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## Collaborative Working Policy Statement

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Octavius Infrastructure Limited undertakes building, construction and engineering projects within the UK infrastructure sector. This policy applies to the whole of the Octavius Infrastructure business.

We are making this statement of collaborative working arrangements to establish and confirm our policy in respect of people working within or on behalf of the business within the scope stated above. We are committed to the implementation of this Policy across all of our business.

Delivering our customer's projects in a safer, quicker and more efficient manner is a key corporate objective and is an imperative given the challenge laid out to the UK construction industry to deliver better value for money for Customers.

The successful delivery of planned and programmed works depends on the critical link between outcomes and the means of delivery. The implementation of this partnering approach with our Customers, Internal and External Partners and our Supply Chain is designed to introduce greater levels of innovation and deliver best practice and value for money. Knowledge and experience are essential, but it is through collaborative work that sound, cost efficient solutions will be found. Working together with our chosen collaborators, from the early stages, will enable us to overcome uncertainties and risks.

The British Standard, ISO44001:2017, provides us with the strategic framework to develop, with our External Partners such as Customers and Supply Chain, and our internal Partners such as the other Octavius Businesses and Octavius Group functions, the policies and processes, the culture and behaviours required to establish successful collaborative relations and to drive continual improvement. Maintaining collaborative business relations will lead to benefits for us, our Customers and our stakeholders.

We are committed to continuing to meet the requirements of, and maintaining, our Certification to British Standard ISO44001:2017 for Collaborative Business Relationship Management Systems. Matt Smith, the Operations Director, will fulfil the role of Corporate Senior Executive Responsible (SER) for the continuing development, improvement and implementation of the collaborative business relationship management system and will delegate specific responsibilities for implementing the Standard to appropriate people; these will be named in our Corporate Relationship Management Plan and those of individual collaborative business relationships.

We are committed to, and we expect everyone to be equally committed, to the principles of the standard. We also expect everyone working on collaborative programmes with suppliers to encourage them to adopt the principles of the standard and to develop appropriate policies for collaborative relationships.

It is important therefore that everyone concerned is made aware of this Statement and becomes familiar with its contents. We will take all reasonable steps to ensure that Our People or contractors are made aware of the contents of this Policy Statement. This policy will be reviewed annually and revised as often as may be appropriate by to reflect events that may occur or changing legislation or circumstances and any changes will be brought to the attention of our people and other relevant stakeholders.

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