HINDUSTAN PETROLEUM CORPORATION LTD.

"H.P. GAS" (LIQUEFIED PETROLEUM GAS) ENERGY SOLUTION PROVIDERS AND SUPPLIERS (ESPS_ AGREEMENT FOR SUPPLY OF NON-DOMESTIC PACKED LPG TO COMMERCIAL & INDUSTRIAL ESTABLISHMENTS OR

H.P. GAS" (LIQUEFIED PETROLEUM GAS) SYSTEMS SOLUTION PROVIDERS (SSP) AGREEMENT FOR SUPPLY OF NON-DOMESTIC PACKED LPG , NON DOMESTIC BULK AND BULK PROPANE TO COMMERCIAL & INDUSTRIAL ESTABLISHMENTS

THIS AGREEMENT made at..... the by and between Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Ltd. a company incorporated under the Indian Companies Act, 1956 and having its Registered Office at Petroleum House, 17, Jamshedji Tata 400 Churchgate, Mumbai 020 Regional Road. and its office at (hereinafter called the 'Corporation' which expression, shall unless inconsistent with or repugnant to the context, include its successors and assigns) of the **ONE PART**

and

*Energy Solution Providers & Suppliers (ESPS)-for marketing of ND Packed LPG with LPG Godown.

** System Solution Providers (SSP)- for marketing ND Bulk, ND Packed and Bulk Propane without godown facility.

Hereinafter Corporation and ESPS/SSP shall be collectively referred to as "Parties" and individually as "Party"

WHEREAS

The Corporation is engaged, inter-alia, throughout the country in the business of refining and marketing of petroleum products including Non-Domestic ("ND") packed and Bulk LPG.

The ESPS/SSP has the necessary facilities and resources and being capable in its own right is desirous of being appointed as ESPS/SSP of the Corporation for the promotion, sale and delivery of the ND Packed LPG, Bulk LPG and Bulk Propane in the territorial distribution area mentioned as

The Corporation has agreed to appoint the ESPS/SSP to market ND Packed LPG Bulk LPG and Bulk Propane in the area subject to the following terms and conditions.

NOW THIS AGREEMENT witnessed and it is agreed by and between the Corporation and ESPS/SSP as follows:

- The Corporation hereby appoints the ESPS/SSP and the ESPS/SSP hereby accepts the appointment as ESPS/SSP of the Corporation, on principal to principal basis for sale of the Corporation's Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) known as "H.P. Gas" in 5 Kg,19 Kg,35 Kg, 47.5 Kg & Bulk and "Propane" in Bulk only for commercial & Industrial consumers like hotels, canteens, hospitals, and for any industrial consumers with industrial applications in the territory/distribution area mentioned as
- 2. The aforesaid appointment is subject to the following:
- i) The Corporation reserves the right at all times during the continuance of this Agreement to make direct sales of H.P. Gas to Central or State Government, Government Departments, Government companies, Railways, Military, Municipal Authorities, other public bodies, authorities or customers without any reference to the ESPS/SSP and on such direct sales the ESPS/SSP shall not be entitled to any remuneration, commission, allowance, damages or compensation of whatsoever nature.
- ii) The Corporation reserves the right, without any reference to or consent of ESPS/SSP, to appoint one or more additional ESPS/SSPs in the same territory referred to in clause 1 above and such additional ESPS/SSP or distributors shall be entitled to make sales of H.P. Gas in the same territory without any objection from the ESPS/SSP and the ESPS/SSP shall not be entitled to claim any overriding remuneration, commission, allowance, damages or compensation for the purpose.
- iii) Without prejudice to the above, the Corporation shall also be entitled to require the ESPS/SSP to effect minimum sales of H.P. Gas in accordance with the policy that may be formulated from time to time by the Corporation and shall be further entitled at its sole discretion to reduce, restrict, modify or alter the area of the ESPS/SSP territory and the decision of the Corporation shall be final and binding on the ESPS/SSP. The Corporation shall further be entitled to notify, without any legal obligation to do so, from time to time to the ESPS/SSP in writing the minimum number of LPG filled cylinders which the ESPS/SSP shall be required to uplift in each month. The Corporation shall also be entitled to require the ESPS/SSP to maintain during the duration of the Agreement such minimum stock as to meet the customer requirements.
- iv) The ESPS/SSP will during the continuance of this Agreement confine to effect the sales in the area or territory specified herein above but the Corporation shall be entitled without the consent of the ESPS/SSP to enlarge, reduce, increase or modify such area of territory as may from time to time be notified by the Corporation in writing.
- v) The ESPS/SSP shall make its best efforts for enrolling customer and canvassing business and for developing and increasing the sale of LPG within the area allotted to him. The ESPS/SSP shall also provide technical assistance to the customer and provide end-to-end solutions to the customer.
- vi) During the continuance of this Agreement, the ESPS/SSP shall not directly or indirectly engage or interest himself in the said area in any other business competing with the ESPS/SSP of LPG granted to him under this Agreement and shall not distribute or sell directly or indirectly any other product other than the product supplied by the Corporation.
- 3. The ESPS and SSP shall the following sales target

Year 1, Year 2 Year 3. Year 4 Year 5

If the sales target of any of the year is not achieved by ESPS/SSP, then Corporation may at its discretion terminate this agreement after calling for explanation for such non/poor performance.

- 4. The Corporation shall not be liable for any loss or damage due to any delay by the Corporation in shipping or delivering or from failure to ship or deliver LPG filled cylinders ordered whatever may be the cause of such failure or delay. The Corporation shall further be entitled to refuse any order or orders and at any time to treat any order or orders, accepted or acknowledged as cancelled. Every order by the ESPS/SSP under this Agreement shall constitute a firm order not subject to cancellation or revision by the ESPS/SSP unless and until the Corporation intimates to the ESPS/SSP in writing its intention to treat such order as cancelled.
- 5. The supply of LPG in filled cylinders/ equipments shall, unless otherwise mutually agreed to in writing, be made by the Corporation against payment in Advance by RTGS by the ESPS/SSP.
- 6. (i) The Corporation shall be entitled at any time and from time to time and without any previous notice to the ESPS/SSP, to change all or any of the prices which may be fixed for the purpose of the retail sale or supply of HP Gas for commercial or industrial purposes to the customers in the said area, and similarly, the Corporation will be entitled to effect any changes in the ESPS/SSPs selling prices and / or in respect of the commission, discounts and deductions and / or to reduce or abolish any such item. The Corporation shall not in the event of any such change be bound to make any allowance or pay any compensation to the ESPS/SSP.
- ii) The ESPS/SSP undertakes to sell and supply the LPG at the rates so fixed and shall not sell at retail prices exceeding those fixed by the Corporation from time to time and shall sell the HP Gas upon such terms and conditions as may be indicated by the Corporation and shall execute and procure the execution of such warranties, indemnities and writings from himself and / or from any consumer or buyer as the Corporation may from time to time prescribe.
- iii) The ESPS shall arrange for delivery of full cylinders from his own storage premises to the customer's premises and for the return of empty cylinders from the customer's premises to his own approved storage premises. (not applicable for SSP)
- 7. a. The LPG cylinders with Valves, Caps, Security nuts, and any other equipment as determined by the Corporation shall at all times remain the property of the Corporation.
- b. The Corporation may, however, from time to time, entrust to the ESPS/SSP for use in connection with the business in the said LPG, such equipment and /or the other property as the Corporation may see fit, and the ESPS/SSP shall exercise due and proper care for the protection of all property so committed to its care without claiming any lien or right to retain possession of the same in any circumstances, whatsoever, and on demand, deliver to the Corporation in the same good order in which it was received all property of the Corporation, due allowance being made by the Corporation for fair wear and tear of which the Corporation shall be the sole judge.

- c. The ESPS/SSP shall pay forthwith on demand to the Corporation whenever desired by the Corporation the value of any property entrusted to him, which may be lost, broken, damaged or depreciated or used for purposes other than those for which it was supplied of which the Corporation shall be the sole judge.
- d. The ESPS/SSP shall be required to submit to the Corporation at its office at periodically as may be indicated by the Corporation, a signed inventory of all property of the Corporation which has been so entrusted to him.
- e. The Corporation's equipments / property so supplied will be used only for the purposes for which they are meant and the Corporation shall not be responsible for any liability due to misuse of the Corporation's equipments.
- 8. The ESPS/SSP shall not undertake to repair the equipments or cause the same to be repaired by anyone except the Corporation or its authorized agents appointed for the purpose.
- 9. The ESPS shall provide adequate facilities duly licensed by Government or any other statutory authority for receiving and storing Liquefied Petroleum Gas Cylinders. All such storage space must also be approved by the Chief Controller of Explosives for India / Directorate for Explosives or his local representative. Such storage facilities shall be exclusively used by the ESPS for storing LPG cylinders of the Corporation and for no other purpose. The construction, maintenance and upkeep of storage facilities as per the conditions of Permit /License would be the sole and exclusive responsibility of the ESPS who will also be liable to pay and discharge the entire expenditure for the same. (not applicable for SSP)
- 10. The ESPS/SSP will not during the currency of this Agreement distribute/ sell or be in any way concerned in distributing similar products of any other company or product without the previous consent in writing of the Corporation. Infringement of this clause will entitle the Corporation to terminate the Agreement as well as claim any compensation for loss of sales of which the Corporation shall be the sole Judge.
- 11. The ESPS/SSP shall at all times sell LPG obtained only from the Corporation at price / tariffs fixed by the Corporation from time to time and shall faithfully carry out the directions of Corporation. However, the price / tariffs shall not exceed the maximum price imposed by the Corporation.
- 12. The ESPS/SSP shall not commit any act or omit to do any act or thing whereby the Corporation's rights in the trade mark or brand name or intellectual property rights of the Corporation is in any way jeopardized. The ESPS/SSP shall not claim or have any right in any intellectual property right Corporation, whether registered or not, and shall promptly confide to the Corporation any information obtained or received by it of any infringement thereof or of passing of any goods of any person, firm or body as and of those of the Corporation.
- 13. The ESPS/SSP shall faithfully and diligently observe and carry out all directions, orders, guidelines, terms and conditions as may be issued by the Corporation from time to time and may be contained in the Corporation's "H.P Gas Manual" and any amendments or modifications as may be made by the Corporation thereto from time to time. The ESPS/SSP hereby confirms that he has received the copy of the H.P. Gas Manual and the general directions as circulated by the Corporation on the date of this Agreement and agrees to abide by and perform the same.

- 14. The ESPS shall unless otherwise agreed to in writing by the Corporation, bear all expenses incurred in connection with or incidental to storage, licensing, handling, loading / unloading / cartage (from the ESPSs godown) delivery and sale and distribution of LPG cylinders (filled or empty) or any other equipment that the Corporation may make available to the ESPS and the Corporation will not be liable to bear such expenditure under any circumstances whatsoever.
- 15. The ESPS/SSP shall on or before the execution of this Agreement deposit with the Corporation a sum of **Rs. 5 Lacs (Rupees Five LACS only) as Security Deposit** by way of Demand Draft drawn on any scheduled Bank or Bank Guarantee as may be indicated by the Corporation or any Government Security or Securities approved by the Corporation and duly endorsed to the Corporation. The ESPS/SSP hereby irrevocably authorize the Corporation to adjust and set off any claim or loss suffered by the Corporation or any other amount recoverable by the Corporation from the ESPS/SSP against such Security Deposit. The said Security Deposit shall not carry any interest and shall be liable for forfeiture in favour of the Corporation in the event of any breach, neglect or default by the ESPS/SSP in addition to any other rights or remedies available to the Corporation under this Agreement or otherwise in law. If so required by the Corporation, the ESPS/SSP shall enhance the said Security Deposit to such increased amounts as the Corporation may from time to time indicate.
- 16.i) The ESPS/SSP shall at its own cost, in its own name and on its own account procure and maintain such accommodation and other facilities as are required for its business and as may be directed / approved by the Corporation from time to time including, without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing:
- a) Adequate storage accommodation for cylinders, both full and empty, pressure regulators and other articles supplied by the Corporation; and
- b) such vehicles as delivery vans, three wheeler scooters, two wheelers, etc. in such numbers and in such manner as may be directed by the Corporation for transporting the full and empty gas cylinders and connected equipment.
- ii) The design of all vehicles, plant and work place, used by the ESPS/SSP shall be such as have been previously approved of by the Corporation. The Distributor shall also comply with all directions given and / or requisitions made by the Corporation in connection with such facilities.
- iii) The ESPS/SSP shall comply with all laws, rules, statutes, regulations and requisitions of the Central and / or State Governments and of all authorities appointed by them or either of them including the Chief Controller of Explosives, Government of India, and / or municipal and / or any other local authority with regard to such accommodation, vehicles and the storage and transport of gas cylinders and connected equipment in such accommodation and vehicles.
- iv) The ESPS shall obtain/ renew all licenses and / or permits required for the erection and / or use of the storage accommodation and / or for the storage therein of the cylinders, supplied by the Corporation and shall comply with the terms and conditions of such license or permits and hereby undertakes not to do or permit to be done any act or thing which may be contrary to the terms thereof. The ESPS shall be solely responsible for all consequences of any breach of provisions of this clause.

- 17. i) The ESPS/SSP shall be solely responsible for and shall himself bear all 7expenses of and in connection with the business including administration, office, insurance premium, showroom, telephone, transport, storage, rents, license or other fees, rates, taxes and all other charges and outgoings of every kind connected with the said business and shall pay the same promptly and without fail.
- ii) The ESPS/SSP shall also be solely responsible for any breach or contravention by himself, his employees, agents or sub-agents of any rules, regulations or byelaws of the Central and / or State Governments and / or municipal local and / or other authorities as may be applicable to the business including, without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, the concerned authorities respectively appointed under the Petroleum Act and Rules, Payment of Wages Act, Minimum Wages Act, Shops and Establishment Act, Factories Act, and the Workmen's Compensation Act, Explosives Act, 1884, Gas Cylinders Rules, 2004, or any other statutory Act Rules or Bye laws applicable from time to time and the Corporation shall not be responsible in any manner for any liabilities arising out of non-compliance by the ESPS/SSP with the same.
- iii) The ESPS/SSP shall at all times indemnify and keep indemnified the Corporation against all actions, proceedings, claims and demands made against it by the Central and / or State Government and / or Municipal local and / or other authorities and /or by any customer of the gas and / or by any other third party as a result of or in consequence of any act or omission of whatsoever nature of the ESPS/SSP, his servants, agents or sub-agents including, without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, any accident or loss or damage arising out of the storage, handing and / or transportation of the gas cylinders and / or connected equipment whether or not such act or omission or accident or loss or damage was due to any negligence want of care or any misconduct of the ESPS/SSP, his servants and agents or sub-agents.
- 18. The ESPS/SSP shall, at his own cost, maintain adequate trained and competent staff, to do installation work and for connecting appliances to cylinders and / or refills and pressure regulators and to attend to the work of repairing appliances and providing free technical service to the customers in accordance with the general instructions given or laid down by the Corporation. The ESPS/SSP, his employees, agents and sub-agents shall not repair or attempt to repair any cylinder and / or any part thereof which may be damaged or defective or thought to be so, but shall immediately forward such cylinder and / or pressure regular or as the case may be to the Corporation for repairs. The ESPS/SSP shall be liable to the Corporation for the cost of repairs to cylinders and / or pressure regulators that are damaged whilst the same are in the custody of the ESPS/SSP and / or of the customers in the said area.
- 19. In all contracts or engagements entered into by the ESPS/SSP with the customers for sale of HP Gas and / or the installation and / or repairs of appliances and / or connections thereof with LPG cylinders (filled or empty) and / or refills and / or pressure regulators and / or attached equipment, the ESPS/SSP shall act and shall always be deemed to have acted as a principal and not as an agent, or on account of the Corporation, and the Corporation shall not in any way be liable to any manner in respect of such contracts and / or engagements and / or in respect of any act or omission on the part of the ESPS/SSP, his servants, agents and workmen in regard to such installation, sale, distribution, connection, repairs or otherwise. The ESPS/SSP shall be bound to inform the customers in writing of this provision, through correspondence or at the time of enrollment of the customer.
- 20. The following provisions relating to indemnity by the ESPS/SSP (in respect of all claims including third party claims) shall apply to this Agreement during the duration of this Agreement and even after the termination thereof in respect of any transaction arising in

respect of the dealings between the parties hereto under this Agreement. For the purpose of this clause, the expression, "ESPS/SSP", shall include a sub-dealer, agent, servant, licensee, employee or other person nominated or appointed by the ESPS/SSP or otherwise having any direct or indirect interest in this Agreement or storing, licensing, handling, loading, unloading, delivering, selling marketing, distributing or transporting LPG cylinders, whether filled or empty and equipment relating thereto.

- (a) The ESPS/SSP shall at all times fully and effectively indemnify and keep indemnified the Corporation, its estates and effects from and against all losses, damages, claims, suits, legal proceedings and otherwise howsoever arising from or in connection with any loss or injury to person or property in connection with any of the matters covered by this Agreement or arising in the course of any of the contingencies referred to above or otherwise howsoever.
- (b) Without effecting the generality of the indemnity referred to hereinabove, the ESPS/SSP shall fully and effectively indemnify and keep indemnified the Corporation, its successors, assigns, estate and effects, officers, employees and agents from and against all losses, damages, claims, liability, suits, legal proceedings or otherwise howsoever arising out of any claims made by all third parties, whether on account of injury to person or loss of life or injury, loss or damage to any property and occasioned directly or indirectly and irrespective of the cause or qualification of such loss or damage and in particular in respect of third party claims covering all types of risks and whether on account of any neglect, breach or default in the observance and performance of the rules and regulations from time to time framed by the Corporation and / or any statutory authority and prevailing in respect of the storage, handling, loading, unloading, licensing, sale distribution, marketing, transport, connection or disconnection at customers sites otherwise, supply, delivery and collection of cylinders from the Corporation and / or from the customers in relation to the LPG cylinders filled or empty, and / or the Corporation equipments and / or H.P. Gas or otherwise howsoever on account of non-implementation, non-observance or nonperformance of the instructions issued by the Corporation from time to time, or by reason of the breach, non-observance or non-conformation with the provisions of the Petroleum Act, 1934 or Petroleum Rules 2002, Explosives Act, 1934, Gas Cylinder Rules, 1981 and all other rules, regulations and bye laws made there under or any other statute, rules, bye-laws or Acts in respect thereof or in relation to any license or permission issued for the purpose of storage by any Central or State Government or local or statutory public body or authority as may be applicable from time to time or otherwise howsoever arising to the end and intent that the ESPS/SSPs indemnity to the Corporation shall be enforceable by the Corporation under all circumstances envisaged including any loss or damage that may have resulted on account of any negligence or irregular use or handling by any person for and on behalf of the ESPS/SSP or by the customer or any person for and on behalf of the customer and such indemnity shall be unconditional and irrevocable and shall not be discharged absolved or relieved on the ground that the loss or damage has arisen on account of any act or omission of any person over whom the ESPS/SSP has no control.
- 21 a) It is specifically agreed and declared between the Corporation and ESPS/SSP that the Corporation has not given nor shall be deemed to have given or agreed to any express or implied warranty as regards the manufacture or use of the LPG cylinders or any other equipment or appliances that may be supplied and delivered under this Agreement and the Corporation shall not be responsible or liable for any defects, manufacturing or otherwise arising there from.
- b) The Corporation shall, under no circumstances, be liable or responsible for any loss, injury, or damage to the ESPS/SSP or to the customers, their servants, employees and

agents or any other person whomsoever arising on account of any transaction under this Agreement or as a result of the LPG cylinders of the said equipment being in any way defective or in unfit condition.

- 22. The ESPS shall during the continuance of this Agreement and valid for a period of three months from the date of the termination thereof, at his own cost and expense take out adequate and proper godown and Goods insurance from a well reputed insurance company against all risks including third party risk to person and properties, fire and explosion risk, riot risk, comprehensive motor vehicle policy risk, workmen's compensation and injury policy. As and when called upon by the Corporation the ESPS shall produce such insurance policy and the renewals thereof for inspection and verification by the Corporation. The ESPS shall fully and punctually abide by all the terms, conditions and covenants contained and set out in such insurance policy and shall not do or omit to be done any act, deed or thing whereby such insurance policy is invalidated, cancelled or rescinded by the insurance company.
- 23. The ESPS/SSP will at all times fully indemnify the Corporation from and against all losses, damages, claims, suits and otherwise arising from or in connection with injury to person or property, short deliveries or otherwise howsoever in connection with matters covered by the Agreement.
- 24. The ESPS/SSP shall not sell, assign, mortgage or part with or otherwise transfer his interest in the ESPS/SSP or the right, interest or benefit conferred on him by this Agreement to any person. In the event of the ESPS/SSP being a partnership firm any change in the constitution of the firm, whether by retirement, introduction of new partners or otherwise howsoever will not be permitted without the previous written approval of the Corporation notwithstanding that the Corporation may have dealings with such reconstituted firm or impliedly waived or condoned the breach or default mentioned hereinabove by the ESPS/SSP. In the event of the death of any of the partners, the ESPS/SSP shall immediately inform the Corporation giving the necessary particulars of the heirs and legal representatives of the deceased partner and it shall be the option of the Corporation either to continue the ESPS/SSP with the said firm or to have a fresh Agreement of ESPS/SSP with any reconstituted firm or to terminate the ESPS/SSP Agreement and the decision of the Corporation in that behalf shall be final and binding on all the parties concerned. No claim on premature termination for compensation or otherwise will be made or sustainable against the Corporation on account of such termination.
- 25. The ESPS/SSP undertakes that he and his servants and agents will observe and perform the provisions of the Petroleum Act, 1934 or any statutory reenactment or modification thereof for the time being in force and all rules and regulations made there under and all other government or Municipal, Local or such like Acts, laws, regulations and bye-laws as may be in force from time to time. If there is any violation on the part of the ESPS/SSP of the aforesaid provisions or statutory rules and regulations the Corporation will have absolute right to discontinue the supplies and take any other action including the termination of this Agreement as the Corporation may at its absolute discretion think fit.
- 26. (a) The ESPS/SSP undertakes faithfully and promptly to carry out, observe and perform all directions and orders or rules made from time to time by the Corporation or its representatives for the proper carrying on of the ESPS/SSP of the Corporation.

(b)It shall be a paramount condition of the Agreement that the ESPS/SSP himself (if he be an individual) or both the partners of the ESPS/SSP firm (if the ESPS/SSP is a partnership firm consisting of two partners only) or the majority of the partners of the

ESPS/SSPs firm/LLP (if the ESPS/SSP is a firm consisting of more than two partners) or the majority of the office bearers / elected members of the ESPS/SSPs co-operative society (if the ESPS/SSP is a Cooperative Society) or the directors (if the distributor is a limited company) as the case may be shall take active part in the management and running of the ESPS/SSP and shall personally supervise the same and shall not under any circumstances do so through any other person, firm or body.

(c)Except with the previous written consent of the Corporation.

- (i) The ESPS/SSP shall not enter into any arrangement, contract or understanding whereby the operations of the ESPS/SSP hereunder are or may be controlled / carried out and / or financed by any other person firm or company, whether directly or indirectly and whether in whole or in part;
- (ii) The ESPS/SSP himself or the partners themselves or the whole time office bearer/ elected members of the ESPS/SSP (if it is a co-operative society) or the managing director or any director (if it is a limited company) shall not without prior permission in writing of the Corporation take up any other employment or engage in any other business apart from the operation of the ESPS/SSP which is the subject matter of this Agreement.
- (iii) The ESPS/SSP (if it be a firm or a cooperative society or a limited company or LLP) shall not effect any change in its constitution whether in the identity of its partners or appointment of whole time office bearers or elected members or in the terms of the deed of partnership/MOA and AOA or of the bye-laws or the board of directors as the case may be.
- (iv) The ESPS/SSP (if it be a private limited company) shall not cause or permit any group transfers or substantial change in is shareholding (transmission by death etc., excluded).

In the event of the death of any partner of a firm / death or retirement of whole time office bearers / elected members of cooperative society which has been appointed as a ESPS/SSP hereunder, the surviving partners / remaining members hereby agree to indemnify and keep indemnified the Corporation against any claims or demands which may be made by the heirs of the deceased / retired partner / member.

- 27. All correspondence, accounts, returns of stocks and sales, and such other documents as may be required by the Corporation shall be made, written neatly and correctly in English or Hindi language and all accounts shall be produced for inspection of the Corporations representatives at any time when called upon by them to do so. The ESPS/SSP shall send to the Corporation either fortnightly or at such other intervals as the Corporation from time to time determine a report of all sale effected by the ESPS/SSP and of the unsold stocks in his custody in the form to be prescribed by the Corporation.
- 28. Consent to give Data & its use:

The ESPS/SSP confirms that it has voluntarily provided its sensitive personal and official data to the Corporation for the purpose of entering into this agreement and its execution. The ESPS/SSP hereby acknowledges and agrees that the Corporation or any of its Affiliates may process such sensitive personal data about the ESPS/SSP as is provided by it for its appointment and for execution of the work contemplated in this Agreement. The ESPS/SSP hereby gives its explicit consent to the Corporation to process any such personal and/or sensitive data. The ESPS/SSP also hereby provides explicit consent to the Corporation to transfer any such personal and/or sensitive data

to third parties including Ministry, Courts any other statutory authorities on need basis.

- The Corporation by its officers, representatives or servants shall have at all times and in any circumstances free and unrestricted access to all premise used in connection with the business of the ESPS/SSP and to inspect and take account of all products in his possession and of all implements tools, furniture, fittings and /or other property entrusted to the ESPS/SSP by the Corporation.
- 29. (a) The ESPS/SSP shall display or cause to be displayed prominently upon the premises in or upon which the business in the said products is carried on, an inscription notifying to the public as conspicuously as possible the fact that he is selling the said HP gas supplied by the Corporation for commercial and industrial applications.

(b) The ESPS/SSP agrees that during the term of this agreement he will not display advertisements which do not have the approval of the Corporation. He shall also not display advertisements for petroleum products other than those of the Corporation upon his own premises used in connection with this distributorship.

- 30. The ESPS/SSP shall settle, in the event of termination of this Agreement for any reasons, all accounts within seven days of such termination and in the event of the ESPS/SSP declining or neglecting or failing to settle accounts within such period, account certified by one of the Corporation's Officers, shall be absolutely final and conclusive for all purposes.
- 31. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein contained, the Corporation shall be at liberty, upon their being satisfied of any breach of any covenant committed by the ESPS/SSP of this Agreement, to stop and / or suspend sales for such period or periods as the Corporation may think fit. Such right of stoppage and / or suspension shall be in addition to and / or without prejudice to any other right or remedy available to the Corporation under this Agreement. The ESPS/SSP shall not be entitled to claim any compensation or damage from the Corporation on account of any such stoppage and / or suspension of supply.
- 32. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein contained, the Corporation shall also be at liberty at its entire discretion to terminate this Agreement forthwith upon or at any time after the happening of any of the following event, namely.
 - (a) If the ESPS/SSP shall commit a delay, breach or default of any of the terms, conditions, covenants and stipulations contained in the agreement and fail to remedy such breach within four days of the receipt of a written notice from the Corporation in that regard.
 - (b) Upon:
 - (i) the death or adjudication as insolvent of the ESPS/SSP, if he be an individual;
 - (ii) the dissolution of the partnership of the ESPS/SSP's firm or the death or adjudication as insolvent of any partner of the firm, if the ESPS/SSP be a partnership firm or LLP;

- (iii) the liquidation, whether voluntary or otherwise or the passing of an effective resolution for winding up, or insolvency proceedings initiated, if the ESPS/SSP be a company or cooperative society;
- (c) If any attachment is levied and continues to be levied for a period of seven days upon the effects of the ESPS/SSP or any individual partner for the time being of the ESPS/SSPs' firm or any elected member of the ESPS/SSP's co-operative society or the Managing Director or any Director of the ESPS/SSP.
- (d) If the ESPS/SSP or any partner in the distributors firm or any whole time office bearer of the co-operative society or its director shall be convicted of any criminal offence.
- (e) If a Receiver shall be appointed of any property or assets of the ESPS/SSP or any partner/office bearer/director in the ESPS/SSP firm or of the ESPS/SSP cooperative society or ESPS/SSP company/LLP.
- (f) If the license issued to the ESPS/SSP by the relevant authorities for the storage of LPG products supplied by the Corporation is cancelled or revoked.
- (g) If the ESPS/SSP shall for any reason, make default in payment to the Corporation in full or his outstanding as appearing in the Corporation's books of account beyond 4 days of demand by the Corporation.
- (h) If the ESPS/SSP does not adhere to the instructions issued from time to time by the Corporation in connection with safe practices to be followed by him in the supply and storage of the Corporations products or otherwise.
- (i) If the ESPS/SSP shall give out unauthorized connections to any person without the Corporations receipt / subscription voucher or otherwise howsoever;
- (j) If the ESPS/SSP shall deliberately contaminate or tamper with the quality of any of the Corporations products.
- (k) If the ESPS/SSP shall sell the Corporations products at prices higher than those fixed by the Corporation.
- (l) If any information given by the ESPS/SSP in his application for appointment as a ESPS/SSP shall be found to be untrue or incorrect in any material particular.
- (m) If the lease or tenancy of the ESPS/SSP (if the ESPS/SSP holds the site as lessee or tenant) shall be terminated or purported to be terminated or comes to an end for any reason whatsoever.
- (n) If the ESPS/SSP shall either by herself or by his servants or agents commit or suffer to be committed any act which, in the opinion of the Chief/Senior/Regional Manager of the Corporation for the time being at whose decision in that behalf shall be final, is prejudicial to the interest or good name of the Corporation or its products, the Chief/Senior/Regional Manager shall not be bound to give reasons for such decision.

The Corporation's right to terminate this Agreement under the terms of this clause shall be without prejudice to and without affecting any of its other rights and remedies against the ESPS/SSP. In the event of the Corporation terminating this agreement under the

provisions of this clause, it shall not be liable to pay for any loss or compensation in respect of such termination provided that the supply of any LPG products by the Corporation to the ESPS/SSP pending expiry of any notice of termination or after any act, contravention or omission by the ESPS/SSP entitling the Corporation to terminate this Agreement shall have become known the Corporation, shall not in any way prejudice or affect the right of the Corporation to revoke and / or enforce the termination of this Agreement and the license granted hereunder.

- 33. This Agreement shall remain in force for **five years** from However, the same may be determined by the Corporation without assigning any reason by giving one months' notice in writing to the other of its intention to terminate this Agreement, and upon the expiration of any such notice this agreement shall stand cancelled and revoked but without prejudice to the rights of either Party against the other in respect of any matter or thing antecedent to such termination provided that nothing contained in this clause shall prejudice the rights of the Corporation to terminate this Agreement earlier on the happening of the events mentioned in Clauses 9 and 31 of this agreement. Upon expiry of the aforesaid period of five years, the Corporation may at its option, enter into a fresh agreement with the distributor for a further period of five years on the same terms and conditions as herein contained.
- 34. Any acquiescence or waiver by the Corporation of any delay, breach or default committed by the ESPS/SSP shall not be deemed to be or considered as estoppel against the Corporation or prevent the Corporation from effecting termination of this agreement under any of the aforesaid provisions in respect of any matter of transaction antecedent of whatsoever nature.
- 35. (a)Upon termination of this Agreement, the ESPS/SSP shall be liable to immediately handover, return and redeliver to the Corporation or any person nominated by the Corporation the entire stock of LPG filled / empty cylinders and equipments that may have been made available or entrusted or hired to the ESPS/SSP by the Corporation during the currency of this Agreement. For this purpose, the Corporation shall be entitled to take physical inventory of such stocks lying in the possession or control of the dealer from time to time and the Corporation shall be entitled to enter upon the office, godown, premises etc. of the dealer or any other place where the dealer may have kept the same and take physical possession thereof.

(b)The ESPS/SSP shall also handover to the Corporation or the person nominated by it all the necessary records, reference books, delivery challans, customer's subscription vouchers and other records which may be required by the Corporation or any ESPS/SSP who may be appointed by the Corporation to effectively service, continue and maintain the supplies to the customers.

(d)The ESPS/SSP shall if so required by the Corporation, be responsible to make arrangements for recovery from the customers in the said area of the LPG cylinders, pressure regulators and other equipment belonging to the Corporation which have been entrusted to the customers through the ESPS/SSP, or for the transfer thereof to any other ESPS/SSPs or other persons authorized by the Corporation.

(e)On the revision by the Corporation of the said area by the curtailment thereof, the provisions of this clause shall apply and be performed by the ESPS/SSP mutatis mutandis with regard to the cylinders, pressure regulators, documents, etc. referable to that portion provided however that in case of reduction or curtailment of area, the Corporation may direct that the equipment shall remain with the customers and that same would be deemed to be transferred as equipment in circulation to the account of the new ESPS/SSP

appointed by the Corporation for such area. If the ESPS/SSP shall fail to deliver to the Corporation or to any of the distributors appointed by the Corporation or to any other person or otherwise as the Corporation may direct within a period of three months from the date of termination or curtailment of the area, as the case maybe, any of the cylinders and / or pressure regulators and other equipment / accessories loaned to the customers in the said area or excluded part of the said areas aforesaid, the Corporation shall be entitled to recover the cost thereof from the ESPS/SSP at the Corporations then prevailing tariff rates for cylinders and pressure regulators and other equipment / accessories. In particular, and without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing provisions, the ESPS/SSP shall not be entitled to retain any cylinders, pressure regulators and /or any other equipment, goods, stocks, documents, etc. furnished to him by or on behalf of the Corporation, on the ground of any alleged outstanding due to him or any disputed account. Notwithstanding the above, the Corporation shall have the right forthwith by its officers, representatives or servants to enter upon any premises where such goods and things are stored and take possession thereof and remove the same without being liable for trespass or otherwise. For this purpose, the ESPS/SSP hereby irrevocably authorizes the Corporation to take such action as may be necessary.

- 37. The Corporation will supply the said products at the approved Godown of the ESPS. The ESPS shall arrange to take prompt delivery of the said products and shall be responsible for and shall pay all demurrage and / or other charges arising through his failure or delay to take such delivery promptly. The ESPS shall also be liable for any loss or damage arising to the Corporation through his failure, neglect or delay to do so.
- 38. Any notice required to be given to the ESPS/SSP by the Corporation shall be deemed to be duly received and served on the ESPS/SSP if such notice has been addressed to the ESPS/SSP at his last known address as communicated to the Corporation and such notice shall be deemed to be validly given and will be binding and legal. Any notice required to be given to the Corporation by the ESPS/SSP shall be deemed to be duly received by and served on the Corporation if such notice has been addressed to the Corporation at its office in and has been sent by registered post.
- 39. Without prejudice to any provisions of the Agreement, and so as not to limit in any way those provisions for their application, it is in particular agreed that no failure or omission to carry out or observe any of the stipulation or conditions of this Agreement shall give rise to any claim against the Corporation or be deemed a breach of this Agreement if the same shall rise from any of the following causes, viz. the imposition of restrictions or onerous regulations, acts of God, insurrection, pirates, war declared or undeclared, strikes, lock outs, transport breakdown and / or combination of workmen, shortage of railway wagons, accidents to plant or machinery, non-delivery of supplies either on account of stoppage or reduction of production at refineries, bottlenecks in transport facilities, shortages in supply of LPG cylinders or equipment etc. The Corporation shall not be responsible for any failure to fulfill any of the terms of this Agreement if such fulfillment

has been delayed, hindered or prevented by any circumstances whatsoever beyond the control of the Corporation.

40. In case of any disputes or difference arising between the Parties in relation to this agreement, such disputes or differences shall be amicably settled by mutual discussions between the parties at the level of their respective Executive Directors or such officials so authorised by the Parties. If, however the dispute and differences cannot still be settled between parties within 30 days of such reference, all such disputes and differences shall be referred to arbitration of a Sole Arbitrator as per the provisions of Arbitration & Conciliation Act, 1996. The venue of arbitration proceedings shall be ______. Arbitration proceedings shall be conducted in English Language. The Agreement will be governed by Indian Laws and Parties submit themselves to the exclusive jurisdiction of courts at ______.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the said parties have hereunto set their hands the day and year first hereinabove written.

SIGNED by Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Ltd. by) Its Constituted)

Attorney in the presence of)

Signed by Messrs. By Proprietor

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