

Declaration 1: Statement of non-collusion

To: The Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy

1. We recognise that the essence of competition is that the Department will receive a bona fide competitive proposal from all persons bidding. We therefore certify that this is a bona fide proposal and that we have not fixed or adjusted the amount of the proposal or our rates and prices included therein by or in accordance with any agreement or arrangement with any other person.

2. We also certify that we have not done and undertake not to do at any time before the hour and date specified for the return of this proposal any of the following acts:
 - a. communicate to any person other than the Department the amount or approximate amount of our proposed bid, except where the disclosure, in confidence, of the approximate amount is necessary to obtain any insurance premium quotation required for the preparation of the bid;

 - b. enter into any agreement or arrangement with any other person that he shall refrain for submitting a bid or as to the amount included in the bid;

 - c. offer or pay or give or agree to pay or give any sum of money, inducement or valuable consideration directly or indirectly to any person doing or having done or causing or having caused to be done, in relation to any other actual or proposed bid for the competition, any act, omission or thing of the kind described above.

3. In this certificate, the word “person” shall include any person, body or association, corporate or unincorporated; and “any agreement or arrangement” includes any such information, formal or informal, whether legally binding or not.

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Signature (duly authorised on behalf of the bidder)

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Print name

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On behalf of (organisation name)

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Date