## **Pricing Supplement**

DATE: 22 October 2024

## MERIDIAN CRV LIMITED

(a public company incorporated under the laws of Mauritius under the number 181398 GBC) Issue of up to USD25 000 000,00 (Twenty-five million US Dollars)

Fixed Rate Secured Notes Due 2027

# UNDER THE USD 100 000 000,00 (ONE HUNDRED MILLION US DOLLARS) MULTI-CURRENCY NOTE PROGRAMME

LEC NUMBER: LEC/P/06/2024

This document constitutes the Applicable Pricing Supplement relating to the issue of the Series of Notes described herein. Terms used herein shall be deemed to be defined as such for the purposes of the Terms and Conditions set out in the Listing Particulars dated 22 October 2024 and bearing the reference LEC/P/06/2024. The Notes described in this Pricing Supplement are subject to the Terms and Conditions in the Listing Particulars and this Pricing Supplement must be read in conjunction with such Listing Particulars. To the extent that there is any conflict or inconsistency between the contents of this Pricing Supplement and the Listing Particulars, the provisions of this Pricing Supplement shall prevail.

Applications will be considered only from persons to whom this Pricing Supplement has been sent by, or on behalf of, Meridian CRV Limited. Only such persons have the right to apply for the Notes hereunder in terms of this Pricing Supplement and, therefore, such persons may not sell, transfer, cede, assign or renounce the right in favour of any other person. This Pricing Supplement will be published on the Stock Exchange of Mauritius Ltd.'s (SEM) website.

Description of the Notes		
Issuer	Meridian CRV Limited	
Noteholder	Investec Bank (Mauritius) Limited	
Tranche Number	02	
Specified Currency	United States Dollar ("USD")	
Aggregate Nominal Amount	USD25 000 000,00 (twenty-five million US Dollars)	
Tranche	USD25 000 000,00 (twenty-five million US Dollars)	
Status of the Notes	Senior secured Notes	
	Issuer  Noteholder  Tranche Number  Specified Currency  Aggregate Nominal Amount  Tranche	



8. Issue Date 28 October 2024		28 October 2024	
9.	Specified Denomination of Notes	USD 10,000	
10.	Issue Price	100% per cent of the Aggregate Nominal Amount	
		<ol> <li>A Bank Account Pledge Agreement between the Issuer and the Noteholder in favour of the Noteholder (the "Bank Account Pledge Agreement");</li> </ol>	
11.	Security of the Notes	2) A Corporate Guarantee from Meridian Consolidated Investments Limited, a private company incorporated under the laws of Mauritius with company registration number C109299 C1/GBL; and	
		<ol> <li>A Subordination Agreement between the Issuer, Meridian Consolidated Investments Limited, Maaden Marketing and Distribution Company and the Noteholder</li> </ol>	
12.	Final Redemption Amount	USD 25 000 000,00 (twenty-five million US Dollars)	
13.	Form of Notes	The listed Notes in this Tranche are issued in uncertificated form and are held by the Central Depository & Settlement Co. Ltd (CDS).	
14.	Record Date	The date shall be communicated nearer to the listing.	
15.	Closing Date	25 October 2024	
16.	Notification of Allotment	The Noteholder will be notified (i) by delivery in person (ii) by a nationally recognized next day courier service, (iii) by registered mail or (iv) by electronic mail of its allotment by no later than 28 October 2024.	
17.	Method of Sale	Private Placement pursuant to a Subscription Agreement dated 22 October 2024 between the Issuer and the Noteholder (the "Subscription Agreement")	
18.	Use of proceeds	To partially refinance the Issuer's existing USD 30 million Medium Term Note Programme.	
19.	Listing	The Notes will be listed on the Official List of the SEM subject to the regulatory approval of the SEM.	
20.	First day of Listing	The listing is expected to be on 30 October 2024 and a further communique shall be released by the Company.	
		It is not expected that an active secondary market will develop in the Notes on the Official Market.	

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l.		iting Rate Note visions	
	(a)	Floating Rate of Interest	The Issuer shall pay interest on the Notes in accordance with the terms set out in <i>Schedule 1 (Interest Accrual)</i> of this Pricing Supplement.
	(b)	Broken Amount(s)	The first and last interest payments will be calculated as below: Floating coupon amount*Actual/360 (Floating)
	(c)	Margin	4.75% per annum
	(d)	Floating Coupon Amount	Nominal Amount * Floating Rate of Interest
	(e)	Day Count Fraction	Actual / 360 (Floating)
	(f)	Interest Commencement Date	Issue Date
	(g)	Interest Determination Date	Determined in accordance with Schedule 1 (Interest Accrual) hereto.
a a	(h)	Minimum Interest Rate	The Margin
	(i)	Maximum Interest Rate	Not Applicable
	(j)	Interest Payment Dates	Quarterly payment in arrears, on 31 December, 31 March, 30 June and 30 September each year, as well as the Maturity Date.
	(k)	Interest Period	Each 3 month period commencing on the expiry of the previous Interest Period, save that the first Interest Period shall commence on the Issue Date and end on the first Interest Payment Date and the final Interest Period shall end on the Maturity Date.
		u .	If an Interest Period would otherwise end on a day which is not a Business Day, that Interest Period will instead end on the next Business Day in that calendar month (if there is one) or the preceding Business Day (if there is not).
	(1)	Capital Payments	Capital to be paid in full, as a bullet payment, on the Maturity Date.
			The Facility Outstandings may be voluntarily prepaid in accordance with the Early Redemption terms as set out below.





(m) Maturity Date	means the third (3rd) anniversary of the Issue Date
(n) Default Rate	200 basis points + Floating Interest Rate
Provisions regarding Redem	ption
22. Issuer's Early Redemption	Not Applicable
23. Issuer's Optional Redemption	Not Applicable
	Mandatory Prepayment (Illegality): If it becomes unlawful in any applicable jurisdiction for the Noteholder to fund or maintain the Notes then the Noteholder may:  (a) promptly notify the Issuer upon becoming aware of such an
	event ("Illegality Notice"); and  (b) irrespective of the service of an Illegality Notice, the Issuer shall repay all of the Facility Outstandings together with Break Costs (if any) on the later of the following:
	(i) the date specified in the Illegality Notice; or
	(ii) last day of any applicable grace period permitted by applicable law.
24. Other terms applicable on Redemption	Mandatory Prepayment (Sanctions): If any member of the Group is or becomes a Sanctioned Entity, participates in any manner in any Sanctioned Transaction or is found by a Sanctions Authority to have acted in breach of any Sanctions then the Issuer shall promptly notify the Noteholder of the same (any such notice, a "Sanctions Notice") and the Noteholder may, irrespective of the service of Sanctions Notice, without prejudice to any other rights or remedies which may be available to it at law or otherwise, declare the Facility Outstandings to be immediately due and payable together with Break Costs, whereupon they shall become immediately due and payable.
	Mandatory Prepayment (Shareholding or Disposal of Business): If there is any change of shareholding of the Issuer or the sale of whole or greater part of the business of the Issuer (unless otherwise agreed by the Noteholder), the Noteholder may, without prejudice to any other rights or remedies which may be available to it at law or otherwise, declare the Facility Outstandings to be immediately due and payable together with Break Costs, whereupon they shall become immediately due and payable.
	Mandatory prepayment: Exit
	For the purpose of this clause:



- (a) "acting in concert" means, in respect of any person, a group of persons who, pursuant to an agreement or understanding (whether formal or informal), actively cooperate to obtain or consolidate control of that person.
- (b) "Control" means, in relation to any person:
  - the power (whether by way of ownership of shares, proxy, contract, agency or otherwise) to:
    - (A) cast, or control the casting of, more than 50% (fifty percent) of the maximum number of votes that might be cast at a general meeting of that person;
    - (B) the holding beneficially and legally of more than 50% (fifty percent) of the issued share capital of that person (excluding any part of that issued share capital that carries no right to participate beyond a specified amount in a distribution of either profits or capital);
    - appoint or remove all, or the majority, of the directors or other equivalent officers of that person; or
    - (D) give directions with respect to the operating and financial policies of that person with which the directors or other equivalent officers of that person are obliged to comply; and/or
  - (ii) the holding (beneficially or legally) of 50% (fifty percent) or more of the issued share capital of that person (excluding any part of that issued share capital that carries no right to participate beyond a specified amount in a distribution of either profits or capital).

## (c) "Control Event" means:

- (i) any person or group of persons acting in concert gains direct or indirect Control of any Obligor; or
- (ii) there is a change in the legal or beneficial shareholdings of any Obligor;
- (d) "the whole or a greater part" means, at any time and from time to time, assets or businesses of the members of the Group which, in aggregate, directly or indirectly, contribute:
  - (i) 25% (twenty five percent) or more of total assets (as determined in accordance with IFRS); and/or
  - (ii) assets which generate 25% (twenty five percent) or more of consolidated EBITDA (as determined in accordance with IFRS) of the Group,

		Swift Code: CITIUS33	
	Instructions	Beneficiary account number: 36151986	
31.	Details of bank account(s) to which payments are to be made in respect of the Notes Settlement  Procedures and Settlement	Beneficiary name: Investec Bank (Mauritius) Limited (Swift code: IVESMUMU)	
		Beneficiary Bank: Citibank NA, New York  Bank Address: 701 East 60th Street North, Sioux Falls, SD 57104, USA	
30.	Settlement procedures and settlement instructions	By electronic funds transfer in immediately available funds	
29.	Financial Centre(s) or other provisions relating to payment dates:	Not Applicable	
28.	Additional selling restrictions	Not Applicable	
Ge	eneral		
27.	Method of distribution	Not Applicable	
26.	Provisions regarding distribution	Not Applicable	
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25.	Attach pro forma put	Not Applicable	
		the Guarantor's most recent set of (i) annual audited consolidated financial statements; or (ii) consolidated management accounts, delivered to the Noteholder under this Pricing Supplement.  (e) If, at any time a Control Event occurs and/or a disposal of the whole or a greater part of the business or assets of any member of the Group occurs, then the Issuer shall promptly notify the Noteholder of the same (any such notice, a "Control Notice"), and the Noteholder may, irrespective of the service of a Control Notice, declare the Facility Outstandings to be immediately due and payable, whereupon all such amounts shall become immediately due and payable.	



		ABA Code: <b>021000089</b>
		For further credit: Meridian CRV Limited
		Reference: Meridian Consolidated Investments Limited
32.	ISIN Number	MU0702D01573
33.	Business Centre(s)	Meridian Consolidated Investments Ltd c/o NWT (Mauritius) Limited, 6th/7th Floor Dias Pier Building, Le Caudan Waterfront, 11307, Port Louis, Mauritius.
Ac	lditional Information	
34.	Specify Agents(s), if different from Listing Particulars.	Not applicable.
35.	Registrar and Transfer Agent	Mauritius Bank Commercial Limited, or any successor Registrar and Transfer Agent acceptable to the Noteholder
36.	Arranger	Safyr Capital Partners Ltd of 11th Floor Bramer House, Cybercity, Ebene, 72201 Ebene, Mauritius
37.	Books Closed Period:	Not Applicable
38.	Last Day to Register:	Not Applicable
39.	Additional Business Centre:	Not Applicable
40.	Offer opens:	Not Applicable
41.	Offer closes:	Not Applicable
42.	Allotment date:	The Noteholder will be notified by email or telephone of its allotment by no later than 28 October 2024.
43.	Announcement date:	25 October 2024
44.	Payment date:	Payment must be received by the Issuer by 28 October 2024.
45.	Issue Date:	The Notes will be issued to the Registrar and Transfer Agent by 28 October 2024.



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ADDITION OF THE PROPERTY OF TH				procure and ensure, for each Relevant Period, that consolidated basis, maintains:
		(a)	<b>Leve</b> r 6.40:1	r <b>age Ratio</b> : a Leverage Ratio of no greater than of 1;
		(b)	Intere 2.50:1	est Cover Ratio: an Interest Cover Ratio of at least
		(c)	Curre	ent Ratio: a Current Ratio of at least 1.10:1.00;
		(d)	US D	a NAV of at least USD 90, 000 000,00 (ninety million collars) (or its equivalent in any other currency or ncies); and
47	Financial Candition	(e)	0,000	<b>Debt</b> : a Total Debt of no more than USD242 000 0 (two hundred and forty two million US Dollars) (or uivalent in any other currency or currencies).
47.	Financial Condition	2. Equity C	Cure	
		(a)	of an provis avoid conter Financ	Financial Covenant has been breached in respect by Relevant Period in terms of the preceding ions of this section, the Issuer may, should it wish to the occurrence of an Event of Default of the nature implated in this section, restore the relevant cial Covenant to the level required by providing of Cure Funding, subject to the following terms and ions:
			(i)	the Issuer shall be required to give prompt written notice of its intention to implement such Equity Cure to the Noteholder;
			(ii)	the Issuer shall implement such Equity Cure within 20 (twenty) Business Days of the earlier of (i) the date on which the breach of the Financial Covenant was identified or (ii) the due date for the delivery of the Compliance Certificate;
			(iii)	no more than 4 (four) Equity Cures may be effected for the duration of the Notes; and



- (iv) no other Event of Default has occurred and is continuing.
- (b) Upon the application of the Equity Cure Funding in accordance with sub-paragraph (a) above, the Issuer shall be deemed to have been in compliance with the applicable Financial Covenants for the Relevant Period, and no Event of Default shall be deemed to have occurred or be continuing with respect to such Financial Covenant.
- (c) The Equity Cure Funding may be repaid, provided that the Issuer has been in compliance with the Financial Covenants for two (2) consecutive Interest Periods. For this purpose, the Financial Covenants should be calculated based on the Issuer's actual financial performance, without including any adjustments or improvements resulting from the Equity Cure.

#### For this section:

"Borrowings" means, in relation to the Group for each Relevant Period, the aggregate outstanding principal, capital or nominal amount (and any fixed or minimum premium payable on prepayment or redemption) of any indebtedness of members of the Group for or in respect of:

- (a) moneys borrowed and debit balances at banks or other financial institutions;
- (b) any acceptances under any acceptance credit or bill discount facility (or dematerialised equivalent);
- (c) any note purchase facility or the issue of bonds, notes, debentures, loan stock or any similar instrument;
- (d) any Finance Lease;
- receivables sold or discounted (other than any receivables to the extent they are sold on a non-recourse basis and meet any requirements for de-recognition under IFRS);
- (f) any counter-indemnity obligation in respect of a guarantee, bond, standby or documentary letter of credit or any other instrument issued by a bank or financial institution in respect of an underlying liability of an entity which is not a member of the Group which liability would fall within one of the other paragraphs of this definition;
- (g) any amount raised by the issue of shares which are redeemable (other than at the option of the Issuer) before



- the Termination Date or are otherwise classified as borrowings under IFRS;
- (h) any amount of any liability under an advance or deferred purchase agreement if (i) one of the primary reasons behind the entry into the agreement is to raise finance or to finance the acquisition or construction of the asset or service in question or (ii) the agreement is in respect of the supply of assets or services and payment is due more than 90 days after the date of supply;
- (i) any amount raised under any other transaction (including any forward sale or purchase agreement, sale and sale back or sale and leaseback agreement) having the commercial effect of a borrowing or otherwise classified as borrowings under IFRS;
- (j) any other amount owed on account of another form, type or category of Financial Indebtedness; and
- (k) (without double counting) the amount of any liability in respect of any guarantee or indemnity for any of the items referred to in the preceding paragraphs.

"Capital Expenditure" means, in relation to the Group for each Relevant Period, any expenditure or obligation in respect of expenditure (other than expenditure or obligations in respect of the acquisition of a company, business or undertaking (or any interest in the same) which, in accordance with IFRS, is treated as capital expenditure).

"Cash" means cash denominated in US Dollars, Euro, Pound Sterling in hand or at bank and (in the latter case) credited to a bank account in the name of a member of the Group and to which a member of the Group is alone (or together with other members of the Group) beneficially entitled, and for so long as:

- (a) that cash is repayable on demand;
- (b) repayment of that cash is not contingent on the prior discharge of any other indebtedness of any member of the Group or of any other person whatsoever or on the satisfaction of any other condition;
- (c) there is no Security over that cash (save in favour of the Noteholder under the Transaction Documents); and
- (d) the cash is freely and immediately available to be applied in repayment or prepayment of the Facility Outstandings.



## "Cash Equivalent Investments" means:

- (a) any investment in marketable debt obligations issued or guaranteed by the government of the United States of America, the United Kingdom, or by an instrumentality or agency of any of them having an equivalent credit rating, maturing within one year after the relevant date of calculation and not convertible or exchangeable to any other security;
- (b) commercial paper not convertible or exchangeable to any other security:
  - (i) for which a recognised trading market exists;
  - (ii) issued by an issuer incorporated in the United States of America or the United Kingdom;
  - (iii) which matures within one year after the relevant date of calculation; and
  - (iv) which has a credit rating of either A-1 or higher by Standard & Poor's Rating Services or F1 or higher by Fitch Ratings Ltd or P-1 or higher by Moody's Investors Service Limited, or, if no rating is available in respect of the commercial paper, the issuer of which has, in respect of its long-term unsecured and non-credit enhanced debt obligations, an equivalent rating; or
- (c) any other debt security approved by the Noteholder,

in each case, denominated US Dollars, Euro, Pound Sterling or any other currency approved by the Noteholder and to which any member of the Group is alone (or together with other members of the Group beneficially entitled at that time and which is not issued or guaranteed by any member of the Group or subject to any Security (other than Security arising under the Transaction Documents).

"Consolidated Current Assets" means, in relation to the Group for each Relevant Period, the aggregate consolidated amount of all assets of members of the Group realisable in the ordinary course of business within 12 months of such day which would be shown (in accordance with IFRS at that time) as current assets on a consolidated balance sheet of the Guarantor.

"Consolidated Current Liabilities" means, in relation to the Group for each Relevant Period, the aggregate consolidated amount of all liabilities of members of the Group payable within 12 months of such date which would be shown (in accordance with IFRS at that time)

as current liabilities on a consolidated balance sheet of the Guarantor.

"Current Assets" means, in relation to the Group for each Relevant Period, the aggregate (on a consolidated basis) of all inventory, work in progress, trade and other receivables of each member of the Group including prepayments in relation to operating items and sundry debtors (but excluding Cash and Cash Equivalent Investments) expected to be realised within twelve months from the date of computation but excluding amounts in respect of:

- (a) receivables in relation to tax;
- (b) Exceptional Items and other non-operating items;
- (c) insurance claims; and
- (d) any interest owing to any member of the Group.

"Current Liabilities" means, in relation to the Group for each Relevant Period, the aggregate (on a consolidated basis) of all liabilities (including trade creditors, accruals and provisions) of each member of the Group expected to be settled within twelve months from the date of computation but excluding amounts in respect of:

- (a) liabilities for Borrowings and Finance Charges;
- (b) liabilities for tax;
- (c) Exceptional Items and other non-operating items;
- (d) insurance claims; and
- (e) liabilities in relation to dividends declared but not paid by a member of the Group in favour of a person which is not a member of the Group.

"Current Ratio" means, in relation to the Group for each Relevant Period, the ratio of Consolidated Current Assets to Consolidated Current Liabilities.

"EBITDA" means, in relation to the Group for each Relevant Period, the consolidated operating profit of the Group before taxation (excluding the results from discontinued operations):

(a) **before deducting** any interest, commission, fees, discounts, prepayment fees, premiums or charges and other finance payments whether paid, payable or

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capitalised by any member of the Group (calculated on a consolidated basis) in respect of that Relevant Period;

- (b) excluding any Exceptional Items;
- before taking into account any gain or loss arising from an upward or downward revaluation of any other asset (other than trading stock);
- (d) before taking into account any profits or losses on the sale of any asset (other than trading stock);
- before deducting amortisation of any goodwill or any intangible assets;
- (f) before deducting any depreciation on fixed assets; and
- (g) before taking into account the proceeds of any business interruption or similar insurance,

in each case, to the extent added, deducted or taken into account, as the case may be, for the purposes of determining operating profits of the Group before taxation and unless otherwise agreed in writing at the discretion of the Noteholder.

"Equity Cure Funding" means funding provided to the Issuer pursuant to a subscription for new shares in the Issuer or the advance of shareholder loans by the Issuer's shareholder(s), for the purpose of avoiding the occurrence of an Event of Default of the nature contemplated in this section.

"Exceptional Items" means any material items of an unusual or non-recurring nature which represent gains or losses including those arising on:

- the restructuring of the activities of an entity and reversals of any provisions for the cost of restructuring;
- (b) disposals, revaluations, write downs or impairment of noncurrent assets or any reversal of any write down or impairment; and
- (c) disposals of assets associated with discontinued operations.

"Finance Charges" means, in relation to the Group for each Relevant Period, the aggregate amount of the accrued interest, commission, fees, discounts, prepayment fees, premiums or charges and other finance payments in respect of Borrowings paid

or payable by any member of the Group (calculated on a consolidated basis) in cash in respect of that Relevant Period:

- (a) including any upfront fees or costs;
- (b) **including** the interest (but not the capital) element of payments in respect of Finance Leases;
- (c) including any commission, fees, discounts and other finance payments payable by (and deducting any such amounts payable to) any member of the Group under any interest rate hedging arrangement; and
- (d) taking no account of any unrealised gains or losses on any derivative or other financial instruments.

together with the amount of any cash Dividends or Distributions paid or made by the Guarantor in respect of that Relevant Period and so that no amount shall be added (or deducted) more than once.

"Finance Lease" means any lease or hire purchase contract, a liability under which would, in accordance with IFRS, be treated as a balance sheet liability (other than a lease or hire purchase contract which would, in accordance with IFRS as applied to the Original Financial Statements have been treated as an operating lease).

"Financial Quarter Period" means each financial quarter period of the Group.

"Financial Year" means the annual accounting period of the Group ending on 31st March every year.

"Interest Cover Ratio" means, the ratio of EBITDA to Finance Charges in respect of that Relevant Period.

"Leverage Ratio" means, in relation to the Group for each Relevant Period, the ratio of Total Debt as at the last day of that Relevant Period to EBITDA in respect of that Relevant Period.

"NAV" means Tangible Net Worth.

"Relevant Period" means, for the Group, each period of twelve months, ending on or about the last day of the Financial Year of the Group and each period of twelve months ending on or about the last day of each Financial Quarter Period of the Group.

"Shareholder Subordinated Debt" means, in relation to the Group for each Relevant Period, any Borrowings owed by a member of the



Group to any person holding (directly or indirectly) an ownership interest in any of the share capital of any member of Group where:

- (a) no amount is scheduled to become due and payable prior to the date falling three months after the Termination Date;
   and
- (b) the liabilities of any member of the Group in respect of such Borrowings are subordinated to the liabilities of the Issuer to the Noteholder under the Transaction Documents on terms acceptable to the Noteholder; and
- (c) the Issuer has provided to the Noteholder, not less than 15 days prior to the incurrence by any member of the Group of such Borrowings, details of the purpose toward which the proceeds will be applied.

"Tangible Net Worth" means, in relation to the Group for each Relevant Period, the aggregate of:

- the amount paid up or credited as paid up on the issued share capital of the Guarantor as shown in the Guarantor's consolidated financial statements; and
- (b) the aggregate amount of the consolidated reserves (including retained earnings) of the Group as shown in the Guarantor's consolidated financial statements, but adjusted by:
  - (i) adding any credit balance on the profit and loss account of the Guarantor (to the extent not included in paragraph (b) above or, as the case may be, deducting any debit balance on the profit and loss account of the Guarantor as shown in the Guarantor's consolidated financial statements; and
  - (ii) deducting any dividend or other distribution declared, recommended or made by the Guarantor out of profits earned up to and including the date of the last balance sheet of the Guarantor to the extent that such distributions are not provided for in the latest balance sheet of the Guarantor as shown in the Guarantor's consolidated financial statements.

"Termination Date" means the Maturity Date.

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"Total Debt" means, in relation to the Group for each Relevant Period, the aggregate amount of all obligations of members of the Group for or in respect of Borrowings at that time but: (a) excluding any such obligations to any other member of the Group; and (b) including, in the case of Finance Leases only, their capitalised value, so that no amount shall be included or excluded more than once. "Working Capital" means, on any date, Current Assets less Current Liabilities. Each of the events or circumstances set out below is an Event of Default: 1. Non-payment: An Obligor does not pay on the due date any amount payable pursuant to a Transaction Document at the place and in the currency in which it is expressed to be payable. 2. Financial Covenants: A Financial Covenant is breached. Other Obligations: An Obligor does not comply with any provision of, or any of its obligations under any Transaction Document to which it is party (save for a Financial Covenant or the payment of any amount) provided that no Event of Default under this clause will occur if the failure to comply is capable of remedy and is remedied within 10 (ten) Business Days of the earlier of (i) the Noteholder giving notice to the Issuer of the failure to comply and (ii) any Obligor becoming aware of the failure to comply. 48. **Events of Default** 4. Misrepresentation: Any representation or statement made or deemed to be made by an Obligor in the Transaction Documents or any other document delivered by or on behalf of the Issuer under or in connection with any Transaction Document is or proves to have been incorrect or misleading in any material respect when made or deemed to be made. Cross Default Any Financial Indebtedness of any member of the Group is (a) not paid when due nor within any applicable grace period; (b) any Financial Indebtedness of any member of the Group is declared to be or otherwise becomes due and payable prior to its specified maturity as a result of an event of default (however described);



- (c) any commitment for any Financial Indebtedness of any member of the Group is cancelled or suspended by a creditor as a result of an event of default (however described); or
- (d) any creditor of any member of the Group becomes entitled to declare any Financial Indebtedness of any member of the Group due and payable prior to its specified maturity as a result of an event of default (however described).
- 6. Credit events: Any member of the Group is or is deemed by any authority or legislation to be unable or admits inability to pay its debts as they fall due, suspends making payments on any of its debts or, by reason of actual or anticipated financial difficulties, commences negotiations with one or more of its creditors with a view to rescheduling any of its Financial Indebtedness. The value of the assets of any member of the Group is less than its liabilities (taking into account contingent and prospective liabilities). A moratorium is declared in respect of any Financial Indebtedness of any member of the Group.
- 7. **Insolvency**: Any corporate action, legal proceedings or other procedure or step is taken in relation to:
  - (a) the suspension of payments, a moratorium of any indebtedness, winding-up, liquidation, insolvency, receivership, administration (or analogous process) or reorganisation (by way of voluntary arrangement, scheme of arrangement or otherwise) striking-off from the Registrar of Companies or other similar proceedings relating to the Issuer or any member of the Group;
  - (b) a composition, compromise, assignment or arrangement with any creditor of any member of the Group;
  - (c) the appointment of a liquidator, receiver, administrative receiver, administrator, trustee, trustee in bankruptcy, compulsory manager or other similar officer in respect of any of any member of the Group's assets; or
  - (d) enforcement of any Security over any assets of any member of the Group; or

or any analogous procedure or step is taken in any jurisdiction (save for any winding-up petition which is frivolous or vexatious and is discharged, stayed or dismissed within 21 days of commencement.

8. **Unlawful**: It is or becomes unlawful for an Obligor to perform any of its obligations under the Transaction Documents.

- Cessation of validity: Any obligation or obligations of an Obligor under the Transaction Documents are not or cease to be legal, valid, binding or enforceable.
- 10. Authorisations: Any authorisation necessary for the conduct of the business, trade or ordinary activities of any member of the Group as carried out as of the date of this Applicable Pricing Supplement is revoked, lapses, ceases to be in full force and effect or is amended with the result that it can no longer lawfully conduct its business, trade or carry on its ordinary activities.
- 11. Suspension of business: Any member of the Group suspends or ceases to carry on (or threatens to suspend or cease to carry on) all or a material part of its business.
- 12. **Court Orders**: Any member of the Group fails to comply with or pay by the required time any sum due from it under any final judgment or any final order made or given by a court or arbitral tribunal or other arbitral body, in each case of competent jurisdiction (and where for the purposes of this clause, "final" means that the judgment or order is not subject to further appeal).
- 13. **Audit Qualification**: The auditors of an Obligor qualify the audited annual financial statements of that Obligor.
- 14. **Repudiation**: An Obligor repudiates a Transaction Document or evidences an intention to repudiate a Transaction Document.
- 15. **Security Deposit**: The credit balance of the Bank Account is at any time less than the Security Deposit.
- Material Adverse Change: In the opinion of the Noteholder, a Material Adverse Change has occurred.
- 17. Ownership: The Guarantor cease to hold, legally and beneficially, directly, 100% (one hundred percent) of the issued shares in the stated capital of the Issuer, and/or (ii) is unable to cast 100% (one hundred percent) of the votes that might be cast at a general meeting of the Issuer.

## 18. Acceleration

On and at any time after the occurrence of an Event of Default the Noteholder may (without prejudice to any other rights which it may have under applicable law) by notice to the Issuer:



		(a)	declare that all or part of the Notes and all other Facility Outstandings be immediately due and payable, whereupon they shall become immediately due and payable;
		(b)	declare that all or part of the Notes and all other Facility Outstandings be payable on demand, whereupon they shall immediately become payable on demand by the Noteholder; and/or
		(c)	exercise any or all of its rights, remedies, powers or discretions under the Transaction Documents.
49.	Permitted distribution	Noteholder	and the Guarantor shall not without the prior consent of the (consent not to be unreasonably withheld) make, declare or stribution other than a Permitted Distribution
		indemnify the aresult of Conditions	r will, within 7 (seven) Business Days after a demand, he Noteholder against any loss which it may have suffered as (i) the Issue Date not occurring after the fulfilment of the Precedent (other than by reason of wilful default or gross but the Noteholder alone) (ii) the against and a Default or
50.	General indemnity	(iii) any oth clause " <b>los</b> such by the	by the Noteholder alone); (ii) the occurrence of a Default; or er breach of the Transaction Documents by the Issuer. In this is means a proven loss or expense of any kind certified as a Noteholder, or any losses arising as a result of funding the or re-employing deposits which are no longer required for any losses.
		("Sum"), or Sum, has to that Sum is purpose of (ii) obtaining litigation or	n due from the Issuer under the Transaction Documents any order, judgment or award given or made in relation to a be converted from the currency ("First Currency") in which a payable into another currency ("Second Currency") for the (i) making or filing a claim or proof against the Issuer; or g or enforcing an order, judgment or award in relation to any arbitration proceedings, then in either case the Issuer will as
51.	Currency indemnity	indemnify the or as a result rate of exchange the Second that person right it ma	dent obligation, within 7 (seven) Business Days of demand, the Noteholder against any cost, loss or liability arising out of all of the conversion including any discrepancy between (a) the mange used to convert that Sum from the First Currency into a Currency and (b) the rate or rates of exchange available to at the time of its receipt of that Sum. The Issuer waives any y have in any jurisdiction to pay any amount under the a Documents in a currency or currency unit other than that in expressed to be payable.
52.	Environmental Indemnity	incurred by misconduct Environmer any claim,	indemnifies the Noteholder against any proven loss or it (except to the extent caused by its gross negligence or wilful ) which arises (i) by virtue of any actual breach of any ntal Law by any member of the Group; or (ii) in connection with proceeding, formal notice or investigation by any person in any Environmental Law which relates to the assets of any

	member of the Group or the operation of all or part of the business of any member of the Group.
53. Unwinding costs	If the Noteholder incurs any proven and cost, expense or loss as a result of the Issuer prepaying any Facility Outstandings otherwise than on the due dates therefor (including, without limitation, on account of prepayments, early redemptions (under any circumstance) or due to acceleration action), then the Issuer shall immediately pay to the Noteholder on the basis of an indemnity and on first written demand the amount that Noteholder from time to time notifies to the Issuer as being the amount of those costs, expenses and losses incurred. For these purposes "costs, expenses or losses" include (i) Break Costs; and/or (ii) any premium, penalty, fee or expense incurred to liquidate or obtain third party deposits, borrowings, hedges or swaps in order to make, maintain, fund or hedge all or any part of the Issue Price paid for the Notes or prepayment (or early redemption) of the Notes, or any payment of all or part of the Notes upon acceleration.
54. Exceptions to the Listing Particulars	Condition 20 of the Listing Particulars shall be disregarded.
Definitions	
"Authorisations"	means an authorisation, consent, approval, resolution, licence, permit, exemption, filing, notarisation, lodgement or registration.
"Bank Account"	means the bank account pledged under and as described in the Bank Account Pledge Agreement.
"Break Costs"	shall bear the meaning ascribed to this term in Schedule 1 (Interest Accrual).
"Business Day"	means a day (other than a Saturday, Sunday or public holiday) on which banks are open for general business in Mauritius and New York.
"Compliance Certificate"	means a certificate provided by the Issuer and the Guarantor (as applicable) which shall amongst other things, set out (in reasonable detail) computations as to compliance with the Financial Covenants, and shall be signed by two directors of the Issuer and the Guarantor (as applicable) and, when delivered with the annual audited financial statements of the Issuer or the Guarantor (as applicable), shall be reported on by the Issuer's or Guarantor's auditors in the form agreed by the Issuer and the Noteholder.
"Conditions"	means the terms and conditions of the Notes set out in the Listing Particulars, and "Condition" shall be construed accordingly.



"Corporate Guarantee"	means the corporate guarantee dated on or about the date of the Subscription Agreement between the Guarantor and the Noteholder, all on the terms set out therein.
"Distribution"	means in relation to a distribution by the Guarantor to one or more shareholders or Affiliates, any payment made in accordance with any applicable law (whether in cash or in specie) by way of interest or principal (whether in respect of an intercompany, shareholder loan or otherwise), dividend, fee, royalty or other distribution or payment whatsoever (including, without limitation, by way of the repurchase of any shares or the repayment of any shareholder loan or any debentures) by or on behalf of the Guarantor or for the account of any shareholder, and Affiliate or any person that directly or indirectly controls or is controlled by such shareholder (provided further that a "Distribution" shall always (A) include, in addition to the foregoing, (a) the direct or indirect transfer of money or property, other than its own shares, to or for the benefit of the shareholder; or (b) the incurring of a debt to or for the benefit of the shareholder, in relation to shares held by that shareholder, and whether by means of a purchase of property, the redemption or other acquisition of shares, a distribution of indebtedness, or by some other means; and (B) exclude payments made on arm's length terms pursuant to commercial trading or supply agreements).
"Facility Outstandings"	means, at any time, the aggregate of all amounts of principal on account of the Notes, accrued interest, Break Costs, default interest fees and all other amounts of whatsoever nature outstanding to the Noteholder under the Transaction Documents.
"Financial Covenants"	means the financial conditions set out in sections 48 and 50 of this APS, and shall be calculated in accordance with IFRS and tested by the Noteholder by reference to each of the financial statements delivered by the Issuer as well as the Guarantor (as applicable) and/or each Compliance Certificate delivered.
"Financial Indebtedness"	means indebtedness of any person in respect of (i) money borrowed and debit balances at banks; (ii) any debt instrument or transaction which has the commercial or economic effect of a borrowing; (iii) acceptance credit facilities; (iv) receivables sold or discounted otherwise than on a non-recourse basis; (v) deferred payments for assets or services acquired (but not ordinary trade credit); (vi) any liability in respect of Finance Leases; (vii) a counter-indemnity in respect of a guarantee or indemnity given by a financial institution; (viii) any derivate transaction entered into in connection with protection against or benefit from fluctuation in any rate or price (and, when calculating the value of any derivate transaction, only the marked to market value will be taken into account); and (ix) any amount of any liability under an advance or deferred purchase agreement (x) guarantees or indemnities of indebtedness of any person falling within any of the foregoing described items, types or categories of indebtedness.
"Group"	means the Guarantor and its Subsidiaries for the time being.



"IFRS"	means international accounting standards within the meaning of the IA Regulation 1606/2002 to the extent applicable to the relevant financial statements.
"Material Adverse Change"	means the occurrence or circumstances which is likely to or which is the opinion of the Noteholder likely to have a material adverse Changon (i) the business, operations, property, condition (financial otherwise) or prospects of any Obligor; (ii) the ability of the Issuer perform their payment obligations under any Transaction Document; (it the validity or enforceability of, or the effectiveness of any Transaction Document; or (vi) the validity, enforceability of, effectiveness or ranking of any security granted or purporting to be granted under an Transaction Document, or the rights or remedies of the Issuer under an of the Transaction Documents and includes any material adverse change in the local or international, financial, banking or capital market as from 01 October 2024 to the date of execution of the Transaction Documents.
"Obligor"	means the Issuer or the Guarantor.
"Permitted Distribution"	<ul> <li>(a) a payment of Dividends made by the Guarantor to one or mor of its shareholders provided that, both at the time of the payin of the Distribution and immediately thereafter (i) no Default ha occurred and is continuing; and (ii) the Guarantor has provide evidence to Noteholder (in a form and substance satisfactor to the Noteholder) that it has sufficient liquidity, ability, mean and capacity to pay all amounts on account of principal an interest as shall fall due for payment under the Transactio Documents on the Termination Date, and that, accounting for the payment of the Distribution in question, there shall be n breach of any Financial Undertaking for the next 12 (month period commencing from the beginning of the next followin Financial Quarter Period of the Group; and</li> <li>(b) a Distribution (other than the payment of Dividends by the Guarantor) made by the Guarantor or Meridian Commoditie to one or more of its shareholders (including payments o account of shareholder loans) provided that, both at the time of the paying of the Distribution and immediately thereafter (i) n Default has occurred and is continuing; and (ii) the Guarantor has provided evidence to Noteholder (in a form and substance satisfactory to the Noteholder) that, accounting for the payment of the Distribution in question, there shall be no breach of an Financial Undertaking for the next 12 (month) periodommencing from the beginning of the next following Financial Quarter Period of the Group.</li> </ul>
"Permitted Financial Indebtedness"	means Financial Indebtedness incurred or maintained by the Group ( pursuant to the issuance by the Issuer of further Notes under the Programme provided that the sum total of the principal amount of

such Notes does not, when aggregated with the Notes acquired by the Noteholder pursuant to this Subscription Agreement, exceed USD100 000 000,00 (one hundred million United States Dollars); (ii) under the Transaction Documents; (iii) under a shareholder loan provided that the repayment thereof (including interest accrued thereon) is, for so long as the Event of Default has occurred and is continuing subordinated in right and payment to the repayment of the Facility Outstandings; such subordination to be on terms acceptable to the Noteholder; (iv) otherwise incurred or maintained with the prior written consent of the Noteholder; (v) accurately and fairly disclosed to the Noteholder in writing by the Issuer as part of the Conditions Precedent; and (vi) pursuant to the borrowing, replacement or renewal of African local currency facilities made available to members of the Group, provided that the aggregate principal sum of the foregoing sub-paragraphs (i) -(vi) (inclusive) does not at any time exceed USD242 000 000,00 (two hundred and forty two million US Dollars) (or the equivalent thereof in any other currency or currencies) and does not result in a breach of any of the Financial Covenants.

#### "Permitted Security"

means, in relation to the Group, (i) Security granted under the Transaction Documents; (ii) any lien arising by operation of law and in the ordinary course of trading and not as a result of any default or omission by any member of the Group; (iii) any Security arising under any retention of title, hire purchase or conditional sale arrangement or arrangements having similar effect in respect of goods supplied to a member of the Group in the ordinary course of trading and on the supplier's standard or usual terms and not arising as a result of any default or omission by any member of the Group; (iv) any other Security granted with the prior written consent of the Noteholder; (vii) each Security interest accurately disclosed to the Noteholder in writing by the Issuer as part of the Conditions Precedent (provided that the principal sum of the Financial Indebtedness which it secured does not increase without the consent of the Noteholder); and (viii) in relation to each member of the Group other than each Obligor, the granting of Security over any asset by that member of the Group, provided that that the aggregate secured sums of the foregoing security interests listed in subparagraphs (i) - (viii) (inclusive) does not at any time exceed USD242 000 000,00 (two hundred and forty two million US Dollars) (or the equivalent thereof in any other currency or currencies).

## "Sanctioned Transaction"

means the use of the proceeds of any Note for the purpose of financing or any way in connection with military arms, prohibited narcotics, terrorist activities or in support of any person which intends to use the proceeds for any such activities, or providing any credit, directly or indirectly, to (i) a Sanctioned Entity; (ii) any other person or entity, if the Issuer has actual knowledge that the person or entity proposes to use the proceeds of any Note for the purpose of financing or providing any credit, directly or indirectly, to a Sanctioned Entity, in each case to the extent that to do so is prohibited by, or would cause any breach of, Sanctions.

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"Sanctions"	means trade, economic or financial sanctions, laws, regulations embargoes or restrictive measures imposed, administered or enforce from time to time by any Sanctions Authority.	
"Sanctions Authority"	means the United Nations, the European Union; the Council of European (founded under the Treaty of London, 1946); the government of the United States of America; the government of the United Kingdom; the government of the Republic of France, and in each case any of their governmental authorities, including, without limitation, the Office of Foreign Assets Control for the US Department of Treasury (OFAC), the US Department of Commerce, the US State Department or the US Department of the Treasury, His Majesty's Treasury (HMT) and the French Ministry of Finance (MINEFI).	
"Security"	means any charge, assignment, mortgage, pledge, hypothecation, lier right of set-off, retention of title provision, trust or flawed asset arrangement (for the purpose of, or which has the effect of, grantin security) or any other security interest of any kind whatsoever, or an agreement, whether conditional or otherwise, to create any of the same or any agreement to sell or otherwise dispose of any asset on term whereby such asset is or may be leased to or be acquired or reacquired.	
"Security Deposit"	means USD 3,600,000 (three million and six thousand US Dollars).	
"Security Documents"	means the Bank Account Pledge Agreement the Corporate Guarantee and the Subordination Agreement to be entered into on or about th date of this Subscription Agreement in favour of the Noteholder.	
"Subordination Agreement"	means the subordination agreement dated on or about the date of thi Subscription Agreement between the Guarantor, Maaden Marketin and Distribution Company and the Noteholder, all on the terms set outherein.	
"Subsidiary"	means, with respect to any person, any entity over 50% (fifty percent of whose capital is owned, directly or indirectly, by that person, or for which that person may nominate or appoint a majority of the members of the board of directors or persons performing similar functions, which is otherwise effectively controlled by that person or which person's of entity's financial results are consolidated in the consolidated financial statements of such person as required by IFRS.	
"Transaction Documents"	means the Listing Particulars, the Applicable Pricing Supplement, thi Subscription Agreement, each Compliance Certificate, the Registra and Transfer Agency Agreement, the Corporate Guarantee, the Subordination Agreement and the Security Documents.	



#### **STATEMENTS**

The Issuer is an SPV and has not traded, and the Parent is a holding company, whose only material assets are shares in, and shareholder loan claims against, subsidiaries.

#### RESPONSIBILITY

The Issuer accepts responsibility for the information contained in this Pricing Supplement which, when read together with the Listing Particulars and any supplementary Listing Particulars referred to above, contains all information that is material in the context of the issue of the Notes. The Issuer certifies that, to the best of its knowledge and belief, there are no facts that have been omitted from the Listing Particulars which would make any statement false or misleading; that all reasonable enquiries to ascertain such facts have been made; and that the Listing Particulars contains all information required by any applicable laws and in relation to any Series of Notes listed on the Official List of the Stock Exchange of Mauritius. The Issuer accepts full responsibility for the information contained in the Listing Particulars, the Pricing Supplements and the annual financial report and any amendments to the annual financial report or any supplements from time to time, except as otherwise stated therein.

## SIGNED by MERIDIAN CRV LIMITED

acting by Authorised Signatories

Authorised Signatory:

Authorised Signatory:

#### DEFINITIONS

For the purposes of this schedule, capitalised terms and expressions used shall bear the same meanings as are ascribed to them in this Applicable Pricing Supplement, and the following terms shall have the following meanings set out below:

"Break Costs" means the amount (if any) by which: (i) the interest which the Noteholder should have received for the period from the date of receipt of all or any part of its participation in the relevant Note or Unpaid Sum to the last day of the current Interest Period in respect of that Note or Unpaid Sum, had the principal amount or Unpaid Sum received been paid on the last day of that Interest Period, exceeds (ii) the amount which that Noteholder would be able to obtain by placing an amount equal to the principal amount or Unpaid Sum received by it on deposit with a leading bank for a period starting on the day following receipt or recovery and ending on the last day of the current Interest Period.

"CME Term SOFR" means the Term SOFR reference rate administered by CME Group Benchmark Administration Limited (or any other person which takes over the administration of that rate) for the relevant period published by CME Group Benchmark Administration Limited (or any other person which takes over the publication of that rate).

"Fallback Interest Period" means one or three months, as the Noteholder may select.

"Historic CME Term SOFR" means, in relation to a Note, the most recent applicable CME Term SOFR for a period equal in length to the Interest Period of that Note and which is a day which is no more than two US Government Securities Business Days before the Quotation Day.

"Interpolated Historic CME Term SOFR" means, in relation to any Note, the rate (rounded to the same number of decimal places as CME Term SOFR) which results from interpolating on a linear basis between: (i) either: (A) the most recent applicable CME Term SOFR (as of a day which is not more than three US Government Securities Business Days before the Quotation Day) for the longest period (for which CME Term SOFR is available) which is less than the Interest Period of that Note; or (B) if no such CME Term SOFR is available for a period which is less than the Interest Period of that Note, the most recent SOFR for a day which is no more than [three US Government Securities Business Days (and no less than two US Government Securities Business Days) before the Quotation Day; and (ii) the most recent applicable CME Term SOFR (as of a day which is not more than three US Government Securities Business Days before the Quotation Day) for the shortest period (for which CME Term SOFR is available) which exceeds the Interest Period of that Note.

"Interpolated CME Term SOFR" means, in relation to any Note, the rate (rounded to the same number of decimal places as CME Term SOFR) which results from interpolating on a linear basis between either (i): (A) the applicable CME Term SOFR (as of the Specified Time) for the longest period (for which CME Term SOFR is available) which is less than the Interest Period of that Note; or (B) if no such CME Term SOFR is available for a period which is less than the Interest Period of that Note, SOFR for [the day which is two US Government Securities Business Days before the Quotation Day; and (ii) the applicable CME Term SOFR (as of the Specified Time) for the shortest period (for which CME Term SOFR is available) which exceeds the Interest Period of that Note.

"Market Disruption Rate" means the Reference Rate.

"Quotation Day" means, in relation to any period for which an interest rate is to be determined two US Government Securities Business Days before the first day of that period (unless market practice

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differs in the relevant bond or syndicated Note market, in which case the Quotation Day will be determined by the Noteholder in accordance with that market practice (and if quotations would normally be given on more than one day, the Quotation Day will be the last of those days)).

"Quoted Tenor" means, in relation to CME Term SOFR, any period for which that rate is customarily displayed on the relevant page or screen of an information service.

"Reference Rate" means, in relation to any Note: (i) the applicable CME Term SOFR as of the Specified Time and for a period equal in length to the Interest Period of that Note; or (ii) as otherwise determined pursuant to this Schedule, and if, in either case, that rate is less than zero, the Reference Rate shall be deemed to be zero.

"Relevant Market" means the market for overnight cash borrowing collateralised by US Government securities.

"SOFR" means the secured overnight financing rate (SOFR) administered by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York (or any other person which takes over the administration of that rate) published by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York (or any other person which takes over the publication of that rate).

"Specified Time" means on or about 11.am Mauritius time on the relevant day of determination.

"Unpaid Sum" means any sum due and payable but unpaid by the Issuer under or in connection with a Note.

"US" means the United States of America.

"US Government Securities Business Day" means any day other than (i) a Saturday or a Sunday; and (ii) a day on which the Securities Industry and Financial Markets Association (or any successor organisation) recommends that the fixed income departments of its members be closed for the entire day for purposes of trading in US Government securities.

## INTEREST

- 2.1. The rate of interest on each Note for an Interest Period is the percentage rate per annum which is the aggregate of the Margin and applicable Reference Rate.
- 2.2. The Issuer shall pay accrued interest on each Note to which that Interest Period relates.

## 2.3. Default Interest

- 2.3.1. If the Issuer fails to pay any amount payable by it under a Note on its due date, interest shall accrue on the overdue amount from the due date up to the date of actual payment (both before and after judgment) at a rate which is 2% per annum higher than the rate which would have been payable if the overdue amount had, during the period of non-payment, constituted a Note in the currency of the overdue amount for successive Interest Periods, each of a duration selected by the Noteholder (acting reasonably). Any interest accruing under this clause shall be immediately payable by the Issuer on demand by the Noteholder.
- 2.3.2. If any overdue amount consists of all or part of a Note and which became due on a day which was not the last day of an Interest Period relating to that Note then the first Interest Period for that overdue amount shall have a duration equal to the unexpired portion of the current Interest Period relating to that Note, and the pate

of interest applying to the overdue amount during that first Interest Period shall be 2% per annum higher than the rate which would have applied if the overdue amount had not become due.

2.3.3. Default interest (if unpaid) arising on an overdue amount will be compounded with the overdue amount at the end of each Interest Period applicable to that overdue amount but will remain immediately due and payable.

#### 2.4. Notifications

- 2.4.1. The Noteholder shall promptly notify the Issuer of the determination of a rate of interest relating to a Note.
- 2.4.2. This Clause 2.4 shall not require the Noteholder to make any notification to any person on a day which is not a Business Day.

### 2.5. Changes to the calculation of interest

- 2.5.1. Unavailability of CME Term SOFR
  - 2.5.1.1. Interpolated CME Term SOFR: If no CME Term SOFR is available for the Interest Period of a Note, the applicable Reference Rate shall be the Interpolated CME Term SOFR for a period equal in length to the Interest Period of that Note.
  - 2.5.1.2. Shortened Interest Period: If no CME Term SOFR is available for the Interest Period of a Note and it is not possible to calculate the Interpolated CME Term SOFR, the Interest Period of that Note shall (if it is longer than the applicable Fallback Interest Period) be shortened to the applicable Fallback Interest Period and the applicable Reference Rate for that shortened Interest Period shall be determined pursuant to the definition of "Reference Rate".
  - 2.5.1.3. Shortened Interest Period and Historic CME Term SOFR: If the Interest Period of a Note is, after giving effect to the foregoing subclauses either the applicable Fallback Interest Period or shorter than the applicable Fallback Interest Period and, in either case, no CME Term SOFR is available for the Interest Period of that Note and it is not possible to calculate the Interpolated CME Term SOFR, the applicable Reference Rate shall be the Historic CME Term SOFR for that Note.
  - 2.5.1.4. Shortened Interest Period and Interpolated Historic CME Term SOFR: If Clause 2.5.1.3 applies but no Historic CME Term SOFR is available for the Interest Period of a Note, the applicable Reference Rate shall be the Interpolated Historic CME Term SOFR for a period equal in length to the Interest Period of that Note.
  - 2.5.1.5. If Clause 2.5.1.4 applies but no Interpolated Historic CME Term SOFR is available for the Interest Period of a Note, Clause 2.7 (*Cost of funds*) shall apply to that Note for that Interest Period.

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## 2.6. Market disruption

If the Noteholder's Cost of Funds relating to its participation in a Note would be in excess of the Market Disruption Rate then Clause 2.7 (*Cost of funds*) shall apply to that Note for the relevant Interest Period.

#### 2.7. Cost of funds

- 2.7.1. If this Clause 2.7 applies to a Note for an Interest Period then Clause 2.1 (Calculation of interest) shall apply to that Note for that Interest Period and the rate of interest on each Noteholder's share of that Note for that Interest Period shall be the percentage rate per annum which is the sum of (i) the Margin; and (ii) the rate notified to the Issuer by the Noteholder as soon as practicable, to be that which expresses as a percentage rate per annum its cost of funds relating to its participation in that Note.
- 2.7.2. If this Clause 2.7 applies and the Noteholder or the Issuer so requires, the Noteholder and the Issuer shall enter into negotiations (for a period of not more than thirty days) with a view to agreeing a substitute basis for determining the rate of interest.

#### 2.8. Break Costs

- 2.8.1. The Issuer shall, within three Business Days of demand by the Noteholder, pay to the Noteholder its Break Costs (if any) attributable to all or any part of that Note or Unpaid Sum being paid by that Issuer on a day prior to the last day of an Interest Period for that Note or Unpaid Sum.
- 2.8.2. The Noteholder shall, as soon as reasonably practicable after a demand by the Noteholder, provide a certificate confirming the amount of its Break Costs for any Interest Period in respect of which they become, or may become, payable.

#### 2.9. Day count convention and interest calculation

Any interest, commission or fee accruing under a Note will accrue from day to day and is calculated on the basis of the actual number of days elapsed and a year of 360 days or, in any case where the practice in the Relevant Market differs, in accordance with that market practice.

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