# General Terms and Conditions of Business of EBARA Precision Machinery Europe GmbH July 2023

#### 1. Applicability

1.1 The following set of general terms and conditions of business shall apply to all items of equipment supplied, all repair work per-formed, and all other types of services rendered by EBARA Precision Machinery Europe GmbH (hereinafter referred to as EBARA) and all her dependent branches unless otherwise mutually agreed by the parties in writing. Any terms and conditions of business of ordering parties shall not be binding upon EBARA to the extent that they depart from those stated here-under. Acceptance of delivery of items of equipment and of services rendered shall constitute acceptance of EBARA's terms and conditions of acceptance of EDARA's terms and conditions of business, regardless of any prior objections thereto that may have been entered. Any contrary statements by ordering parties referring to their own terms and conditions of business or purchase are herewith refuted and rejected

1.2 In the event that a provision complying with "INCOTERMS 2020" shall be mutually agreed upon, then same shall apply only insofar as no provisions of those terms of sale shall disagree with the general terms and conditions of business stated hereunder.

1.3 To the extent that the general terms and conditions of business stated hereunder shall fall to regulate any matter, then said matter shall be subject to applicable legal regulations, rather than any general terms and conditions of business of ordering parties.

1.4 The following terms and conditions in their then currently valid forms shall apply to all future supply of equipment and rendering of repair work and other types of services by EBARA, even though said terms and conditions shall not be retransmitted to ordering parties in each such case and no further reference shall be made to same

## 2. Quotations and Purchase Orders

2.1 In cases where no binding periods shall be expressly stated in quotations submitted by EBARA, then EBARA shall not be bound by said quotations. and said quotations shall become binding upon EBARA only upon EBARA's written acknowledgement of orders placed based upon same. Any samples or articles submitted for testing are for information and guidance only, and shall not bind EBARA in any way.

2.2 Any orders placed without quotations by EBARA shall, in accordance with 2.1 hereof become binding upon EBARA only upon writ-ten acknowledgement by EBARA. This same provision shall apply in cases where ordering parties have altered quotations submitted by

2.3 EBARA is entitled to effect partial deliveries if the partial delivery can be used for the contractual purpose, the delivery of the remaining goods is ensured, and the ordering parties incur no additional costs or substantial additional expenditures.

#### 3. Documentation

3.1 All statements and specifications appearing in catalogs, brochures, and data sheets, as well as in items of documentation submitted with quotations, are advisory only, and thus shall not be construed as binding upon EBARA, except in those cases where they shall be specifically identified as such.

3.2 EBARA shall be entitled to alter the de-signs and constructions of items of equipment and to substitute alternative materials in the event certain raw materials shall be in short supply, except in cases where overriding interests of ordering parties known to EBARA shall have precedence

3.3 EBARA shall retain all rights of ownership and all copyrights respecting any and all items of documentation supplied by EBARA. Said items of documentation shall not be employed for any purposes other than those specified by EBARA, shall not be duplicated or otherwise made available to third parties, and their transmittal shall not be construed as constituting authorization to copy components or items of equipment.

3.4 All items of documentation provided by EBARA shall be returned immediately upon receipt of a request to do so, and shall be re-turned without need for any such request being submitted in the event that no order shall be placed with EBARA.

4. Pricing, Packing, Transport Insurance, Shipment

4.1 Applicable pricing and terms shall be those in effect on the date equipment in shipped or services are rendered, and shall be understood as exclusive of any value-added taxes or other levies on commercial transactions applicable at the time. All pricing stated in net, applicable at the time. All pricing stated in net, ex our plant or the respective equipment manufacturers plant (cf. INCO-TERMS 2020), and is exclusive of all charges for packing, freight, assembly, postage, delivery, installation, and conduct of initial runs. Packing shall be invoiced at our actual count.

4.2 EBARA shall organize shipments of goods in accordance with its own best judgement, and 6. Installation and Initial Operation all such shall be at the expense of recipients. In addition to those terms and cond who shall assume all liability in conjunction with herein, supplementary, associated, same

4.3 Any shipment instructions of ordering parties shall be binding upon EBARA only to the extent conduct or supervision of initial runs are to be that EBARA has been advised of same and has performed by EBARA. acknowledged same in writing.

4.4 EBARA shall insure ordered goods against the usual transportation risks, including breakage, at ordering parties expense, unless the latter shall stipulate otherwise in writing.

4.5 EBARA shall be entitled to exceed schedules technical grounds.

4.6 EBARA reserves the right to adjust pricing stated in order acknowledgements in order to allow for altered manufacturing costs due to varying EBARA's control. If the pricing is adjusted more than 5 % the business partner is entitled to cancel the order within 5 days after being informed about the price increase

# 5. Payment Terms

5.1 Payments shall be due within thirty (30) days of invoice date, net, insofar as no alter-native payment terms appear in EBARA's quotations or order acknowledgements. Partial shipments shall represent separately shipments shall represent separately invoicable transactions, and shall entitle EBARA to invoice items shipped. In the event EBARA to invoice items shipped. In the event that payments shall be submitted in currencies other than EUR (€), the receivables involved shall be regarded as having been paid in full only if the foreign currencies received, converted into €, and credited to one of EBARA's bank accounts shall be equal to the reed €-amounts.

5.2 Bills of exchange or checks shall be accepted subject to collection only. Ordering parties shall assume any and all charges involved in the discounting and collection of

5.3 Payment terms for orders involving custombuilt items of equipment shall be negotiated between the parties

5.4 Payments shall be remitted exclusively to a banking address designated by EBARA in writing, and shall be remitted on or before their due dates, with no discounts deduced and all charges prepaid by remitters. All fees, charges, and other costs incurred by EBARA as a consequence of special agreements to accept bills of exchange or checks in payment shall be at the express of ordering parties. Payment due bills of exclaringe of critecks in payment shall be at the expenses of ordering parties. Payment due dates shall be reckoned either from invoice dates, or from the dates on which ordering parties are notified that goods are ready for shipment. For payments of all kinds, their dates of receipt shall be those dates on which the full amounts of funds involved become available to EBARA

5.5 Payments due EBARA may be withheld or offset against counterclaims only if said counterclaims shall be undisputed, or shall represent valid, legally established, amounts

5.6 Interest at an annual rate of nine percent (9 %) in excess of the German Federal Bank's current discount rate shall be added to all overdue amounts in the event that invoices suspend payments or are in arrears, i.e., if payments are overdue. The ordering party reserves the right to prove that less damage occurred for which his obligation to indemnify is limited.

5.7 EBARA reserves the right to claim damages and pursue other forms of legal regress in the event that invoices shall be in arrears in their payments.

5.8 EBARA shall be entitled to carry out or provide outstanding deliveries and services only against advance payment or a security deposit, and/or to demand submission of collateral deposits, including such for goods that have not yet been delivered, to withhold all or part of any outstanding shipments due under the orders involved, or under any other orders placed by the ordering parties involved, to have unpaid shipments returned at the expense of ordering parties, or to withdraw from valid sales contracts in the event that invoices shall be in arrears in their payments, or that there shall be reasonable doubts regarding their abilities or intentions to pay amounts due.

In addition to those terms and conditions stated herein, supplementary, associated, terms and conditions issued by EBARA, copies of which are available upon request, shall apply in all cases where installation, supervision of installation, or

## 7. Delivery Dates and Schedules

goods risks, 7.1 Negotiated delivery schedules for goods parties and services to be supplied by EBARA shall tipulate commence on the date of the most recent valid order acknowledgements by EBARA, insofar as all open business and technical matters essential to filling orders have been settled of work stated in cost estimates by as much as with ordering parties, all items of five percent (5%) without prior consultation with documentation to be supplied by ordering ordering parties, insofar as EBARA shall deem parties have been received by EBARA, any the additional work involved essential on approvals or releases that may be required have been granted, and any advance payments agreed upon have been credited to one of EBARA's bank accounts. Delivery schedules shall be regarded as having been met if the goods to be supplied have been transferred to the initial freight forwarder to be involved, or if ordering parties have been notified that goods are ready for shipment on or by the final dates of delivery schedules, br of the final dates of delivery schedules, provided that ordering parties have met all of their binding contractual obligations. Partial shipments shall be permissible within reasonable bounds. Ordering parties shall accept delivery of items exhibiting minor flaws, defects, or shipping damage, in which case delivery schedules shall be regarded as having

> 7.2 Delivery schedules shall be binding upon EBARA only once they have been expressly acknowledged in writing by EBARA.

7.3 EBARA shall, at its discretion, be entitled to 7.3 EBARA shall, at its discretion, be entitled to place goods to be supplied in storage at the risk of ordering parties, commencing with the fourteenth (14th) day following the date on which ordering parties were notified that goods were ready for shipment, and to invoice ordering parties charges for said storage at a rate equal to one-half of one percent (0.5 %) of the total emport invited for an each prochematic. amount invoiced for said goods for each month, or portion thereof, commencing with the date on which said goods were ready for shipment, said goods remain in storage, in the event that shipment of same shall be delayed at the request of, or due to the fault of, ordering parties, or if ordering parties shall fail to promptly pick up goods to be transported by them or under their direction, EBARA shall retain the right to demand from ordering par-ties payment of any excess storage charges that may apply upon submission of documentary evidence of same. EBARA shall further retain the right to, at its discretion, make alternative use of said stored goods upon expiration of a reasonable period, and to supply ordering parties with other goods in accordance with a commensurately extended delivery schedule

7.4 Late deliveries shall not entitle ordering parties to withdraw from sale contracts or to enter claims for damages, except in cases where same shall be due to deliberate actions or gross negligence on the part of EBARA.

7.5 EBARA shall not be liable for any conventional contractual penalties in the event of late deliveries

7.6 Insofar as late deliveries shall be due to matters or events beyond EBARA's control (force majeure), delivery schedules shall be commensurately extended, but in no case by ARA shall be entitled to postpone its performance under sales contracts for the duration of said delays or hindrances, but in no core for more there is (6). case for more than six (6) months, or to withdraw from sales contracts in the event that withdraw from sales contracts in the event that said delays or hindrances shall persist, without incurring any liability for damages. Force majeure shall be construed as including, but shall not be limited to, interruptions of manufacturing operations, or of traffic to/from,

EBARA or its suppliers, issurance of cease and desist orders by, or other measures instituted by, government agencies, civil commotion, strikes, lockouts, sabotage, essential work-pieces being rejected or failing due to no fault of EBARA's, failure to receive, or late granting of, government-agency approvals, as well as any and all other types of unpredictable events.

#### 8. Liability. Transfer of Liability

8.1 All risks shall be transferred to ordering 3.1 All risks shall be transferred to ordering parties in accordance with the provision of INCOTERMS 2020 agreed upon by the parties. Otherwise, all risks shall be transferred to ordering parties as soon as ordered goods leave EBARA's warehouse. This same provision shall apply to partial shipments, and in the event that EBARA has assumed further elimitations curch as parameter of elimitations. obligations, such as payment of shipping charges, local delivery charges, or transfer charges.

8.2 When goods are ready for shipment, or if their shipment shall be delayed due to causes beyond EBARA's control, then all risks shall be transferred to ordering parties as soon as EBARA has submitted written or oral notification that goods are ready for shipment.

8.3 Goods delivered to ordering parties shall be accepted by same, even if defective, regardless of their rights under warranties.

### 9. Retention of Ownership

9.1 Goods delivered to ordering parties shall remain the property of EBARA until such time

as their purchase prices, as well as all existing or forthcoming receivables arising from business relations of the parties, regardless of their nature or the reasons therefor, have been paid in full. In addition, EBARA reserves the right to retain ownership of products of its own manufacture ("reserved-right goods") pending payment in full of all amounts currently due, overdue, or to fall due to EBARA at some time in the future under its business relations with in the luture under its business relations with ordering parties. In the event that ordering parties shall fail to meet their contractual obligations or shall fail to comply with contractual provisions, in particular, if they shall fail to submit payments when due, or shall fail to pay the full amounts due, then EBARA shall be entitled to demand return of, or to take possession of the goods involved, and ordering parties shall be obligated to surrender same to EBARA. EBARA's exercise of its rights to retention of ownership as well as the seizure of the delivered goods shall not be construed as indicating its intention to with-draw from the sales contracts involved in the event the Consumer Credit Act [German "\/orbraucherkreditgesetz"] shall prove inapplicable

9.2 In Cases that repair work is performed EBARA retains ownership to all accessories, EDARA retains ownership to all accessiones, replacement parts and supplies until such time as their purchase prices, as well as existing or forthcoming receivables arising from business relations of the parties, regardless of their nature or the reasons therefor, have been paid in full. If the item to be repaired is combined with the above mentioned accessories, replacement parts and supplies and the item to be repaired is the main thing than the ordering party (pro rata) until such time as their purchase prices, as well as existing or forthcoming receivables arising from business relations of the parties, regardless of their nature or the reasons therefor, have been paid in full.

9.3 Ordering parties shall handle and safe-guard all "reserved-right goods" with the due care of professional business people on behalf of EBARA

9.4 Ordering parties may resell "reserved-right goods" exclusively in the course of their normal business transactions, and exclusively under terms that entitle them to retain owner-ship of

9.5 Ordering parties herewith assign to EBARA in advance all receivables arising from their resale of "reserved-right goods," or to any other kind of future legal transactions affecting same that may arise in conjunction with properly conducted business transactions, as collateral for all of EBARA's claims against them arising from EBARA's current and future business relations with them. Ordering parties shall be entitled to collect said receivables, although said entitlement may be withdrawn by EBARA at any time.

9.6 In the event the value of collateral as-signed to EBARA shall exceed the total

amounts of receivables due EBARA by more than twenty percent (20 %), ordering parties shall be entitled to demand partial relinquishments of said collateral.

9.7 In the event that "reserved-right goods" are sold by ordering parties together with other goods, then ordering parties shall assign those portions of the resulting receivables represented by values of said "reserved-right goods" to EBARA, and EBARA shall accept such assignment. Assignments of said receivables shall be treated as inactive collateral so as long as ordering parties continue to meet their contractual obligations. Ordering parties shall provide EBARA with statements of information required for collecting said as-signed receivables upon request, and shall inform their debitors of said assignments.

9.8 Ordering parties may rework or process "reserved-right goods" on behalf of EBARA without incurring any obligations on their part. Insofar as the goods supplied are reworked using, joined to, or blended or mixed with, items that are not the property of EBARA (cf. §§ 947, ff., of the [German] Federal Civil Code ("Bürgerlichess Gesetzbuch" (BGB)), EBARA shall be entitled to co-ownership of those portions of final products defined by the ratios of the values of goods supplied by EBARA to the total values of all other goods employed prior to reworking, joining, blending, or mixing. In the event that ordering parties shall acquire sole ownership of "reserved-right" goods under applicable law, they herewith grant EBARA proportionate co-ownership of such worked/ processed goods, and shall handle and safeguard same on behalf of EBARA. The provisions stated hereunder shall apply analogously to said co-ownerships.

9.9 Ordering parties shall be not be entitled to pledge or otherwise encumber "reserved-right goods" in manners that would prejudice or jeopardize EBARA's rights with respect to same without prior authorization by EBARA. Ordering parties shall immediately notify EBARA ordering third parties to take possession of, or acquire title to, "reserved-right goods" or to any of those receivables assigned to EBARA as collateral, and shall concurrently supply EBARA is a collateral, and shall concurrently supply EBARA with all items of documentation required for filing a third-party demurral suit. All costs of any such third-party demurral suits shall be borne by the respective ordering parties involved.

9.10In the event that retention of ownership shall be disallowed or void under the laws of the nation or state in which goods reside, then submitting the requisite amount of collateral shall be regarded as agreed. In the event that justfying submission of this collateral shall require the collaboration of ordering parties, they shall immediately, and at their expense, undertake any and all such measures in said conjunction as shall be demanded by EBARA.

9.11 Ordering parties shall insure all "reservedright goods" against theft, breakage, fire, water damage, and other hazards at their expense, and shall provide EBARA with proof of said insurance upon request. In the event that requested proof of insurance shall not be presented within a reasonable time span, EB-ARA shall be entitled to insure said goods at the expense of their ordering parties.

## 10. Contractual lien

Ebara has a contractual lien because of the claim arising from this contract, and from previous contracts to the object ceded to our possession due to this contract.

## 11. Export and end use

EBARA is selling products and services under the strict condition that the products and their implementations are used, sold or exported only (i) in strict accordance with export regulations of Germany, the European Union, the United States of America, and (ii) usage or end usage is strictly for civil ouropes.

12. Warranties, Warranty Claims

12.1 Ordering parties shall report any defects immediately upon receipt of goods, in any case no later than three (3) weeks after delivery or the date goods are placed in storage under the provisions of 7.3 or 8.3 hereof. Late reporting of defects shall void all rights to submit warranty claims. Excluded are any defects that shall remain undetectable upon dose examination of the goods supplied, which defects shall be reported immediately upon their discovery included in such reporting shall be the nature of the defects detected, and statements as to whether same were noticed immediately upon receipt of the gods, or only once they had been worked or processed. EBARA shall be entitled to have any defects reported inspected by its personnel.

12.2 Warranty periods are one (1) year for standard products and ninety (90) days for spares, and warranty services shall be confined to repair (upgrading) or re-placement, at EBARA's discretion, of any items deemed defective. Toleration of repeated attempts to repair items shall be regarded as mutually agreed.

12.3 EBARA shall bear those costs immediately related to said repairs or replacements, costs for replacement parts, shipping costs for same, plus reasonable costs for removing and replacing defective items, as well as, where reasonably demanded by the particular circumstances of specific cases, costs for providing the services of its personnel, insofar as reports of defects shall prove justified and shall have been duly submitted. All other costs shall be borne by ordering parties.

12.4 Ordering parties shall, in concurrence with EBARA, issue the necessary approvals and make available the amounts of time required for completing all repairs and replacements that EBARA shall, at its discretion, deem necessary; otherwise EBARA shall be relieved of its warranty obligations.

12.5 Warranties shall be voided where defects or failures shall be due to abuse, improper installation, improper operation, or failure to comply with all applicable regulations. Rights to claim warranty shall also be voided if ordering parties have modified or repaired items supplied without prior authorization by EBARA. Exempted herefrom are urgent cases where such may be necessary on safety grounds, or in order to equipment, where EBARA shall be immediately notified in all such instances, or cases where EBARA shall be in arrears in eliminating defects or failures, in which cases ordering parties shall be entitled to eliminate defects or failures themselves, or to have same eliminated by third parties, and to demand that EBARA reimburse them for the costs or charges involved.

12.6 Ordering parties shall be entitled to avail themselves of their legal rights in the event that all efforts to eliminate defects or failures shall fail.

12.7 The statute of limitations for warranty claims due to defective goods shall be twelve (12) months from commencement of initial operation, but shall expire no later than fifteen (15) months from the dates on which goods are delivered or placed in storage, and shall be extended by the durations of any interruptions in the productive Operation or utilization of the goods supplied occasioned by repair work. This does not apply for goods that are used according to their usual use for a building and has caused the building structure to be defective or to damage claims arising from intentional or grossly negligent breach of duty by us, our statutory representatives or our agents in contract.

12.8 Rights to submit warranty claims in respect to any replacement parts supplied or repairs performed shall expire three months from date of supply or completion, or upon expiration of the statute of limitations applying to the goods supplied, if said expiration shall occur later.

12.9 Ordering parties shall not be entitled to submit claims for damages, except in cases where deliberate actions or gross negligence on the part of EBARA shall be involved. Claims shall be confined to real damages. Claims for lost profits or consequential damages are thus explicitly precluded insofar as no deliberate actions or gross negligence on the part of EBARA shall be involved, and no non-waivable rights to enter such claims accrue under applicable product liability laws.

12.10 In the event that ordering parties shall withhold payments due to defective goods, they shall be obligated to deposit the full amount of any withheld payments in escrow in accordance with applicable legal regulations.

## 13. Cancellation Penalties

In the event that sales contracts shall remain unfulfilled due to failure of ordering parties to meet their contractual obligations or to comply with contractual provisions, ordering parties shall be obligated to pay EBARA the agreed remuneration; however, EBARA must take into account what EBARA saves in expenses as a result of the cancellation of the contract or what EBARA acquires or maliciously refrains from acquiring through the alternative use of his labour (according to sec. 648 BGB); the same applies in the event that EBARA shall have valid grounds for withdrawing from sales contracts concluded.

## 14. Special Terms Applicable to Deliveries and Installations

14.1 Ordering parties shall reimburse EBARA for costs incurred in conjunction with assembly and for flat-rated allowances, in particular, premiums for overtime or working on Sundays or holidays. Time spent on travel and waiting shall be regarded as reimbursable hours worked

14.2 Ordering parties shall reimburse EBARA for first-class roundtrip rail fare and for charges incurred for transporting baggage and hand tools. Where journeys involve traveling distances of more than 600 km from EBARA's headquarters, economy-class air fares may be optionally substituted for said rail fares.

14.3 Prior to commencement of any installations of items of equipment or components, all construction work shall be sufficiently far advanced that said work may commence immediately upon arrival of the goods. Rooms in which said work is to be performed shall be adequately protected against weather influences, adequately illuminated, and adequately heated.

14.4 Ordering parties shall provide dry, rock-able, rooms equipped with electric lighting that are under surveillance and guarded for storing equipment components, materials, tools, and similar.

14.5 Ordering parties shall provide the following at their expense: a) work crews and skilled workers in the numbers

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b) all jigs, fixtures, and materials required for Installing items of equipment or components and

Installing terms of equipment or components and for operating items of equipment, plus unloading of goods from carriers bringing goods to installation sites. Any time lost due to delays in completing installations or initial runs nonattributable to EBARA shall be considered normal working hours and ordering parties shall reimburse EBARA for same at standard rates. Ordering parties shall assume all transportation risks in conjunction with goods brought along by EBARA personnel or delivered to the site.

15. Liability for Patent, Copyright, and Trademark Infringements

15.1 Insofar as EBARA shall make no specific statements to the contrary all goods supplied shall represent, to the best of EBARA's knowledge, the state of the art in the Federal Republic of Germany, and shall not infringe any patents, copyrights, trademarks, or other intellectual property rights of others

Regardless thereof, in the event that any items of equipment supplied, or any component or components thereof, shall infringe any patents or other intellectual property rights already awarded and published, or, in the event that the item involved explicitly includes Fights to any process or processes, shall infringe any rights to any processes, as of the date sales contracts are concluded, and court proceedings are therefore instituted against ordering parties, then EBARA shall at its expense, at its discretion, and within a reason-able time period either obtain any and all rights needed for ordering parties to continue to utilize said items of equipment, components, or processes, or shall modify said items of equipment, components, or processes such that they shall no longer infringe said rights patent or intellectual property rights of others, or shall, at its Option, withdraw from the sales contract. EBARA assumes no other liability, in particular, no liability respecting processes, applications, products, or. similar.

15.2 In the event that any statements made by, or any drawings provided by, ordering par-ties shall infringe the intellectual property rights of others, ordering parties shall assume toll responsibility for any such infringements and shall indemnify EBARA with respect to all claims entered in the event that EBARA shall be implicated in any such infringements.

16. Applicable Law, Legal Jurisdiction, Point of Fulfilment

16.1 All legal relations between the parties shall be governed by, and subject to, the laws of the Federal Republic of Germany.

16.2 Unified UN purchasing regulations (CSIG)

shall not apply to said relations. Neither international nor German laws governing disputes shall apply to any agreements involving foreign contractual partners.

16.3 Point of fulfilment for all supply of goods by EBARA, submission of all payments to EBARA, and fulfilment of all obligations of ordering parties shall be D-82054 Sauerlach, Federal Republic of Germany.

16.4 As far as permissible, all disputes arising in conjunction with contractual relationships and performance under contractual agreements, inclusive of any lawsuits involving checks or bills of ex-change submitted in payment, shall be filed with the court responsible for EBARA's headquarters operations, or with the courts responsible for those of EBARA's branch offices that supplied the goods involved insofar as ordering parties shall be regarded as "professional business people" ("Vollkaufleute"), public law corporations or similar legal entities, or as public institutions under applicable German law. However, EBARA shall retain the right to file suit at ordering parties' seats of business.

17. Supplementary Terms and Conditions

17.1 The above terms and conditions of business, along with any further agreements reached, shall be regarded as constituting the complete and entire agreements between the parties, and shall replace any prior oral or written agreements that may have existed between same.

17.2 The above terms and conditions shall also apply to all of EBARA's employees.

17.3 In the event that any provision or pro-visions hereof shall prove invalid or contrary to law, all other provisions hereof shall remain unaffected thereby. In such cases, the parties shall be obliged to re-place any such invalid or impracticable provisions with valid, practicable, provisions that most closely approximate the business interests covered by said invalid or impracticable provisions.

17.4 Both parties shall be obligated to treat as strictly confidential any and all business and company secrets of the other party that may become known to them in the course of their performances under sales contracts concluded between the parties, and shall not disclose any such to third parties. The parties shall transfer these obligations to any third parties they may engage in the course of their performances under sales contracts involving the parties.

17.5 Any alterations or additions to the above terms and conditions, or to any further agreements concluded between the parties at the times contracts are concluded, shall be in writing. This same provision shall apply to any departures from demands that all agreements between the parties shall be in writing. The same shall apply to the present provision.

#### Note

In compliance with the German Federal Data Protection Act, all parties involved are herewith notified that EBARA has acquired, and/or will, acquire, and retains, or will retain, on file or otherwise stored, date relating to ordering parties, and that all such date shall be treated in accordance with the German Federal Data Protection Act.

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