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Proposal for Phase 1 Environmental Site Assessment of CIL, Preston

Dear Mr Cox

Thank you for your request to carry out a Phase 1 Environmental Site Assessment (ESA) of the Chemical Innovations Limited site at 217 Walton Summit Road, Bamber Bridge, Preston PR5 8AQ.

RSK understands the objective of the ESA is to identify the extent to which environmental liabilities associated with the subject property may exist.

The scope of the due diligence assessment will generally follow the accepted practices of ASTM Phase 1 methodology and standards and include the following tasks:

- Task 1 Data review;
- Task 2 Site inspection including interviews with site representatives; and
- Task 3 Reporting

Task 1 Data Review

We will examine background data for the site, including information in the public domain (such as commercially available reports from Envirocheck) and any other information provided by the site such as past environmental reports, permitting information and monitoring data.

Task 2 Site inspection and interviews

The site visit will include a site walkover, a review of current operations and practices, an inspection of surrounding areas and interviews with site representatives.

The site visit and interviews will include but not be limited to investigating the following:









- Evidence of past contamination;
- Historical and present use of the site and surrounding area;
- Air emissions;
- Use and storage of hazardous materials;
- Waste management and disposal practices;
- Underground and above-ground bulk storage tanks;
- Surface water and waste water management;
- Polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs);
- Radioactive materials;
- Surface conditions (e.g. indications of ground contamination and invasive weeds);
- Asbestos and asbestos-containing materials;
- · Nuisance issues such as noise and odour; and
- Status of environmental compliance with relevant national and EU legislation.

Please note the scope of works does not include for any intrusive or destructive surveys.

Task 3 Reporting

The report will be addressed to British Vita Property UK (2) Limited of Oldham Road, Middleton, Manchester M24 2DB. The report will set out the findings of the environmental site assessment identifying areas of potential concern (AOPC). The report will objectively describe the findings for the facility providing a factual description of the conditions observed.

Limitation and Reliance

As with any assessment of this kind RSK shall not be held responsible for conditions or consequences arising from relevant facts that were not fully disclosed by the client or site representatives.

RSK understands that reliance on RSK reports may be required by a purchaser. Our proposal is presented on the understanding that our reports can be relied upon by the purchaser and their advisers. RSK can provide a letter of reliance at no extra cost if required. Further letters of reliance may incur an additional charge.

Proposed Fees

The estimated cost for delivering this work is £3,300 including expenses but excluding UK VAT. This includes the cost of the background data acquisition. RSK's proposal is subject to our standard terms and conditions attached to this letter.



I trust that the above meets with your approval, but should you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

For RSK Environment Limited

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RSK GROUP TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR PROFESSIONAL AND CONTRACTING SERVICES

These terms and conditions ("Conditions") are to be read in conjunction with the RSK Proposal.

Definitions and interpretation

- 1. In these Conditions:
 - "RSK" means any company within the RSK Group of companies identified in the Proposal;
 - "Client" means the contracting party for whom Work is performed by RSK and the party responsible for payment of the Fee;
 - "Dispute" means any dispute or claim arising out of or in connection with the Contract or its subject matter;
 - "Fee" means the amount payable by the Client to RSK for the Work in accordance with the Proposal or as otherwise agreed in writing between RSK and the Client;
 - "Work" means the scope of work detailed in the Proposal;
 - "Proposal" means the written Proposal prepared as an offer by RSK for carrying out the Work for the Client on the basis of the scope of work, set of rates and associated budget estimate or lump sum price, and the time frame for undertaking that work, all as detailed in the proposal, and includes any amendments to the original proposal that RSK may propose or accept in writing prior to commencement of the Work;
 - "Deliverable" means any advice, document, report, map, plan, system, data or software produced or provided pursuant to the Work;
 - "Act" means the Housing Grants, Construction and Regeneration Act 1996 (as amended in particular by the Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009);
 - "Payee" means RSK;
 - "Payer" means the Client;
 - "Indirect Loss" means loss of profits; loss of business; depletion of goodwill and/or similar losses; loss of anticipated savings; loss of goods; loss of contract; loss of use; loss or corruption of data or information; or any other special, indirect, consequential or purely economic loss, costs, damages, charges or expenses;
 - "Notice of Adjudication" means a notice served by either party on the other to refer a dispute to adjudication;
 - "Scheme" means the Scheme for Construction Contracts (England and Wales) Regulations 1998 (as amended in particular by the Scheme for Construction Contracts (England and Wales) Regulations 1998 (Amendment) (England) 2011).

Headings in these **Conditions** shall not affect their interpretation. A reference to a "person" includes a natural person, corporate or unincorporated body (whether or not having separate legal personality). A reference to a statute or statutory provision is a reference to it as it is in force for the time being, taking account of any amendment, extension, or re-enactment, and includes any subordinate legislation for the time being in force made under it. Where the words



"include(s)", "including" or "in particular" are used in these **Conditions**, they are deemed to have the words "without limitation" following them. The singular includes the plural, unless the context otherwise requires.

Contract

- 2. The Client's purchase order or the Client's acceptance of the Proposal constitutes acceptance by the Client to purchase the delivery of the Work by RSK, as specified in the Proposal on these Conditions, or (if earlier) by RSK starting to perform the Work, when a contract for the supply and purchase of the Work on these Conditions will be established (the "Contract"). No counter-offer placed by the Client shall be accepted by RSK other than by a written acknowledgement issued and executed by RSK. The Client's standard terms and conditions (if any) attached to, enclosed with or referred to in any purchase order or other document shall not govern the Contract. In the event of any conflict between the provisions of these Conditions and the provisions of the Proposal, the provisions of the Proposal shall prevail.
- 3. The **Proposal** is given on the basis that no contract shall come into existence except in accordance with Condition 2.

RSK obligations

4. **RSK** will exercise reasonable skill, care and diligence in the performance of the **Work** and in accordance with the provisions of the **Proposal. RSK** will undertake the **Work** in accordance with current health, safety and environmental legislation available at the time the **Contract** is agreed.

Insurance

5. **RSK** will maintain adequate insurance cover for statutory insurances and professional indemnity to the value of £1 million during the course of the **Work**, and for one year after completion, providing such insurance is available at commercially reasonable rates. If such insurance ceases to be available at commercially reasonable rates then **RSK** will promptly notify the **Client**.

Liability limitation

- 6. This Condition 6 sets out the entire financial liability of **RSK** (including any liability for the acts or omissions of its employees, agents, consultants and subcontractors) to the **Client** in respect of any breach of the **Contract**; any use made by the **Client** of the **Work**, the **Deliverables** or any part of them; and any representation, statement or tortious act or omission (including negligence) arising under or in connection with the **Contract**.
 - 6.1. All warranties, conditions and other terms implied by statute or common law are, to the fullest extent permitted by law, excluded from the **Contract**.
 - 6.2. Nothing in these Conditions limits or excludes RSK's liability for death or personal injury resulting from negligence, or for any damage or liability incurred by the Client as a result of fraud or fraudulent misrepresentation by RSK.
 - 6.3. Subject to Conditions 6.1 and 6.2:
 - (a) **RSK** shall not be liable for **Indirect Loss**;
 - The total liability of **RSK** under or in connection with the **Contract** for all claims, whether in contract, tort (including negligence), breach of statutory duty or otherwise, will be limited to the lesser of (i) £1 million; or (ii) the amount recoverable by **RSK** under professional indemnity insurance maintained in accordance with these **Conditions** and in force at the time the claim, or (if earlier) circumstances that may give rise to the claim is, or are, reported to the insurers in question:
 - (c) **RSK's** liability to the **Client** shall be limited to such proportion of the **Client's** loss and damage as it would be just and equitable for **RSK** to pay having regard to the extent of its responsibility for the loss and damage and on the assumption that (i) all other consultants, contractors, subcontractors, project managers and advisers engaged in connection with the project have provided contractual undertakings on terms no less onerous than those set out in this **Contract** to the **Client** in respect to their obligations in connection with the project; and (ii) all the parties referred to in this clause have paid to the **Client** such proportion of



- the loss or damage that it would be just and equitable for them to pay, having regard to the extent of their responsibility for the loss or damage;
- (d) Subject to the other limitations contained in this Condition 6, if RSK is in breach of its obligation under Condition 4 to exercise reasonable skill, care and diligence in the performance of the Work, RSK's liability will be limited to the reasonable cost of correcting or completing the relevant part of the Work or, if necessary, the cost of obtaining replacement work of equivalent standard as that provided for in the scope of the Work.
- 6.4. No action or proceeding for any breach of this **Contract** will be commenced against **RSK** after the expiry of six years from the date of the completion of the **Work**, as indicated by the provision of the final **Deliverable**.

Client obligations

- 7. The Client must ensure that RSK is fully briefed and provided with all necessary documentation and equipment to be able to perform the Work as detailed in the Proposal. In accordance with the Construction Design and Management Regulations ("CDM"), the Client shall provide all existing information, including any health and safety files, service location drawings and contact details for all other companies involved with the project, especially the principal designer and principal contractor.
- 8. The **Client** will give written confirmation to **RSK** of all variations or instructions. **RSK** will confirm in writing as soon as practicable any variation to the cost of the **Work** arising from variations or instructions issued by the **Client. RSK** will not materially alter the scope of the **Work** without the written agreement of the **Client.**
- 9. To the extent (if any) which **RSK** is required to act as agent for the **Client** in the course of the proper performance of the **Work**, the **Client** shall indemnify **RSK** against all claims in respect of, or arising out of, such agency except where and to the extent that the loss or damage claimed, results from **RSK's** negligence.

Remuneration and payment

- 10. When consultancy services are included in the **Proposal**, the fees charged will cover all consultant time spent on the project, whether at the premises of the **Client** or elsewhere, including travelling. Unless otherwise stated in the **Proposal** or agreed in writing with the **Client**, disbursements and out-of-pocket expenses will be charged at cost plus a 10% handling charge.
- 11. The **Client** will be responsible for paying all the relevant taxes, including VAT or equivalent where applicable. Any amount expressed as payable to **RSK** under the **Contract** is exclusive of VAT, unless stated otherwise. Where payments are made by credit card a card transaction fee of up to 2.50% will be added to any sums due. [Note: We are unable to show the transaction fee on invoices due to accounting practices applicable to the billing method used by credit card operators].
- 12. The **Fee** shall be calculated and paid in instalments in accordance with the **Proposal.** If not set out in the **Proposal,** the **Fee** shall be invoiced at intervals of not more than one month, beginning no more than one month after **RSK** begins performing the **Work.**
- 13. RSK will forward an invoice to the Client for each instalment of the Fee. The invoice will specify the sum that RSK considers will become due on the Payment Due Date and the basis on which that sum is calculated. The "Payment Due Date" is the date of issue of the invoice and will be the tax point date. The invoice will constitute the "Payee Notice" and the invoice value shall be the "Notified Sum". The final date for payment ("Final Payment Date") will be 28 calendar days after the Payment Due Date. If the Client fails to pay an amount due to RSK by the Final Payment Date and fails to give a Pay Less Notice, interest shall be added to the unpaid amount from the Final Payment Date until the actual date of payment, which will be calculated on a daily basis at the annual rate of 8% over the annual base rate of HSBC Bank Plc or at the statutory interest rate, whichever is the greater. Compensation for late payment of each debt will also be due at the following fixed sums £40 (for debts up to £999.99), £70 (for debts £1,000–£9,999.99) or £100 (for debts over £10,000) in accordance with the Late Payment of Commercial Debts Regulations 2013 or as stated in any revisions of these regulations. Except as expressly, or by necessary implication, provided otherwise in these Conditions (and in particular in these conditions 12 and 13) or in the Proposal, the payment procedure under Part II of the Scheme shall be deemed incorporated into this Contract, even if the Contract is not a "construction contract" for the purposes of the Act.
- 14. Unless the Client has served a Pay Less Notice, it shall pay the Notified Sum on or before the Final Payment Date. Not less than 14 days before the Final Payment Date, the Payer may give to the Payee notice of the Payer's intention to pay less than the Notified Sum ("Pay Less Notice"). A Pay Less Notice must specify the sum the Payer considers to be due on the date the Pay Less Notice is served and the basis on which that sum is calculated.



15. If the Client fails to pay in full a Notified Sum by the Final Payment Date and the Client has not given a Pay Less Notice, RSK has the right (without prejudice to any other right or remedy) to suspend performance of all or part of the Work by giving not less than seven days' notice to the Client of its intention to do so and stating the ground(s) on which it intends to suspend performance ("Notice of Suspension"). Performance will be resumed when the Notified Sum (together with any interest payable thereon) has been received. RSK shall be entitled to claim payment of its reasonable costs and expenses in accordance with Section 112(3A) of the Act and the provisions of Section 112(4) of the Act shall apply to any relevant time limits for the performance of the Work. No liability will be accepted by RSK for any loss, damage or consequential loss, delay or disruption, however suffered, by virtue of the suspension of the Work in accordance with this Condition.

Material default and termination

- 16. The Client may notify RSK of a material default at any time during the Work. RSK shall, within 30 days of receiving written notification, investigate the complaint, determine if a material default has occurred and agree any remedy with the Client.
- 17. **RSK** may terminate the **Work** in the event of a material default by the **Client.** The material default must have continued without remedy for seven days after written notification by **RSK.**
- 18. In the event of a material default by the **Client**, the **Client** will be liable for fees up to the date of termination. An additional charge will be made by agreement with the **Client** as compensation for the recovery of costs for the demobilisation, reassignment of personnel and equipment, and any associated loss of profit.
- 19. On termination of the **Contract** for any reason, the accrued rights and liabilities of the parties as at termination and the continuation of any provision expressly stated to survive or implicitly surviving termination shall not be affected.

Dispute resolution

- 20. Subject to either party's right to adjudicate a **Dispute** at any time, the parties shall use their reasonable endeavours to resolve any **Dispute** through negotiation or mediation, and if the same cannot be settled amicably within 28 days of the **Dispute** arising and either party notifies the other that it desires this next step, the **Dispute** will be referred to the managing director in the case of **RSK**, and, in the case of the **Client**, the managing director or equivalent of the relevant division of the **Client**, who will attempt to resolve the **Dispute** within 28 days of the **Dispute** being referred to them.
- 21. Notwithstanding any other provision in the **Contract**, either **RSK** or the **Client** may, by giving to the other a **Notice of Adjudication**, refer a **Dispute** to adjudication at any time under Part 1 of the **Scheme**, and such Part 1 shall take effect as if it were incorporated into this **Condition**. The adjudicator will be a member of the Association of Independent Construction Adjudicators ("**AICA**") selected by the parties or, if they are unable to agree within 7 days of the **Notice of Adjudication** or their selected person is unable or unwilling to act, by nomination by the **AICA**.

Sub-contracting

22. **RSK** will be entitled to subcontract any part of the **Work** to another consultant, adviser or contractor (the subcontractor). **RSK** will remain responsible for the performance of any services performed by the subcontractor.

Confidentiality and data protection

- 23. The details of the **Proposal** and any supporting information shall remain confidential and not be shared with any third party. During the **Work**, **RSK** shall not publish any articles, photographs or other illustrations relating to the project without the written agreement of the **Client**.
- 24. All information provided to **RSK** by a client and not already in the public domain will remain confidential unless the **Client** authorises its release in writing to specifically named parties in conjunction with assignments, collateral warranties or requirements of a regulatory body.



25. Where **RSK** or the **Client** receives any personal or financial data as defined by the Data Protection Act 1998, ("**DPA**") they both shall ensure that they fully comply with the provisions of the **DPA** and only deal with the data to fulfil their obligations under the **Contract.**

Copyright and ownership of documents

- 26. Any document prepared for the Client, on acceptance, can be used by the Client solely for the purposes of the Work ("Permitted Purpose"). Unrestricted reproduction and use for the Permitted Purpose is granted to the Client but copyright of all documents and drawings remains with RSK. Without prejudice to the generality of Condition 29, RSK accepts no liability for claims from third parties to whom the Client has made known document contents. The Client will indemnify RSK against any such claims arising from such third parties.
- 27. **RSK** will retain all intellectual property rights and proprietary rights it may have in all information and data reproduced in any **Deliverable**.

Assignment and third parties

- 28. The Client shall not without the prior written consent of RSK assign, transfer, charge, mortgage, subcontract or deal in any other manner with all or any of its rights or obligations under the Contract. Without prejudice to the foregoing, if the Client requests RSK to consent to an assignment of some or all of the Client's rights, or requests RSK to provide a collateral warranty or letter of benefit, the Client acknowledges that RSK is free to give or withhold on reasonable grounds its consent, and that RSK shall be entitled to charge an additional fee, if not specifically identified in the Proposal, for such assignment, collateral warranty or letter of benefit.
- 29. Nothing in this **Contract** confers or purports to confer on any third party any benefit or any right to enforce any term of this **Contract** under the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999.

Waste

30. **RSK** will hold any hazardous substances or wastes, including samples and contaminated equipment, arising from the **Work** as agent for the **Client**, whose property such materials will remain. **RSK** will make all reasonable efforts to assist the **Client** with the safe handling and disposal of such material; however, the **Client** will be responsible for this disposal and all associated costs if not included in the **Proposal**.

Force Majeure

- 31. **RSK** will not be liable to the **Client** if the provision of the **Work** is delayed or prevented by force majeure, meaning any one or more circumstance beyond the reasonable control of **RSK**, including, but not restricted to, a failure of the **Client** to provide facilities, access or information; acts or omissions of the **Client's** other suppliers or contractors; fire, flood or storm; unavailability of labour, materials or services; process shutdown; breakdown of plant or machinery; acts of God or the public enemy; riot or civil commotion or war; malicious damage; strikes or labour disputes or industrial action; act or regulations of any government or other agency; failure of a utility service, communications network, or transport network; and the presence of unusually high levels of ionising radiation or radioactive substances.
- 32. If force majeure continues for more than 90 days, either **RSK** or the **Client** may terminate the **Work** by notice to the other. **RSK** will be entitled to charge the **Client** for work done prior to the force majeure on the basis provided in the **Contract.** Work done and reasonable and proper fees and disbursements accruing during the force majeure event will be charged at the standard rates for **RSK**, unless agreed otherwise in writing.

Notices

33. Any notice to be given under the **Contract** must be in writing and shall be delivered by hand or sent by pre-paid first class (or airmail) post or recorded delivery post to the business address of the party, as stated in the **Contract** or as otherwise last notified in writing by the other party. A notice delivered by hand is deemed to have been received when delivered (or if delivery is not in business hours, 9.00 am on the first business day following delivery). A notice sent by



post will be deemed to have been received on the next business day following that on which the notice was posted to an address in the United Kingdom and after five days in the case of an overseas letter sent by air mail.

RSK personnel

34. The Client agrees not to solicit, either directly or indirectly (including by way of head hunter, employment agency, press advertisement or through related companies), any employee of RSK for the purpose of offering them full-time, part-time, temporary or contract employment of any kind. In the event the Client offers employment to any member of staff at RSK and that employee chooses to leave RSK as a result of the offer received, the Client agrees to pay to RSK a sum which is the greater of £50,000 or 20% of the total employment cost of that member of staff. This condition shall remain in full force both during and for a period of six months after the end of the most recent contract with the Client, and applies to all RSK staff whether involved in contracts with the Client or not. Upon receipt of the employee's resignation, RSK will issue an invoice to the Client and that invoice will be due and payable upon receipt.

General

- 35. If any provision in these **Conditions** is or becomes invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any respect, the remaining parts will remain in force and will not in any way be impaired.
- 36. The **Contract** and any **Dispute** will be governed by and construed in accordance with English law and the parties irrevocably agree that the English Courts shall have exclusive jurisdiction to settle any **Dispute** (subject to the parties having first attempted resolution under conditions 20 and/or 21, if relevant).
- 37. No variation of the **Contract** or these **Conditions** or of any of the documents referred to in them shall be valid unless it is in writing and signed by or on behalf of each of the parties.
- 38. The **Contract** constitutes the whole agreement between the parties and supersedes all previous agreements between the parties relating to its subject matter. Each party acknowledges that, in entering into the **Contract**, it has not relied on and shall have no right or remedy in respect of any statement, representation, assurance or warranty (whether made negligently or innocently) that is not set out in this **Contract**.
- 39. A waiver of any right under the **Contract** is only effective if it is in writing and it applies only to the circumstances for which it is given. No failure or delay by a party in exercising any right or remedy under the **Contract** or by law shall constitute a waiver of that (or any other) right or remedy, nor preclude or restrict its further exercise. No single or partial exercise of such right or remedy shall preclude or restrict the further exercise of that (or any other) right or remedy. Unless specifically provided otherwise, rights arising under the **Contract** are cumulative and do not exclude rights provided by law.
- 40. The **Client** shall permit **RSK** to undertake a credit assessment following acceptance of the **Proposal** and vary the payment terms, should the result be insufficient for the payment sums required. In certain circumstances, payment may be required before commencement of the **Work**.