# EXTRAORDINARY PAYMENT HOLIDAY START-UP LOAN AGREEMENT

21 APRIL 2020

HOLMES FUNDING LIMITED as Funding

and

SANTANDER UK PLC as Extraordinary Payment Holiday Start-up Loan Provider

and

THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON, ACTING THROUGH ITS LONDON BRANCH as Security Trustee

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#### THIS START-UP LOAN AGREEMENT is made on 21 April 2020

#### **BETWEEN**:

- (1) **HOLMES FUNDING LIMITED** (registered number 03982428), a private limited company incorporated in England and Wales whose registered office is at 2 Triton Square, Regent's Place, London NW1 3AN (**Funding**);
- (2) **SANTANDER UK PLC** (registered number 02294747), a public limited company incorporated in England and Wales whose registered office is at 2 Triton Square, Regent's Place, London NW1 3AN (the **Extraordinary Payment Holiday Start-up Loan Provider**); and
- (3) THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON, ACTING THROUGH ITS LONDON BRANCH, whose principal office is at 40th Floor, One Canada Square, London E14 5AL (the Security Trustee, which expression shall include such person and all other persons for the time being acting as trustee or trustees under the Funding Deed of Charge).

#### **IT IS HEREBY AGREED** as follows:

#### 1. DEFINITIONS AND INTERPRETATION

The terms of the Fifteenth Amended and Restated Master Definitions and Construction Schedule signed for the purposes of identification on or about the date hereof by Ashurst LLP and Allen & Overy LLP (as the same may be amended, restated, varied and/or supplemented from time to time with the consent of the parties hereto, the **Master Definitions and Construction Schedule**) are expressly and specifically incorporated into this Agreement and, accordingly, the expressions defined in the Master Definitions and Construction Schedule shall, except where the context otherwise requires and save where otherwise defined herein, have the same meanings in this Agreement, including the Recitals hereto, and this Agreement shall be construed in accordance with the interpretation provisions set out in Clause 2 of the Master Definitions and Construction Schedule.

#### 2. THE FACILITY

- 2.1 The Extraordinary Payment Holiday Start-up Loan Provider hereby grants to Funding, on each Interest Payment Date, and upon the terms and subject to the conditions hereof, an uncommitted sterling loan facility (the Extraordinary Payment Holiday Start-up Loan Facility) in an aggregate amount not to exceed the Extraordinary Payment Holiday Amounts made available to Borrowers (the Maximum Advance Amount). The facility shall only be available if the Maximum Advance Amount is greater than nil and in any event shall cease to be available on the immediately succeeding Interest Payment Date following the end of the Trust Calculation Period during which the Extraordinary Payment Holiday Start-up Loan Provider has provided confirmation in writing that no Extraordinary Payment Holiday Event remains in existence.
- 2.2 Funding hereby undertakes to request an advance (each an **Advance**) pursuant to Clause 3.1(a) (Giving of Requests) in an amount equal to the lower of (i) the Maximum Advance Amount and (ii) any shortfall in the amount of the Funding Available Revenue Receipts (if such Advance were excluded) required to pay or provide for the amounts in paragraphs (a) to (t) (inclusive) of the Funding Pre-Enforcement Revenue Priority of Payments.

- 2.3 If made, Funding shall use each Advance made available to it by the Extraordinary Payment Holiday Start-up Loan Provider pursuant to this Agreement as Funding Available Revenue Receipts to be applied on the Utilisation Date (as defined below) towards making the payments and provisions referred to in paragraphs (a) to (t) (inclusive) of the Funding Pre-Enforcement Revenue Priority of Payments.
- 2.4 Neither the Extraordinary Payment Holiday Start-up Loan Provider nor the Security Trustee is bound to monitor or verify the utilisation of the Extraordinary Payment Holiday Start-up Loan Facility.

#### 3. UTILISATION

### 3.1 Giving of Requests

- (a) Unless the Extraordinary Payment Holiday Loan Start-up Provider otherwise agrees, the latest time for receipt by the Extraordinary Payment Holiday Loan Start-up Loan Provider of a duly completed request for an Extraordinary Payment Holiday Start-up Loan (substantially in the form of Schedule 1 (Form of Request), a **Request**) is 11.00 a.m. (London time) on each Intercompany Loan Determination Date.
- (b) Each Request is irrevocable.
- (c) Pursuant to the Cash Management Agreement, the Cash Manager has agreed to make Requests on behalf of Funding and is hereby acknowledged by the Extraordinary Payment Holiday Start-up Loan Provider as being authorised to give a Request on behalf of Funding.

## 3.2 Completion of Requests

A Request for an Advance will not be regarded as having been duly completed unless:

- (a) the date on which the Advance is requested to be made (the **Utilisation Date**) is an Interest Payment Date falling on or before the Final Repayment Date; and
- (b) the outstanding amount of the Extraordinary Payment Holiday Start-up Loan will not exceed the Maximum Advance Amount; and

Only one Advance may be requested in a Request.

#### 3.3 Advances

If the conditions set out in this Agreement have been met, the Extraordinary Payment Holiday Start-up Loan Provider may (but shall not be obliged to) make the requested Advance available to Funding by 12:00 p.m. (London time) on the Utilisation Date.

3.4 Any Advances made under this Agreement shall be consolidated with and form a single loan with any previous Advances made under the Extraordinary Payment Holiday Start-up Loan Facility.

#### 4. INTEREST

4.1 Interest shall accrue on the daily outstanding balance of the Extraordinary Payment Holiday Start-up Loan and any interest capitalised pursuant to Clause 4.3 at a rate of Compounded Daily SONIA (as defined in and calculated in accordance with the provisions in Schedule 2)

- plus 0.90 per cent per annum and, subject to Clauses 7.2 and 7.3, will be payable in arrear on each Interest Payment Date.
- 4.2 Interest shall be calculated by reference to each Interest Period on the basis of the actual number of days elapsed and a 365 day year or, in the case of an Interest Payment Date falling in a leap year, 366.
- 4.3 Any interest accrued in respect of an Interest Period but not paid on the Interest Payment Date relating thereto shall be capitalised forthwith.

#### 5. REPAYMENT

- 5.1 Funding shall make repayments toward the Extraordinary Payment Holiday Start-up Loan (and any interest capitalised pursuant to Clause 4.3) on each Interest Payment Date, *pro rata* and *pari passu* with any amounts in respect of any Funding Loan Amounts due from Funding under the Existing Notes Redemption Reserve Loan Agreement, if, and to the extent that, there are Funding Available Revenue Receipts available therefor after making the payments and provisions referred to in paragraphs (a) to (t) (inclusive) of the Funding Pre-Enforcement Revenue Priority of Payments, until the Extraordinary Payment Holiday Start-up Loan (and any interest capitalised pursuant to Clause 4.3) has been fully repaid.
- 5.2 The Cash Manager is responsible, pursuant to the Cash Management Agreement, for determining the amount of Funding Available Revenue Receipts as at any Intercompany Loan Determination Date and each determination so made shall (in the absence of negligence, wilful default, bad faith or manifest error) be final and binding on the Extraordinary Payment Holiday Start-up Loan Provider.
- 5.3 Subject to Clauses 6, 7.2, 7.3 and 8.2, on any Interest Payment Date on which all the Intercompany Loans have been repaid in full, Funding shall immediately repay the Extraordinary Payment Holiday Start-up Loan (and any interest capitalised pursuant to Clause 4.3) and pay any accrued interest.
- 5.4 The Extraordinary Payment Holiday Start-up Loan Provider hereby acknowledges that (i) from time to time Funding may enter into New Start-up Loan Agreements with New Start-up Loan Providers and that the obligation of Funding to repay the Extraordinary Payment Holiday Start-up Loan and any New Start-up Loan will rank pari passu and will be paid pro rata between themselves; and (ii) Funding has entered into the Existing Notes Redemption Reserve Loan Agreement with, inter alios, Santander UK and the Mortgages Trustee and that the obligation of Funding to repay any amounts in respect of Funding Loan Amounts due from Funding to Santander UK under the Existing Notes Redemption Reserve Loan Agreement will rank pari passu and be paid pro rata with the obligation of Funding to repay the Extraordinary Payment Holiday Start-up Loan and any New Start-up Loan. Extraordinary Payment Holiday Start-up Loan Provider further acknowledges that the Funding Pre-Enforcement Revenue Priority of Payments and the Funding Post-Enforcement Priority of Payments set out in Parts 1 and 3 of Schedule 3 to the Funding Deed of Charge respectively may be amended to reflect the entry by Funding into New Start-up Loan Agreements and related agreements from time to time and agrees to execute such documents as are necessary or required by the Rating Agencies for the purpose of including the New Start-up Loan Provider and the New Issuer (and any other relevant party) in the Transaction Documents to effect those amendments.

#### 6. ACCELERATION

If any Intercompany Loan Enforcement Notice is served, this facility shall be cancelled and the Extraordinary Payment Holiday Start-up Loan (and any interest capitalised pursuant to Clause 4.3) and accrued interest shall, subject to the Funding Deed of Charge, become immediately due and payable.

## 7. PAYMENTS AND LIMITED RECOURSE

- 7.1 All payments to be made hereunder by Funding shall be made in sterling in immediately available cleared funds into such account as the Extraordinary Payment Holiday Start-up Loan Provider may specify in writing to Funding from time to time. If any sum falls due hereunder otherwise than on a Business Day, it shall be paid on the next succeeding Business Day.
- 7.2 Prior to service of any Intercompany Loan Enforcement Notice or repayment in full of all the Intercompany Loans, amounts of principal, interest and any other amounts due hereunder shall be paid only in accordance with Clause 8.4 of this Agreement and Part 1 of Schedule 3 of the Funding Deed of Charge.
- 7.3 If, upon the Extraordinary Payment Holiday Start-up Loan (and any interest capitalised pursuant to Clause 4.3) becoming due and payable pursuant to Clauses 5.3 or 6, Funding has insufficient funds available to meet its obligations hereunder in full on such date then:
  - (a) Funding shall utilise its funds on such date to the extent available in making payments to the Extraordinary Payment Holiday Start-up Loan Provider to repay the Extraordinary Payment Holiday Start-up Loan (and any interest capitalised pursuant to Clause 4.3) and accrued interest thereon; and
  - (b) the obligation of Funding to pay the shortfall together with any amounts falling due and payable thereafter shall on any day be limited to the available funds acquired by Funding subsequent to such date, together with the proceeds of the enforcement of the Funding Security, such funds and proceeds to be paid to the Extraordinary Payment Holiday Start-up Loan Provider by the Security Trustee pursuant to Clause 8 of the Funding Deed of Charge,

provided that the Extraordinary Payment Holiday Start-up Loan Provider shall not release Funding from Funding's obligation to pay the remaining amount that would have been due under this Agreement had this Clause 7.3 not applied, nor shall this Clause 7.3 be construed as having that effect.

#### 8. SUBORDINATION AND SECURITY

- 8.1 The parties hereby agree that the Extraordinary Payment Holiday Start-up Loan (and any interest capitalised pursuant to Clause 4.3) shall be subordinated to, *inter alia*, payments of principal and interest on any previous Intercompany Loan made available by a previous issuing entity or the Master Issuer, and all other payments or provisions ranking in priority to payments to be made to the Extraordinary Payment Holiday Start-up Loan Provider under this Agreement in accordance with the priority of payments or as provided in Clause 8 and Schedule 3 of the Funding Deed of Charge.
- 8.2 The Extraordinary Payment Holiday Start-up Loan Provider further agrees that, without prejudice to Clause 8 of the Funding Deed of Charge, its rights against Funding under this Agreement are limited to the extent that Funding has sufficient assets to meet its claim or any

part thereof having taken into account all other liabilities, both actual and contingent, of Funding which pursuant to the Funding Deed of Charge rank *pari passu* with or in priority to its liabilities to the Extraordinary Payment Holiday Start-up Loan Provider under this Agreement and so that Funding shall not be obliged to make any payment to the Extraordinary Payment Holiday Start-up Loan Provider hereunder if and to the extent that the making of such payment would cause Funding to be or become unable to pay its debts within the meaning of Section 123 of the Insolvency Act 1986. However, if there are sufficient Funding Available Revenue Receipts available but Funding does not repay the Extraordinary Payment Holiday Start-up Loan when due, such non-repayment will constitute an event of default under this Agreement causing the Extraordinary Payment Holiday Start-up Loan (and any interest capitalised pursuant to Clause 4.3) and any accrued interest thereon to be accelerated in accordance with Clause 6.

- 8.3 Funding undertakes that its obligations to the Extraordinary Payment Holiday Start-up Loan Provider hereunder shall at all times be secured by the Funding Deed of Charge.
- 8.4 The Extraordinary Payment Holiday Start-up Loan Provider hereby undertakes to be bound by the terms of the Funding Deed of Charge and the Cash Management Agreement and in particular agrees that, on enforcement of the security created by the Funding Deed of Charge, all amounts of principal, interest and any other amounts due hereunder shall rank in the order of priority set out in the Funding Post-Enforcement Priority of Payments.
- 8.5 The Extraordinary Payment Holiday Start-up Loan Provider further covenants that, except as permitted under Clause 9 of the Funding Deed of Charge, it will not set off or purport to set off the Extraordinary Payment Holiday Start-up Loan (and any interest capitalised pursuant to Clause 4.3) or any interest thereon or any part of either thereof against any liability owed by it to Funding.
- 8.6 The Extraordinary Payment Holiday Start-up Loan Provider undertakes that it will not, prior to the second anniversary of the date on which all of the Notes are redeemed in full, take any corporate action or other steps or legal proceedings for the winding up, dissolution or reorganisation or for the appointment of a receiver, administrator, administrative receiver, trustee, liquidator, sequestrator or similar officer of Funding or of any or all of the revenues and assets of Funding nor participate in any proceedings without notice nor seek to enforce any judgment against Funding, except as permitted under the provisions of the Funding Deed of Charge.

## 9. NOTICES

Any notices to be given pursuant to this Agreement or to any of the parties hereto shall be sufficiently served if sent by prepaid first class post, by hand, by facsimile transmission or by email and shall be deemed to be given (in the case of facsimile transmission or email) when despatched, (where delivered by hand) on the day of delivery if delivered before 17.00 hours on a London Business Day or on the next London Business Day if delivered thereafter or (in the case of first class post) when it would be received in the ordinary course of the post and shall be sent:

- (b) in the case of the Extraordinary Payment Holiday Start-up Loan Provider, to Santander UK plc, 2 Triton Square, Regent's Place, London NW1 3AN (with a copy

via email to: <u>MTF@santander.co.uk</u> and <u>treasurylegal@santander.co.uk</u>) for the attention of Medium Term Funding and Treasury Legal; and

(c) in the case of the Security Trustee, to The Bank of New York Mellon at 40th Floor, One Canada Square, London E14 5AL (with a copy via email to: <a href="mailto:corpsov2@bnymellon.com">corpsov2@bnymellon.com</a>) for the attention of the Trustee Administration Manager,

or to such other address, email address or facsimile number as may from time to time be notified by any party to the others by written notice in accordance with the provisions of this Clause 9.

#### 10. TAXES

- 10.1 All payments to be made by Funding to the Extraordinary Payment Holiday Start-up Loan Provider hereunder shall be made free and clear of and without withholding or deduction for or on account of Tax unless Funding is required by law to make such a payment subject to the deduction or withholding of Tax, in which case Funding shall promptly upon becoming aware thereof notify the Extraordinary Payment Holiday Start-up Loan Provider of such obligation, and shall make such payments subject to such deduction or withholding of Tax which it is required to make.
- 10.2 If Funding makes any payment hereunder in respect of which it is required to make any deduction or withholding, it shall pay the full amount required to be deducted or withheld to the relevant taxation or other authority within the time allowed for such payment under applicable law and shall deliver to the Extraordinary Payment Holiday Start-up Loan Provider, within thirty days after such payment falls due to the applicable authority, any original receipt (or a certified copy thereof) issued by such authority evidencing such payment.

## 11. REMEDIES AND WAIVERS

No failure by the Extraordinary Payment Holiday Start-up Loan Provider to exercise, nor any delay by the Extraordinary Payment Holiday Start-up Loan Provider in exercising, any right or remedy hereunder shall operate as a waiver thereof, nor shall any single or partial exercise of any right or remedy prevent any further or other exercise thereof or the exercise of any other right or remedy. The rights and remedies herein provided are cumulative and not exclusive of any rights or remedies provided by law.

#### 12. ASSIGNMENTS AND TRANSFER

- 12.1 Funding (other than in respect of any assignment by way of security pursuant to the Funding Deed of Charge) may not assign and/or transfer any of its rights and/or obligations under this Agreement.
- 12.2 If there is any change in the identity of the Security Trustee pursuant to the terms of the Funding Deed of Charge, the Extraordinary Payment Holiday Start-up Loan Provider and Funding shall execute such documents and take such actions as the new Security Trustee and the outgoing Security Trustee (as the case may be) may reasonably require for the purpose of vesting in the new Security Trustee the rights and obligations of the outgoing Security Trustee and releasing the outgoing Security Trustee (as the case may be) from its future obligations under this Agreement.

#### 13. SECURITY TRUSTEE AS A PARTY

The Security Trustee has agreed to become a party to this Agreement for the better preservation and enforcement of its rights under this Agreement and the Security Trustee shall assume no obligations or liabilities whatsoever to the Extraordinary Payment Holiday Start-up Loan Provider or to Funding.

#### 14. TERMINATION

Without affecting any other right or remedy available to it, Funding or the Extraordinary Payment Holiday Start-up Loan Provider may terminate this Agreement with immediate effect by giving 30 days' written notice to the other party (with a copy to the Security Trustee) provided that such termination shall not be effective unless and until the Extraordinary Payment Holiday Start-up Loan and all accrued interest thereon is repaid in full.

#### 15. NO PARTNERSHIP

Nothing in this Agreement (or in any of the arrangements contemplated hereby) shall, or shall be deemed to, constitute a partnership amongst the parties hereto.

#### 16. VARIATION

No variation of this Agreement shall be effective unless it is in writing and signed by or on behalf of each of the parties hereto.

#### 17. INVALIDITY OF ANY PROVISION

If any of the provisions of this Agreement becomes invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any respect under any law, the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby.

#### 18. EXCLUSION OF THIRD PARTY RIGHTS

The parties to this Agreement do not intend that any term of this Agreement should be enforced, by virtue of the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999, by any person who is not a party to this Agreement.

#### 19. COUNTERPARTS

- 19.1 This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, and by the parties on separate counterparts, but shall not be effective until each party has executed at least one counterpart.
- 19.2 Each counterpart shall constitute an original of this Agreement, but all the counterparts shall together constitute but one and the same instrument.

#### 20. GOVERNING LAW

This Agreement and any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with it are governed by, and shall be construed in accordance with, the laws of England.

#### 21. SUBMISSION TO JURISDICTION

Each party to this Agreement hereby irrevocably submits to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of the English courts in any action or proceeding arising out of or relating to this Agreement (including a dispute relating to any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with this Agreement), and hereby irrevocably agrees that all claims in respect of such action or proceeding may be heard and determined by such courts. Each party to this Agreement hereby irrevocably waives, to the fullest extent it may possibly do so, any defence or claim that the English courts are an inconvenient forum for the maintenance or hearing of such action or proceeding.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF** the parties hereto have executed this Agreement the day and year first before written.

# **SIGNATORIES**

Funding		
SIGNED for and on behalf of HOLMES FUNDING LIMITED	) ) )	
Extraordinary Payment Holiday Start-up Loan Provide	r	
SIGNED for and on behalf of SANTANDER UK PLC	) ) )	
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# **SCHEDULE 1**

# FORM OF REQUEST

To:	Santander UK plc as Funding Loan Provider		
From: Fundin	[Holmes Funding Limited (Funding) / Santander UK plc (as Cash Manager on behalf of g)]		
Date:	[•]		
Extrao	ordinary Payment Holiday Start-up Agreement dated [●] (the Agreement)		
1.	We refer to the Agreement. This is a Request.		
2.	We wish to borrow an Advance on the following terms:		
	(a) Utilisation Date: [●]; and		
	(b) Amount: [●].		
3.	Our payment instructions are: [●].		
4.	We confirm that the requested Extraordinary Payment Holiday Start-up Loan is to be used for the purpose specified in clause 2.3 of the Agreement.		
5.	This Request is irrevocable.		
By:			
[Holme	es Funding Limited / Santander UK plc]		
Author	ised signatory		

#### **SCHEDULE 2**

#### **COMPOUNDED DAILY SONIA**

Compounded Daily SONIA means the rate of return of a daily compound interest investment (with the daily Sterling Overnight Index Average as the reference rate for the calculation of interest) calculated by the Extraordinary Payment Holiday Start-up Loan Provider on the Interest Determination Date (i) by reference to the screen rate or index administered by the administrator of the Sterling Overnight Index Average reference rate that is published or displayed by such administrator or other information service from time to time at the relevant time on the Interest Determination Date; or (ii) (if such screen rate or index is not available at the relevant time on the Interest Determination Date) as follows, and the resulting percentage will be rounded if necessary to the fifth decimal place, with 0.000005 being rounded upwards:

$$\left[ \prod_{i=1}^{d_o} \left( 1 + \frac{SONIA_{i-pLBD} \times n_i}{365} \right) - 1 \right] \times \frac{365}{d}$$

where:

d means the number of calendar days in the relevant SONIA Observation Period;

*d<sub>o</sub>* means for any SONIA Observation Period, the number of London Banking Days in the relevant SONIA Observation Period;

i means a series of whole numbers from 1 to  $d_0$ , each representing the relevant London Banking Day in chronological order from, and including, the first London Banking Day in the SONIA Observation Period;

**London Banking Day** or **LBD** means any day on which commercial banks are open for general business (including dealing in foreign exchange and foreign currency deposits) in London;

 $n_i$ , for any day i, means the number of calendar days from and including such day i up to but excluding the following London Banking Day;

**SONIA Observation Period** means the period from and including the date falling *p* London Banking Days prior to the first day of the relevant Interest Period (and the first Interest Period shall begin on and include the date of the first Advance made under this Agreement) and ending on, but excluding, the date falling *p* London Banking Days prior to the Interest Payment Date for such Interest Period (or the date falling *p* London Banking Days prior to such earlier date, if any, on which the Extraordinary Payment Holiday Start-up Loan becomes due and payable);

*p* means 5 London Banking Day or other such number of days as agreed between Funding and the Extraordinary Payment Holiday Start-up Loan Provider;

**SONIA reference rate**, in respect of any London Banking Day, is a reference rate equal to the daily Sterling Overnight Index Average (**SONIA**) rate for such London Banking Day as provided by the administrator of SONIA to authorised distributors and as then published by such authorised distributors (on the London Banking Day immediately following such London Banking Day); and

 $SONIA_{i-pLBD}$  means  $SONIA_i$ , where  $SONIA_i$  is, in respect of any London Banking Day i falling in the relevant SONIA Observation Period, the SONIA reference rate for such day.