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**REVISIONS TO THE LOOSE-LEAF RULEBOOK  
OF THE LONDON METAL EXCHANGE**

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Enclosed are replacement pages of the LME Rulebook affected by recent revisions.

Updates comprise:-

Part 1 – Replace the whole of Part 1

Part 6 – Replace pages 6-1 to 6-4

Details of the substantive changes are below:

21/044	DECISION NOTICE FOR CONSULTATION ON LMEPASSPORT AND OTHER MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS
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## PART 1: DEFINITIONS AND GENERAL RULES

### 1. DEFINITIONS

1.1 In these Rules, the following words and expressions shall, unless the context otherwise requires, bear the meanings set opposite them:-

"Account Holder"	the Clearing House and any person admitted as an Account Holder by the Exchange, and which has not withdrawn or ceased to be an Account Holder, under Regulation 2 of the LMEsword Regulations;
"Acceptance Criteria"	the criteria to be satisfied under the Clearing House Rules in order for a Cleared Contract to come into effect in respect of the relevant Agreed Trade;
"Administrative Procedure" or "Notice"	a notice given to such class or classes of Member to whom in the view of the Exchange, acting reasonably, they apply, and which introduces, implements, supplements or amends the Rules or any part thereof, or contains a procedure for introducing, implementing, supplementing or amending the Rules or any part thereof, or otherwise imposes requirements on Members, in each case that is given by way of publication on the LME website, or if the context requires it, sent via LME Select, LMEsword and/or Matching System;
"Administrator"	a person that has control over the provision of a benchmark, within the meaning of the BMR;
"Affiliate"	in relation to a person, another person in the same Group;
"Agreed Trade"	the particulars of a transaction in a Contract agreed between two parties (or otherwise instructed by one or more Member(s) and confirmed within LME Select), as further specified in Trading Regulation 2.2.3;
"Algorithmic Trading"	trading in financial instruments (as such term is defined in Article 4(1)(15) of the MiFID II Directive) where a computer algorithm automatically determines individual parameters of orders such as whether to initiate the order, the timing, price or quantity of the order or how to manage the order after its submission, with limited or no human intervention, but excluding any system that is only used for the purpose of routing orders to one or more trading venues (as such term is defined in Article 4(1)(24) of the MiFID II Directive) or for the processing of orders involving

	no determination of any trading parameters or for the confirmation of orders or the post-trade processing of executed transactions;
"Aluminium Premium Contract"	a Premium Contract for aluminium having the characteristics set out in the Premium Contract Regulations (and a "type" of Aluminium Premium Contract shall mean one of the classes of such Contracts distinguished by its applicable Premium Warrant Jurisdiction);
"Appeal Committee"	a committee appointed pursuant to Regulation 11 of the Membership Regulations;
"Appeal Panel"	a panel appointed pursuant to Regulation 14.57 of the Membership Regulations;
"Application"	means any application (including a code for each application) receiving LME Information for Non-Display Usage;
"Arbitration Regulations"	the regulations set out in Part 8 of the Rules;
"Articles"	the Articles of Association for the time being of the Company;
"At the Money"	in relation to an LMEprecious Option, that on the Expiry Day, the Exercise Reference Price for the LMEprecious Option is equal to the Strike Price;
"Auction Window"	such period of time as the Exchange shall specify by Notice, within which a Fixed Price Auction may take effect, following the time of its commencement;
"Average Price Call Option"	a Traded Average Price Option pursuant to which the Granter gives the Taker the right to buy from the Granter;
"Average Price Put Option"	a Traded Average Price Option pursuant to which the Granter gives the Taker the right to sell to the Granter;
"Basic eCOA"	means an electronic Certificate of Analysis, which is created within the eCOA System, and which meets the criteria for a Basic eCOA (and which must include a digital copy of the Paper COA) as specified by the Exchange from time to time;
"Benchmark"	an index provided by the Exchange, which falls within the BMR definition of "benchmark", and that is identified by the Exchange as such by way of Notice, or on the LME website from time to

	time, as being a "Benchmark" that is administered by the Exchange;
"BMR"	Regulation (EU) 2016/1011 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 8 June 2016 on indices used as benchmarks in financial instruments and financial contracts or to measure the performance of investment funds and amending Directives 2008/48/EC and 2014/17/EU and Regulation (EU) No 596/2014, as from time to time amended;
"Business Day"	any day except Saturday, Sunday or any public or bank holiday in England or a day during which trade on the Exchange has been suspended by or under the authority of any enactment or a day which the Exchange declares not to be a Business Day;
"B Shares"	class B shares in LME Holdings having a nominal value of 1p each;
"Call Option"	an Option Contract pursuant to which the Granter gives the Taker the right to buy from the Granter or, in the case of an Index Option, a notional right to buy, to be cash settled;
"a Candidate"	a candidate for Membership of the Exchange;
"Capital Requirements Regulation"	Regulation (EU) No. 575/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 June 2013 on prudential requirements for credit institutions and investment firms as from time to time amended;
"Carry"	<p>(a) in respect of a Metal Future, Premium Contract, LMEmini Future or LMEprecious Future for the purchase or sale of a specific number of Lots for one Prompt Date coupled with one or more Futures Contracts of the same type for the sale or, as the case may be, purchase comprising in aggregate the same number of Lots between the same parties for a more distant Prompt Date or Prompt Dates; or</p> <p>(b) in respect of a Monthly Average Future, a Contract for the purchase or sale of a specific number of Lots for one Prompt Date for a specified metal coupled with one or more Contracts for the sale or, as the case may be, purchase comprising in</p>

aggregate the same number of Lots for the same metal between the same parties for a more distant Prompt Date or Prompt Dates;

"Cash"	in relation to the period between 19.31 hours on one Business Day and 19.30 hours on the next Business Day and Contracts entered into in that period, the first Settlement Business Day which falls after the next following Business Day (also referred to as " <b>SPOT</b> ");
"Cash-Settled Future Daily Settlement Price"	in respect of each Cash-Settled Future, the relevant price determined for margining and daily settlement purposes of such Cash-Settled Future as determined in accordance with Regulation 5.7.1 of the Trading Regulations;
"Cash-Settled Future Final Settlement Price"	in respect of each Cash-Settled Future, the relevant price determined for final settlement purposes of such Cash-Settled Future as determined in accordance with Regulation 5.7.2 of the Trading Regulations;
"Cash-Settled Future"	a cash-settled Exchange-traded futures contract pursuant to which the buyer and seller agree to pay or receive in cash the difference between the level of the relevant Cash-Settled Future Final Settlement Price on the Prompt Date and the level agreed in the Contract, multiplied by the Contract size, settled on the relevant Settlement Business Day specified in the relevant Special Contract Rules Cash-Settled Futures and subject to daily marking to market in accordance with the Clearing House Rules and conforming to the other specifications prescribed by the Exchange, including the specific features for the relevant type of Contract set out in the relevant Special Contract Rules for Cash-Settled Futures (and not including, for the avoidance of doubt, an LMEmini Future or an Index Future);
"Cash-Settled Future Index"	in respect of each Cash-Settled Future, the relevant index (or indices, as applicable) or other reference-value specified for the specific type of Cash-Settled Future in the relevant Special Contract Rules for Cash-Settled Futures;
"Cash-Settled Future Last Trading Time"	in respect of each Cash-Settled Future, the last time on the Last Trading Day for such Cash-Settled Future as specified in the relevant Special Contract

Rules for Cash-Settled Futures, or as otherwise prescribed by the Exchange from time to time;

"Cash Today"

in relation to Contracts entered into in the period between 19.31 hours on one Business Day and 12.30 hours on the next Business Day, the first Settlement Business Day after the latter Business Day save that there will be no Prompt Date for Cash Today where Cash Today is a Business Day but not a Settlement Business Day (also referred to as "**TOM**" or "**tomorrow**");

"Category 1 Member"

a Member who is:

- (a) authorised by the Exchange to trade in the Ring;
- (b) a member of the Clearing House;
- (c) authorised by the Exchange to clear Cleared LME Base Contracts;
- (d) authorised by the Exchange to issue Client LME Base Contracts; and
- (e) granted Category 1 Membership by the Exchange;

"Category 2 Member"

a Member who is:

- (a) not authorised by the Exchange to trade in the Ring;
- (b) a member of the Clearing House;
- (c) authorised by the Exchange to clear Cleared LME Base Contracts;
- (d) authorised by the Exchange to issue Client LME Base Contracts; and
- (e) granted Category 2 Membership by the Exchange;

"Category 3 Member"

a Member who is:

- (a) not authorised by the Exchange to trade in the Ring;
- (b) a member of the Clearing House;
- (c) authorised by the Exchange to clear Cleared LME Base Contracts;

- (d) not authorised by the Exchange to issue Client LME Base Contracts; and
  - (e) granted Category 3 Membership by the Exchange;
- "Category 4 Member"
- a Member who is:
- (a) not authorised by the Exchange to trade in the Ring;
  - (b) not authorised by the Exchange to clear Cleared LME Base Contracts;
  - (c) authorised by the Exchange to issue Client LME Base Contracts; and
  - (d) granted Category 4 Membership by the Exchange;
- "Category 5 Member"
- a Member who is:
- (a) not authorised by the Exchange to trade in the Ring;
  - (b) not authorised by the Exchange to clear Cleared Contracts;
  - (c) not authorised by the Exchange to issue Client Contracts; and
  - (d) granted Category 5 Membership by the Exchange;
- "Category 6 Member"
- a Member who is:
- (a) not authorised by the Exchange to trade in the Ring;
  - (b) not authorised by the Exchange to clear Cleared Contracts;
  - (c) not authorised by the Exchange to issue Client Contracts;
  - (d) not an Undertaking or a member of an Undertaking; and
  - (e) granted Category 6 Membership by the Exchange;
- "Category 7 Member"
- a Member who is granted honorary Membership of the Exchange by the Exchange;

"Certificate of Analysis"	a certificate of analysis relating to specific Lots of metal which must state the: (i) brand name; (ii) production cast reference; (iii) content within a minimum purity as defined in Special Contract Rule 1 (a) of the relevant section of Part 6 of the Rules; (iv) any other requirements for a given metal as specified in the relevant section of Part 6 of the Rules; (v) any other requirements specified by the Exchange from time to time;
"Chief Executive"	the chief executive officer of the Company, including the "Deputy Chief Executive" and any other person for the time being appointed to perform the duties of Chief Executive of the Company;
"Chief Operating Officer"	the chief operating officer of the Company, including the "Deputy Operating Officer" and any other person for the time being appointed to perform the duties of the Chief Operating Officer of the Company;
"Claimant"	the person commencing an arbitration by serving a Notice to Arbitrate;
"Cleared Cash-Settled Future"	a Cleared Contract which is a Cash-Settled Future;
"Cleared Contract"	<p>(a) the Contract or Contracts which may result from the process of acceptance set out in the Clearing House Rules, upon or following Execution;</p> <p>(b) any other Contract or Contracts which may be created between the Clearing House and a Clearing Member in relation to an Agreed Trade by operation of the Clearing House Rules, including, without limitation, any Contract that results from any process under the Clearing House Rules that varies, modifies, transfers, replaces, novates or ports any Contracts within (a) above or any Contract that results from any netting or settlement-to-market process under the Clearing House Rules;</p>
"Cleared Index Contract"	a Cleared Contract which is an Index Contract;
"Cleared Index Future"	a Cleared Contract which is an Index Future;
"Cleared Index Option"	a Cleared Contract which is an Index Option;



"Cleared LME Base Contract"	a Cleared Contract which is not a Cleared LMEprecious Contract;
"Cleared LMEmini Future"	a Cleared Contract which is an LMEmini Future;
"Cleared LMEprecious Contract"	a Cleared Contract which is an LMEprecious Contract;
"Cleared LMEprecious Future"	a Cleared Contract which is an LMEprecious Future;
"Cleared LMEprecious Option"	a Cleared Contract which is an LMEprecious Option;
"Cleared Metal Contract"	a Cleared Contract which is a Metal Contract;
"Cleared Metal Future"	a Cleared Contract which is a Metal Future;
"Cleared Metal Option"	a Cleared Contract which is a Metal Option;
"Cleared Monthly Average Future "	a Cleared Contract which is a Monthly Average Future;
"Cleared Option Contract"	a Cleared Contract which is an Option Contract;
"Cleared Premium Contract"	a Cleared Contract which is a Premium Contract;
"the Clearing House"	such Clearing-house for the time being appointed by the Exchange to clear Contracts;
"the Clearing House Rules"	the rules of the Clearing House that are binding on Clearing Members, as for the time being in force in relation to the Exchange, and the procedures of the Clearing House with respect thereto;
"Clearing Member"	a Member that is permitted by the Clearing House to clear Cleared Contracts, being: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) in respect of the LME Base Service, a Category 1, 2 or 3 Member; or</li> <li>(b) in respect of the LMEprecious Service, an LMEprecious General Clearing Member or an LMEprecious Individual Clearing Member;</li> </ul>
"Clearing Member Transferee"	means a Clearing Member to whom a Client-Related Cleared Contract is transferred in accordance with the Clearing House Rules;
"Clearing Member Transferor"	means a Clearing Member from whom a Client-Related Cleared Contract is transferred in accordance with the Clearing House Rules, being the Clearing Member that was the counterparty to

the Clearing House under such Cleared Contract immediately prior to the time of such transfer;

"Client"

a person who:

- (a) is or may be a party to a Client Contract, other than the person who issues the Client Contract; or
- (b) otherwise has a client relationship with a Member in relation to any transaction represented by a Contract;

"Client Cash-Settled Future"

a Client Contract which is a Cash-Settled Future;

"Client Contract"

(a) in respect of the LME Base Service, each of:

- (i) an LME Base Contract between a Category 1 or 2 Member and a Category 4 Member; or
- (ii) an LME Base Contract between a Category 1, 2 or 4 Member and any other person (as a Client); or
- (iii) a Post-Compression Client Contract that is an LME Base Contract; or
- (iv) any Contract formed pursuant to the application of a netting, aggregation and/or settlement to market process, applied to any Contract in (i), (ii) or (iii) above,

in each case that is not a Cleared Contract; and

(a) in respect of the LMEprecious Service:

- (i) an LMEprecious Contract between an LMEprecious General Clearing Member and an LMEprecious Non-Clearing Member; or
- (ii) an LMEprecious Contract between an LMEprecious General Clearing Member or LMEprecious Non-Clearing Member and any other person (as a Client); or

	(iii) any Contract formed pursuant to the application of a netting, aggregation and/or settlement to market process, applied to any Contract in (i) or (ii) above,
	in each case that is not a Cleared Contract;
"Client Index Contract"	a Client Contract which is an Index Contract;
"Client Index Future"	a Client Contract which is an Index Future;
"Client Index Option"	a Client Contract which is an Index Option;
"Client LME Base Contract"	a Client Contract which is not a Client LMEprecious Contract;
"Client LMEmini Future"	a Client Contract which is an LMEmini Future;
"Client LMEprecious Contract"	a Client Contract which is an LMEprecious Contract";
"Client LMEprecious Future"	a Client Contract which is an LMEprecious Future;
"Client LMEprecious Option"	a Client Contract which is an LMEprecious Option;
"Client Metal Contract"	a Client Contract which is a Metal Contract;
"Client Monthly Average Future"	a Client Contract which is a Monthly Average Future;
"Client Option Contract"	a Client Contract which is an Option Contract;
"Client Premium Contract"	a Client Contract which is a Premium Contract;
"Client-Related Cleared Contract"	means a Cleared Contract that came into effect between the Clearing House and a Clearing Member pursuant to the Execution of an Agreed Trade, and which corresponds to a Client Contract that came into effect under these Rules at the same time as such Cleared Contract came into effect (and including any Post-Compression Cleared Contracts that may arise following Compression at the Clearing House of any such Cleared Contract);
"Client Traded Average Price Option"	a Traded Average Price Option where either Granter or Taker or each of them is not a Clearing Member;
"Close of Pleadings"	the end of a period of 28 days after the time for submission of the points of reply, unless otherwise ordered by the Tribunal;

"Closing Prices"	the prices determined for margining purposes on each Business Day by the Quotations Committee in accordance with Regulation 6.1 of the Trading Regulations or by the Clearing House in accordance with Regulation 15 of the Trading Regulations;
"the Company" or "the LME"	the London Metal Exchange, a company registered in England and Wales under company number 02128666;
"Compression"	<p>means the replacement of multiple Contracts between the same two parties with a smaller number of Contracts by the aggregation of Contracts having the same direction, together with the netting of Contracts having opposite directions, and which may occur, as the context requires:</p> <p>(a) "at the Clearing House", in relation to Cleared Contracts, subject to and in accordance with the Clearing House Rules; and</p> <p>(b) "under the Exchange Rules", in relation to Underlying Client Contracts that relate to such Cleared Contracts, subject to and in accordance with Regulation 14 of the Contract Regulations,</p> <p>and the terms "same direction" and "opposite direction" shall be construed in accordance with Regulation 1.5 of this Part 1;</p>
"Constituent Metals"	the metals underlying the Index, as set out by way of Notice from time to time;
"Contingent Agreement to Trade"	an agreement between two parties to an Agreed Trade made in the inter-office market, having the characteristics specified in Regulation 2.10 of the Trading Regulations;
"Contract"	<p>(a) a contract for the purchase and sale of one or more Lots of a metal for the time being dealt in on the Exchange in respect of which:</p> <p>(1) either the buyer or the seller or each of them is a Category 1, 2, 3 or 4 Member; and</p>

- (2) the delivery date is a Prompt Date for the time being permitted by the Rules; and
  - (3) the price is expressed in a currency for the time being permitted by the Rules; and
  - (4) the quality and other characteristics of the metal concerned are expressly or impliedly to be as prescribed by the Exchange; or
- (b) a Metal Option or Traded Average Price Option which has the characteristics prescribed by or pursuant to the Metal Options Regulations or, as the case may be, the Traded Average Price Options Regulations to enter into a contract falling within (a) above; or
  - (c) an Index Future or an Index Option which has the characteristics prescribed by the Rules and, as the case may be, the Index Option Regulations; or
  - (d) an LMEmini Contract which has the characteristics prescribed by the Rules; or
  - (e) a Monthly Average Future which has the characteristics prescribed by the Rules;
  - (f) a Cash-Settled Future which has the characteristics prescribed by the Rules;
  - (g) a Premium Contract which has the characteristics prescribed by the Rules;
  - (h) an LMEprecious Future which has the characteristics prescribed by the Rules and, as the case may be, the LMEprecious Future Regulations;
  - (i) an LMEprecious Option which has the characteristics prescribed by the Rules and, as the case may be, the LMEprecious Option Regulations,
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- (j) shall not include any contract which, by virtue of provisions agreed between the

	parties at or before the time they enter into the contract as to delivery or otherwise, is clearly intended to be performed otherwise than as prescribed by the Rules;
"Contract Regulations"	the Regulations set out in Part 4 of the Rules;
"Counterparty"	in relation to a party to a Contract, the other party to the same Contract;
"Counter Notice"	a notice served by the Respondent pursuant to Regulation 2.5 of Part 8 of the Rules;
"Cross"	a trade between a Member and its Client, the effect of which is to ensure that a Contract is recorded in the Member's client account at the Clearing House that corresponds to a Client Contract between the Member and such Client, notwithstanding any other Contracts recorded to the client or house accounts of the Member upon Execution of the trade;
"Customer"	a person that initiates pre-trade communications with a Member, and/or requests a quote from a Member, or a person in respect of which a Member initiates pre-trade communications, and including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) another Member; or</li> <li>(b) a Client;</li> </ul>
"Daily Settling Client Contract"	has the meaning set out in Regulation 9.7.1 of the Trading Regulations;
"Dealer"	a person duly authorised to trade on behalf of a Category 1 Member or in respect of LME Select, a person permitted to deal on LME Select on behalf of an LME Select Participant;
"Dealing Area"	the Ring and surrounding area and corridors (not including booth offices sublet to Category 1 Members) on the relevant floor of the Exchange's premises;
"Dealing Offences"	has the meaning set out in Regulation 11.2.3 of the Trading Regulations;
"Dealing On Own Account"	trading against proprietary capital resulting in the conclusion of transactions in one or more Contracts on the Exchange;

"Declaration Day"	in relation to a Traded Average Price Option for a particular month, the last Business Day in that month;
"Defaulter"	a person whom the Exchange has determined, in accordance with Regulation 2 of the Default Regulations, to be a defaulter;
"Default Notice"	notice of a determination by the Exchange issued pursuant to Regulation 4.1 of the Default Regulations;
"Default Regulations"	the Regulations contained in Part 9 of the Regulations;
"Default Settlement Amount"	the amount payable by one party to the other in respect of an Unsettled Contract to which a Defaulter is a party which is settled under or pursuant to the Default Regulations;
"Default Settlement Price"	<p>(a) in relation to a Metal Future or a Premium Contract or an LMEmini Future, the Settlement Price or Unofficial Closing Price for the relevant metal and Prompt Date published next after the time of issue of the Default Notice (determined where necessary by reference to the Settlement Price or Unofficial Closing Price so published for other Prompt Dates); or</p> <p>(b) in relation to an Index Future, the Index Futures Closing Price for the Prompt Date published next after the time of issue of the Default Notice (determined where necessary by reference to the Index Futures Closing Price so published for other Prompt Dates); or</p> <p>(c) in relation to a Metal Option which is not, and is not deemed to be, exercised pursuant to the Default Regulations, the value of such Option determined, pursuant to Regulation 5.8 of the Trading Regulations next after the time of issue of the Default Notice; or</p> <p>(d) in relation to a Traded Average Price Option Contract which is not, and is not deemed to be, exercised pursuant to the Default Regulations, the value of such Option Contract determined, pursuant to Regulation 5.8 of the Trading Regulations</p>

next after the time of issue of the Default Notice; or

- (e) in relation to an Index Option which is not, and is not deemed to be, exercised pursuant to the Default Regulations, the value of such Option determined pursuant to Regulation 5.8 of the Trading Regulations next after the time of issue of the Default Notice; or
- (f) in relation to a Monthly Average Future, the difference between the Monthly Average Settlement Price for the relevant tradeable month for the relevant underlying metal as published after the time of issue of the Default Notice, and the fixed price agreed between the buyer and the seller in the Contract multiplied by the Contract size; or
- (g) in relation to a Cash-Settled Future, the Cash-Settled Future Daily Settlement Price for the Business Day next after the time of issue of the Default Notice (determined where necessary by reference to the Cash-Settled Future Daily Settlement Price(s) so determined for other relevant Business Days within the prompt month); or
- (h) in relation to an LMEprecious Future, the LMEprecious Daily Settlement Price for the Business Day next after the time of issue of the Default Notice (determined where necessary by reference to the LMEprecious Daily Settlement Price(s) so determined for other relevant Business Days within the prompt month); or
- (i) in relation to an LMEprecious Option which is not, and is not deemed to be, exercised pursuant to the Default Regulations, the value of such Option determined pursuant to Regulation 5.8 of the Trading Regulations next after the time of issue of the Default Notice;
- (j) such other price or prices as the Exchange may, in its absolute discretion, determine;



"Defence"	has the meaning set out in Regulation 14.4 of the Membership Regulations;
"Delta Hedged Strategy"	has the meaning set out in Regulation 2.14.2 of the Trading Regulations;
"Delivery Point"	a specific geographic area within which warehouses may be listed and approved by the Exchange for the issue of Warrants;
"Deposit"	such sum as may be specified by Administrative Procedure from time to time;
"Designated Non-Member"	a person (other than a Member) designated from time to time by the Exchange as a person in respect of whom action may be taken under the Default Regulations or a person (other than a Member) falling within a description of persons so designated;
"Direct Electronic Access"	an arrangement where a Member permits a Client to use its trading code so the Client can electronically transmit orders relating to a financial instrument (as such term is defined in Article 4(1)(15) of MiFID II) directly to the Exchange, and which term includes Direct Market Access and Sponsored Access;
"Direct Market Access"	an arrangement where a Member permits a Client to use its trading code so the Client can electronically transmit orders relating to a financial instrument (as such term is defined in Article 4(1)(15) of MiFID II) directly to the Exchange, in circumstances where the Client uses the infrastructure of the Member, or any connecting system provided by the Member, to transmit the orders;
"the Directors"	each person who is a director of the Company;
"Disciplinary Committee"	a committee appointed pursuant to Regulation 14 of the Membership Regulations;
"Disciplinary Notice"	has the meaning set out in Regulation 14.3 of the Membership Regulations;
"eCOA"	means either a Basic eCOA or an Enhanced eCOA;
" eCOA System"	means a technological system provided by the Exchange through which, amongst other things, details of Paper COAs may be entered, eCOAs may be created and eCOAs may be viewed;

"Electronic Pricing Commencement Determination"	has the meaning set out in Regulation 5.5 of the Trading Regulations;
"EMIR"	means Regulation (EU) No 648/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 4 July 2012 on OTC derivatives, central counterparties and trade repositories, as from time to time amended;
"EMIR Level 2 (Indirect Clearing) Regulation"	means Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 149/2013 of 19 December 2012 supplementing the EMIR Level 1 Regulation with regard to regulatory technical standards on indirect clearing arrangements, the clearing obligation, the public register, access to a trading venue, non-financial counterparties, risk mitigation for OTC derivatives contracts not cleared by a CCP, as amended from time to time (including, for the avoidance of doubt, as amended by Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2017/2155 of 22 September 2017);
"Enforcement Committee"	shall comprise four members chosen from the Directors of the LME, appointed by the Exchange in consultation with the Chairman. The quorum for the Enforcement Committee shall be three members. The Enforcement Committee shall not be quorate unless there is at least one independent Director present;
"Enhanced eCOA"	means an electronic Certificate of Analysis, which is created within the eCOA System, and which meets the criteria for an Enhanced eCOA as specified by the Exchange from time to time;
"ESMA"	the European Securities and Markets Authority;
"EU Withdrawal Date"	the later of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) the date from which the UK ceases to be a member of the European Union; and</li> <li>(b) the date of expiry of any transitional period under which European Union laws in respect of financial services cease to have direct effect in the UK;</li> </ul>
"Event of Default"	any of the events set out in Regulation 1 of the Default Regulations;
"the Executive" or "Executive Committee" or "EXCOM"	is a sub-committee of the board of directors of the Company, to which the board may from time to

	time delegate certain powers and responsibilities as it sees fit;
"Expiry Day"	in relation to an LMEprecious Option, the Business Day on which the Contract shall automatically exercise or be abandoned, as specified in the LMEprecious Option Regulations;
"the Exchange"	according to context, the London Metal Exchange administered by the Company, or the premises where Ring trading is conducted;
"Exchange Traded Average Price Option"	a Traded Average Price Option where both Granter and Taker are Clearing Members;
"Execution"	the execution of an Agreed Trade, being the point at which the transaction represented by the Agreed Trade is concluded, resulting in the formation of one or more Contracts (and "Executed" shall be interpreted accordingly);
"Execution Time"	the time at which Execution occurs, as specified for each Execution Venue in Regulation 2.3, 2.4, 2.5 or 2.11.2 (as applicable) of the Trading Regulations (and such time being the "Acceptance Time" for the purposes of the Clearing House Rules);
"Execution Venue"	has the meaning set out in Regulation 2.2.2 of the Trading Regulations;
"Exercise Reference Price"	the price by reference to which an LMEprecious Option shall be exercised on its Expiry Day;
"Extracted Warrant"	has the meaning set out in Regulation 13.1 of the LMEsword Regulations;
"FCA"	The Financial Conduct Authority;
"FCA Principles and Guidance Releases"	the FCA Principles as set out in the Principles for Business (PRIN) Sourcebook of the FCA Handbook (as may be updated or replaced from time to time) and any other guidance notes published by the FCA from time to time, including but not limited to Market Watch, guidance and supervisory findings;
"Ferrous Future"	a Cash-Settled Future, the Cash-Settled Future Final Settlement Price for which is determined by reference to a ferrous metal-based index or indices or other reference-value, and which has the

	features specified in the relevant Special Contract Rules for Cash-Settled Futures - Ferrous;
"Financial OTC Booking Fee Policy"	means the policy of the Exchange specifying the basis on which Members and other persons shall be required to report to the Exchange certain transactions in financial instruments that are executed outside the facilities of the Exchange, and to pay to the Exchange fees in respect of such transactions, subject to, and in accordance with, the requirements of such policy, as such policy may be updated by the Exchange from time to time in accordance with the requirements and processes set out therein;
"Firm Quote"	an order or quote that under these Rules can be matched against an opposite order or quote;
"Fixed Price Auction"	a public auction, conducted in accordance with the requirements set out in Trading Regulation 2.15.8;
"Former Member"	has the meaning set out in Regulation 10.5 of the Membership Regulations;
"FSMA"	the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000, as from time to time amended;
"Futures Contract"	a Metal Future, Premium Contract, LMEmini Future, Index Future, Cash-Settled Future or LMEprecious Future;
"Global Legal Entity Identifier System"	the global system operated under the oversight of the LEI ROC to register legal entities and assign legal entity identifiers to such entities;
"Go Live Date"	has the meaning set out in Regulation 5.4 of the Membership Regulations;
"Gold"	Loco London Fine Gold held in London and complying with standards relating to good delivery and fineness acceptable to the Precious Metal Clearer of the Clearing House for the purpose of effecting settlement with the Clearing House, as such standards are in effect from time to time;
"Grantor"	the seller under a Traded Option;
"Grounds of Appeal"	a document prepared by a Dealer or Member Representative and served on the Disciplinary Committee and the Exchange in relation to a Ring Appeal and which meets the requirements set out

	in Regulations 14.17 to 14.19 of the Membership Regulations;
"Group"	in relation to any company, any company that is a "group undertaking" of that company, as defined in section 1161 of the Companies Act 2006;
"Head of Enforcement"	the Head of Enforcement and any other person within the Exchange for the time being appointed to perform the duties of the Head of Enforcement;
"Head of Market Surveillance"	the Head of Market Surveillance and any other person within the Market Surveillance division of the Exchange for the time being appointed to perform the duties of the Head of Market Surveillance;
"Immobilised Warrant"	has the meaning set out in Regulation 13.1 of the LMEsword Regulations;
"In The Money"	<p>(a) in relation to a Metal Option, that the Strike Price is, in the case of a Put Option, above or, in the case of a Call Option, below the last published Settlement Price at the relevant time for the relevant metal and Prompt Date; or</p> <p>(b) in relation to a Traded Average Price Option, that the Strike Price is, in the case of an Average Price Put Option, above or, in the case of an Average Price Call Option, below the last published Moving Monthly Average Settlement Price or Monthly Average Settlement Price at the relevant time for the relevant metal and Prompt Date; or</p> <p>(c) in relation to an Index Option, that the Strike Price is, in the case of a Put Option, above or, in the case of a Call Option, below the Settlement Price or last published Closing Price at the relevant time for the relevant Index Option and Prompt Date;</p> <p>(d) in relation to an LMEprecious Option, that the Strike Price is, in the case of a Put Option, above or, in the case of a Call Option, below the Exercise Reference Price at the relevant time for the relevant LMEprecious Option and Expiry Day;</p>

"Incentive Programme"	has the meaning set out in Regulation 22.2 of the Membership Regulations;
"Incentive Programme Benefits"	has the meaning set out in Regulation 22.3 of the Membership Regulations;
"Incentive Programme Requirements"	has the meaning set out in Regulation 22.3 of the Membership Regulations;
"Index"	an index denominated in US dollars the level of which is determined in accordance with the Special Contract Rules for the Construction of the Index;
"Index Contract"	an Index Future or an Index Option;
"Index Future"	a cash-settled Exchange-traded futures contract pursuant to which the buyer and seller agree to pay or receive in cash the difference between the level of the Index on the Prompt Date and the level agreed in the Contract, multiplied by the Contract size, settled on the Settlement Business Day next following the Prompt Date and subject to daily marking to market in accordance with the Clearing House Rules and conforming to the other specifications prescribed by the Exchange;
"Index Futures Closing Price"	the Closing Price of an Index Future as determined in accordance with Regulation 6 of the Trading Regulations;
"Index Option"	a cash-settled Exchange-traded option contract over the Index pursuant to which the Granter grants the Taker a right to receive in cash from the Granter the difference between the level of the Index on the Prompt Date and the Strike Price, multiplied by the Contract size, settled on the Settlement Business Day next following the Prompt Date and conforming to the other specifications prescribed by the Exchange;
"Index Options Regulations"	the Regulations set out in Part 5C of the Rules;
"Indirect Clearing Arrangement"	means an "indirect clearing arrangement" within the meaning of the Indirect Clearing Regulations;
"Indirect Clearing Regulations"	means the EMIR Level 2 (Indirect Clearing) Regulation or the MiFID II Level 2 (Indirect Clearing) Regulation, as applicable, and any successor legislation amending or incorporating the requirements thereto in any relevant jurisdiction from time to time;

"Indirect Client"	means an indirect Client of a Clearing Member, being a Client of a Category 4 Member, where such Category 4 Member is a Client of the Clearing Member;
"Indirect Client Account"	means a segregated account maintained by a Clearing Member in respect of the Client business of a single Category 4 Member, such that it records positions only in respect of Client-Related Cleared Contracts that have been created pursuant to the registration of Client Contracts relating to one or more Clients of that Category 4 Member (such Clients being Indirect Clients of the Clearing Member);
"Initial Margin"	<p>(a) in relation to a Cleared Contract, the sum of money fixed by the Clearing House in consultation with the Exchange and in respect of which Members may be required to provide to the Clearing House cover in accordance with the Clearing House Rules;</p> <p>(b) in relation to a Client Contract, such sum as may be agreed between the parties provided that such sum is equal to or greater than the amount in (a) above;</p>
"Inter-Office Order"	a bid or offer or actionable indication of interest for a trade that is made in the inter-office market;
"Intellectual Property Rights"	patents, trade marks, rights in logos, get-up, trade names, internet domain names, rights in designs, copyright (including rights in computer software) and moral rights, database rights, rights of confidentiality, semi-conductor topography rights, utility models, trade secrets, inventions, rights in know-how and other intellectual property or proprietary rights, in each case whether registered or unregistered and including applications for registration, and all rights or forms of protection having equivalent or similar effect to the foregoing which may now or in the future subsist in, apply to or are enforceable in, any jurisdiction in the world;
"Invoicing Back"	the procedure so described in the Clearing House Rules;
"IOM PTT Initiating Pair"	has the meaning set out in Regulation 2.15.8 of the Trading Regulations;

"Last Declaration Day"	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) in relation to a Metal Option for a particular month, the first Wednesday in that month or, if that is not a Business Day, the next day which is a Business Day;</li> <li>(b) in relation to an Index Option for a particular month, up to 16.35 hours on the second Wednesday in that month or, if that is not a Business Day, the next day which is a Business Day;</li> </ul>
"Last Trading Day"	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) in relation to a Metal Option, the Business Day preceding the Last Declaration Day for that Option;</li> <li>(b) in relation to a Traded Average Price Option, the Business Day preceding the Declaration Day of the relevant month for that Traded Average Price Option;</li> <li>(c) in relation to an Index Option, the Last Declaration Day for that Index Option;</li> <li>(d) in relation to an LMEmini Future, the Business Day which is two Business Days before the Prompt Date;</li> <li>(e) in relation to a Monthly Average Future, the last Business Day of the relevant tradeable month;</li> <li>(f) in relation to a Cash-Settled Future, the day specified as the relevant "Last Trading Day" in the Special Contract Rules for Cash-Settled Futures;</li> <li>(g) in relation to a Premium Contract, the Business Day which is two Business Days before the Prompt Date; or</li> <li>(h) in relation to an LMEprecious Future, the Business Day which is one Business Day before the Prompt Date;</li> <li>(i) in relation to an LMEprecious Option, the Business Day which is one Business Day before the Expiry Day;</li> </ul>
"LEI ROC"	the Legal Entity Identifier Regulatory Oversight Committee;
"Lending Rules"	the lending rules set out in the Exchange's Policy Relating to Position Management Arrangements



	(including any clarification, revision or explanation of such lending rules issued by the Exchange from time to time, including any replacement policy) taken together with Regulation 18 of the Trading Regulations;
"LME Base Contract"	a Contract that is not an LMEprecious Contract;
"LME Base Member"	a Category 1 Member, Category 2 Member, Category 3 Member, Category 4 Member, Category 5 Member or Category 6 Member;
"LME Base Service"	the availability of the facilities of the Exchange for the trading of LME Base Contracts;
"LME Data"	all data relating to trading on the Exchange, including, without limitation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) the LME-determined prices and data relating to LME-determined prices, other than any prices determined by the Clearing House or by the LME as delegate of the Clearing House; and</li> <li>(b) data relating to Contracts, Default Settlement Amounts, Indexes, Warrants and Weightings;</li> </ul>
"LME Data Services"	the LME Select API and LMEsource;
"LME Holdings"	LME Holdings Limited, a company registered in England and Wales under company number 4081219, being the sole member of the Company;
"LME Information"	means any information or data (including LME Data) made available by the Exchange to Members, Member Data Services Clients and/or Member Data Services Sub-Clients via the LME Data Services from the Exchange's systems;
"LMEmini Contract"	an LMEmini Future;
"LMEmini Future"	a cash-settled Exchange-traded futures contract pursuant to which the buyer and seller agree to pay or to receive in cash the difference between the Settlement Price of the underlying metal on the Prompt Date and the price of the underlying metal agreed in the Contract, multiplied by the Contract size, settled on the Prompt Date and subject to daily marking to market in accordance with the Clearing House Rules and conforming to the other specifications prescribed by the Exchange;

"LMEmini Futures Closing Price"	the Closing Price of the relevant underlying Metal Future as determined in accordance with Regulation 6 of the Trading Regulations;
"LMEmini Last Trading Time"	the last trading time on the Last Trading Day for LMEmini Contracts as specified in the Special Contract Rules for LMEmini Contracts or as otherwise prescribed by the Exchange from time to time;
"LMEprecious Clearing Member"	an LMEprecious General Clearing Member or an LMEprecious Individual Clearing Member;
"LMEprecious Contract"	<p>a Contract that is:</p> <p>(a) an LMEprecious Future; or</p> <p>(b) an LMEprecious Option,</p> <p>and any other type of Exchange-traded derivative contract having Precious Metal as its underlying instrument, that the Exchange may specify from time to time;</p>
"LMEprecious Daily Settlement Price"	the price determined for margining and daily settlement purposes of an LMEprecious Future as determined in accordance with Regulation 5.7 of the Trading Regulations;
"LMEprecious Final Settlement Price"	the price determined for final settlement purposes of an LMEprecious Future as determined in accordance with Regulation 5.7 of the Trading Regulations;
"LMEprecious Future"	a physically settling Exchange-traded futures contract pursuant to which the seller agrees to sell to the buyer one or more Lots of Precious Metal for delivery on a specified Prompt Date, and conforming with the other specifications prescribed by the Exchange;
"LMEprecious Future Regulations"	the regulations set out in Part 13A of the Rules;
"LMEprecious General Clearing Member"	<p>a Member that is:</p> <p>(a) a member of the Clearing House;</p> <p>(b) authorised by the Exchange to clear Cleared LMEprecious Contracts;</p> <p>(c) authorised by the Exchange to issue Client LMEprecious Contracts; and</p>

	(d) granted LMEprecious Membership, with the categorisation as an LMEprecious General Clearing Member;
"LMEprecious Individual Clearing Member"	a Member that is: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) a member of the Clearing House;</li> <li>(b) authorised by the Exchange to clear Cleared LMEprecious Contracts;</li> <li>(c) not authorised by the Exchange to issue Client LMEprecious Contracts; and</li> <li>(d) granted LMEprecious Membership, with the categorisation as an LMEprecious Individual Clearing Member;</li> </ul>
"LMEprecious Member"	an LMEprecious General Clearing Member, LMEprecious Individual Clearing Member or LMEprecious Non-Clearing Member;
"LMEprecious Non-Clearing Member"	a Member that is: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) not authorised by the Exchange to clear Cleared LMEprecious Contracts;</li> <li>(b) authorised by the Exchange to issue Client LMEprecious Contracts; and</li> <li>(c) granted LMEprecious Membership, with the categorisation as an LMEprecious Non-Clearing Member;</li> </ul>
"LMEprecious Option"	an Exchange-traded, European-style option contract pursuant to which the Granter grants to the Taker the right to buy from or sell to the Granter a Lot of a Precious Metal at a specified Strike Price in a specified month;
"LMEprecious Option Regulations"	the regulations set out in Part 13B of the Rules;
"LMEprecious Regulations"	the regulations set out in Part 13 of the Rules, and comprising the LMEprecious Future Regulations and the LMEprecious Option Regulations;
"LMEprecious Service"	the availability of the facilities of the Exchange for the trading of LMEprecious Contracts;
"LMEsource"	a multi-cast market data platform which enables Members, Member Data Services Clients and Member Data Services Sub-Clients to receive

	LME Information for the purpose of facilitating the trading of Contracts;
"LME Select"	a system provided by the Exchange to enable the anonymous electronic trading of Contracts by LME Select Participants in accordance with the Rules and any Administrative Procedures issued by the Exchange from time to time;
"LME Select API"	a FIX protocol application approved by the Exchange which enables LME Select Participants and their Clients to connect to LME Select for the purpose of facilitating the electronic trading of Contracts;
"LME Select Participant"	a Trading Member who is permitted to use LME Select;
"LMEsword"	the system for, inter alia, the electronic transfer of Warrants governed and constituted by the LMEsword Regulations;
"LMEsword Regulations"	the regulations governing the operation of LMEsword issued by the Exchange as amended from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof and forming Part 10 of the Rules;
"Lot"	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) in relation to a metal (that is not covered by another type of Contract specified below), the standard unit of quantity thereof, specified in the Special Contract Rules for that metal, by reference to which settlement is to be made; or</li> <li>(b) in relation to the Index, the standard value per point movement for that Index, specified in the Special Contract Rules for the Construction of the Index, by reference to which settlement is made; or</li> <li>(c) in relation to an LMEmini Contract, the standard unit of quantity thereof, specified in the Special Contract Rules for LMEmini Contracts, by reference to which settlement is made; or</li> <li>(d) in relation to a Monthly Average Future, the standard unit of quantity thereof, specified in the Monthly Average Future Regulations, by reference to which settlement is made; or</li> </ul>

	(e) in relation to a Cash-Settled Future, the standard unit of quantity thereof, specified in respect of the specific Cash-Settled Future in the relevant Special Contract Rules for Cash-Settled Futures, by reference to which settlement is made;
	(f) in relation to a Premium Contract, the standard unit of quantity thereof, specified in the Premium Contract Regulations, by reference to which settlement is made; or
	(g) in relation to an LMEprecious Future, the standard unit of quantity of Precious Metal specified in the LMEprecious Regulations, by reference to which settlement is to be made;
"LPMCL"	London Precious Metals Clearing Limited, a company registered in England and Wales under company number 04195299;
"Major Currency"	in respect of a metal, the currency in which the Settlement Price and Closing Price are to be determined;
"Market Making Strategy"	a strategy performed by a Member or Client, when Dealing On Own Account, that involves posting Firm Quotes that are simultaneous two-way quotes of comparable size and at competitive prices relating to one or more Contracts, with the result of providing liquidity on a regular and frequent basis to the overall market;
"Matching Period"	a period prescribed pursuant to Regulation 3.4 of the Trading Regulations;
"Matching Rules"	means the LME's matching rules governing the use of the Matching System as published by the LME, by Notice from time to time;
"Matching System"	the system operated by or on behalf of the Exchange for the matching and confirmation of Contracts, or such other system as may from time to time be adopted by the Exchange for such purposes;
"Matching System RIB Screens"	means the RIB-specific sub-screens of the Matching System, which are accessible to:

	(a) Members, for the purposes of RIB permissioning and management of RIB-arranged trades; and
	(b) RIBs, for the purposes of inputting the details of Agreed Trades into the Matching System;
"Member"	an Undertaking or individual admitted to Membership of the Exchange in accordance with the Rules;
"Member Data Services Client"	means any Client or Affiliate of a Member to which the Member provides access to LME Information via the LME Data Services;
"Member Data Services Sub-Clients"	means any Client or Affiliate of a Member LME Data Services Client;
"Membership"	(a) the state of being a Member;
	(b) having the status of a Member; and/or
	(c) the total body of Members,
	as the context of the Rules requires.
"Membership Regulations"	the Regulations set out in Part 2 of the Rules;
"Member Representative"	means any person other than a Dealer on Exchange premises working for or on behalf of a Ring Dealing Member;
"Metal Contract"	a Metal Future or Metal Option;
"Metal Future"	an Exchange-traded futures contract pursuant to which the seller agrees to sell to the buyer one or more Lots of metal for delivery on a specified Prompt Date (excluding any Cash-Settled Future, Premium Contract or LMEprecious Contract);
"Metal Option"	an Exchange-traded option contract pursuant to which the Granter grants to the Taker the right to buy from or sell to the Granter a Lot of a specified metal at a specified Strike Price in a specified month (excluding any LMEprecious Option);
"Metal Options Regulations"	the Regulations set out in Part 5A of the Rules;
"MiFID II"	the package of legislative measures comprising:

- (a) Directive 2014/65/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 May 2014 on markets in financial instruments;
- (b) Regulation (EU) No 600/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 May 2014 on markets in financial instruments and amending EMIR; and
- (c) any delegated regulations made by the European Commission thereunder including, without limitation, the MiFID II (Indirect Clearing) Regulation, the MiFID II Transparency RTS and the MiFID II Algorithmic Trading RTS,

as from time to time amended;

"MiFID II Algorithmic Trading RTS"	Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2017/589 of 19 July 2016 supplementing Directive 2014/65/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council with regard to regulatory technical standards specifying the organisational requirements of investment firms engaged in algorithmic trading;
"MiFID II (Indirect Clearing) Regulation"	Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2017/2154 of 22 September 2017 supplementing Regulation (EU) No 600/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council with regard to regulatory technical standards on indirect clearing arrangements;
"MiFID II Transparency RTS"	Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2017/583 of 14 July 2016 supplementing Regulation (EU) No 600/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council with regard to regulatory technical standards on transparency requirements for trading venues and investment firms in respect of bonds, structured finance products, emission allowances and derivatives;
"MiFIR"	Regulation (EU) No 600/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 May 2014 on markets in financial instruments and amending EMIR;
"Minor Offences"	has the meaning set out in Regulation 11.2.3 of the Trading Regulations;
"Monthly Average Future"	a cash-settled Exchange-traded contract pursuant to which the buyer and seller agree to pay or to

receive in cash the difference between (i) the Monthly Average Settlement Price for a specified metal and for a specified tradeable month and (ii) the fixed price agreed between the buyer and the seller in the Contract, multiplied by the Contract size, settled on the Prompt Date and subject to daily marking to market in accordance with the Clearing House Rules and conforming to the other specifications prescribed by the Exchange;

"Monthly Average Future Regulations"	the Regulations set out in Part 11 of the Rules;
"Monthly Average Settlement Price"	<p>(a) in relation to an Average Price Call Option, the price at which the Taker will sell to the Granter if the Traded Average Price Option is declared;</p> <p>(b) in relation to an Average Price Put Option, the price at which the Taker will buy from the Granter if the Traded Average Price Option is declared;</p> <p>(c) in relation to a Monthly Average Future for a particular tradeable month, the aggregate of the Settlement Prices for the relevant metal for every Business Day in the relevant tradeable month divided by the number of Business Days for that month and which is calculated and published by the Exchange; and</p> <p>(d) in relation to a Traded Average Price Option for a particular month, the aggregate of the Settlement Prices for the relevant metal for every Business Day in the relevant tradeable month divided by the number of Business Days for that month and which is calculated and published by the Exchange,</p> <p>in each case as determined in accordance with the applicable Pricing Methodology.</p>
"Moving Monthly Average Settlement Price"	in relation to a Traded Average Price Option or a Monthly Average Future for a particular month, the aggregate of the Settlement Prices for the relevant metal for every Business Day to date in the relevant tradeable month divided by the number of Business Days to date for that month and which is calculated and published by the Exchange;



"New Contract"	has the meaning set out in Regulation 15.1 of the Contract Regulations;
"Non-Benchmark Reference Price"	a reference price provided by the Exchange and which is not a Benchmark;
"Non-Clearing Member"	(a) a Category 4 Member; or  (b) an LMEprecious Non-Clearing Member,  as the context of the Rules requires;
"Non-Display Usage"	means any use of LME Information in electronic trading systems for the purpose of generating orders or executing transactions in an automated and/or semi-automated manner without the display of the original LME Data, including, for example, the use of LME Data for algorithmic trading, program trading or the automatic monitoring of trading activities;
"Non-Ferrous Future"	a Cash-Settled Future, the Cash-Settled Future Final Settlement Price for which is determined by reference to non-ferrous metal-based index (or indices, as applicable) or other reference-value, and which has the features specified in the relevant Special Contract Rules for Cash-Settled Futures - Non-Ferrous;
"Non-LME Multi Dealer Trading System"	means:  (a) an exchange or other trading venue which is not operated by the Exchange or its Affiliates; or  (b) any other system, granting access to more than one trading party, to facilitate the arrangement and/or execution of bilateral contracts between such parties, outside the trading venue or systems operated by the Exchange or its Affiliates,  but shall not include a Single Dealer to Client Platform;
"Non-LME Platform Contract"	means any contract or product that is traded on, executed on, or otherwise arranged or agreed via a Non-LME Multi Dealer Trading System;
"Non-Material Amendment"	has the meaning set out in Regulation 15.1 of the Contract Regulations;

"Notice of Appeal"	a document prepared by either (i) a Member, Dealer or Member Representative, or (ii) the Exchange, and served on the Chairman of the Appeal Panel and the other party in relation to an appeal of a Disciplinary Committee's decision and which meets the requirements set out in Regulations 14.36 to 14.39 of the Membership Regulations;
"Notice to Arbitrate"	a notice served by the Claimant pursuant to Regulation 2.1 of Part 8 of the Rules;
"Notional Average Price"	in relation to each metal for a particular month, the aggregate of the Settlement Prices for Cash divided by the number of Business Days in that month, as calculated in accordance with the applicable Pricing Methodology;
"Offence" or "Offences"	has the meaning set out in Regulation 11.2.3 of the Trading Regulations;
"Official Prices"	the prices determined in accordance with Regulation 5 of the Trading Regulations;
"Opening Hours"	means the hours on each Business Day during which the Matching System is open and able to receive information regarding Agreed Trades, as specified by the Exchange by Administrative Procedures from time to time;
"Operating Procedures"	the manual issued by the Exchange pursuant to the LMEsword Regulations setting out detailed procedures and information relating to the operation of LMEsword;
"Option Contract"	a Metal Option or an Index Option or an LMEprecious Option;
"Out of Scope Order"	an Inter-Office Order that is not required to be made transparent pursuant to the Pre-Trade Transparency Requirements, as identified in accordance with Regulation 2.15.3 of the Trading Regulations;
"Overseas Undertaking"	an undertaking which is a body corporate incorporated outside of the United Kingdom or if not itself a body corporate, its principal or managing member is a body corporate incorporated outside of the United Kingdom;
"Panel"	the Arbitration Panel of the Company;

"Panel Committee"	a committee appointed by the Exchange to oversee the conduct of arbitrations pursuant to the Arbitration Regulations, and in particular to perform the functions and powers referred to in the Arbitration Regulations;
"Paper COA"	a hard copy Certificate of Analysis, which may be a bulk analysis certificate, and which must be produced by either: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) the producer of the underlying metal; or</li> <li>(b) a LME Listed Sampler and Assayer (a "LSA") who will sample and analyse material in accordance with Exchange-specified instructions to LSAs;</li> </ul>
"Parent Undertaking"	the same meaning as set out in section 1162 of the Companies Act 2006;
"Position Limits"	the position limits applied by the Exchange on any Contract or Contracts from time to time in accordance with requirements specified by the Exchange by Notice sent to the Members;
"Position Netting"	means the netting of multiple Contracts between the same two parties to a smaller number of Contracts (which may take effect through the netting of long and short positions or the aggregation of long positions and short positions respectively) and/or the close out by netting of multiple Contracts, (in each case) in accordance with such process as may be specified in the Clearing House Rules, and which may occur, as the context requires: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) "at the Clearing House", in relation to Cleared Contracts, subject to and in accordance with the Clearing House Rules; and</li> <li>(b) "under the Exchange Rules", in relation to Underlying Client Contracts that relate to such Cleared Contracts, subject to and in accordance with Regulation 9.7.7 of the Trading Regulations;</li> </ul>
"Post-Compression Cleared Contract"	a Cleared Contract that comes into effect between the Clearing House and a Clearing Member upon Compression at the Clearing House, which represents the positions under pre-Compressed Cleared Contracts, as compressed by the Clearing

	House in accordance with the Clearing House Rules;
"Post-Compression Client Contract"	a Client Contract that comes into effect upon Compression under the Exchange Rules, in accordance with Regulation 14 of the Contract Regulations, which shall replace the Client Contracts that were subject to such Compression and which shall come into effect between the same parties as were parties to such original Client Contracts;
"Precious Metal"	Gold or Silver;
"Precious Metal Clearer"	a member of LPMCL (or any successor company or association) that is an "Approved Delivery Facility" for the purposes of the Clearing House Rules;
"Precious Metal Clearing System"	the system operated by LPMCL (or any successor company or association), or any successor system, for the electronic settlement of unallocated Precious Metal between Precious Metal Clearers);
"Pre-Execution Checks"	the checks applied to an Agreed Trade within the systems of the Exchange and the Clearing House prior to confirmation that the Agreed Trade may be Executed, as specified in Regulation 2.8 of the Trading Regulations;
"Premium Contract"	an Exchange-traded futures contract having the features described in the Premium Contract Regulations;
"Premium Contract Closing Price"	the Closing Price for each Premium Contract;
"Premium Contract Last Trading Time"	the last trading time on the Last Trading Day for Premium Contracts as specified in the Premium Contract Regulations or as otherwise prescribed by the Exchange from time to time;
"Premium Contract Price"	the cash consideration payable under a Premium Contract, as agreed at the time of formation of the Premium Contract;
"Premium Contract Regulations"	the Regulations set out in Part 12 of the Rules;
"Premium Warrant"	a Warrant issued by a Qualifying Premium Warrant Warehouse;
"Premium Warrant Jurisdiction"	a geographical jurisdiction specified as such in the Premium Contract Regulations;

"Pre-Trade Communication"	has the meaning set out in Regulation 2.15.6 of the Trading Regulations;
"Pre-Trade Transparency Requirements"	the requirements, under Article 8 of MiFIR and any rules and guidance of the FCA implementing such requirements with which the Exchange is required to comply, for a market operator to make public current bids and offer prices and the depth of trading interests at prices advertised through its system;
"Pricing Methodology"	<p>in respect:</p> <p>(a) of any Benchmark, the methodology applied by the Exchange to determine such Benchmark;</p> <p>(b) any Non-Benchmark Reference Price the methodology applied by the Exchange to determine such Non-Benchmark Reference Price,</p> <p>in each case as may be specified by the Exchange by way of Notice or on the public website maintained by the Exchange at <a href="http://www.lme.com">www.lme.com</a>;</p>
"Product Specifications"	means the specifications, features and/or terms of any Contract listed for trading on the Exchange, as described in the Rules and Administrative Procedures;
"Prompt Date"	<p>(a) in relation to a Metal Future, LMEmini Future, Premium Contract or a Monthly Average Future, the Business Day on which, having regard where relevant to Regulation 8 of the Trading Regulations, the Contract is to be settled;</p> <p>(b) in relation to an Index Contract, the Business Day on which, having regard where relevant to Regulation 8 of the Trading Regulations, the Settlement Price of the Index is determined, with settlement of the Contract on the next Settlement Business Day;</p> <p>(c) in relation to a Cash-Settled Future, the date specified as the relevant "Prompt Date" in the Special Contract Rules for Cash-Settled Futures;</p> <p>(d) in relation to an LMEprecious Future, the Business Day on which, having regard where relevant to Regulation 8 of the</p>

			Trading Regulations and the LMEprecious Regulations, the Contract is to be settled; or
			(e) in relation to an LMEprecious Option, the Prompt Date of the underlying LMEprecious Future, as determined in accordance with the LMEprecious Option Regulations, and comprising the Business Day on which such LMEprecious Future is to be settled;
"PTT Exempt Order"			an Inter-Office Order that is not required to be publicised in accordance with the Pre-Trade Transparency Requirements, due to the application of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) a PTT Waiver; or</li> <li>(b) the PTT Hedging Exemption;</li> </ul>
"PTT Hedging Exemption"			has the meaning set out in Regulation 2.15.5 of the Trading Regulations;
"PTT Order"			an Inter-Office Order that is not an Out of Scope Order or a PTT Exempt Order;
"PTT Waiver"			a waiver from the application of the Pre-Trade Transparency Requirements, granted to the Exchange by a competent regulatory authority;
"Put Option"			an Option Contract pursuant to which the Granter gives the Taker the right to sell to the Granter or in the case of an Index Option, the notional right to sell to be cash settled;
"Qualifying Warehouse"	Premium	Warrant	a listed warehouse for the storage of metal which satisfies the criteria specified by the Exchange from time to time and which is located in a Premium Warrant Jurisdiction;
"Quotations Committee"			a committee authorised by the Exchange to be responsible for determining Closing Prices and Settlement Prices;
"RAO"			means the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (Regulated Activities) Order 2001 (SI 2001/544), as amended from time to time and any successor legislation thereto;

"REC"	the FCA's Recognition Requirements Sourcebook, as amended from time to time, and any successor regulations thereto;
"RDC Decision"	means a finding by the Ring Disciplinary Committee regarding Dealing Offences and Minor Offences made in accordance with either: (i) Regulation 11.6.3 or (ii) Regulations 11.6.5 to 11.6.7 of the Trading Regulations;
"RDC Warning"	means a written warning given to a Dealer or Member Representative by the Ring Disciplinary Committee in their absolute discretion for a Minor Offence or a Dealing Offence in accordance with Regulation 11.6.3 of the Trading Regulations and which is a RDC Decision;
"Recognition Requirements Regulations"	The Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (Recognition Requirements for Investment Exchanges, Clearing Houses and Central Securities Depositories) Regulations 2001 (SI 2001/995), as amended from time to time, and any successor legislation thereto;
"Reference Price Publication Date"	the date on which the Exchange publishes the Cash-Settled Future Final Settlement Price in respect of a Cash-Settled Future and as published by Notice from time to time;
"Registered Intermediating Broker" or "RIB"	a Member that is: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) authorised by the Exchange to arrange Agreed Trades in Contracts between Clients, and to input the details of such Agreed Trades into the Matching System on behalf of the Member(s) that will, upon Execution, become party to the resulting Contracts; and</li> <li>(b) granted Registered Intermediating Broker Membership by the Exchange;</li> </ul>
"Regulator"	in relation to any person, any regulatory body that has responsibility for regulating the conduct of that person's business and/or which has the power to impose regulatory requirements upon a person's business (and including, where applicable, the FCA or ESMA);
"Relevant Daily Settlement Price"	has the meaning set out in Regulation 9.7.4 of the Trading Regulations;

"Relevant Office Holder"	has the meaning attributed thereto by section 189 of the Companies Act 1989;
"Respondent"	the person receiving a Notice to Arbitrate served by the Claimant;
"RIB Product"	a Contract that is a RIB Tier 1 Product or a RIB Tier 2 Product;
"RIB Scope of Authority"	has the meaning set out in Regulation 2.12.5(b)(ii) of the Trading Regulations;
"RIB Tier 1 Member"	a Registered Intermediating Broker that is authorised by the Exchange to arrange Agreed Trades in both RIB Tier 1 Products and RIB Tier 2 Products;
"RIB Tier 1 Product"	a Contract determined to be a RIB Tier 1 Product, and specified as such, by the Exchange from time to time by way of Notice;
"RIB Tier 2 Member"	a Registered Intermediating Broker that is authorised by the Exchange to arrange Agreed Trades in only RIB Tier 2 Products;
"RIB Tier 2 Product"	a Contract determined to be a RIB Tier 2 Product, and specified as such, by the Exchange from time to time by way of Notice;
"Ring"	an Exchange open-outcry trading session in a type of Contract, of such duration and at such times as are laid down by the Exchange, or the ring area of the Exchange as the context requires;
"Ring Appeal"	an appeal of an RDC Decision lodged in accordance with Regulation 11.6.8(a) of the Trading Regulations;
"Ring Committee"	a committee appointed by the Exchange to oversee trading in the Ring;
"Ring Disciplinary Committee"	a committee appointed by the Exchange Directors to enforce discipline on the premises of the Exchange;
"Ring Notice of Appeal"	a letter sent by any Dealer or Member Representative to the Chairman of the Enforcement Committee notifying the Chairman of the Enforcement Committee that they wish to lodge a Ring Appeal of an RDC Decision in accordance with Regulation 11.6.8(a) of the Trading Regulations;



"Ring Price Liquidity Event"	means such criteria, as set out by the Exchange by way of Notice from time to time, that if triggered would permit the Exchange to exercise its powers under Regulation 5.5 of the Trading Regulations;
"Rules"	means these rules and regulations as the same may be amended in accordance with the Articles;
"Sanctions"	any applicable law executing foreign policy, security, sanction, trade embargo, boycott, export control, foreign trade control, non-proliferation or anti-terrorism objectives or similar restrictions on any business with a sanctioned jurisdiction, certain types of business or activity, or specified persons that is imposed, administered or enforced from time to time by: (i) the European Union; (ii) the United Kingdom; (iii) the United States of America; (iv) the United Nations Security Council; or (v) any of their respective successors;
"Secretary"	any person appointed to perform the duties of Secretary of the Company, and for the purpose only of Part 8 of the Rules, any person to whom the functions and powers of the Secretary referred to therein may be delegated from time to time;
"Serious Offences"	has the meaning set out in Regulation 11.2.3 of the Trading Regulations;
"Service Agent"	has the meaning set out in Regulation 11.4 of Part 2;
"Settlement Business Day"	a Business Day on which commercial banks are open in New York City for the settlement of international transactions in US dollars;
"Settlement Price"	the Cash offered price or other settlement price determined: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) by the Quotations Committee in accordance with Regulation 5.1 of the Trading Regulations in respect of Metal Contracts (including Premium Contracts) or Regulation 5.6 of the Trading Regulations (in respect of Index Contracts); or</li> <li>(b) in accordance with Regulation 5.7 of the Trading Regulations (in respect of Cash-Settled Futures and LMEprecious Futures); or</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(c) in accordance with Regulation 5.8 of the Trading Regulations (in respect of Metal Options, Traded Average Price Options, Index Options and, for the purposes of daily settlement and margining, LMEprecious Options); or</li> <li>(d) in accordance with the LMEprecious Option Regulations, for the purpose of determining the Exercise Reference Price for LMEprecious Options; or</li> <li>(e) by the Clearing House in accordance with Regulation 15 of the Trading Regulations;</li> </ul>
"Silver"	Loco London Fine Silver held in London and complying with standards relating to good delivery and fineness acceptable to the Precious Metal Clearer of the Clearing House for the purpose of effecting settlement with the Clearing House, as such standards are in effect from time to time;
"Single Dealer to Client Platform"	means any system operated by a Member for the purpose of arranging bilateral contracts between: (i) such Member; and (ii) its customers by means of either a "Request For Quote" or continual price streaming from the Member to customers, but not including a system operating an order book where one customer may trade against another customer's price or order;
"Special Committee"	the Committee to whom the Exchange has delegated the emergency powers under Regulation 17 of Part 3 as permitted by the Articles;
"Special Contract Rules for Cash-Settled Futures"	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) in relation to Ferrous Futures, the Special Contract Rules for Cash-Settled Futures – Ferrous; and</li> <li>(b) in relation to Non-Ferrous Futures, the Special Contract Rules for Cash-Settled Futures – Non-Ferrous;</li> </ul>
"Special Contract Rules for Cash-Settled Futures - Ferrous"	the Regulations set out in Part 6C of the Rules;
"Special Contract Rules for Cash-Settled Futures - Non-Ferrous"	the Regulations set out in Part 6D of the Rules;
"Special Contract Rules for LMEmini Contracts"	the Regulations set out in Part 6B of the Rules;

"Special Contract Rules for Metals"	the Regulations set out in Part 6 of the Rules;
"Special Contract Rules for the Construction of the Index"	the Regulations set out in Part 6A of the Rules;
"Sponsored Access"	an arrangement where a Member permits a Client to use its trading code so the Client can electronically transmit orders relating to a financial instrument (as such term is defined in Article 4(1)(15) of MiFID II) directly to the Exchange, in circumstances where the Client does not use the infrastructure of the Member or of any other person other than itself and/or the Exchange, to transmit the orders;
"Standard Warrant"	a Warrant that is not a Premium Warrant;
"Strike Price"	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="842 734 1445 880">(a) in relation to a Call Option which is a Metal Option, the price at which the Taker will buy from the Granter if the Option is declared;</li> <li data-bbox="842 913 1445 1014">(b) in relation to a Put Option which is a Metal Option, the price at which the Taker will sell to the Granter if the Option is declared;</li> <li data-bbox="842 1048 1445 1193">(c) in relation to an Average Price Call Option, the price at which the Taker will buy from the Granter if the Traded Average Price Option is declared;</li> <li data-bbox="842 1227 1445 1373">(d) in relation to an Average Price Put Option, the price at which the Taker will sell to the Granter if the Traded Average Price Option is declared;</li> <li data-bbox="842 1406 1445 1619">(e) in relation to an Option Contract which is an Index Option, the agreed level of the Index which shall be compared with the Settlement Price of the Index on the Prompt Date to determine the amount payable to the Taker (if any);</li> <li data-bbox="842 1653 1445 1798">(f) in relation to a Call Option which is an LMEprecious Option, the price at which the Taker will buy from the Granter if the Option is automatically exercised;</li> <li data-bbox="842 1832 1445 1971">(g) in relation to a Put Option which is a LMEprecious Option, the price at which the Taker will sell to the Granter if the Option is automatically exercised;</li> </ul>

"Subsidiary Undertaking"	the same meaning as set out in section 1162 of the Companies Act 2006;
"Taker"	the buyer under a Traded Option;
"Terminal"	means a terminal through which a Member Data Services Client and/or Member Data Services Sub-Client has access to LME Information from a Member via the Data Services; and
"Trade Mark"	means any trade mark (i) belonging to or used by the Company from time to time; or (ii) that the Company may register or apply to register from time to time;
"Traded Average Price Option"	an Exchange-traded option contract pursuant to which the Granter grants to the Taker the right to buy from the Granter a Lot of a specified metal at a specified Strike Price in a specified month and to sell to the Granter a Lot of a specified metal at the Monthly Average Settlement Price in that same specified month, or vice versa, the declaration of which will take place automatically if the Monthly Average Settlement Price is, in the case of an Average Price Call Option, greater than the Strike Price or, in the case of an Average Price Put Option, less than the Strike Price for the relevant tradeable month;
"Traded Option"	an Option Contract or a Traded Average Price Option;
"Traded Options Committee"	the committee appointed by the Exchange for the purpose of administering trading in Traded Options;
"Traded Options Regulations"	the Regulations set out in Part 5 of the Rules in relation to Metal Options, Traded Average Price Options and Index Options;
"Trading-Only Member"	a Trading Member that is not a Clearing Member;
"Trading Member"	a Member permitted to trade in Contracts, being: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) in respect of the LME Base Service, a Category 1, 2, 3 or 4 Member; or</li> <li>(b) in respect of the LMEprecious Service, any LMEprecious Member;</li> </ul>
"Trading Regulations"	the regulations set out in Part 3 of the Rules;

"Tribunal"	the tribunal of one, two or three arbitrators appointed in accordance with Regulation 3 of Part 8 of the Rules;
"Unallocated Precious Metal Account"	an account maintained with a Precious Metal Clearer for the settlement of unallocated Precious Metal through the Precious Metal Clearing System;
"Undertaking"	the same meaning as set out in section 1161 of the Companies Act 2006;
"Underlying Client Contract"	<p>means (as the context requires):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) the Client Contract that has resulted from the Execution of an Agreed Trade and that, upon such Execution, resulted in the formation of a Client-Related Cleared Contract pursuant to the Clearing House Rules; and/or</li> <li>(b) a contract between a Client and an Indirect Client, or between any other persons participating in an Indirect Clearing Arrangement, that is formed under contractual terms between the parties and that results from the Execution of an Agreed Trade described in (a) above; and/or</li> <li>(c) any Post-Compression Client Contract that may arise upon Compression under the Exchange Rules of any Underlying Client Contract,</li> </ul> <p>and any reference to "the Underlying Client Contract" in the context of any reference to a Cleared Contract means the Underlying Client Contract that, upon Execution, resulted in the formation of such Cleared Contract, or any Post-Compression Client Contract relating to such Cleared Contract;</p>
"Unofficial Closing Price"	a price determined by the Quotations Committee in accordance with Regulation 5.4 of the Trading Regulations;
"Unsettled Contract"	a Contract in respect of which the obligations of the parties have not been discharged whether by performance, set-off or otherwise;

"User"	means a user at a Member Data Services Client and/or Member Data Services Sub-Client who has access to LME Information from a Member via a graphical user interface (GUI).
"Variation Margin"	<p>(a) in relation to a Cleared Contract, the sum of money determined by the Clearing House under the Clearing House Rules;</p> <p>(b) in relation to a Client Contract, the sum of money determined by the relevant Category 1 or Category 2 Member or LMEprecious Clearing Member (or, where no such Member is a party, by the relevant Category 4 Member or LMEprecious Non-Clearing Member) representing the amount of variation margin called by the Clearing House in respect of the Client-Related Cleared Contract that corresponds to such Client Contract or such larger sum as may be agreed between the parties;</p>
"VWAP"	a volume weighted average price;
"Warrant"	has the meaning set out in Regulation 13.1 of the LMEsword Regulations;
"Weighting"	the factor determined by the Exchange from time to time which, when multiplied by the Settlement Price of a Constituent Metal, determines the contribution to the Index of that Constituent Metal;
"Working Day"	any weekday, Monday to Friday inclusive, which is not a public holiday in England and Wales.

- 1.2 In Part 8 and Part 10 of these Rules, the additional definitions set out therein shall apply for the purpose of construing the relevant words and expression in those Parts only, unless otherwise indicated.
- 1.3 Words importing the singular shall, where the context permits, include the plural and vice versa. Words importing gender shall include each gender. Words importing persons shall, where the context permits or requires, include partnerships and corporations.
- 1.4 Where reference is made to a Regulation in any Part of the Rules it shall be deemed to be a reference to a Regulation in that Part unless the context otherwise requires.
- 1.5 Where reference is made in these Rules to the "direction" of a Contract, such term shall be construed as follows:
- (a) multiple Contracts have the "same direction" where, under each such Contract (i) the same party is the buyer; and (ii) the same party is the seller; and

- (b) multiple Contracts have the "opposite direction" where the buyer under one Contract is the seller under the other Contract.
- 1.6 Any reference to a Warrant being 'issued' shall mean the creation of the Warrant within the Account of the relevant Account Holder pursuant to Regulation 3 of the LMEsword Regulations.
- 1.7 Any reference to a Warrant being 'delivered' shall mean a transfer within LMEsword pursuant to Regulation 6 of the LMEsword Regulations.
- 1.8 Any reference in the Rules or in any Administrative Procedure issued pursuant to the Rules to any European Union Regulation or Directive or any EU-level rules or legislation made pursuant to any such Regulation or Directive (or any provision thereof) shall be construed to include:
- (a) the European Union law provision; and/or
  - (b) any applicable law in the UK from time to time that substantially incorporates such provision into UK law; and/or
  - (c) any national law or regulation made in the United Kingdom that replaces or supersedes such Regulation, Directive, rule or legislation,
- as the context requires, having regard to which provision applies to the relevant person or context. For the avoidance of doubt, this rule of interpretation shall apply to the definitions of, and any references to, the Capital Requirements Regulation, EMIR, MiFID II and BMR.
- 1.9 For the avoidance of doubt, the Exchange may delegate any powers and responsibilities under the Rules to EXCOM; EXCOM may then delegate any such powers and responsibilities from the Exchange to employees and/or representatives of the Company as appropriate in the circumstances.
2. **GENERAL**
- 2.1 The Rules are made and subject as provided by law may be altered by the Exchange by way of Notice.
- 2.2 Administrative Procedures may be issued by (a) the Chief Executive, or those empowered by him for this purpose, in relation to commercial matters, and (b) by the Chief Operating Officer, or those empowered by him for this purpose, in relation to regulatory and compliance matters, and shall have the same force as Rules.
- 2.3 Where any Administrative Procedure refers to any Rule then:
- (a) where such Rule has been amended subsequent to the issuance of such Administrative Procedure, the Administrative Procedure shall, to the extent possible, be construed in a manner consistent with the amended Rule (so that, by way of example, where a specific Rule referred to in an Administrative Procedure is later numbered differently, or contained in a different section or Part of the Rulebook, or has been updated, the Administrative Procedure shall be deemed to refer to the current Rule); and
  - (b) where the effect of the amendment of such Rule is to render any aspect of an Administrative Procedure to be redundant or manifestly inconsistent with the Rule, such aspects of the Administrative Procedure shall be deemed to have been repealed

to the extent of such redundancy or manifest inconsistency, subject that (a) or (b) shall not apply where and to the extent that the Exchange amends, replaces or repeals any Administrative Procedure in order to address any inconsistency between the Rules and the Administrative Procedure.

2.4 Administrative Procedures shall be sent to such class or classes of Member to whom they apply.

2.5 The Rules and Administrative Procedures shall be binding on all Members. Failure to comply with any of them or with any decision of the Exchange or direction of the Exchange made pursuant to them shall constitute a breach of the Rules for the purposes of disciplinary procedures.

2.6 The Directors or the Chief Executive or the Chief Operating Officer may grant to a Member;

(a) a waiver of; and/or

(b) a modification to

particular requirements of these Rules in such circumstances and subject to such conditions as either think fit, provided that the Exchange or the Chief Executive or the Chief Operating Officer are satisfied that:

(i) compliance with the relevant requirements would be unduly burdensome to the Member;

(ii) the waiver or modification would not create unacceptable risks for the Exchange, or the market generally;

(iii) the waiver or modification is consistent with the regulatory obligations of the Exchange, including the obligation to maintain orderly markets; and

(iv) the waiver or modification would not result in unreasonable or inequitable discrimination between Members.

(v) Waivers and modifications granted or made under this Regulation 2.6 by the Chief Executive or the Chief Operating Officer shall be subsequently notified to EXCOM. EXCOM shall report to the next meeting of Directors on the exercise of any powers under this Regulation 2.6, as appropriate.

2.7 Unless otherwise stated, all times in the Rules refer to London time.



## PART 6

### SPECIAL CONTRACT RULES FOR HIGH GRADE PRIMARY ALUMINIUM

#### 1. QUALITY

The aluminium delivered under this contract must:

- (a) be:
  - (i) Primary aluminium with impurities no greater than in the registered designation P1020A in the North American and International Registration Record entitled "International Designations and Chemical Composition Limits for Unalloyed Aluminum" (revised March 2007), or
  - (ii) Primary aluminium that conforms to the registered designation A199.70 in the GB/T 1196-2008 Standard entitled "Unalloyed aluminium ingots for remelting", or
  - (iii) For warrants created up to and including 31 December 2009 primary aluminium of minimum 99.70% purity with maximum permissible iron content 0.20% and maximum permissible silicon content 0.10%.
- (b) be in the shape of ingots each weighing not less than 9 kilos and not more than 26 kilos and T-bars or sows weighing not more than 788 kilos.
- (c) be of brands listed in the LME approved list.

#### 2. SIZE OF LOT

25 tonnes (2% either more or less).

#### 3. WARRANTS

3.1 Warrants shall be for 25 tonnes (2% either more or less).

3.2 The aluminium in each Warrant shall consist of one brand which is listed as being good delivery, and of one shape and dimension, subject, in the case of ingots, to the necessity of including different shapes and dimensions at the bottom of each bundle for the purpose of stability and must be in bundles not exceeding 2.0 tonnes securely strapped for safe handling and transport without bundle distortion and breakage.

3.3 Each Warrant shall state:

- (a) the name of the brand;
- (b) the country / region of origin;
- (c) the shape;
- (d) the date(s) and reference number(s) of the certificate(s) of analysis lodged with the Warehouse;

- (e) the weight;
- (f) the number of bundles of ingots or the number of T-bars or sows making up each lot.

3.4 Each Warrant must bear the following clause;

**WARNING:** the buyer is advised that this metal may contain crevices and hidden recesses holding entrapped moisture. The metal should be handled and processed with this possibility in mind. Entrapped moisture may cause an explosion if the metal is introduced into a melting furnace without proper drying.

#### 4. **CERTIFICATES OF ANALYSIS**

##### **Requirement for eCOA to place metal on Warrant**

- 4.1 Each delivery of a Lot of aluminium to a Warehouse for placing on Warrant must be accompanied by an eCOA in order for the Warehouse to be able to place such metal on Warrant.
- 4.2 Where the aluminium comprising the relevant Lot was produced on or after 1 January 2024, in order for such Lot to be warrantable, the Lot of aluminium must be accompanied by an Enhanced eCOA.
- 4.3 With effect from 1 January 2024, where a Warehouse is unable to identify the production date of a Lot of aluminium and the relevant Lot is not accompanied by an eCOA, the Warehouse is permitted to produce a Basic eCOA pursuant to the terms of any agreements between the Exchange and the relevant Warehouse. In such circumstances, the Warehouse may place such Lot on Warrant following the creation of such Basic eCOA.

##### **Voluntary creation of an eCOA (metal produced on or before 31 December 2023)**

- 4.4 For metal produced on or before 31 December 2023 and where an Enhanced eCOA has not been created in respect of the underlying metal by its producer, a Basic eCOA may be produced by one of the following:
  - (a) Members, pursuant to Special Contract Rule 4.7 below;
  - (b) Warehouses, pursuant to the terms of any agreements between the Exchange and the relevant Warehouse (including but not limited to the Warehouse Agreement);
  - (c) the producer of the underlying metal; or
  - (d) any other categories of persons or entities as the Exchange may specify from time to time.

For these purposes, each of the above shall be able to upload Paper COAs into the eCOA System for the purposes of producing the Basic eCOA.

##### **Requirements for Production of an eCOA**

- 4.5 In order to be a valid eCOA, any eCOA that is produced in respect of aluminium must demonstrate compliance with one of the relevant standard and grades listed in Special Contract Rule 1(a)(i) or (ii) by illustrating the detected level of impurity for each element. Warrants created up to and including 31 December 2009, may additionally demonstrate compliance

with the standard and grade listed in Special Contract Rule 1(a)(iii). In all cases, it must be possible to cross-reference the production cast reference on the metal to identical numbers on the eCOA.

- 4.6 An Enhanced eCOA for a Lot of aluminium may only be created by the producer of the metal. Any eCOA created by a producer of metal which is produced on or after 1 January 2024 must be an Enhanced eCOA.
- 4.7 Where a Member (or any other person) elects to produce a Basic eCOA, it must:
- (a) upload the complete and correct Paper COA relating to the underlying metal;
  - (b) enter the correct information into the eCOA System as requested by the eCOA System for the purposes of creating the Basic eCOA and as specified by the Exchange from time to time; and
  - (c) use all reasonable skill, care and attention when using the eCOA System.

## 5. **ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR ALUMINIUM WARRANTS**

- 5.1 The listed brand name and/or brand identifiable logo must be indelibly marked on each ingot within a bundle or on each T-bar or sow.
- 5.2 In the case of ingots, the production cast reference must be indelibly marked on each ingot within the bundle or on the surface of the bundle or on a durable bundle label. In the case of T-bars and sows, the production cast reference must be marked on each T-bar or sow either indelibly or by a durable bundle label.
- 5.3 If a Warrant relates to metal, in respect of which an eCOA has not been produced, the Warehouse is obliged to submit to the identified holder of any Warrant the Certificate(s) of Analysis or copies thereof, on request.
- 5.4 All documentation for placing aluminium on Warrant must include the English language.
- 5.5 Straps replaced by a Warehouse must be of corrosion resistant material and in compliance with LME strapping standards.

## 6. **MAJOR CURRENCY**

US dollars

## 7. **TESTING OF WARRANTED METAL**

If the Chief Executive, or those empowered by him for this purpose, believe that the conditions at (a) and (b) below are satisfied, he or they may instruct an LSA to undertake such tests as are necessary to form a reasonable opinion on whether or not metal on Warrant conforms with these rules. Where the Chief Executive, or those empowered by him for this purpose, reasonably believes that the situation requires it, those tests may be conducted without the prior consent of the Warrant holder. The tests will be at the LME's cost.

The conditions referred to above are: -

- (a) There are reasonable grounds to suspect that metal on Warrant does not comply with these rules.

- (b) There is a risk of disruption to the LME's market.