

# Service Document for Connectivity Services

Reseller Version 4.0

HM Government G-Cloud





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Version History			
Version Number	Date Approved	Change/Reason for Change/Comments	
1.0	01/10/2012	Initial document creation	
1.1	31/01/2013	Update and corrections and Cloud Connect Added In	
1.2	05/04/2013	Inclusion of Amazon Direct Connect, SSL VPN Service, Application Bandwidth Management Service	
1.3	08/04/2013	Update to formatting and creation of Schedules, addition of further options to Cloud Connect Service	
1.4	11/06/2013	Removal of some Additional Terms into the General Terms	
2.0	02/06/2014	General Review. Addition of Insight Service, vShield Service and Dedicated Firewall Service. General edit.	
2.1	18/07/2014	Addition of PSTN Service	
2.2	12/09/2014	Addition of Off-Net Circuits. Addition of new Smart Wires category D2. Increase to Dedicated Firewall throughput.	
2.3	28/05/2015	Deletion of Amazon Direct Connect Service and insertion of Cloud Connect (Exchange) Service	
2.4	01/10/2015	Changes to Smart Wires (addition of GEA), Insight and Cloud Connect (Exchange) Services. Addition of Managed LAN and WiFi Service. Minor drafting amendments	
2.5	17/01/2017	Exponential-e retaining ownership of EUPE and firewalls. DDoS blackholing added to Internet Service.	
3.0	15/03/2017	Major restructuring of Services in line with Cloudport tool. Removal of Internet and WAN as separate services. Removal of Cloud Connect Services. Voice Connect amended to be to 3rd party voice platform only.	
3.1	18/09/2017	Amendment of Dedicated Firewall Service including removal of UTM features	
3.2	25/04/2018	Addition of Smart EPL, Smart EPL UNI, Smart EPL NNI and Carrier EPL Services. Addition of Wireless Broadband/4G as access technology for Smart Wires. Removal of Bandwidth Management Service. Addition of Data Processing Details. Amendment to Additional Terms.	
3.3	21/03/2019	Addition of caveats and lead-time for Smart Wires via 4G.	
3.4	10/07/2020	Addition of DIA Service and HSCN Connect Service. Removal of DC Connect. General update and revisions.	
3.5	16/03/2022	To address inflationary price increases. Replacement of Managed LAN and Wi-Fi service definition. Minor amendment to Centralised Firewall Service.	
3.6	25/11/2022	Addition of software provisions, price increase provisions and vendor licensing sections.	

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3.7	06/03/2023	Smart Wires available via Online Order. Minor amendments to Managed LAN and WiFi Service and addition of Multi-Factor Authentication Licences.
3.8	01/06/2023	Replacement of Monitoring Service with Reporting Service. Addition of Smart Wires Unlimited and SD WAN. Amendment of Managed LAN and Wi-Fi Service.
3.9	03/05/2024	Addition of SASE Service
3.10	15/11/2024	Addition of Domain Names Service
3.11	07/02/2025	Addition of Global Managed Low Earth Orbit (LEO) Services, amendment to Smart Wires Services, extension of site survey provisions to Direct Internet Access Services and amendment to Reporting Service
4.0	02/05/2025	Change to inflationary increases provisions

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#### 1. Document Purpose

This document describes Exponential-e's Connectivity Services, their service level agreements and the servicespecific terms and conditions that apply, in addition to the General Terms of the Partner's Master Partner Reseller Agreement with Exponential-e (the "General Terms"). Capitalised terms used herein which are defined in the General Terms or the Additional Terms (Section 6) of this Service Document shall be afforded their defined meanings throughout. Each Connectivity Service is set out in separate Service Definition attached as a Schedule.

#### 2. Service Delivery and Acceptance

The Service Delivery Team (SDT) will provide regular progress reporting and on-going support. All activities related to delivery are scheduled within Normal Business Hours. If the Parties agree to re-schedule outside of Normal Business Hours, additional charges will apply. The SDT will notify the Partner by email when a Service is ready to be used. Where applicable, acceptance tests are set out in the relevant Service Definition. All Target Service Commencement Dates herein are estimated and subject to survey.

## 3. Service Delivery and Acceptance

## 3.1 Fault Management

Save where specified otherwise in the applicable Service Definition, Exponential-e will monitor the Connectivity Services' performance 24 x 7 x 365. In the event of a fault, an incident ticket will be raised by Exponential-e. Information on how to contact Exponential-e's Customer Support Centre can be found in the Customer Support Handbook (available upon request from Exponential-e).

## 3.2 Site Moves

Exponential-e will, if it is technically possible to move the Services from a current End User Site to a new End User Site, provide a quotation to the Partner.

#### 3.3 Planned and Emergency Works

Exponential-e will aim to provide at least 14 days' notice via email of any planned works. Exponential-e reserves the right to carry out emergency works at any time, without notice. Additional service-specific support and maintenance information is provided in the Service Definition, where applicable.

#### 4. Service Commencement Dates and Usage Charges

#### 4.1 Service Commencement Dates

Except as otherwise agreed in the Contract, the Service Commencement Date for a Service for (i) single site Service, is the date on which that Service is handed over and (ii) multiple-Site Services is the date on which that Service has been handed over for at least two (2) Sites. For centralised services shared by multiple Sites (i.e. Centralised Firewall, SSL VPN Service etc.), the Service Commencement Date is the date on which that Service has been handed over and is accessible from at least one (1) Sites.

#### 4.2 Burst Bandwidth

Where burst bandwidth charges apply, Exponential-e will measure bandwidth usage in five minute intervals. At the end of each billing cycle, all data samples will be sorted from highest to lowest and the top five percent (5%) of measurements will be discarded. The highest remaining data sample will then constitute the bandwidth usage level for that particular billing cycle. Burst usage is the amount of bandwidth usage for the particular billing cycle exceeding the committed information rate. The usage charge will be calculated using the rate per Mbps of burst bandwidth shown on the Order Form.

#### 4.3 Excess Usage

For certain services the Reseller may be provided with a maximum amount of usage in return for the Annual Charge yet retains the ability to use additional resources over and above, subject to Usage Charges. Where this applies it will be specified within the applicable Service Definition along with details on how to obtain a copy of the current Rate Card. Exponential-e shall be entitled to revise the Rate Card on not less than thirty (30) days' notice to the Partner, upon expiry of which the revised Rate Card shall apply in lieu of the previous version.

## 5. Service Credits

## 5.1 Service Availability

The target availability service level for each Service is provided in the relevant Service Definition. Availability is calculated on a calendar monthly basis using a 730 hour month and the following formula:

#### P=(730 Hours-A)/(730 Hours) x100

P = Percentage availability; A = Sum of all events of unavailable service in that month measured in hours. Non-availability is measured from the time an incident ticket is raised to the time the service is restored and the incident ticket is closed by Exponential-e.

All references herein to the Monthly Charge are to the Annual Charge divided by twelve (12).

## 5.2 Service Credit Rules

Exponential-e shall have no liability for any failure to meet any target service levels due to, or as a result of, any of the following reasons ("Excused Reasons"):

- Any Force Majeure Event;
- Suspension of service in accordance with the Contract;
- Partner and/or End User default or delay, or any negligent, wilful or reckless act, fault or omission by the Partner and/or the End User, or any users of the Service for whom the Partner/End User is responsible pursuant to the Contract;
- Partner or End User-provided or supported equipment;
- Access issues and delays along the route of the Service(s) or at the End User Sites; and/or
- Third party software including but not limited to bugs and Malicious Code.

## 5.3 How to Claim

Service credit claims must be submitted to <u>clientrelations@exponential-e.com</u> within thirty (30) calendar days of the end of the calendar month in which the failure to meet the target service level occurred. Any service credit claims not raised by the Partner within this period are irrevocably waived. If service credits claimed are rightly due, they shall be calculated in accordance with relevant Service Definition and this section (such service credits being a genuine pre-estimate of loss, not a penalty and not unconscionable) and shall be applied to the Partner's account. Partners shall not make a double claim under the Contract. Service credits are the Partner's sole and exclusive remedy with respect to any failure to meet any target service levels.

## 6. Additional Terms

The following terms and conditions apply to all Connectivity Services in addition to the General Terms.

#### 6.1 DEFINITIONS

6.1.1 In this Service Document, the following terms shall have the meanings assigned to them below:

"End User Networks"	the networks, equipment, and cabling at the End User Site(s), to which the Service(s), Exponential-e Equipment or Purchased Equipment will be connected.
"End User Premises Equipment (EUPE)" "Permissions" "Smart Wires Service(s)"	the permissions granted to a telecommunications operator pursuant to the Communications Act 2003 or, in relation to any non-UK services, any regulatory framework applicable to the Service(s) in the country of provision.
	Smart Wires Services set out in Schedule A and Smart Wires Unlimited Services set out on Schedule T.

## 6.2 SERVICE PROVISION

- 6.2.1 Provision of Smart Wires Service(s), Global Managed LEO Services, Direct Internet Access Services and Off-Net Circuits and the Charges for Smart Wires Services, Global Managed LEO Services, Direct Internet Access Services and Off-Net Circuits are subject to site survey following order placement.
- 6.2.2 Exponential-e (and/or its suppliers) will conduct End User Site survey(s) to ascertain whether cabling and/or associated infrastructure is required to be installed at the End User Site(s) in order to provision the Smart Wires Service(s), Global Managed LEO Services, Direct Internet Access Services and/or Off-Net Circuits and as a result additional costs (known as "ECC's" or "Excess Construction Costs") apply. Where a Site Survey is ordered on the Order Form, Exponential-e's obligations in respect of the same will be limited to the activities set out in this Clause plus advisement of the site survey findings to the Partner.

- 6.2.3 Where ECC's apply, Exponential-e will submit to the Partner a Change Order detailing what additional works are required and the Charges payable.
- 6.2.3.1 Any signed Change Order shall supplement the original Order Form and together they will be considered to comprise one single Order Form (with the details on the Change Order taking precedence in the event of conflict).
- 6.2.3.2 If the Partner does not sign and return a Change Order detailing ECCs within five (5) Working Days of submission by Exponential-e, the original Order Form in so far as it pertains to the End User Site(s) that are the subject of the detailed ECCs will immediately be considered cancelled without liability on the part of either Party.
- 67.2.4 Following the completion of an End User Site survey and, if required, the signing of a Change Order, Exponential-e will advise any required changes to the Target Service Commencement Date to the Partner.
- 6.2.5 To enable Exponential-e to provide the Smart Wires Service(s), Global Managed LEO Services, Direct Internet Access Services and/or Off-Net Circuit(s), the Partner shall:
- 6.2.5.1 prepare (or procure the preparation of) the End User Site(s) and the End User Networks in accordance with Exponential-e's reasonable instructions; and
- 6.2.5.2 (save where the Partner has contracted with Exponential-e for an installation service, such as Smart Onsite Install and save in respect of Global Managed LEO Services) install and commission the EUPE (and any replacements provided by Exponential-e from time to time) and connect (or procure the connecting of) any tail circuits to the EUPE (where the Partner is responsible for doing so) in accordance with Exponential-e's reasonable instructions; and
- 6.2.5.3 procure (and be responsible for the cost of procuring) any third party consents that may be required for Exponential-e (and/or its contractors and suppliers) to install and retain the Service(s) and, if applicable, the Exponential-e Equipment at the End User Site(s), including without limitation, any landlord wayleave consents.
- 6.2.6 Failure or delay of the Partner to install and/or connect any EUPE shall not result in any delay to the Service Commencement Date or the Partner's obligation to pay the Annual Charge.
- 6.2.7 Exponential-e and its suppliers, in accordance with best industry practice, operate a two-week network freeze during late December and/or early January and consequently, no Service(s) can be handed-over or changes effected to existing Service(s) during this period and lead-times shall be extended accordingly. For the avoidance of doubt, existing Service(s) will continue to be provided and supported as usual during the network freeze.
- 6.2.8 Exponential-e reserves the right to suspend the Service(s) temporarily in order to protect the Exponentiale Network in the event that the Partner/End User has been notified of an impending Denial of Service attack or other act of cyber-terrorism.
- 6.2.9 In respect of Smart Wires Services to be provided, the Partner may at any time prior to the handover of the access circuit to Exponential-e by the underlying supplier (where applicable), request that provisioning of the Service is placed on temporary hold (an "On Hold Request").
- 6.2.9.1 In the event that Exponential-e agrees in writing (including via email) to the On-Hold Request, the relevant Smart Wire Service(s) shall be placed on hold for a period not to exceed ninety (90) calendar days (the "Maximum On Hold Period").
- 6.2.9.2 The Partner may at any time request in writing (including via email) that the Smart Wire Service(s) be taken off hold, whereupon Exponential-e shall continue to provision the same.
- 6.2.9.3 If a Smart Wires Service is not taken off hold pursuant to Clause 6.2.9.2 above prior to the expiry of the Maximum On Hold Period, the order that Exponential-e has placed with the underlying supplier for the relevant access circuit will be automatically terminated and:
- 6.2.9.3.1 the Partner shall be liable to pay Exponential-e any costs levied on Exponential-e by the underlying supplier as a result of the termination of the order plus one hundred pounds (£100); and
- 6.2.9.3.2 Exponential-e shall place a new order with the underlying provided for the relevant access circuit.
- 6.2.9.4 The process set out in Clauses 6.2.9 to 6.2.9.3 above may be repeated without restriction on the number of times, but the Charges set out in Clause 6.2.9.3 at point (i) above will apply on each occurrence.
- 6.2.9.5 Nothing in this Clause 6.2.9 shall oblige Exponential-e to agree to any On-Hold Request.

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6.2.9.6 The above is without prejudice to Exponential-e's right to invoice the Annual Charges from the Target Service Commencement Date as set out in the General Terms.

## 6.3 ABORTED END USER SITE VISTS AND EXPEDITE FEES

- 6.3.1 In respect of Smart Wires Service(s), Global Managed LEO Services, Direct Internet Access Services and Off-Net Circuits, the Partner shall reimburse Exponential-e for any charges incurred by Exponential-e as a result of not being given access to an End User Site as previously arranged and agreed with the Partner/End User. The Partner shall be entitled to see reasonable documentary evidence attesting to such incurred charges for aborted End User Site.
- 6.3.2 In respect of new circuit provision (Smart Wires, Offnet Circuits etc), the Partner may have the option to expedite delivery through the payment of an Expedite Fee. Where an Expedite Fee appears on the Order Form, Exponential-e will provide or procure an expedited delivery. This will generally result in the circuit(s) getting a higher priority for planning/installation in order to achieve an earlier delivery date(s). Generally applying an expedite can reduce lead-time by around a third. When an Expedite Fee has been added to the Order Form, the Partner should be aware that this may mean short notice appointments and evening/weekend working and the Partner agrees to facilitate (and shall procure that the End User facilitates) the same.

## 6.4 FEES AND PAYMENT

- 6.4.1 Where there is a further Non-Recurring Charge (NRC) as a result of a Change Order (such as ECCs), such further NRC shall become invoiceable immediately upon signature of the relevant Change Order.
- 6.4.2 As from the Service Commencement Date, the Annual Charge and the Usage Fees shall, subject to Clause 6.4.3 below, be firm and fixed for the duration of the Initial Term.
- 6.4.3 Exponential-e shall be entitled to increase the Annual Charge:
- 6.4.3.1 in line with any increases in costs as a result of legal and/or regulatory change(s); and/or
- 6.4.3.2 in line with inflation (where any such increase shall be limited to the change in the UK Retail Price Index (or any materially-equivalent replacement index) plus two percent (2%) since signature of the Contract (in the case of the first such inflationary increase) or since any previous inflationary increase (in the case of any subsequent inflationary increases) on thirty (30) days' notice; and/or
- 6.4.3.3 in line with any increases in costs imposed on Exponential-e by its suppliers.

Exponential-e will provide reasonable documentary evidence to support such price increase to the Partner, upon request.

6.4.4 If this Contract involves the purchase by Exponential-e of goods and/or services in a currency other than sterling and there is a greater than one percent (1%) change in the exchange rate between sterling and that other currency due to the weakening of sterling between (a) the date of Order acceptance and (b) the date that Exponential-e pays the relevant supplier, Exponential-e reserves the right to pass on to the Partner the additional costs incurred by Exponential-e as a result of the change in exchange rates and the Partner agrees to pay the same.

## 6.5 ADDITIONAL PARTNER OBLIGATIONS

6.5.1 The Partner shall supply (or procure that the End User supplies) at its cost on an on-going basis, all space, power supplies, cables, trunking, electricity and air-conditioning as are required to receive the Service(s) and ensure the correct operation of the EUPE.

## 6.6 TERM AND TERMINATION

6.6.1 With respect to Clause 12.6 (b) of the General Terms, any further NRC committed to through a signed Change Order shall be recoverable as part of the Termination Payment. This Clause shall survive termination and continue in full force and effect.

## 6.7 IMPOSED AMENDMENTS AND PARTNER / END USER DETAILS

- 6.7.1 Exponential-e shall have the right, by serving notice to the Partner, to amend the Contract at any time when this is required to comply with any regulations or requirements imposed upon Exponential-e or its suppliers under its Permissions.
- 6.7.1 Exponential-e shall have the right to provide Partner and/or End User name and contact details to any third party in response to an allegation that the Service(s) is being used to infringe IPR.

## 6.8 PORTAL SECURITY

6.8.1 The Partner/End User has the sole responsibility for putting in place and maintaining the controls that they require around the ability of persons to log into Exponential-e portals via their log-in details. The Partner/End User must use best industry practice for selecting and regularly changing passwords.

## 6.9 COMPLAINTS PROCEDURE

6.9.1 Details of Exponential-e's complaints process and policy are available at <u>https://www.exponential-e.com/contact-us</u> and upon request from <u>legal@exponential-e.com</u>.

## 6.10 SOFTWARE

- 6.10.1 The following Patch management policy shall apply in respect of the Service(s). Software/Firmware patches shall be applied when deemed necessary by the Exponential-e Operational Centre. Patching could be triggered under various conditions:
- 6.10.1.1 A remotely exploitable security vulnerability is identified and the vendor releases a patch for the vulnerability. Exponential-e software release management function conducts a regular review of new vulnerabilities and assesses the functional and security risk to platforms under its remit. It is often the case that vulnerabilities are only applicable if certain configuration is present on the device in question, and if certain features are enabled. If the net effect is that no vulnerability is exposed, then the patch would not be applied. If vulnerability is exploitable but it is feasible to amend configuration in such a way as to prevent the vulnerability being exploited, then the patch would also not be applied however in this case the workaround configuration would be introduced under the normal change control procedures;
- 6.10.1.2 A normal end of lifecycle upgrade may be triggered when vendor support of the technology in question is no longer available. In certain circumstances a hardware refresh or upgrade would be required, which falls outside the scope of this patch management policy;
- 6.10.1.3 A bug is identified which is adversely affecting the reliable operation of the device. It is frequently the case that bugs are triggered only under certain specific conditions which are not present in all environments. Under these circumstances Exponential-e will assess whether the bug potentially has widespread impact (in which case the patch would be rolled out to all similar devices under Exponential-e management), or the condition is isolated (in which case only the particular affected device would be patched).
- 6.10.2 Patch Management excludes security hardening required for regulatory or compliance purposes. This will be a chargeable Professional Services engagement.
- 6.10.3 The following Release management policy shall apply in respect of the Service(s). Only software updates relating to the operating system supported by the vendor shall be implemented by the Exponential-e Operational Centre. Software is managed within the following guidelines:
- 6.10.3.1 Vendor announcements and vulnerability announcements are continually reviewed by Exponential-e in order to identify new software vulnerabilities;
- 6.10.3.2 In case a vendor announces a new remotely exploitable vulnerability and releases a patch to address the vulnerability for which no workaround exists, an upgrade will be initiated by Exponential-e. In many cases a particular vulnerability requires a specific configuration to be present. Exponential-e will analyse the impact of the vulnerability on Exponential-e managed devices, as covered by the Contract, and propose either an upgrade or a workaround if the vulnerability is remotely exploitable;
- 6.10.3.3 A release of software becomes end of support due to the end of lifecycle as determined by the vendor;
- 6.10.3.4 A specific bug is identified that impacts the Partner / End User environment in terms of performance or stability of the platform.
- 6.10.3.5 The Partner may request an upgrade to a version of the operating system software fully supported by Exponential-e as part of the Service through a service request.

If none of the above scenarios are met, Exponential-e will not proceed to release a new software revision.

6.11 EXPONENTIAL-E SHALL HAVE NO LIABILITY FOR ANY SECURITY INCIDENTS OR SERVICE FAULTS/ERRORS/FAILURES TO THE EXTENT DUE TO THIRD PARTY SOFTWARE.