this notice to cancel the agreement, providing 60 days' notice of termination.

2.4 If any payment is not made within thirty (30) days of receipt of an invoice for such payment then EXCALIBUR may, without prejudice to its other rights, charge simple daily interest equivalent to an annual rate of 4% above the base rate of the bank that EXCALIBUR use from time to time on sums owing from the date when payment was due (being thirty (30) days after the date of invoice on disputed amounts determined to be due) until the date that EXCALIBUR receives payment of all sums outstanding including accrued interest. No interest shall be payable on any disputed amounts that are ultimately found (by a final court of competent jurisdiction) not to be payable.

3. Taxes

3.1 All EXCALIBUR charges herein will be exclusive of Value Added Tax ("VAT"). The Client shall pay VAT on all sums due under this Agreement at the rate and in the manner prescribed by law from time to time.

4. Limitation of Liability

4.1 Nothing in this Agreement shall exclude or limit EXCALIBUR's Liability for (i) death or personal injury caused by negligence; (ii) the tort of deceit, or any act of fraud; (iii) any breach of any obligations implied by Section 12 Sale of Goods Act 1979 or Section 2 of the Supply of Goods and Services Act 1982; or (iv) any other liability to the extent that such liability cannot be excluded or limited by law.

4.2 Subject to the above clause 4.1, EXCALIBUR shall have no Liability for any of the following;

4.2.1 loss or damage incurred by the Client as a result of third-party claims;

4.2.2 loss of actual or anticipated profits;

4.2.3 loss of business opportunity;

4.2.4 loss of anticipated savings;

4.2.5 loss of goodwill;

4.2.6 injury to reputation; or

4.2.7 any indirect, special or consequential loss or damage howsoever caused even if EXCALIBUR was advised of the possibility of such loss or damage in advance.

4.3 Any liability as described in clause 4.2 is excluded whether it is foreseeable, known, foreseen or otherwise.

4.4 Save as provided in above and without prejudice, EXCALIBUR's total aggregate liability in relation to any single event or series of related events shall be limited to 125% of the Fee paid to EXCALIBUR for Services in the 12 months immediately prior to the date that such event or the first of such series of events occurred. If such date occurs during the first year of this Agreement, such total aggregate liability shall be calculated by using the actual Fee paid and/or payable up to such date, divided by the number of calendar days since the Commencement Date, multiplied by 365 (or 366 in the case of a leap year).

4.5 Without prejudice to the above and save as provided in the above, EXCALIBUR's total aggregate liability for all claims under this Agreement shall be limited to the aggregate Charges paid to EXCALIBUR under this Agreement during the previous two years.

4.6 Without prejudice to clause 4.1, EXCALIBUR shall have no liability to the Client for any claim brought more than two years after the first accrual of the cause of action which the relevant circumstances or events have given rise to.

4.7 The terms of this Agreement are in lieu of all other conditions, warranties or other terms concerning the supply or purported supply of, failure to supply or delay in supplying the Services and any goods which are provided or supplied in the course of performing the Services, which might but for this have effect between EXCALIBUR and the Client or would otherwise be implied into or incorporated into this Agreement or any collateral contract, whether by statute, common law or otherwise, all of which are hereby excluded (including, without limitation, the implied conditions, warranties or other terms as to satisfactory quality and fitness for purpose).

5. Suitability of Existing Environment

5.1 Minimum Standards Required for Services

5.1.1 In order for the Client's existing environment to qualify for EXCALIBUR's Services, the following requirements (**Minimum Standards**) must be met:

5.1.2 **Access:** The Customer shall provide Excalibur and its subcontractors, at no charge, with such space and electrical power as is reasonably required by Excalibur.

5.1.3 The Customer shall prepare the area of delivery and installation of the Equipment and/or Software and allow and facilitate for Excalibur and its subcontractors such access to the Customer's premises as is appropriate and necessary for the initial installation of the Equipment and from time to time thereafter to ensure the efficient operation of the Hosted Telephony Service. Such access shall include the provision of remote access as required via dial-in or VPN to perform remote installation.

5.1.4 **System Installation:** Excalibur cannot guarantee how any Equipment, System or Services supplied will work with other equipment, systems or processes already used by the Customer unless a written specification of requirement is included in the Product Agreement.

5.1.5 On termination for any reason, Excalibur shall not be liable for any charges to reprogram the Customer's equipment for subsequent services and shall be entitled to charge the Customer for any such work carried out by Excalibur in accordance with paragraph 5.1.6 below.

- 5.1.6 **Additional Work & Modifications:** All adjustments, repairs, replacements and work other than that provided for in the Product Agreement will be charged at the rates of Excalibur at the time the work is undertaken. Excalibur will quote separately for any modifications, additions to, or overhauls requested by the Customer.
- 5.1.7 **Replacement Parts:** Where a replacement part is supplied to the Equipment, the part removed shall become the property of Excalibur.
- 5.2 **Exclusions:** Any services or materials required as a result of faulty cables or attachments of other equipment, are not included in the Charges for this Product Agreement and any such services or materials will be charged to the Customer at Excalibur's current rates.
- 5.3 **Modifications:** The Customer is responsible for:
- ensuring that only materials or supplies approved or supplied by Excalibur are used in conjunction with the System; and
 - ensuring that Excalibur is notified in writing wherever any Equipment has been moved to a new location. The maintenance charges may be increased if Excalibur has no suitable engineering facilities within 50 miles of the new location.

Excalibur will not accept responsibility for any malfunction of the Hosted Telephone System which is deemed to have resulted from maintenance, alteration or repair to the Hosted Telephone System, unless this was carried out by Excalibur or persons authorised by Excalibur. If this condition is not observed, then Excalibur may either terminate the Product Agreement without liability or restore the Hosted Telephone System at the cost and expense of the Customer.

- 5.4 **User awareness:** By purchasing the Service the Customer confirms that it shall have responsibility to make available to Users of the Hosted Telephone System alternative means of accessing emergency call services in circumstances where these are unavailable through the Hosted Telephone System, and to inform or otherwise make Users aware of the Hosted Telephony Services purchased by the Customer and of the possible limitations of the Hosted Telephony Services.

6. Excluded Services

6.1 The Services to be rendered under this Agreement do not include:

- 6.1.1 Parts, equipment or software not covered by vendor/manufacturer warranty or support.
- 6.1.2 The cost of any parts, equipment, or shipping charges of any kind.
- 6.1.3 The cost of any software, licensing, or software renewal or upgrade fees of any kind.
- 6.1.4 The cost of any third-party vendor or manufacturer support or Incident fees of any kind.
- 6.1.5 The cost to bring Client's environment up to the Minimum Standards.
- 6.1.6 Service and repair made necessary by the alteration or modification of equipment other than that authorised by EXCALIBUR, including alterations, software installations or modifications of equipment made by Client's employees or anyone other than EXCALIBUR.
- 6.1.7 Maintenance of Applications software packages, whether acquired from EXCALIBUR or any other source.
- 6.1.8 Programming (modification of software code) and program (software) maintenance.
- 6.1.9 Training services of any kind.
- 6.1.10 Any issues caused as a result of fire, theft or natural disaster.
- 6.1.11 Any issues caused by user damage or misuse of Telephony equipment

7. Confidentiality

- 7.1 Each party undertakes that it shall not at any time disclose to any person any confidential information concerning the business, affairs, customers, clients or suppliers of the other party, except as permitted by clause 9.2.
- 7.2 Each party may disclose the other party's confidential information:
- 7.2.1 to its employees, officers, representatives or advisers who need to know such information for the purposes of carrying out the party's obligations under this agreement. Each party shall ensure that its employees, officers, representatives or advisers to whom it discloses the other party's confidential information comply with this clause 9; and
 - 7.2.2 as may be required by law, court order or any governmental or regulatory authority.
- 7.3 No party shall use any other party's confidential information for any purpose other than to perform its obligations under this agreement.

8. Force Majeure

- 8.1 Neither party shall be in breach of any obligation of this Agreement if it is prevented, hindered or delayed from performing such obligation by any matter or circumstance beyond its reasonable control.

9. **Hardware and Software**

- 9.1 Any new Telephony equipment to be added to the contract scope must be purchased from EXCALIBUR prior to admittance to the network and being covered under managed services agreement.
- 9.2 EXCALIBUR has no responsibility for damage caused to the user the equipment or software by unauthorised modification, misuse, or mishandling of equipment or operation outside the environmental specifications of the equipment or software including third party products not installed or configured by EXCALIBUR.

10. **Subcontracting and Assignment**

- 10.1 EXCALIBUR is entitled to subcontract any part of its obligation to provide the Services to any of its affiliates or competent third parties. EXCALIBUR shall remain liable to the Client for the performance of any subcontracted obligation.
- 10.2 Save as set out in clause 12.1, neither party shall assign or transfer any of its rights or obligations under this Agreement without the written consent of the other party.

11. **Variations**

- 11.1 The parties shall review Services provided under this Agreement annually to address any necessary adjustments or modifications.
- 11.2 No variation of this agreement shall be effective unless it is in writing and signed by the parties (or their authorised representatives).

12. **Intellectual Property Rights and Indemnities**

- 12.1 In this clause 14, **Intellectual Property Rights** shall mean patents, rights to inventions, copyright and related rights, moral rights, trade marks and service marks, trade names and domain names, rights in get-up, goodwill and the right to sue for passing off or unfair competition, rights in designs, rights in computer software, database rights, rights to preserve the confidentiality of information (including know-how and trade secrets) and any other intellectual property rights, in each case whether registered or unregistered and including all applications (or rights to apply for and be granted), renewals or extensions of, and rights to claim priority from, such rights and all similar or equivalent rights or forms of protection which subsist or will subsist now or in the future in any part of the world
- 12.2 Title in all Intellectual Property Rights existing prior to the Commencement Date shall be the absolute property of and shall remain vested in the party that owned such rights immediately prior to that date. Each party acknowledges that it shall not acquire title or any rights or interest (except as expressly set out in this Agreement) in the other party's Intellectual Property Rights by virtue of the operation of this Agreement. All Intellectual Property Rights created or developed in connection with the provision of the Services shall, unless otherwise agreed in writing by the parties, vest with EXCALIBUR.
- 12.3 The Customer shall indemnify EXCALIBUR from and against all costs, damages, losses, or expenses (including legal expenses) incurred by EXCALIBUR in respect of any demands or claims received by EXCALIBUR that the Customer has used the Services or the Equipment to infringe the Intellectual Property Rights of any third party.

13. **Governing Law**

- 13.1 This Agreement shall be governed by the laws of England. The Parties irrevocably submit for all purposes in connection with this Agreement to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of England and Wales.

14. **Entire Agreement**

- 14.1 This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the Client and EXCALIBUR for the provision of the Services.
- 14.2 The terms and conditions of this Agreement shall prevail should there be any variance with the terms and conditions of any order submitted by the Client.

15. **Non-Solicitation**

- 15.1 Neither party shall (except with the prior written consent of the other) during the term of this Agreement, and for a period of six months thereafter, other than in the normal course of business between EXCALIBUR and the Client, directly solicit the services of any staff of the other party who have been engaged in the provision of the Services or the management of this Agreement. In the event that this happens a fee of 35% of the annual salary of such staff will become immediately payable by the party in breach of this clause 17 to the other party.

16. **Data Protection**

- 16.1 The parties shall duly observe all their obligations under the Data Protection Act 1998 and any regulations or instruments thereunder (**1998 Act**) which arise in relation to any personal data processed (as those terms are defined in the 1998 Act) in connection with this Agreement and shall render such assistance and co-operation as is reasonable necessary or reasonably requested by the other party in respect thereto.

16.2 **Waiver**

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

17. **No partnership or agency**

- 17.1 Nothing in this Agreement is intended to, or shall be deemed to, establish any partnership or joint venture between any of the parties, constitute any party the agent of another party, nor authorise any party to make or enter into any commitments for or on behalf of any other party.

18. **Severance**

18.1 If any court or competent authority finds that any provision of this Agreement (or part of any provision) is invalid, illegal or unenforceable, that provision or part-provision shall, to the extent required, be deemed to be deleted, and the validity and enforceability of the other provisions of this Agreement shall not be affected.

18.2 If any invalid, unenforceable or illegal provision of this Agreement would be valid, enforceable and legal if some part of it were deleted, the provision shall apply with the minimum modification necessary to make it legal, valid and enforceable.

19. **Notices**

19.1 Any notice or other communication required to be given to a party under or in connection with this contract shall be in writing and shall be delivered by hand or sent by pre-paid first-class post or other next working day delivery service, at its registered office (if a company) or (in any other case) its principal place of business, or sent by fax to the other party's main fax number.

19.2 Any notice or communication shall be deemed to have been received if delivered by hand, on signature of a delivery receipt or at the time the notice is left at the proper address, or if sent by fax, at 9.00 am on the next Business Day after transmission, or otherwise at 9.00 am on the second Business Day after posting or at the time recorded by the delivery service.

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

20. **Counterparts**

20.1 This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which when executed shall constitute a duplicate original, but all the counterparts shall together constitute the one agreement.

21. **Third party rights**

21.1 Except as expressly provided elsewhere in this Agreement, a person who is not a party to this Agreement shall not have any rights under the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 to enforce any term of this Agreement.

22. **General Data Protection Regulation**

22.1 Protecting your personal information is incredibly important to Excalibur. Our privacy policy which sets out how we do this is available here: <https://www.excaliburcomms.co.uk/gdpr-policy/>. This policy explains the information that we hold, how we use it, and how long we keep it for. Please take a few minutes to read it.