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Branch: _____

Sales Rep: _____

Recommended VBD: _____

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Application for Credit Account

Please complete this form clearly in BLOCK LETTERS and use the full and correct legal entity.

When complete please email all 4 pages to accounts.receivable@hirepool.co.nz.

Company Name/Sole Traders Name: _____

Trading Name: _____

Company's Physical Address: _____

The physical address must be in New Zealand.

Company's Postal Address: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____ Mobile: _____

Email Address: _____

Please tick appropriate box:

- NZ REGISTERED LIMITED COMPANY**
 SOLE TRADER
 OTHER (Please specify) _____

NZ Companies Office Company No. _____ NZBN: _____

Please list the names and addresses of all registered directors and trustees.

In the case of sole traders or trustees please state a Date of Birth for credit checks to be completed. If this is for a Trust please attach a full copy of the Trust Deed with your application.

Name	Address	Date of Birth
_____	_____	____/____/____
_____	_____	____/____/____
_____	_____	____/____/____

Please list 3 trade references, including company, accounts contact name if known and contact numbers. Please do not use service accounts (e.g. Petrol, Power, Phone/Internet Providers).

Company Name	Contact Name	Phone
1. _____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____
3. _____	_____	_____

Do you have any parent/subsidiary companies who hold existing accounts with Hirepool? Yes/No

1. _____	_____
Hirepool Account Number	Company Name
2. _____	_____
Hirepool Account Number	Company Name
3. _____	_____
Hirepool Account Number	Company Name

Accounts Information:

Contact Name for Accounts: _____ Phone: _____

Email Address for invoices and statements: _____

Do you provide a Purchase Order for each invoice? Yes*/No *Please provide a written purchase order number at all times.

What is your estimated monthly spend? \$ _____ (This is not a credit limit)

Signed by the customer:

I/We submit this application for credit to Hirepool, and declare the above application to be true and accurate and that I/we are authorised to make this application on behalf of the above entity. I/we agree to be bound by the terms and conditions and confirm we have been provided a copy of these at the time of this application. I/we understand we are bound by the terms and conditions which may change from time to time and are published in <http://www.hirepool.co.nz/about/terms-and-conditions>.

_____ Name of Person Signing	_____ Occupation	_____ Signature	_____/_____/_____ Dated
_____ Name of Witness	_____ Occupation	_____ Town/City of residence	_____ Signature
_____ Name of Person Signing	_____ Occupation	_____ Signature	_____/_____/_____ Dated
_____ Name of Witness	_____ Occupation	_____ Town/City of residence	_____ Signature
_____ Name of Person Signing	_____ Occupation	_____ Signature	_____/_____/_____ Dated
_____ Name of Witness	_____ Occupation	_____ Town/City of residence	_____ Signature

Personal Guarantee:

I/We the undersigned below (each a Guarantor) acknowledge that I/we am/are aware of all provisions of this application and irrevocably and unconditionally personally guarantee by way of continuing obligation to Hirepool as primary obligor, and not merely as surety the due payment of all money owed by the account holder and performance of all the account holder's obligations to Hirepool from time to time, including all prompt payment by the account holder. If in any event any moneys are not recoverable from the account holder or a Guarantor under this guarantee, we indemnify Hirepool for any losses suffered as a result. I acknowledge if I fail to do this I will be held personally liable for all outstanding monies owed and that the outstanding balances may be forwarded to a Collections Agency or further collection action as a result. Each Guarantor acknowledges that neither that Guarantor's liability as guarantor, nor any of the rights of Hirepool, under this document will be affected or discharged by anything which, but for this clause, might operate to affect or discharge the liability of, or otherwise provide a defence to, the relevant Guarantor (whether or not known to me or Hirepool), including:

- (a) any limitation or incapacity of, or affecting, the Guarantor, any other person or Hirepool;
- (b) the Guarantor or any other person ceasing to be liable to Hirepool for any monetary or other obligation whether present or future and whether by reason of dissolution or by any liquidator, receiver, receiver and manager, administrator, statutory manager or other person disclaiming or abandoning that obligation or otherwise;
- (c) the granting of any time, credit, or indulgence or other concession, to any person by Hirepool;
- (d) any security held or taken in respect of, or any transaction relating to, any money owed by the account holder to Hirepool being void, voidable, unenforceable, defective or informal, or being released, partially released, discharged, partially discharged or varied in any way;
- (e) the amalgamation, change in constitution, status or control, or reconstruction or reorganisation, of the Guarantor, Hirepool or any other person;
- (f) any failure by Hirepool to present, demand, or give notice in respect of, any negotiable instrument;
- (g) anything done or omitted or neglected to be done, by Hirepool or any other person, whether in exercise of the rights, powers and remedies vested in Hirepool by any document, or otherwise; or
- (h) any other thing, of any nature whatsoever, other than a written release deed executed by Hirepool in favour of the Guarantor.

If any payment made by or on behalf of the account holder or a Guarantor to Hirepool is avoided by law, that payment will not be deemed to have discharged the liability of the account holder or the Guarantor in relation to it.

_____ Name of Person Signing	_____ Occupation	_____ Signature	_____/_____/_____ Dated
_____ Name of Witness	_____ Occupation	_____ Town/City of residence	_____ Signature
_____ Name of Person Signing	_____ Occupation	_____ Signature	_____/_____/_____ Dated
_____ Name of Witness	_____ Occupation	_____ Town/City of residence	_____ Signature

Hirepool Hire & Sales Trade Contract Terms and Conditions ("Trade Conditions")

1. TRADE CONDITIONS

1.1 The Trade Conditions set out below shall apply to and are incorporated into any contract for the hire and/or sale of goods ("equipment") as detailed in the contract details page ("Contract Details") between Hirepool Limited (the "Owner") and the person hiring or buying the equipment ("Hirer")

1.2 These Trade Conditions are intended to apply only where the Hirer is in trade (within the meaning of the Consumer Guarantees Act 1993) and the equipment is supplied to the Hirer and acquired by the Hirer in trade. If the Hirer is a "consumer" for the purposes of the Fair Trading Act 1986 and/or the Consumer Guarantees Act 1993 ("CGA"), these Trade Conditions will not apply and the Hirepool Hire & Sales Consumer Contract Terms and Conditions ("Consumer Conditions") shall apply instead.

1.3 The Owner reserves the right to change these Trade Conditions without notice. Any amended Trade Conditions will be placed on Hirepool's website (www.hirepool.co.nz) and shall apply with effect from the date they are placed on the website unless the amended Trade Conditions specify a later date from which they are to apply.

1.4 It is not intended that any Contract will be either a consumer credit contract or a consumer lease for the purposes of the Credit Contracts and Consumer Finance Act 2003.

2. HIRE CHARGES

2.1 Equipment may be hired for: a) Half Day; b) Daily; c) Weekly;

d) Monthly; or e) as otherwise agreed to in writing. The Hirer agrees that the Owner may charge extra on a pro rata basis for any equipment usage in excess of the agreed hire periods or the maximum usage times (in the case of metered equipment) as set out in clause 2.2 or otherwise agreed to in writing. Certain equipment may carry minimum hiring periods. The Hirer shall not be entitled to a refund or reduced hire charge if the Hirer chooses to return the equipment to the Owner before the end of the agreed hire period.

2.2 "hire periods" and "maximum usage times" are: "Half Day" means 4 hours or overnight provided the equipment is picked up after 4.00pm and returned by 8.30am the following day (maximum usage time 4 hours); "Daily" means 24 hours (maximum usage time 8 hours); "Weekly" means 7 days (maximum usage time 40 hours); and "Monthly" means 28 days (e.g. if pick up on the 1st of a month, return is to be by 4.00pm on the 28th of the month (maximum usage time 160 hours)).

2.3 The hire period begins from the time the equipment leaves the Owner's premises and runs until the equipment is either returned to the Owner at the place of hire, removed by the Owner pursuant to clause 4, or the Contract is terminated pursuant to clause 5.

2.4 The Hirer shall pay as invoiced for the following charges:

- (a) the hire charges for the hire period of all equipment used;
- (b) a bond of 150% of the estimated total charges if applicable (see clause 3.2 below);
- (c) the damage waiver charges (if applicable);
- (d) delivery/removal charges;
- (e) excess use charges (if applicable);
- (f) any damage to or loss of the equipment not covered by the damage waiver (if applicable);
- (g) cleaning fees (if applicable); and
- (h) default interest for late payment (if applicable).

2.5 If the Weekly charge rate is less than the accumulated Daily charge rate over the same hire period, the Weekly charge rate will apply.

2.6 Cleaning fees will be assessed and charged if the Hirer returns equipment that the Owner deems (in its sole discretion) to be excessively dirty.

3. PAYMENT AND DEFAULT INTEREST

3.1 All charges will specify whether they are inclusive or exclusive of GST and the Contract Details will set out the charges and applicable GST payable by the Hirer.

3.2 For hire of equipment, unless the Hirer has a credit account with the Owner:

- (a) the Hirer will be required to pay a bond of 150% of the estimated total charges; and
- (b) on return of the equipment in good order and condition, the actual total charges will be calculated and the Hirer will either pay the balance outstanding, or be refunded with the difference between the bond paid by the Hirer and the actual total charges.

3.3 Unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Owner, the Hirer will pay, or the Hirer's account will be charged with, the

cost of the damage waiver for hired equipment, the amount of which is specified in the Contract Details (see clause 9 for further details on the damage waiver).

3.4 For purchase of equipment, the Hirer will pay the Owner the agreed price. Risk in this equipment passes to the Hirer on delivery of the equipment and title will pass on payment in full to the Owner.

3.5 For credit account customers, the Owner will send the Hirer an invoice for charges incurred. The Hirer must pay the invoice by the 20th of the month following the date of invoice. The Owner reserves the right to reverse any previously agreed discount for credit account customers if the account is not paid in full by the due date.

3.6 All Hirer queries or issues with invoiced amounts must be raised with the Owner within one month of the date on the relevant invoice so that any such queries or issues can be promptly reviewed and resolved.

3.7 The Owner reserves the right to apply payments received in any manner the Owner determines.

3.8 Without prejudice to the Owner's other remedies under these Trade Conditions, at law or otherwise, the Hirer will pay default interest at the rate of 2% above the Owner's overdraft rate per calendar month on all outstanding amounts from the end of the agreed hire period (for cash customers) or from the 20th of the month following date of invoice (for credit account customers), until all monies have been paid in full.

3.9 The Hirer must make all payments due under the Contract (time being of the essence) without set-off or deduction of any kind.

3.10 No credit shall be extended on overdue accounts.

3.11 The Hirer's obligations to pay charges and any other sums to the Owner shall continue despite any mechanical defect, break down, theft of, or accident or damage caused to the equipment.

4. DELIVERY AND REMOVAL

4.1 Delivery and removal charges are payable by the Hirer and are in addition to the hire/purchase charges.

4.2 If hired equipment is to be removed by the Owner, hired equipment must be packed up and ready for loading at the pre-arranged time and place and assistance rendered for loading.

4.3 The Hirer grants to the Owner, or will procure that the Owner is granted, an irrevocable right and authority to enter, and for the Owner to bring vehicles at any time onto, the place where the equipment is to be used or is located to deliver and/or remove hired equipment either on the expiry of the hire period or on termination of the Contract.

4.4 Any requests for removal of hired equipment must be arranged with the relevant branch prior to completion of the hire either by telephone or email.

4.5 The Owner must provide the Hirer with either an offhire number, pick up ticket number or return slip when hired equipment has either been finished with and is awaiting pickup or has been returned to the place of hire, and the Hirer must retain such document or number as evidence that the equipment has been returned.

5. RIGHT TO TERMINATE

5.1 The Owner may terminate the Contract by notice with immediate effect if:

- (a) the Hirer fails to comply with any term of the Contract or any other agreement with the Owner;
- (b) the Owner believes on reasonable grounds that hired equipment may be at risk for any reason whatsoever, including the manner of its use by the Hirer, adverse weather or work conditions, or the Hirer is unable to, or might be unable to, pay any charge, cost, purchase price or fee in connection with the equipment under these Trade Conditions;
- (c) it becomes apparent that for any reason (including through the resignation of a Guarantor) there will be no personal guarantees given in respect of the Hirer's obligations under the Contract; or
- (d) any step is taken to appoint a receiver, manager, trustee in administration, liquidator, provisional liquidator, statutory manager, administrator or other like person over the whole or any part of the Hirer's assets or business.

5.2 Notwithstanding clause 5.1, the Owner may terminate the Contract at any time without reason by giving the Hirer 48 hours' written notice.

5.3 Where the Owner terminates the Contract pursuant to clause 5.1 or 5.2, the Hirer indemnifies the Owner against, and shall pay to the Owner upon demand, any cost (including legal costs), claim, damage, expense or liability suffered or incurred by the Owner whether arising directly or indirectly from the Owner acting to recover any equipment hired

or monies payable by the Hirer pursuant to the Contract, or otherwise in connection with the exercise or attempted exercise of any of its rights or remedies under the Contract.

5.4 Upon termination of this Contract the Hirer shall forthwith deliver up any hired equipment to the Owner and shall pay to the Owner:

- (a) all hire charges and other moneys due to the Owner at the date of termination; and
- (b) the balance of all hire charges yet to accrue from the date of termination to the expiry of the term of the Contract discounted for early payment in such amount as the Owner at its sole discretion allows.

5.5 Termination of the Contract by the Owner is without prejudice to any rights that the Owner may have under this Contract. ("Contract").

6. ASSIGNMENT

6.1 The Hirer shall not assign any of the Hirer's rights or interests under the Contract to any person, and shall not assign, sublet, charge or part with possession of hired equipment

or any part of it. This clause 6.1 shall not prevent employees of the Hirer using hired equipment in conformity with these Trade Conditions.

6.2 The Owner may at any time assign its rights or interests, or any part thereof, (whether absolutely, or by way of security) or transfer its obligations or any part thereof under the Contract, to any person.

7. HIRER'S OBLIGATIONS

7.1 The Hirer shall:

- (a) if hired equipment is intended to be used in a location or manner which is outside its usual or ordinary use, advise the Owner of the intended location and/or nature of use at the time of hiring the equipment;
- (b) comply with any special conditions or exclusions (which may apply to specific equipment or the nature or location of the Hirer's intended use of such equipment) notified to the Hirer prior to the equipment leaving the Owner's premises;
- (c) take proper and reasonable care of hired equipment (including keeping the equipment locked and secured when not in use) and return it to the Owner at the end of the hire period (to the place of hire, unless otherwise specified in the Contract Details) in the same order and condition as at the commencement of the hire (fair wear and tear excepted) and in a reasonably clean state (taking into account the cleanliness of the equipment at the outset of the hire period);
- (d) carry out all necessary daily servicing of hired equipment, (including the inspection and/or the supply of all necessary tyre pressures, water, oils, grease and fuel as may reasonably be required as part of the daily operation of the hired equipment) at the HIRER'S OWN EXPENSE;
- (e) satisfy itself that the hired equipment is suitable for the Hirer's intended use;
- (f) use hired equipment in a lawful manner with due regard to all laws and regulations pertaining to the use of such equipment;
- (g) if the equipment is hired, immediately cease operating the equipment and notify the Owner by telephone if the equipment is faulty, breaks down or if any warning light or buzzer is activated, or if any certificates or licenses required by law or regulation (for example, registration, warrant of fitness or road user charges) are due to expire during the period of hire;
- (h) notify the Owner immediately if hired equipment is lost, stolen or damaged and shall follow all reasonable instructions of the Owner;
- (i) unless such loss is covered by the damage waiver pursuant to clause 9, be responsible, and indemnify the Owner, for any loss, theft or damage to hired equipment that occurs from the time the Hirer takes possession of the equipment until it is returned to the Owner's possession including:

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(i) in the case of damage, the full cost of all repairs to restore the equipment to the condition it was in at the time of hire; and

(ii) in the case of loss, theft or irreparable damage to the equipment, the market value of the equipment;

(j) unless such loss is covered by the damage waiver pursuant to clause 9, in addition to the costs set out in clause 7.1(i), be responsible for and indemnify the Owner for any loss of revenue suffered by the Owner due to the unavailability of the equipment for hire due to loss, theft or damage; and
(k) not remove, deface or obscure any marks of identification or ownership or registration on hired equipment.

7.2 The Hirer warrants that all persons who use hired equipment shall be COMPETENT and QUALIFIED to use the equipment, shall only use the equipment in the manner it was designed to be used, and follow any directions from the Owner, local authorities, codes of practice and/or the manufacturer of the equipment relating to the use and safety of the equipment and shall comply with all obligations in relation to the use and control of the equipment and the persons using said equipment in accordance with the Health and Safety at Work Act 2015 and all other relevant legislation and applicable regulations.

7.3 If the Hirer is not an individual, the person who signs the Contract on behalf of the Hirer warrants that they have authority to bind the Hirer and will, in any event, be personally liable for the performance of the obligations on the Hirer. The person signing hereby indemnifies the Owner against all losses and costs that may be incurred by the Owner arising out of the person signing the Contract failing to have such power or authority.

7.4 The Hirer shall, upon request by the Owner, advise the Owner of the whereabouts of hired equipment and allow the Owner reasonable time to inspect and test the equipment and for such purposes the Hirer gives irrevocable leave and license to the Owner to enter any premises where the equipment or any part of the equipment may be and take possession of and/or remove the equipment.

8. PERSONAL PROPERTY SECURITIES ACT 1999 (PPSA)

8.1 The Hirer acknowledges that title to hired equipment remains with the Owner at all times. Equipment purchased from the Owner remains the property of the Owner until paid for in full.

8.2 The Hirer agrees that the hire of the equipment may, and that the acquisition of the equipment does, create a security interest in the equipment to secure the full payment of all moneys payable to the Owner and the performance by the Hirer of all of its other obligations to the Owner. If the Contract (including these Trade Conditions) constitutes a security interest, this document constitutes a security agreement for the purposes of the PPSA and the provisions of clauses 8.3 to 8.5 apply. Unless otherwise defined in the Contract (including these Trade Conditions), all terms in this clause 8 have the meaning given to them in the PPSA and section references are sections to sections of the PPSA.

8.3 On the request of the Owner, the Hirer shall promptly execute any documents, provide all necessary information and do anything else required by the Owner to ensure that the security interest created under the Contract (including these Trade Conditions) constitutes a perfected security interest

in the equipment and their proceeds which will have priority over all other security interests in the equipment.

8.4 The Owner may allocate all amounts received by the Hirer in any manner it determines including any manner required to preserve any purchase money security interests in the equipment.

8.5 The Hirer will pay to the Owner all fees and expenses incurred by the Owner in relation to the filing and maintenance of a financing statement in connection with the Contract.

8.6 The Hirer waives its rights under sections 114(1)(a), 116, 120(2), 121, 125, 126, 127, 129, 131, 133 and 148 of the PPSA.

8.7 Nothing in this clause 8 affects the Owner's rights as an unpaid seller in relation to equipment purchased from the Owner.

9. HIRE DAMAGE WAIVER

9.1 The Hirer shall pay for the damage waiver unless written confirmation of suitable insurance cover that is satisfactory in every respect to the Owner in its sole discretion is provided by the Hirer and approved in writing by the Owner prior to the Hirer taking possession of the equipment. If the Owner

is not satisfied with the Hirer's compliance with this clause, the Owner may decline to hire the equipment. The Hirer is not entering into a contract of insurance with the Owner by paying for the damage waiver.

9.2 If the Hirer has not purchased the damage waiver, clause

9.3 applies. If the Hirer has purchased the damage waiver, clauses 9.4 to 9.7 apply.

9.3 The Hirer hires the equipment at the Hirer's own risk and indemnifies the Owner against:

(a) any loss of or damage to the equipment; and
(b) any consequential or indirect loss incurred by the Owner as a result of any loss or damage to the equipment.

9.4 Subject to the exclusions set out in clause 9.5, the Hirer shall not be liable to the Owner for any loss of or damage to the hired equipment during the term of hire PROVIDED THAT the Hirer:

(a) has at all times acted reasonably and with reasonable care;
(b) has delivered to the Owner (within 12 hours of the time when the Hirer first becomes aware of the loss of or damage to the equipment) a complete, correct, written report of the circumstances of such loss of or damage to the equipment, including, in the case of any loss appearing to result from any criminal act, an applicable police complaint acknowledgement form;
(c) has complied with its obligations under clause 7.1; and
(d) has rendered such assistance and done such other things as the Owner shall have reasonably required for the purposes of enabling the Owner to recover such loss or damage, including from any potentially responsible third party.

9.5 Exclusions: The damage waiver does not cover:

(a) theft of or criminal damage to equipment unless reasonably locked and secured;
(b) damage or loss due to misuse, abuse or overloading of the equipment or failure to take reasonable care of it (including any overloading of any motors or other electrical appliances or devices);
(c) damage caused to tyres and tubes by blowout, bruises, cuts, kerbing or other causes arising from the use of the equipment;
(d) loss or damage to the hired equipment resulting from lack of lubrication or other normal servicing of the equipment;
(e) loss or damage of tools, digger buckets, accessories, grease guns, hoses and similar, electrical cords, welding cable, oxygen and/or acetylene bottles, pneumatic tools, steels and other similar accessories;
(f) loss or damage to the hired equipment where such loss or damage is due to any incident or accident involving (in any way) water;
(g) loss or damage to any equipment or items on which the damage waiver is not charged;
(h) loss or damage of the equipment arising from a breach by the Hirer of the conditions of the Contract; or
(i) loss or damage due to the Hirer's breach of any special conditions or exclusions notified to the Hirer in accordance with clause 7.1(b)
(j) loss or damage from the use of the equipment in violation of any statute, regulation or by-law.
(k) any consequential loss or damage incurred by the Owner/ and or any third parties.

9.6 The parties agree that section 11 of the Insurance Law Reform Act 1977 will apply with respect to the exclusions in clause

9.5 as if this clause 9 constituted a contract of insurance (notwithstanding that this clause 9 is not a contract of insurance).

9.7 Excess: The Hirer must pay an excess charge before the damage waiver covers the loss of or damage to any equipment. The excess is 50% of the market value of the equipment (up to a maximum of \$5,000) plus GST for any one item of equipment, or as otherwise agreed between the parties and detailed in the Contract Details.

10. LIMITATION OF LIABILITY, INJURY OR DAMAGE TO HIRER, THIRD PERSON OR PROPERTY

10.1 In entering into the Contract, the Hirer acknowledges that the Owner has no liability to the Hirer for any direct, indirect or consequential loss or damage or for any loss of revenue or loss of actual or anticipated profit (or any other form of economic loss) arising in connection with the Contract (whether in contract or in tort) including that resulting from the

use by the Hirer of the equipment, or arising by operation of law. Without limiting the foregoing, the Owner is not liable for any indirect or consequential loss or damage including any loss of profit or other loss suffered by the Hirer, or liability incurred by the Hirer, as a result of the breakdown of any hired equipment, however caused.

10.2 Subject to the exclusion of liability in clause 10.1 above, the maximum aggregate liability of the Owner for all claims made by the Hirer, whether as a result of any breach of the Contract or on any other ground or terms whatsoever (including liability as a result of tort, including negligence) will not exceed:

(a) in the case of any equipment purchased by the Hirer, an amount of \$2,500; and
(b) in the case of any equipment hired, the lesser of the hire charges paid by the Hirer to the Owner pursuant to the Contract and three months' hire charges paid by the Hirer to the Owner pursuant to the Contract.

10.3 Unless such loss is covered by the damage waiver under clause 9, the Hirer will indemnify the Owner against any liability, losses, damages or expenses incurred or suffered by the Owner as a result of any claim made by a third person against the Owner in respect of any loss or liability arising from the Contract or arising out of the use of the equipment hired or purchased by the Hirer.

10.4 The Owner and the Hirer confirm, acknowledge and agree that because the Hirer is in trade (within the meaning of the Consumer Guarantees Act 1993) and the equipment is supplied to the Hirer and acquired by the Hirer in trade, the statutory guarantees and implied terms, covenants and conditions contained in the Consumer Guarantees Act 1993 do not apply.

10.5 If the Hirer is purchasing equipment, all guarantees in respect of the equipment, whether express or implied, are excluded.

10.6 The Owner makes no warranty or representations as to the state, quality or fitness of the equipment for any purpose and no such warranty shall be implied. For the avoidance of doubt, no warranty shall be implied by the description

of the equipment on the Contract Details page or by the provision of information relating to the proper operation and maintenance of the equipment. Any equipment sold is secondhand and is sold as is.

11. NOTICES

11.1 Notices shall be properly served on a person if delivered by hand or left at or posted in any prepaid letter addressed to that person at either the job address or any other address of the Hirer specified on the Contract Details page. Service by post shall be deemed to be effected on the second day after the day on which the notice was posted.

12. GENERAL

12.1 Headings are inserted for convenience and shall not affect the construction of the Contract. The singular includes the plural and vice versa. Words with initial capitals have the meaning ascribed to them in context or as defined in clause 2.2. Persons include incorporated and unincorporated entities.

Words implying one gender include the other. A reference to a clause or sub clause is a reference to a clause or sub clause hereof. A reference to Owner includes its servants, agents, successors and assigns. The word "including" does not imply limitation.

12.2 If at any time any provision of the Contract is or becomes illegal, invalid or unenforceable in any respect under the law of New Zealand, that will not affect or impair the legality, validity or enforceability of any other provision of this Contract.

12.3 The Contract records the entire arrangement between the parties relating to the matters dealt with in this Contract and supersedes all previous arrangements, understandings or representations whether, written, oral or both, relating to these matters.

12.4 Nothing expressed or implied in this Contract will constitute either party as the partner, agent, employee or officer of, or joint venturer with, the other party.

12.5 This Contract is governed by the laws of New Zealand. The parties agree to submit to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of New Zealand.