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# Gross Bidding Agreement - Clients

[Insert name of Client]

[Insert name of Client Representative]

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## GROSS BIDDING AGREEMENT - CLIENTS

### Notice

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entered into between

**[Insert Company name of Client]**, with reg. no. **[Insert registration number]** in the [insert home state] Company Register (the "**Client**");

and

**[insert company name of Client Representative]**, with reg. no. **[insert registration number]** in the **[insert home state]** Company Register (the "**Client Representative**");

and

**Nord Pool Spot AS**, a Norwegian limited company with reg. no **984 058 098** in the Norwegian Company Register ("**NPS**").

The Client, Client Representative and NPS are hereinafter collectively referred to as the "**Parties**" and individually as a "**Party**".

## 1 GENERAL

- 1.1 NPS operates the Physical Market(s) as described in the Trading Rules and offers a gross bidding arrangement to eligible Clients on the terms and conditions of this agreement.
- 1.2 The Parties have entered into a Client Agreement whereby the Client Representative has obtained the right to enter into Transactions on behalf of the Client in the Physical Market(s) and have such Transactions subject to Clearing.
- 1.3 This agreement includes additional provisions regarding Trading in Elspot by Clients with both Sales Portfolios and Purchase Portfolios and supplements Trading Rules and the relevant agreements with the Client and the Client Representative.
- 1.4 This agreement applies only to Sales Portfolios and Purchase Portfolios placed under one transmission system operator.

## 2 INTERPRETATION

- 2.1 Terms and expressions defined in the Definitions of the Trading Rules (Trading Appendix 1 to the Trading Rules) shall have the same meaning when used in this agreement, and any principles of interpretation of the Trading Rules shall apply accordingly to this agreement. In addition, the following terms shall have the meaning ascribed to them below:
  - a. "**Fee Schedule**" means Trading Appendix 6 to the Trading Rules
  - b. "**Gross Bidding**" means the placement of Orders and Transactions in electricity on the Physical Market under an arrangement entailing that a reduced fee is paid for the amount of purchase and sales volumes that nets to zero whereas standard fees are paid for the remaining volume (and this agreement constitutes such an arrangement).
  - c. "**Gross Volume Fee**" means the fees specified as such in the Fee Schedule.

- d. **“Group”** means the Client, any entity controlled by the Client, any entity that controls the Client as well as any entity under common control with the Client
- e. **“Purchase Portfolio”** means the electricity purchases carried out by the Client and/or any member of the Client’s Group.
- f. **“Sales Portfolio”** means the electricity sales generated by the Client’s own production of electricity (or that of any member of its Group) and/or sales based on other procurement agreements entered into by the Client and/or any member of its Group.
- g. **“Standard Volume Fee”** means fees in the Fee Schedule not being Gross Volume Fees.
- h. **“Trading Rules”** means the rules issued by NPS at any time to govern Trading on the Physical Markets, including the Trading Appendices and the Trading Agreements.

**2.2** In the event of conflict with the Trading Rules this agreement shall prevail.

### **3 GROSS BIDDING**

**3.1** The Client undertakes to conduct Gross Bidding and the Client Representative undertakes to carry out such Gross Bidding on behalf of the Client in accordance with this agreement and the Trading Rules.

**3.2** The Client and the Client Representative undertake to carry out Gross Bidding for all Sales Portfolios and Purchase Portfolios of the Client. By entering into this Gross Bidding Agreement, the Client and the Client Representative refrain from internal netting/matching of purchase interests in the Client’s Purchase Portfolio(s) with sales interest in the Client’s Sales Portfolio(s) or with any other orders.

**3.3** NPS may, at its discretion and subject to available functionality of applicable systems, implement technical measures to ensure the Client’s and the Client Representative’s compliance with Section 2.

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### **4 GROSS BIDDING FEES**

**4.1** The Client Representative carrying out Gross Bidding shall pay Trading fees in accordance with this Section 4.

**4.2** To the extent that the gross volumes traded under the Gross Bidding Portfolios are corresponding (i.e. nets to zero), the Client Representative shall be charged a Gross Volume Fee with respect to the applicable volume (G). Any net difference in volumes traded under the Gross Bidding Portfolios (i.e. net “surplus” purchase or sales volumes) shall be charged the Net Volume Fee with respect to the applicable volume (N).

**4.3** The total Trading fees for Gross Bidding Portfolios will be calculated as follows:

$$Total\ Fee = (VF_s * N) + (VF_g * G),\ where$$

$VF_s$  = Net Volume Fee.

$VF_g$  = Gross Volume Fee.

$N$  = the net value, calculated as the absolute value of the difference between the applicable sales volume and applicable purchase volume: (= abs (S-P))

$S$  = the gross sales volume

$P$  = the gross purchase volume

$G$  = the gross volume, calculated as the sum of the gross sales volume and the gross purchase volume minus the net value: (S+P – N)

**4.4** There shall be a maximum Gross Volume Fee ( $VF_g * G$ ) per calendar year as stated in the Fee Schedule and any Gross Volume Fee in excess of such maximum amount shall not be

charged to the Client Representative.

**4.5** The Client and the Client Representative, respectively, shall be charged annual fees for the trading portfolios in accordance with the Fee Schedule.

**4.6** Fees for Trading under this agreement will be calculated as part of the regular invoicing of the Client Representative pursuant to the Trading Rules.

## **5 COMPENSATION OF INTEREST**

**5.1** NPS shall partially compensate the Client's loss of interest income due to the difference in payment dates for purchased and sold volumes. The interest compensation will be paid on basis of the amount paid on gross purchase volumes on any Trading Day, but always limited to the amount receivable on gross sales volumes on the same Trading Day. The interest will be calculated for the period from (and including) the Clearing Day when the purchase price was paid to NPS until (and including) the latest Clearing Day prior to the Clearing Day when NPS paid to the Client the sales price for the sales volume for the same Trading Day.

**5.2** The calculation of the compensation of loss of interest income shall be made in accordance with the annual interest rate stated individually for each trading currency in the Fee Schedule, such annual interest rate to be based on general interest rate levels for each trading currency and stated in the Fee Schedule in advance for each month of the year.

**5.3** The compensation is calculated and paid to the Client Representative in arrears on a monthly basis on the basis of the actual number of calendar days elapsed divided by 365. The Client Representative will receive the compensation of interest in the currency of the Client's sales portfolio.

## **6 CHANGES TO THE AGREEMENT**

**6.1** Amendments to this agreement require written agreement of all Parties.

**6.2** Notwithstanding section 6.1, NPS may amend the Trading Rules in accordance with the provisions thereof.

## **7 TERM AND TERMINATION**

**7.1** This agreement shall take effect from **[insert date]** if duly executed by all Parties on that date.

**7.2** Each Party may terminate this agreement with three (3) months written notice to the other Parties.

**7.2.1** In the event that the Client Agreement or, as the case may be, the Client Representative's Participant Agreement is terminated, this agreement shall terminate on the same date as such Participant Agreement or Client Agreement.

## **8 MISCELLANEOUS**

### **8.1 Notices.**

**8.1.1** Any notice required to be given under this agreement or the Trading Rules by the Client or the Client Representative shall be given by authorised representatives and in writing to authorised representatives of NPS, unless as otherwise prescribed in the Trading Rules.

### **8.2 Entire agreement**

**8.2.1** This agreement and the Trading Rules contain the whole agreement between NPS, the Client Representative and the Client relating to the subject matter of this agreement and the Trading Rules and supersede any previous arrangement, understanding or agreement between them relating to that subject matter.

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8.2.2 Each Party acknowledges that, in entering into this agreement, it has not relied on, and shall have no right or remedy in respect of, any statement, representation, assurance or warranty other than as expressly set out in this agreement and the Trading Rules.

8.2.3 Nothing in this Section 8.2 shall limit or exclude any liability for fraud

### **8.3 Severability**

8.3.1 In the event that any one or more provisions of this agreement shall for any reason be held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable, the remaining provisions shall remain valid and enforceable.

### **8.4 Assignment**

8.4.1 The Client or the Client Representative may not transfer, novate or assign this agreement or its rights under the Trading Rules without the prior written consent of NPS.

### **8.5 Counterparts**

8.5.1 This agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which when executed shall constitute an original of this agreement, but all the counterparts shall together constitute the same agreement.

### **8.6 Waiver**

8.6.1 No failure or delay by a Party to exercise any right or remedy provided under this agreement or by law shall constitute a waiver of that or any other right or remedy.

## **9 CHOICE OF LAW AND DISPUTE RESOLUTION**

9.1 This agreement shall be governed by, construed and take effect in accordance with Norwegian law.

9.2 The Norwegian courts shall have exclusive jurisdiction to settle any claim, dispute or difference that may arise out of or in connection with this agreement, including any question as to its existence, validity or termination.

9.3 Each Party irrevocably waives any objection which it may have now or hereafter to the laying of the venue of any proceedings in the Norwegian courts and any claim that any such proceedings have been brought in an inconvenient forum, and further irrevocably agrees that a judgement in any proceedings brought in the Norwegian courts shall be conclusive and binding upon such Party and may be enforced in the courts of any other jurisdiction in accordance with the enforcement law of that jurisdiction.

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IN WITNESS OF THEIR AGREEMENT each Party has caused its authorised representative to execute this agreement.

This agreement has been made in three (3) originals, and each Party keeps one (1).

**For and on behalf of [Company name of Client]**

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Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name and title (printed letters)

Date:

**For and on behalf of [Company name of Client Representative]**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name and title (printed letters)

Date:

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**For and on behalf of Nord Pool Spot AS**

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Signature

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Name and title (printed letters)

Date:

**Signatures**  
Authorised signatures are required in order to effectuate this Gross bidding Agreement. Authorised signatures are by person(s) having general signing authority for the Client and the Client Representative.

**Annex 1:** Portfolios included for Gross Bidding purposes