

STANDARD CONDITIONS OF ORDER FOR GOODS AND SERVICES

8 June 2023

1. PARTIES

In these conditions of contract "Powerlink Queensland" is a reference to Queensland Electricity Transmission Corporation Limited ACN 078 849 233 and may variously be referred to as the "Principal", the 'Purchaser', the 'Customer', and/or the 'Client'. The "Supplier" is a reference to the entity providing the Goods and/or Services and is synonymous with 'Contractor' and/or 'Consultant'. Powerlink Queensland and the Supplier are the parties to the Agreement.

2. INTRODUCTION

Acceptance of Powerlink Queensland's *Order* is deemed to include acceptance of the following conditions which form the basis of the contract. No other conditions imposed by the *Supplier* either verbally or in writing prior to or subsequent to the placing of Powerlink Queensland's *Order* will apply unless and until specifically accepted in writing by an authorised officer of Powerlink Queensland.

3. FORMATION OF CONTRACT

Where Powerlink Queensland's *Order* has been issued in acceptance of a written quotation, tender, or offer to supply and when such quotation, tender or offer has a validity period and has not previously been revoked, provided Powerlink Queensland's *Order* is dated and handed to the *Supplier*, posted, or delivered by electronic means such as a email or fax to them at the address appearing on the quotation, tender, or offer within the validity period, a contract will be deemed to have been formed, whether or not receipt of this *Order* has been acknowledged by the *Supplier*. ("this Agreement")

4. TERM

The Goods and Services must be completed/delivered by the "Due By" date as stated in the Order.

5. TERMINATION OR SUSPENSION

- 5.1 Powerlink Queensland may, at any time, terminate this Agreement if the Supplier.
 - a. fails to deliver the Goods or Services within the time specified in the Specifications;
 - b.fails to deliver the *Goods* or *Services* in accordance with the Specifications;
 - becomes insolvent or indicates it no longer wishes to be bound by this contract;
 - d. breaches or does not comply with a material term of the contract.

If Powerlink Queensland terminates this *Agreement* relying on this clause, then Powerlink Queensland will not be liable for any damages, claim for costs or other penalty save for any monetary sum for which the *Supplier* may be entitled to for the provision of the *Goods* or *Services* prior to the date of termination.

5.2 Powerlink Queensland may, at any time, suspend or terminate this Agreement for its own convenience.

If fees or expenses for termination or suspensions for convenience have not been agreed in advance, Powerlink Queensland shall pay the *Supplier* the fees or expenses reasonably incurred by the *Supplier* in executing the *Agreement* to the date of suspension or termination, together with any costs and expenses reasonably incurred by the *Supplier* by reason of the suspension or termination. Powerlink Queensland shall give the *Supplier* reasonable notice to recommence work if the work was suspended.

6. PRICES

- No price increases other than those expressly allowed for in the quotation, tender, Order or offer will be accepted.
- Except where otherwise stated on Powerlink Queensland's Order, prices for the Goods will include transport to Powerlink Queensland's Warehouses but will exclude offloading.

7. SPECIFICATIONS

- a. The Goods or Services must be supplied in accordance with the specification, or description on Powerlink Queensland's Order, or appended hereto. No alternatives are to be supplied without the prior approval, in writing, of an authorised officer of Powerlink Queensland.
- Any performance data, measurements, specifications etc. quoted in Supplier's catalogues, brochures, descriptive literature, quotations, offers or must be binding on the Supplier within the tolerances specified in such documents
- c. Unless otherwise agreed, all Goods or Services supplied must be in accordance with any relevant Australian standards and Federal and State legislation and regulations in force at the date of contract.

8. PACKING

- Any packing necessary for the safe transport and storage of the Goods is deemed to be included in the quoted price unless specifically excluded in the Supplier's quotation, offer or tender.
- b. Supplier's quotations, offers, tenders, advice notes, and invoices must show where packing is returnable and the amount of deposit charges, if any. All returnable packing which is charged on a refundable deposit basis or otherwise must be clearly marked as such, bear a return address and will be returned freight forward at Powerlink Queensland's convenience by a transporter selected by Powerlink Queensland unless otherwise agreed.
 c. The Supplier must provide with each consignment sufficient delivery
- c. The Supplier must provide with each consignment sufficient delivery documents to enable Powerlink Queensland to identify the contents of each package and in addition must endorse all packages and delivery documents, with Powerlink Queensland's purchase Order number.

. INSPECTION AND TEST

Powerlink Queensland reserves the right to inspect and test all *Goods or Services* supplied, to assure compliance with Specification — refer section 7. Where *Goods* or *Services* fail such inspection and tests they will be rejected and the *Supplier* notified of their rejection and the reasons. The *Supplier* is liable for the replacement, free of charge, of all such rejected *Goods* or *Services*, with *Goods* or *Services* of an acceptable standard. Any rejected *Goods* or *Services* must within 30 days from notification by letter and subject to any lien thereon which Powerlink Queensland may have, be removed by the *Supplier* at the *Supplier*'s own expense from Powerlink Queensland's premises. If, on the expiry of 30 days, the rejected *Goods or Services* have not been removed, Powerlink Queensland may return the *Goods or Services* freight forward, and at the *Supplier*'s risk, to the *Supplier*. All *Goods* or *Services* which have been notified to the *Supplier* as rejected, are held by Powerlink Queensland at the *Supplier*'s risk.

10. DELIVERY

- a. The respective periods stipulated for delivery of the *Goods* or *Services* must be deemed to be of the essence of the contract, and the failure of the *Supplier* to supply in accordance with this stipulation must entitle Powerlink Queensland to treat such failure as breach of contract if it so desires.
 b. No deliveries effected outside the normal working hours of Powerlink
- b. No deliveries effected outside the normal working hours of Powerlink Queensland's Warehouses will be accepted unless by prior arrangement with an authorised officer of Powerlink Queensland. It should be noted that certain warehouses are closed on alternative Mondays and it is the Supplier's responsibility to ascertain hours prior to dispatch of the Goods.
- c. Unless otherwise agreed offloading will normally be carried out by Powerlink Queensland's personnel and equipment, however, where packing units within a consignment are larger than the Australian Standard pallet size and/or weigh more than 1 tonne, it must be the Supplier's responsibility to make advance delivery arrangements with Powerlink Queensland.

11. POWERLINK QUEENSLAND OBLIGATIONS

Powerlink Queensland will provide the *Supplier* with safe access to Powerlink Queensland's premises and equipment, where applicable, to enable the *Supplier* to provide the *Services*. Powerlink Queensland must ensure that its premises are safe and are a suitable working environment.

12. WORK HEALTH AND SAFETY

The Supplier must carry out and complete its obligations under the contract in accordance with the WHS Legislative Requirements and, where appropriate, consult with Powerlink Queensland in relation to how its obligations under the contract can be undertaken in a way that prevents or minimises all risks to health, safety, and the environment, while complying with all lawful directions of Powerlink Queensland.

In these conditions, WHS requirements mean all statutory and common law obligations, all directions, plans, statements, policies and procedures of Powerlink Queensland or any statutory authority relating to work health and safety.

The Supplier must comply with all applicable Australian and international laws, regulations and other relevant requirements relating to the transport, packaging, storage, handling, and use of the goods.

13. TERMS OF PAYMENT

Unless otherwise stated on the *Order*, Powerlink Queensland's standard payment terms are 30 days from the receipt of a correctly rendered tax invoice. Payment will only be made if the *Supplier* complies with the following when claiming payment under this clause:

- A tax invoice (quoting the purchase *Order* number) must be submitted when claiming payment.
- b. If the above is not complied with, or the amount claimed on the tax invoice requires adjustment for whatever reason (including incorrect pricing), the Supplier will be requested to submit a correct replacement invoice.
- c. The date for payment of invoices will be based on the time period elsewhere specified and calculated from the date of receipt of the correct invoice. Failure to provide a correct invoice in a timely manner may result in delays in payment.
- d. The Goods and/or Services have been supplied in accordance with the requirements of the specification.

14. SET OFF

All payments due to Powerlink Queensland from the Supplier under another agreement or any money which the Supplier is liable to pay to Powerlink Queensland, may be deducted from a payment due to the Supplier under this agreement.

15. WARRANTY

Where a defect in the *Goods* or *Services* supplied under the contract occurs by reason of faulty materials, workmanship or design and becomes apparent within 5 years after the *Goods* or *Services* have been accepted by Powerlink Queensland or within the *Supplier's* warranty period, whichever is the longer, the *Supplier* must, when called upon to do so by Powerlink Queensland, at the *Supplier's* own cost and with all due diligence replace at the delivery point the defective or damaged *Goods* or *Services* with *Goods* or *Services* complying with the requirements of the contract, or otherwise make good the damage or defect if convenient to Powerlink Queensland, to comply with the requirements of the contract.

16. INDEMNIFICATION

The Supplier must indemnify Powerlink Queensland in respect of all damage or injury due to the negligence of the Supplier, the Supplier's employees,



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representatives or agents and occurring during the performance of a service or during the warranty period for Goods or Services.

17. IMPORT LICENCES

If it is necessary for the performance of the contract, for Powerlink Queensland and/or the Supplier to hold or obtain any import license, consent, by-law exemption, or authority then either or both parties as appropriate must be obliged to apply for same. If such license, consent, by-law exemption, or authority is refused then the contract will be treated as being discharged and neither the Supplier nor Powerlink Queensland will be under any liability to the other.

18. PATENTS

- The Supplier must pay all royalties and expenses, and be liable for all claims, in respect of the use of patent rights, trade marks or other protected rights, for or in connection with any Goods or Services supplied under the contract, and must indemnify Powerlink Queensland against all claims arising there
- Powerlink Queensland will indemnify the Supplier against claims arising from infringement of patent rights, trademarks or other protected rights, where such infringement results from compliance, by the *Supplier*, with Powerlink Queensland's instructions in relation to designs prepared by Powerlink Queensland.

The Supplier acknowledges that the property and risk in the Goods passes to Powerlink Queensland in accordance with s23 Sale of Goods Act 1896.

20. DAMAGE OR LOSS IN TRANSIT

Where Goods have either been lost or damaged in transit whilst at the Supplier's risk, the Supplier will with all due diligence take all necessary action either to replace the Goods or arrange repairs, whichever is mutually acceptable to both parties. Powerlink Queensland will sign all carriers' delivery documentation 'subject to check' and accepts responsibility for notification to the Supplier within 3 days of receipt, in the case of damage, or 10 days from receipt of advice, in the case of loss in transit.

21. VARIATION

Any variations required by Powerlink Queensland or the Supplier will be mutually agreed and will be the subject of an Order amendment raised by an authorised officer of Powerlink Queensland.

22. FORCE MAJEURE

a. The Supplier will not be held liable for breach of contract or any losses, damage or injury incurred by Powerlink Queensland wherever performance of the contract is prevented by circumstances including but not limited to the following which are deemed to be outside the Supplier's control:

Perils of the sea, strikes, lockouts, Act of God, war or warlike measures whether threatened, declared or anticipated, or the outbreak of hostilities between nations or countries, trade sanctions or Government directives, explosions, embargoes, fire, flood, drought, riot, sabotage or accident.

- Similarly, Powerlink Queensland will not accept liability for any losses damage or injury incurred by the *Supplier* as a result of Powerlink Queensland's inability to accept or pay for Goods or Services for the same reasons.
- In the event that either party is unable wholly or in part to perform its obligations under the contract as a result of the occurrence of force majeure circumstances, such party must immediately give notice to the other of the details of such occurrence, and thereupon both parties must make arrangements and adjustments to the contract as necessary. Unless otherwise agreed in writing, upon cessation of the event affecting performance of the contract both parties must as far as practicable complete performance of their respective obligations under the contract.

23. CANCELLATION

Where cancellation of the Goods or Services is necessary by Powerlink Queensland in a particular instance, cancellation will be notified in writing. No cancellation charges will be accepted by Powerlink Queensland other than those which have been advised in advance in writing to Powerlink Queensland and which represent a genuine cost incurred by the Supplier through the cancellation of Powerlink Queensland's Order.

Neither party hereto may assign the whole or any part of the benefits or obligations of that party under this Agreement without the consent of the other.

25. LEGAL CONSTRUCTION

The contract will in all respects be construed and operate as an Australian Contract and must be governed by the laws of the State of Queensland.

Where a date appears pursuant to an Order under this Agreement it will be numerically depicted as follows: DD/MM/YYYY. Unless otherwise stated in this Agreement, the date thereby expressed on the Order will be the date this Agreement is made.

27. CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

The Supplier must not disclose any information in connection with the Goods or Services or this Agreement to a third party unless authorized in writing by Powerlink Queensland.

The Supplier shall not disclose any information concerning the Goods or Services under this Agreement, through any communications media unless authorised in writing by Powerlink Queensland.

Powerlink Queensland shall not disclose the name of the Supplier in connection with the Goods or Services under this Agreement through any communications media without the Supplier's prior written approval.

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS

On payment by Powerlink Queensland of all fees due under this Contract for the Services the Intellectual Property Rights in or relating to the Services must vest in Powerlink Queensland and the Supplier consents to any modification, editing, reproduction or alteration of the Services by Powerlink Queensland.

30. INSURANCE

The Supplier will, prior to commencing Work under the Contract, take out and hold for the duration of the Work, current insurance policies covering Public Liability and Worker's Compensation. Additionally, the *Supplier* must appropriately insure against all other relevant risks and must, if requested by Powerlink Queensland, provide all current Certificates of Currency, including but not limited to:

- Public Liability;
- b. Professional Indemnity;
- Motor Vehicle Liability;
- Ч Workers Compensation;
- Cyber insurance. e.

31. DISPUTE RESOLUTION

If a dispute arises between Powerlink Queensland and the Supplier about the terms and conditions of this a contract, neither party will institute legal proceedings until it takes the following steps:

- Notifies the other party that a term or condition is in dispute setting the nature of the dispute and the facts surrounding and leading up to the dispute;
- Meets with the other party within 28 days of notifying it that a dispute exists, to attempt to reach some mutually agreeable outcome in relation to the dispute:
- If agreed by both parties, appoint a suitably qualified person to assist the parties to reach a mutually agreeable outcome in relation to the dispute.

32. GENERAL

- In the interpretation of this Agreement, no rule of construction applies to the disadvantage of the party preparing the document on the basis that it put forward this document or any part of it.
- The Supplier must not assign, in whole or in part, or novate the Customer's rights and obligations under this Agreement without the prior written consent of Powerlink Queensland.
- Each provision of this Agreement will be read and construed as a separate and severable provision or part and if any provision is void or otherwise unenforceable for any reason then that provision will be severed and the remainder will be read and construed as if the severable provision had never existed.
- This Agreement represents the parties' entire Agreement, and supersedes all prior representations, communications, *Agreement* s, statements and understandings, whether oral or in writing, relating to its subject matter. Clauses 14, 17, 26,27 and 35 survive the termination or expiration of the
- Agreement.
- The Supplier must comply with Powerlink's Supplier Code of Conduct.

GOODS AND SERVICES TAX

If a Goods and Services tax or any similar tax ("GST") is imposed on any supply made under this contract, the Supplier may, in addition to any amount or consideration expressed as payable elsewhere in this contract, subject to issuing a valid tax invoice, recover from Powerlink Queensland an additional amount on account of GST, such amount to be calculated by multiplying the amount or consideration payable by Powerlink Queensland for the supply by the prevailing GST rate. This clause must apply on the condition that such an amount has not already been included in the original amount or consideration.

If, after a GST is imposed it is determined on reasonable grounds that the amount of GST paid or payable on any supply made under this contract differs for any reason from the amount of GST recovered from Powerlink Queensland including by reason of:

- an alteration in the GST law;
- the issue of or an alteration in a ruling or advice of the Commissioner of Taxation;
- the allowance to the Supplier of a refund of GST in respect of any supply made under this contract: or
- a decision of the Administrative Appeals Tribunal (or its equivalent) or a d court, the amount of GST recoverable from Powerlink Queensland must be adjusted accordingly.

34. POWERLINK PROPERTY LOANED TO THE CONTRACTOR

- From time-to-time Powerlink may loan Powerlink property to the Contractor to use in undertaking the Services, and which must be returned to the relevant Powerlink representative by the earlier of the date the Services are completed or the date the Contractor no longer requires the use of the Powerlink property to undertake the Services, unless otherwise agreed.
- If the Powerlink property is not returned within 7 days of the date stipulated in 34(a), the reasonable costs incurred by Powerlink to replace the Powerlink property will be a debt immediately due and payable by the Contractor to Powerlink. Costs due and payable under this clause may be deducted from any invoices submitted by the Contractor for goods or services rendered.



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35. AER RING-FENCING REQUIREMENTS

If the Supplier is providing Services that will enable or assist Powerlink Queensland to provide Prescribed Transmission Services (as defined under the National Electricity Rules), the *Supplier* must:
a. in performing those *Services*, comply with clauses 4.1, 4.2.1 and 4.3 of the

- AER Ring-fencing Guideline;
- not engage in any conduct that, if engaged in by Powerlink Queensland, would be contrary to Powerlink Queensland's obligations under clause 4 of the AER Ring-fencing Guideline; and
- promptly provide Powerlink Queensland with any information Powerlink Queensland reasonably requires in relation to compliance with the AER Ringfencing Guideline, including information necessary to allow Powerlink Queensland to respond to any request or directive it receives from the Australian Energy Regulator.

In these conditions AER Ring-fencing Guideline means the 'AER Ring-fencing Guideline - Electricity Transmission', made by the Australian Energy Regulator in accordance with clause 6A.21.2 of the National Electricity Rules dated March 2023 as amended from time to time,

36. DEFINED KEY TERMS

Goods means the Goods provided under this Agreement;

means the Order placed by Powerlink Queensland for the Goods Order -

Services the subject of this Agreement.

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