Pricing & Fee Primitives Charter

DOCUMENT 5 â?? PRICING/FEE PRIMITIVES CHARTER

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â?■ ARTICLE I â?? IDENTITY & FOUNDATIONAL PURPOSE â?■
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S1.1 â?? Charter Mission

This Charter establishes DETERMINISTIC pricing methodology and revenue allocation mechanisms across all MW Infrastructure Stack Authorities, ensuring:

(1) **Price Determinism** â?? Identical services yield identical fees with zero discretion, zero negotiation, zero discounts.

(2) **Institutional Predictability** â?? CFOs can calculate exact multi-year MW costs using published formulas, enabling accurate budgeting and financial planning.

(3) **Competitive Neutrality** â?? All institutions (Goldman Sachs to local credit unions) pay identical prices for identical services, preventing market power from distorting pricing.

(4) **Temporal Permanence** â?? Pricing formulas operate identically from 2025 through 2075+, with only mechanical CPI adjustments (no discretionary changes).

(5) **Founder Irrelevance** â?? Pricing operates via immutable formulas without human judgment, surviving founder departure and ownership transfers.

S1.2 â?? Operational Status: LOCKED & IMMORTAL

Run-Only Mode: This Charter operates in run-only mode per Document 3 (Determinism & Run-Only Enforcement Law). No amendments, interpretations, FAQ clarifications, or pricing modifications permitted after deployment.

Immutability: Fee structures are PERMANENT once established. Only permitted change: Annual CPI adjustment via mechanical Bureau of Labor Statistics formula (zero discretion).

Why Immutability Matters: Pricing discretion introduces non-determinism into entire MW system. If prices vary based on negotiation, relationship, or market conditions, institutions cannot rely on deterministic certification outputs. Deterministic pricing is prerequisite for deterministic institutional reliance.

S1.3 â?? Jurisdiction & Universality

Universal Application: This Charter applies to: â?¢ All 17 Layer-3 MW Authorities (IRUA, GEAA, GCRA, CivicHab, EWA, EPA, EFAA, PMOA, GCPA, IATA, SICA, UPDIUD, DRFA, CRTA, IPPA, DCPA, CSCA, FAPA) â?¢ All revenue transactions worldwide â?¢ All institutions regardless of size, location, or relationship duration â?¢ All currencies (via mechanical USD-equivalent exchange rate conversion)

No Geographic Exceptions: Emerging market institutions pay same USD-equivalent as developed market institutions. No purchasing power parity adjustments permitted.

â?■ ARTICLE II â?? DETERMINISTIC PRICING PHILOSOPHY â?■

S2.1 â?? Core Principle: Identical Service = Identical Price

Absolute Rule: ALWAYS. NO EXCEPTIONS.

Same service â?? Same price â?? Always â?? Forever

No Variance Based On: â?¢ Institution size (Goldman Sachs = local credit union) â?¢ Relationship duration (10-year customer = first-time user) â?¢ Volume (1,000 certifications = 1 certification Ã? 1,000 â?? linear pricing only) â?¢ Geographic location (New York = Singapore = Lagos) â?¢ Payment timing (early payment = on-time payment) â?¢ Negotiation skill (no haggling permitted, no sales process exists) â?¢ Strategic importance (no "key customer" discounts) â?¢ Market conditions (same price in boom and recession) â?¢ Currency used (USD-equivalent exchange rate applied mechanically)

S2.2 â?? Rationale for Absolute Determinism

Problem 1: Price Negotiation Violates Determinism ``` Institution A negotiates: $40,000 annual fee Institution B pays published: $50,000 annual fee â?? Same service, different prices based on negotiation outcome â?? VIOLATES: Same inputs â? same outputs ```

Problem 2: Discretion Enables Corruption â?¢ Someone must decide who receives discounts â?¢ Discretion creates favoritism opportunity (preferred customers) â?¢ Discretion enables pay-to-play schemes (side payments for better pricing) â?¢ Defeats founder irrelevance (requires human judgment)

Problem 3: Complexity Explosion â?¢ Every institution has custom pricing requiring separate contract â?¢ Accounting systems track thousands of different price points â?¢ Auditing becomes impossible (no standard to audit against) â?¢ Legal disputes arise over pricing interpretation

Problem 4: Regulatory Capture Risk â?¢ Pricing authority becomes control point for system manipulation â?¢ Powerful institutions demand discounts under threat of exit â?¢ Authority cannot refuse without losing revenue â?¢ System captured through pricing pressure

Deterministic Pricing Solution: â?? Price = published formula output (no negotiation possible) â?? Everyone pays formula output (no favoritism possible) â?? Single price table (minimal complexity) â?? No discretion = nothing to capture (corruption impossible)

S2.3 â?? Institutional Benefits of Price Determinism

CFO Budgeting Certainty: â?¢ Calculate exact annual MW costs using published formula â?¢ No surprises, no hidden fees, no renegotiation required â?¢ Multi-year financial planning with perfect accuracy â?¢ Example: CFO calculates 2026-2030 MW budget in December 2025 with +/-0% error margin

No Relationship Maintenance Required: â?¢ Institution doesn't need "account manager" relationship â?¢ No wining and dining to secure better pricing â?¢ Merit-based certification, not relationship-based pricing â?¢ Reduces institutional

overhead (no sales relationship management)

Competitive Neutrality: â?¢ All institutions compete on equal footing â?¢ Small institutions not disadvantaged by lack of negotiating leverage â?¢ Large institutions cannot exploit market power for pricing advantage â?¢ Prevents winner-take-all dynamics driven by pricing access

International Predictability: â?¢ Same pricing formula applies globally â?¢ No geographic arbitrage opportunities (prevents jurisdiction shopping) â?¢ Currency conversion follows published exchange rate formula â?¢ Multinational institutions pay identical rates across all subsidiaries

S2.4 â?? Formula-Only Pricing Mandate

Universal Pricing Formula: ``` Total Annual Fee = Base Fee + (Usage Units Ã? Unit Price) + CPI Adjustment ```

Component Definitions: â?¢ **Base Fee**: Fixed annual access charge (constant per Authority, universal across institutions) â?¢ **Usage Units**: Countable institutional actions (certifications, queries, verifications) â?¢ **Unit Price**: Per-action cost (constant or CPI-adjusted only, never negotiated) â?¢ **CPI Adjustment**: Consumer Price Index inflation adjustment (mechanical BLS formula)

Zero Discretionary Inputs: All pricing variables derive from objective, verifiable data sources (countable actions, published CPI data, exchange rates). No subjective judgment permitted.

Prohibited Pricing Variables (comprehensive list): â■? "Strategic account discount multiplier" (introduces discretion) â■? "Volume tier pricing" (non-linear pricing violates determinism) â■? "Promotional pricing coefficient" (temporary discounts violate temporal consistency) â■? "Negotiated rate adjustment" (defeats determinism entirely) â■? "Relationship loyalty factor" (rewards incumbents, disadvantages new entrants) â■? "Geographic cost-of-living modifier" (enables arbitrage) â■? "Payment timing discount" (early payment gets better pricing) â■? "Bundle discount percentage" (buying multiple services cheaper than sum)

â?■ ARTICLE III â?? FEE STRUCTURE COMPONENTS â?■■

S3.1 â?? Base Fee (Annual Access Charge)

Definition: Fixed annual charge for access to Authority services regardless of actual usage volume.

Characteristics: â?¢ **Fixed Amount**: Does NOT vary by institution size, revenue, or anticipated usage â?¢ **Annual Billing Cycle**: Charged once per calendar year (January 1 invoice, January 31 due date) â?¢ **Non-Refundable**: Even if institution uses zero services during year, base fee NOT refunded (access availability, not usage) â?¢ **Universal**: Every institution worldwide pays identical base fee for same Authority â?¢ **Advance Payment Required**: Institution must pay BEFORE accessing Authority services

Purpose of Base Fee (what it funds): 1. Infrastructure maintenance (GitHub repository hosting, Zenodo DOI registration, cryptographic attestation systems) 2. Geographic redundancy (presence in minimum 3 non-aligned jurisdictions: Delaware/Zug/Singapore) 3. Quarterly verification audits (independent third-party verification across 12 specialty domains) 4. Public registry operations (24/7/365 availability, hash verification, artifact lookup services) 5. Legal entity maintenance (Delaware LLC fees, Swiss AG compliance, Singapore Pte administration)

Illustrative Base Fees by Authority: ``` IRUA (Institutional Reliance & Usage): $50,000 USD/year GEAA (Global Evidence Admissibility): $45,000 USD/year GCRA (Global Capital Reliance): $50,000 USD/year CivicHab (Civic Habitat Authority): $40,000 USD/year GCPA (Global Capital & Portfolio): $35,000 USD/year PMOA (Personal Mastery & Optimization): $35,000 USD/year EWA (Eternal Works Authority): $30,000 USD/year EPA (Eternal Publishing Authority): $30,000 USD/year EFAA (Eternal Fine Art Authority): $40,000 USD/year UPDIUD (Universal Private DIUD Cell): $35,000 USD/year IATA (Independent Arbitration & Tribunals): $45,000 USD/year SICA (Standards Issuance & Custody): $40,000 USD/year DRFA (Dispute Resolution Finality): $45,000 USD/year CRTA (Crisis Response & Transition): $40,000 USD/year IPPA (IP Permanence Authority): $35,000 USD/year DCPA (Data Custody Perpetuity): $35,000 USD/year CSCA (Contractual Succession Continuity): $35,000 USD/year FAPA (Foundational Assets Permanence): $40,000 USD/year ```

Access Control Mechanism: ``` IF Base Fee paid for current year THEN institution can submit queries and receive artifacts IF Base Fee unpaid THEN institution locked out (no queries processed, no artifacts issued) ```

No partial access â?? all-or-nothing based on payment status.

S3.2 â?? Usage Units (Countable Actions)

Definition: Objectively measurable institutional actions consuming Authority computational, evaluation, or administrative resources.

Valid Usage Units (must be objectively countable): â?¢ **Certifications Issued**: One unit per CERTIFIED artifact (per Document 4 tier definitions) â?¢ **Authentications Issued**: One unit per AUTHENTICATED artifact â?¢ **Verifications Issued**: One unit per VERIFIED artifact â?¢ **Records Issued**: One unit per RECORDED artifact â?¢ **Queries Submitted**: One unit per discrete query requiring evaluation â?¢ **Registry Lookups**: One unit per artifact lookup or verification performed â?¢ **Dependency Verifications**: One unit per cross-Authority artifact verification â?¢ **Artifact Renewals**: One unit per renewal application processed â?¢ **Hash Verifications**: One unit per independent hash integrity check

Invalid Usage Units (prohibited because subjective): â■? "Complexity score" (subjective assessment of query difficulty) â■? "Value delivered to institution" (subjective benefit measurement) â■? "Institutional benefit realized" (unmeasurable outcome) â■? "Strategic importance of request" (subjective priority assessment)

Usage Counting Protocol: â?¢ Automated logging via cryptographically-signed usage events â?¢ Blockchain attestation of each countable action (immutable audit trail) â?¢ Monthly usage reports generated deterministically from blockchain records â?¢ Institutions may independently verify usage counts via public blockchain queries

S3.3 â?? Unit Pricing (Per-Action Costs)

Pricing by Artifact Tier (per Document 4): ``` CERTIFIED (court-grade litigation evidence): $5,000/artifact AUTHENTICATED (institutional arbitration): $2,500/artifact VERIFIED (regulatory compliance): $1,000/artifact RECORDED (audit-grade internal records): $500/artifact ```

Other Service Unit Prices: ``` Query processing: $250/query Registry lookup: $100/lookup Dependency verification: $500/verification Artifact renewal: $1,500/renewal Hash verification: $50/verification ```

Linear Pricing Enforcement: NO volume discounts â?¢ 1 certification = $5,000 â?¢ 100 certifications = $500,000 (100 Ã? $5,000) â?¢ 1,000 certifications = $5,000,000 (1,000 Ã? $5,000)

Linear relationship ALWAYS maintained â?? no tier-based pricing reductions.

S3.4 â?? CPI Adjustment (Mechanical Inflation Protection)

Annual Adjustment Formula: ``` Adjusted Price = Base Price Ã? (Current Year CPI / Base Year CPI) ```

Data Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U), All Items Index, Not Seasonally Adjusted

Base Year: 2025 (deployment year) â?¢ All 2025 prices = baseline (CPI adjustment factor = 1.000) â?¢ 2026 onwards: Multiply by CPI ratio

Calculation Example (2028): ``` 2025 Base Price: $5,000 (CERTIFIED artifact)

2025 CPI-U: 315.2

2028 CPI-U: 335.8 (hypothetical)

2028 Adjusted Price = $5,000 Ã? (335.8 / 315.2) = $5,000 Ã? 1.0654 = $5,327

Rounded to nearest $10: $5,330 ```

Rounding Protocol: Adjusted prices rounded to nearest $10 (prevents fractional cent billing)

Update Frequency: Annually on January 1 â?¢ BLS releases December CPI data in mid-January â?¢ MW uses December CPI for following year pricing â?¢ 14-day update window (January 1-14) to publish new CPI-adjusted prices

No Discretion: CPI adjustment is MECHANICAL calculation. No human judgment, no "smoothing" of price increases, no deferrals. Formula runs automatically.

â?■ ARTICLE IV â?? PAYMENT INFRASTRUCTURE & ENFORCEMENT â?■â

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S4.1 â?? Payment Methods

Accepted Methods (3 options): 1. **Wire Transfer** (domestic or international) 2. **ACH (Automated Clearing House)** (US institutions only) 3. **Cryptocurrency** (stablecoins only â?? USDC, USDT, DAI)

Credit Cards: NOT ACCEPTED â?¢ Reason: 2-3% processing fees introduce pricing variability â?¢ Institutions absorb transaction costs under deterministic pricing â?¢ Credit cards enable chargebacks (incompatible with payment-as-contract-acceptance)

Payment Processor: Stripe (primary), Coinbase Commerce (cryptocurrency backup)

Transaction Fee Allocation: â?¢ **Wire/ACH fees**: Institution pays bank fees (MW receives full invoice amount) â?¢ **Cryptocurrency gas fees**: Institution pays blockchain transaction fees â?¢ **Stripe processing fees**: MW absorbs (built into pricing model)

Why Institution Pays Transaction Fees: Deterministic pricing requires MW to receive EXACT invoice amount. If transaction fees deducted from payment, MW receives variable amounts violating price determinism.

S4.2 â?? Payment Processing Protocol

Invoice Generation (automated): ``` 1. Monthly usage data aggregated from blockchain records 2. Invoice auto-generated on 1st of following month 3. Payment due 30 days from invoice date 4. No human review or approval required (deterministic calculation) ```

Invoice Contents (standardized template): ``` â??â? ?â??â ??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â?? MW INFRASTRUCTURE STACK â?? INVOICE â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â?? â??â? ?â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â?? Invoice ID: MW-INV-2025-03-0042 Institution: [Name] Authority: Global Capital Reliance Authority (GCRA) Billing Period: March 1-31, 2025 Invoice Date: April 1, 2025 Payment Due: May 1, 2025

BASE FEE (Annual Access): GCRA Base Fee (prorated: 1/12) $4,167

USAGE FEES (March 2025): 17 CERTIFIED artifacts @ $5,000 $85,000 8 AUTHENTICATED artifacts @ $2,500 $20,000 23 VERIFIED artifacts @ $1,000 $23,000 42 queries @ $250 $10,500 15 registry lookups @ $100 $1,500

SUBTOTAL: $144,167

CPI ADJUSTMENT (2025 base year): Ã?1.000 â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??

TOTAL DUE: $144,167

Payment Methods: Wire: [Bank details] ACH: [Routing/account numbers] USDC: [Ethereum address]

Blockchain Verification: Usage hash: 0x7a3f9d2e... (Ethereum) Invoice hash: 0x4b8c1f5a... (SHA3-512)

DETERMINISTIC GUARANTEE: This invoice was generated via immutable formula. No negotiation possible. Price equals published rates. Any variance indicates system error â?? contact billing@mw-infrastructure.com for correction. â??â??â??â ??â?? â?? ```

Payment Confirmation: â?¢ Wire/ACH: Confirmed upon bank clearance (2-5 business days) â?¢ Cryptocurrency: Confirmed upon 6 blockchain confirmations (~2 minutes for USDC on Ethereum) â?¢ Confirmation recorded on blockchain (payment receipt hash)

S4.3 â?? Late Payment Enforcement

Grace Period: 15 days beyond due date (no penalty) â?¢ Example: Invoice due May 1 â?? grace period through May 15

Late Payment Interest (after grace period): ``` Daily Interest Rate = (Prime Rate + 5%) / 365

Where Prime Rate = U.S. Prime Rate published by Wall Street Journal ```

Calculation Example: ``` Invoice Amount: $144,167 Prime Rate: 8.5% (hypothetical) Daily Interest Rate: (8.5% + 5%) / 365 = 13.5% / 365 = 0.037% per day Days Late: 30 days (payment on June 1, due May 1, grace through May 15 = 16 days

late beyond grace) Late Interest: $144,167 Ã? 0.037% Ã? 16 = $853

Total Payment Due: $144,167 + $853 = $145,020 ```

Service Suspension (60 days past due): â?¢ Institution locked out of Authority services (no new queries, no new artifacts) â?¢ Previously issued artifacts remain valid (protects third-party reliance) â?¢ Access restored immediately upon full payment + accrued interest

Collection Protocol (90 days past due): â?¢ Outstanding balance + interest referred to third-party collections â?¢ Collection fees (15% of outstanding balance) added to total due â?¢ Institution reported to credit bureaus (if applicable jurisdiction) â?¢ Legal action authorized (see S4.5 â?? Dispute Resolution)

No Discretionary Forgiveness: Late fees CANNOT be waived, even for: â?¢ First-time late payment â?¢ "Good customer" relationship history â?¢ External circumstances (economic hardship, natural disaster) â?¢ Payment processing errors (institution's responsibility to ensure timely payment)

Exception: If MW system error caused late payment (e.g., invoice not sent), late fees automatically reversed upon error discovery.

S4.4 â?? Refund Protocol (Error-Correction Only)

Permitted Refunds (3 narrow circumstances): 1. **Billing Error**: MW invoiced incorrect amount due to system malfunction 2. **Duplicate Payment**: Institution accidentally paid same invoice twice 3. **Service Not Rendered**: MW failed to provide paid service (e.g., artifact not issued within SLA)

Refund Processing: â?¢ Institution submits refund request via email with invoice ID â?¢ MW investigates within 14 days (automated verification) â?¢ If error confirmed, refund issued within 30 days â?¢ Refund via original payment method (wire/ACH/cryptocurrency)

Prohibited Refunds (NO refunds under ANY circumstances): â■? "Changed our mind" â?? base fee non-refundable even if zero usage â■? "Found cheaper alternative" â?? no competitive pricing adjustments â■? "Service quality dissatisfaction" â?? non-advice safe harbor (Document 6) â■? "Economic hardship" â?? payment constitutes contract acceptance â■? "Unused portion of base fee" â?? base fee covers availability, not usage

Refund Calculation (billing error scenario): ``` IF MW overcharged THEN refund = (Amount Paid - Correct Amount) IF MW undercharged THEN institution owes balance (no retroactive price increase exception) ```

Why Undercharges Not Reversed: Temporal consistency principle â?? price at time of invoice governs. MW cannot retroactively increase prices even if billing error occurred.

S4.5 â?? Choice of Law & Dispute Resolution

Governing Law: Delaware General Corporation Law (DGCL) â?¢ Contract interpretation, payment obligations, late fee calculation

Dispute Resolution Hierarchy:

Step 1 â?? Automated Verification (14 days): â?¢ All payment disputes first subjected to automated blockchain verification â?¢ System checks: Invoice amount matches published rates, usage counts match blockchain records â?¢ 95% of disputes resolved automatically (billing errors caught immediately)

Step 2 â?? ICC Arbitration (if automated verification insufficient): â?¢ **Venue**: Zurich, Switzerland â?¢ **Rules**: ICC Arbitration Rules (current edition) â?¢ **Language**: English â?¢ **Arbitrator**: ONE arbitrator with finance/accounting expertise required â?¢ **Scope**: Payment calculation disputes, late fee challenges, refund denials

Step 3 â?? Backup Arbitration (if ICC unavailable): â?¢ London Court of International Arbitration (LCIA) â?¢ Same arbitrator requirements (finance/accounting expertise)

No Court Litigation: Parties waive right to sue in court; arbitration EXCLUSIVE remedy.

Burden of Proof: â?¢ **Institution's Burden** (challenging invoice): 75% (clear and convincing evidence MW miscalculated) â?¢ **MW's Burden** (defending invoice): 50% (preponderance of evidence invoice correct)

Remedies (binary â?? no discretionary awards): â?¢ **Invoice Correct**: Institution pays full amount + late fees + arbitration costs â?¢ **Invoice Incorrect**: MW issues refund + institution's arbitration costs

No Monetary Damages: Arbitrator may NOT award consequential damages, lost profits, or punitive damages. Only direct payment correction permitted.

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â?■ ARTICLE V â?? MULTI-CURRENCY & INTERNATIONAL OPERATIONS â?■

S5.1 â?? Currency Conversion Protocol

Base Currency: United States Dollar (USD) â?¢ All pricing formulas denominated in USD â?¢ All published rates in USD â?¢ Institutions may pay in other currencies via mechanical conversion

Accepted Non-USD Currencies: â?¢ EUR (Euro) â?¢ GBP (British Pound) â?¢ SGD (Singapore Dollar) â?¢ CHF (Swiss Franc) â?¢ JPY (Japanese Yen) â?¢ CNY (Chinese Yuan) â?? subject to capital controls compliance

Exchange Rate Source: European Central Bank (ECB) Reference Rates â?¢ Published daily at 16:00 CET â?¢ 38 currencies vs. EUR benchmark â?¢ USD/EUR rate used to calculate all conversions

Conversion Formula: ``` Amount in Foreign Currency = USD Amount Ã? (Foreign Currency / USD Exchange Rate)

Where Exchange Rate = ECB rate on invoice date ```

Example Calculation (EUR payment): ``` Invoice Amount: $144,167 USD Invoice Date: April 1, 2025 ECB EUR/USD Rate (April 1): 1.0850

EUR Amount = $144,167 Ã? 1.0850 = â?¬156,421

Institution pays: â?¬156,421 (receives exact USD equivalent) ```

Exchange Rate Lock: Rate locked at invoice date (NOT payment date) â?¢ Prevents currency speculation (institution cannot time payment for favorable rates) â?¢ Institution bears currency risk between invoice and payment â?¢ If EUR strengthens vs. USD between invoice and payment, institution overpays slightly (vice versa)

No Currency Hedging: MW does NOT offer forward contracts or currency hedging â?¢ Institutions manage own FX risk â?¢ MW immediately converts non-USD payments to USD upon receipt (eliminates MW currency exposure)

S5.2 â?? Cryptocurrency Payment Protocol

Accepted Stablecoins ONLY: â?¢ **USDC** (USD Coin) â?? Ethereum mainnet â?¢ **USDT** (Tether) â?? Ethereum mainnet â?¢ **DAI** â?? Ethereum mainnet

Volatile Cryptocurrencies PROHIBITED: â■? Bitcoin (BTC) â■? Ethereum (ETH) â■? Any token with >5% price volatility vs. USD in prior 30 days

Rationale: Volatile cryptocurrency introduces pricing non-determinism â?¢ Invoice states $144,167 USD â?¢ Institution sends 2.5 BTC (worth $144,167 at time of send) â?¢ By time MW receives and converts to USD, BTC declined to $140,000 â?¢ MW receives less than invoice amount â?? violates deterministic pricing

Stablecoins maintain ~$1.00 peg, ensuring MW receives invoice amount.

Cryptocurrency Payment Process: 1. Institution selects "Pay with USDC" on invoice 2. MW generates unique Ethereum address for this invoice (prevents payment misattribution) 3. Institution sends USDC to address 4. MW monitors blockchain for 6 confirmations (~2 minutes) 5. Payment confirmed, invoice marked paid 6. MW converts USDC to USD via Coinbase within 24 hours

Gas Fee Responsibility: Institution pays Ethereum gas fees â?¢ Gas fees NOT deducted from payment amount â?¢ Institution must send FULL invoice amount in USDC â?¢ Example: Invoice $144,167 â?? Institution sends 144,167 USDC + separate gas fee transaction

Stablecoin Depeg Risk: â?¢ If stablecoin depegs >2% from $1.00 USD, MW temporarily suspends cryptocurrency payments â?¢ Institutions must pay via wire/ACH until peg restored â?¢ Protects MW from receiving <100% invoice amount

S5.3 â?? Tax Compliance & Reporting

VAT/GST Handling (EU/UK/Singapore institutions):

European Union VAT: â?¢ MW services = B2B digital services â?¢ Reverse charge mechanism applies (institution self-assesses VAT) â?¢ MW does NOT collect VAT on invoices â?¢ Institution responsible for VAT remittance under domestic rules

UK VAT (post-Brexit): â?¢ Same reverse charge mechanism â?¢ Institution registered for UK VAT self-assesses â?¢ MW provides VAT-compliant invoices with "Reverse charge applies" notation

Singapore GST: â?¢ MW services imported into Singapore = subject to GST â?¢ Overseas Vendor Registration regime MAY apply (if MW exceeds S$100,000 revenue from Singapore) â?¢ Pending: MW monitors Singapore revenue, registers if threshold exceeded

Invoice VAT Notation (EU/UK institutions): ``` â??â? ?â??â ??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??

TOTAL DUE (USD): $144,167

VAT/TAX: Not included â?? Reverse charge applies under EU VAT Directive 2006/112/EC Article 196. Customer is responsible for self-assessment of VAT under domestic law. â??â? ?â??â ??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â?? ```

U.S. Tax Reporting (Form 1099): â?¢ MW issues Form 1099-NEC to U.S. institutions paying >$600/year â?¢ Reports payments as non-employee compensation â?¢ Filed annually by January 31 â?¢ Institution uses for tax deduction (business expense)

Withholding Tax (non-U.S. institutions): â?¢ Some jurisdictions require withholding tax on cross-border services â?¢ Institution responsible for withholding and remittance â?¢ MW receives net amount after withholding â?¢ Example: If 10% withholding applies, institution remits $129,750 to MW + $14,417 to tax authority

Tax Compliance Disclaimer: MW provides NO tax advice. Institution must consult own tax advisors regarding: â?¢ VAT/GST obligations â?¢ Withholding tax requirements â?¢ Deductibility of MW fees â?¢ Transfer pricing implications (for multinationals)

â?■ ARTICLE VI â?? REVENUE ALLOCATION & FINANCIAL SUSTAINABILITY â?■

S6.1 â?? Revenue Allocation Formula

Total MW Revenue distributed per fixed percentages:

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Immutable Percentages: These allocations CANNOT be changed, even if: â?¢ One component underfunded (e.g., IVC needs more resources) â?¢ Another component overfunded (e.g., infrastructure costs decline) â?¢ Economic conditions change (recession reduces revenue)

Why Immutability: Prevents discretionary reallocation (introduces non-determinism). Authorities and stakeholders can forecast revenue with certainty.

Allocation Example (annual): ``` Total Annual Revenue: $10,000,000

Layer-3 Operations: $10M Ã? 15% = $1,500,000 â?? Distributed equally across 17 Authorities = $88,235/Authority

IVC Funding: $10M Ã? 10% = $1,000,000 â?? $250K to Document 4 IVC (admissibility verification) â?? $250K to Document 3 IVC (determinism verification) â?? $500K to other verification functions

Infrastructure: $10M Ã? 5% = $500,000 â?? GitHub Enterprise: $50K â?? Zenodo archival: $25K â?? Blockchain gas fees: $100K â?? Legal entity maintenance: $175K â?? HSM custody: $150K

Reliance Holdings LLC: $10M Ã? 70% = $7,000,000 â?? Distributed to shareholders per operating agreement ```
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S6.2 â?? Escrow & Distribution Mechanics

Payment Flow: ``` 1. Institution pays invoice â?? Stripe account (or wire to MW bank account) 2. Funds held in escrow account (separate from operating accounts) 3. Monthly distribution (1st of following month): a. 15% transferred to Layer-3 Authority operations account b. 10% transferred to IVC funding account c. 5% transferred to infrastructure account d. 70% transferred to Reliance Holdings LLC 4. Blockchain attestation of distribution (tamper-evident audit trail) ```

Escrow Account: Silicon Valley Bank (primary), J.P. Morgan (backup) â?¢ FDIC-insured (protects institutional deposits) â?¢ Segregated from operating accounts (prevents commingling) â?¢ Automated distribution via ACH (no manual transfers)

Distribution Transparency: Monthly distribution reports published on blockchain ``` { "month": "2025-03", "total_revenue": 847293.12, "layer3_allocation": 127093.97, "ivc_allocation": 84729.31, "infrastructure_allocation": 42364.66, "reliance_allocation": 593105.18, "distribution_date": "2025-04-01T00:00:00Z", "blockchain_tx": "0x9f4a2c..." } ```

Audit Trail: Big 4 accounting firm audits revenue allocation quarterly â?¢ Verifies distributions match 15/10/5/70 formula â?¢ Confirms no discretionary reallocations occurred â?¢ Issues public attestation report (institutional confidence)

S6.3 â?? Financial Sustainability Stress Test

80% Revenue Decline Scenario: MW must survive 24 months with 80% revenue decline (e.g., from $10M to $2M annually)

Survival Mechanisms: 1. **Reserve Fund**: 12 months operating expenses held in reserve â?¢ Example: If annual operating cost = $2M, reserve = $2M â?¢ Funded via 10% of initial revenue until target reached

2. **Cost Structure**: â?¢ 95% variable costs (scale with revenue decline) â?¢ 5% fixed costs (GitHub, legal entities, minimum HSM custody) â?¢ Variable costs decline proportionally with revenue

3. **Revenue Allocation Maintained**: â?¢ Even at $2M revenue, 15/10/5/70 split continues â?¢ Layer-3 gets $300K ($17,647/Authority â?? reduced but functional) â?¢ IVC gets $200K (maintains backup IVC + reduced verification) â?¢ Infrastructure gets $100K (covers fixed costs) â?¢ Reliance gets $1.4M (reduced shareholder distributions)

Test Result: MW survives 24-month, 80% revenue decline scenario without: â?¢ Service degradation (artifacts still issued) â?¢ Pricing changes (deterministic pricing maintained) â?¢ Structural modifications (no emergency amendments) â?¢ Bankruptcy (reserve fund + variable cost structure ensure solvency)

Recovery Protocol: If revenue recovers, reserve fund replenished before shareholder distributions increased (prudent financial management).

â?■ ARTICLE VII â?? PROHIBITED PRICING PRACTICES & ENFORCEMENT â?■

S7.1 â?? Volume Discounts (Absolutely Prohibited)

Prohibition: NEVER permitted under ANY circumstances

Wrong Examples: â■? "Buy 100+ certifications, get 15% discount" â■? "Volume tiers: 1-50 = $5,000 each, 51-100 = $4,500 each, 101+ = $4,000 each" â■? "Annual subscription: Unlimited certifications for $500,000 (vs. $5,000 each)"

Correct Approach: â?? Linear pricing: 1,000 certifications = 1,000 Ã? $5,000 = $5,000,000

Rationale for Prohibition: â?¢ Volume tiers create non-linear pricing (violates determinism) â?¢ Tier thresholds arbitrary (50 vs. 51 certifications â?? why different pricing?) â?¢ Favors large institutions (economies of scale unavailable to small institutions) â?¢ Introduces discretion (Authority decides tier thresholds)

S7.2 â?? Negotiated Pricing (Absolutely Prohibited)

Prohibition: NEVER permitted under ANY circumstances

Wrong Examples: â■? "Let's discuss your specific pricing needs" â■? "We can offer a custom rate for strategic partners" â■? "Tell us your budget and we'll work something out"

Correct Approach: â?? "Our pricing is published and non-negotiable. Please refer to fee schedule."

Rationale for Prohibition: â?¢ Negotiation introduces discretion (defeats determinism) â?¢ Creates corruption opportunity (side payments for better pricing) â?¢ Violates competitive neutrality (negotiation skill determines price)

Enforcement: Any Authority caught negotiating pricing: â?¢ Loses canonical status immediately (termination) â?¢ All negotiated contracts void (institutions entitled to refunds at published rates) â?¢ Permanent removal from MW system (no restoration possible)

S7.3 â?? Promotional & Time-Limited Pricing (Absolutely Prohibited)

Prohibition: NEVER permitted under ANY circumstances

Wrong Examples: â■? "Introductory offer: 50% off first year for new customers" â■? "Limited time: Lock in current rates before January price increase" â■? "Early adopter discount for first 100 institutions"

Correct Approach: â?? Same price today, next month, next year (except mechanical CPI adjustment)

Rationale for Prohibition: â?¢ Promotional pricing creates arbitrary winners/losers based on signup timing â?¢ Institutions cannot forecast costs if prices fluctuate unpredictably â?¢ Introduces discretion (Authority decides when to run promotions) â?¢ Violates temporal consistency principle (2025 price â? 2026 price without CPI justification)

S7.4 â?? Geographic & Currency Arbitrage (Absolutely Prohibited)

Prohibition: NEVER permitted under ANY circumstances

Wrong Examples: â■? "Emerging market discount: 50% off for institutions in developing economies" â■? "Regional pricing adjustments based on local purchasing power parity" â■? "Different USD-equivalent prices when paying in EUR vs. GBP"

Correct Approach: â?? Institution in Lagos pays same USD amount as institution in New York â?? All currencies converted via mechanical ECB exchange rate formula

Rationale for Prohibition: â?¢ Purchasing power adjustments introduce subjective discretion â?¢ Creates relocation arbitrage (institutions incorporate in low-price jurisdictions) â?¢ Violates universal pricing principle foundational to global recognition

S7.5 â?? Bundling Discounts (Absolutely Prohibited)

Prohibition: NEVER permitted under ANY circumstances

Wrong Examples: â■? "Subscribe to IRUA + GEAA together and save 15%" â■? "Package deal: Access to 3 Authorities for the price of 2" â■? "Certification + attestation bundle: $7,000 (normally $7,500)"

Correct Approach: â?? Each Authority priced independently (no cross-Authority discounts) â?? Each artifact type priced independently (no multi-artifact bundles)

Rationale for Prohibition: â?¢ Bundling creates non-deterministic pricing (bundle price â? sum of components) â?¢ Bundle pricing depends on which items bundled (discretionary) â?¢ Favors institutions using multiple Authorities simultaneously â?¢ Violates component-level pricing transparency

S7.6 â?? Violation Detection & Enforcement

Detection Methods: â?¢ Independent quarterly audits comparing invoices to published rates â?¢ Institutional whistleblower reports of differential pricing â?¢ Blockchain analysis (all invoices hashed and compared) â?¢ Automated variance detection (flags any invoice â? formula output)

Verification Process: 1. Investigation by Independent Verification Commission (IVC) 2. 10-day evidence gathering period 3. Binary determination: Violation confirmed OR unconfirmed 4. No discretion in remediation (automatic consequences if confirmed)

If Violation Confirmed: â?? Authority loses canonical status IMMEDIATELY (same day) â?? All pricing post-violation VOID (institutions entitled to refunds) â?? Institutions receive refunds at published standard rates â?? Authority CANNOT be restored under ANY circumstances (permanent termination) â?? Violation recorded permanently in public registry (blockchain)

Whistleblower Protection: â?¢ Institution reporting violation remains anonymous â?¢ No retaliation permitted (contract termination, service denial) â?¢ Whistleblower receives 10% of refunds issued (incentivizes reporting)

â?■ ARTICLE VIII â?? CASE STUDIES & INSTITUTIONAL EXAMPLES â?■

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S8.1 â?? Case Study #1: Multi-Year CFO Budget Forecasting

Scenario: Multinational bank CFO budgeting 2026-2030 MW costs

Institution Profile: â?¢ Name: Global Banking Corporation â?¢ Headquarters: New York, NY â?¢ Subsidiaries: 15 countries (US, UK, Singapore, Germany, etc.) â?¢ Anticipated MW usage: 500 CERTIFIED artifacts/year

Budget Calculation (2026): ``` Base Fees (3 Authorities):

IRUA: $50,000

GEAA: $45,000

GCRA: $50,000

Subtotal: $145,000

Usage Fees (500 CERTIFIED artifacts):

500 Ã? $5,000 = $2,500,000

2026 Total: $145,000 + $2,500,000 = $2,645,000 ```

Multi-Year Projection with CPI: ``` Assumptions: â?¢ CPI growth: 2.5%/year (BLS historical average) â?¢ Usage constant: 500 CERTIFIED/year â?¢ Base fees CPI-adjusted annually â?¢ Unit prices CPI-adjusted annually

2026: $2,645,000

2027: $2,645,000 Ã? 1.025 = $2,711,125

2028: $2,711,125 Ã? 1.025 = $2,778,903

2029: $2,778,903 Ã? 1.025 = $2,848,376

2030: $2,848,376 Ã? 1.025 = $2,919,585

5-Year Total: $13,902,989 ```

CFO Benefits: â?¢ Perfect accuracy (+/-0% error margin â?? only CPI variance risk) â?¢ No renegotiation required (pricing formula permanent) â?¢ Board approval simplified (predictable, non-discretionary costs) â?¢ Competitive neutrality (competitors pay identical rates)

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S8.2 â?? Case Study #2: Small Institution vs. Large Institution Pricing

Scenario: Local credit union vs. Goldman Sachs â?? same service, same price

Institution A: Community Credit Union â?¢ Assets: $500 million â?¢ Employees: 150 â?¢ MW usage: 10 AUTHENTICATED artifacts/year

Institution B: Goldman Sachs â?¢ Assets: $1.5 trillion (3,000Ã? larger) â?¢ Employees: 45,000 (300Ã? larger) â?¢ MW usage: 10 AUTHENTICATED artifacts/year (SAME as credit union)

Pricing Comparison: ``` Community Credit Union: Base Fee (IRUA): $50,000

10 AUTHENTICATED: 10 Ã? $2,500 = $25,000

TOTAL: $75,000

Goldman Sachs: Base Fee (IRUA): $50,000 (IDENTICAL)

10 AUTHENTICATED: 10 Ã? $2,500 = $25,000 (IDENTICAL)

TOTAL: $75,000 (IDENTICAL)

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**Competitive Neutrality Result**: â?¢ Credit union NOT disadvantaged by size â?¢ Goldman Sachs CANNOT leverage market power for discounts â?¢ Identical service â?? Identical price â?? Always

**What Happens If Usage Differs**: ``` If Goldman uses 1,000 AUTHENTICATED (100Ã? more): Base Fee: $50,000 (same)

## 1,000 AUTHENTICATED: 1,000 Ã? $2,500 = $2,500,000

## TOTAL: $2,550,000

Per-artifact cost IDENTICAL ($2,500) â?? no volume discount. ```

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S8.3 â?? Case Study #3: Cryptocurrency Payment with Stablecoin Depeg

**Scenario**: Institution attempts to pay with depegged stablecoin

**Facts**: â?¢ Invoice Amount: $144,167 USD â?¢ Institution selects "Pay with USDC" â?¢ USDC market price at payment time: $0.92 (8% depeg â?? crisis scenario)

**MW Protocol Response**: ``` 1. MW monitors USDC/USD ratio hourly via Coinbase price feed 2. If USDC <$0.98 or >$1.02 (2% depeg threshold), cryptocurrency payments suspended 3. Institution receives email notification:

"USDC currently trading at $0.92 (8% below peg). Cryptocurrency payments temporarily suspended. Please pay via wire or ACH. Cryptocurrency payments will resume when USDC restores $0.98-$1.02 peg."

4. Institution pays $144,167 via wire transfer instead 5. MW receives full invoice amount (no depeg risk) ```

**Why 2% Depeg Threshold**: â?¢ Normal stablecoin volatility: +/-0.5% (acceptable) â?¢ Crisis volatility: >2% (unacceptable â?? introduces pricing non-determinism) â?¢ Threshold protects MW from receiving <100% invoice value

**Depeg Recovery**: â?¢ If USDC returns to $0.98-$1.02 range for 7 consecutive days, cryptocurrency payments resume â?¢ Automatic re-enablement (no human decision required)

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S8.4 â?? Case Study #4: Late Payment Interest Calculation

**Scenario**: Institution pays 45 days late, accruing interest

**Facts**: â?¢ Invoice Date: April 1, 2025 â?¢ Invoice Amount: $144,167 â?¢ Payment Due: May 1, 2025 â?¢ Grace Period: Through May 15, 2025 â?¢ Actual Payment Date: June 15, 2025 (45 days late) â?¢ U.S. Prime Rate: 8.5%

**Interest Calculation**: ``` Daily Interest Rate = (Prime + 5%) / 365

## = (8.5% + 5%) / 365

## = 13.5% / 365

= 0.0370% per day

Days Late Beyond Grace: May 16 - June 15 = 31 days

Late Interest = Principal Ã? Daily Rate Ã? Days

## = $144,167 Ã? 0.000370 Ã? 31
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= $1,653

Total Payment Due = Principal + Interest

= $144,167 + $1,653

= $145,820

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**Payment Confirmation**: ``` â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??

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Late Interest Calculation: Days Late (beyond grace): 31 days Daily Interest Rate: 0.0370% Accrued Interest: $1,653.00

Total Paid: $145,820.00 â??

Account Status: CURRENT (all amounts paid) Service Access: RESTORED â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â?? ```

**No Discretionary Waiver**: â?¢ Institution cannot negotiate interest reduction â?¢ "Good customer" history irrelevant â?¢ Formula applies mechanically to all late payments

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S8.5 â?? Case Study #5: Prohibited Volume Discount Violation

**Scenario**: Authority caught offering volume discount, faces termination

**Facts**: â?¢ Authority: Hypothetical "Global Standards Authority" (not actual MW Authority) â?¢ Violation: Offered 20% discount to institution purchasing 200+ certifications/year â?¢ Detection: Quarterly audit found invoice variance from published rates

**Timeline**: ``` Day 1: IVC audit discovers discrepancy â?¢ Institution A paid $800,000 for 200 CERTIFIED (should be $1,000,000) â?¢ Invoice shows "Volume discount applied: -$200,000"

Day 2: IVC investigation launched â?¢ Reviews all invoices from past 12 months â?¢ Discovers 5 institutions received volume discounts totaling $750,000

Day 10: IVC determination â?¢ Violation CONFIRMED (volume discounts = prohibited pricing practice) â?¢ Authority violated S7.1 (Volume Discounts Prohibition)

Day 11: Immediate consequences â?¢ Authority loses canonical status (TERMINATED) â?¢ All 5 institutions notified of refund eligibility â?¢ Public registry updated (violation recorded on blockchain)

Day 30: Refund processing â?¢ Institution A: Paid $800K, should have paid $1M â?? REFUND $200K â?¢ Institutions B-E: Similar refund calculations â?¢ Total refunds issued: $750,000

Permanent outcome: â?¢ Authority CANNOT be restored (termination irreversible) â?¢ Founding team prohibited from creating new MW Authority â?¢ Violation visible in public registry forever (institutional warning) ```

**Whistleblower Reward**: â?¢ Institution F (reported violation) receives 10% of total refunds â?¢ Reward: $75,000 (10% Ã? $750,000) â?¢ Incentivizes future violation reporting

**Lessons**: â?¢ Volume discounts = immediate termination (no second chances) â?¢ Violation detection nearly certain (blockchain audit trail) â?¢ Financial consequences severe (refunds + permanent exclusion)
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â?■ â?■ â?■ ARTICLE IX â?? INTERFACE WITH OTHER MW DOCUMENTS â?■

S9.1 â?? MW Canon (Document 1) Interface

No-Feedback Law Application: â?¢ Pricing formulas CANNOT adjust based on institutional feedback â?¢ No "customer survey" justifications for pricing changes â?¢ No "market research" modifications to base fees or unit prices â?¢ Formula runs independently of adoption rates or satisfaction scores

Run-Only Law Application: â?¢ Pricing formulas LOCKED at deployment, never modified (except mechanical CPI) â?¢ No amendments to base fee amounts â?¢ No unit price changes (except CPI adjustment) â?¢ CPI adjustment mechanical (BLS data input), not discretionary

S9.2 â?? Determinism Law (Document 3) Interface

Pricing Must Be Perfectly Deterministic: ``` Same Institution + Same Usage = Same Fee (bit-for-bit identical invoice) ```

No Variance Permitted Based On: â?¢ Time of year (Q1 invoice = Q4 invoice for identical usage) â?¢ Authority workload (busy period = slow period pricing) â?¢ Institutional relationship quality (friendly customer = difficult customer pricing) â?¢ Payment method (wire = ACH = cryptocurrency pricing) â?¢ Negotiation attempts (complaining institution = silent institution pricing)

Determinism Verification: â?¢ IVC tests pricing determinism quarterly â?¢ Generate 100 test invoices from identical usage inputs â?¢ All 100 invoices MUST match exactly (bit-for-bit SHA3-512 hash comparison) â?¢ Any variance triggers violation investigation

S9.3 â?? Issuance & Admissibility Charter (Document 4) Interface

Payment Constitutes Artifact Acceptance: â?¢ Institution pays usage fee for artifact issuance â?¢ Payment creates BINDING acceptance of all artifact terms â?¢ No separate contract signature required â?¢ Fee payment establishes legal relationship between institution and Authority

Artifact Validity Independent of Payment Status: â?¢ Already-issued artifact remains VALID even if subsequent usage fees unpaid â?¢ Late payment accrues interest but DOESN'T void previously issued artifacts â?¢ Protects third parties relying on artifact in institutional proceedings â?¢ Payment dispute DOESN'T affect artifact admissibility in court

Example: ``` March 2025: Institution receives CERTIFIED artifact, pays $5,000 April 2025: Institution fails to pay April invoice ($25,000 due) May 2025: Institution uses March CERTIFIED artifact in litigation

Result: March artifact REMAINS VALID in court despite April non-payment Late fees accrue on April invoice, but March artifact unaffected ```

S9.4 â?? Layer Architecture (Document 2) Interface

Revenue Allocation by Layer: â?¢ **Layer-0** (this Charter): Receives 5% infrastructure allocation â?¢ **Layer-1** (Foundational Governance): No direct revenue (funded via Layer-0 allocation) â?¢ **Layer-3** (Constitutional Authorities): Receives 15% operations allocation

Cross-Authority Pricing: â?¢ Each Layer-3 Authority sets own base fee independently â?¢ No bundling discounts across Authorities (per S7.5 prohibition) â?¢ Institution subscribing to multiple Authorities pays sum of base fees

â?■ â?■ â?■ ARTICLE X â?? PRICING TRANSPARENCY & PUBLIC DISCLOSURE â?■

S10.1 â?? Public Fee Schedule Registry

Mandatory Publication: â?¢ All base fees published on MW public website (mw-infrastructure.com/pricing) â?¢ All unit prices published with tier definitions â?¢ CPI adjustment formula published with BLS data source link â?¢ Exchange rate

conversion formula published with ECB reference

Update Frequency: â?¢ Initial publication: 90 days before MW commercial launch â?¢ Annual updates: January 15 (reflecting prior December CPI data) â?¢ No intra-year changes permitted (except emergency suspension for prohibited practices)

Fee Schedule Format (standardized): ``` â?■ MW INFRASTRUCTURE STACK â?? PUBLIC FEE SCHEDULE Effective: January 1, 2026 CPI Base Year: 2025 (CPI-U = 315.2) Current CPI-U (Dec 2025): 322.7 CPI Adjustment Factor: 1.0238 â?■

BASE FEES (Annual Access Charge) â?? IRUA (Institutional Reliance & Usage): $51,190 GEAA (Global Evidence Admissibility): $46,071 GCRA (Global Capital Reliance): $51,190 [... all 17 Authorities ...]

USAGE FEES (Per-Artifact Pricing) â?? CERTIFIED (court-grade): $5,119 AUTHENTICATED (institutional): $2,560 VERIFIED (regulatory): $1,024 RECORDED (audit-grade): $512

OTHER SERVICES

â?? Query processing: $256 Registry lookup: $102 Dependency verification: $512 Artifact renewal: $1,536 Hash verification: $51

PAYMENT METHODS

â?? Wire Transfer, ACH, Cryptocurrency (USDC/USDT/DAI only) Credit cards NOT accepted

LATE PAYMENT INTEREST

â?? Daily Rate = (U.S. Prime + 5%) / 365 Grace Period: 15 days beyond invoice due date

PROHIBITED PRACTICES

â?? â■? Volume discounts â■? Negotiated pricing â■? Promotional pricing â■? Geographic pricing â■? Bundling discounts

Violation = immediate Authority termination + refunds

GOVERNING LAW & DISPUTES

â?? Delaware DGCL | ICC Arbitration (Zurich) | No court litigation

Next Update: January 15, 2027 (CPI adjustment only) â?■ ```

S10.2 â?? 90-Day Advance Notice Requirement

Initial Fee Publication: â?¢ Fee schedule published minimum 90 days before MW commercial launch â?¢ Allows institutions to budget accurately before services available â?¢ No pricing "surprises" upon launch

Annual CPI Updates: â?¢ January 15 publication for February 1 effective date â?¢ 17-day notice (shorter than initial 90-day because CPI adjustment mechanical and predictable) â?¢ Institutions can calculate expected CPI adjustment independently (BLS data public)

Emergency Pricing Suspensions: â?¢ If cryptocurrency payments suspended (stablecoin depeg), effective immediately â?¢ If Authority terminated for violation, pricing changes immediate (protection of institutions)

S10.3 â?? Blockchain Price Attestation

Immutable Price Record: â?¢ All fee schedules hashed (SHA3-512) and published on Ethereum blockchain â?¢ Creates tamper-evident historical record â?¢ Institutions can verify prices charged match published rates

Attestation Format: ``` { "effective_date": "2026-01-01", "fee_schedule_hash": "0xa7f3c2e1...", "cpi_base_year": 2025, "cpi_current": 322.7, "adjustment_factor": 1.0238, "publication_date": "2025-01-15T00:00:00Z", "blockchain_tx": "0x4d9b7f2a..." } ```

Institutional Verification: â?¢ Institution can download fee schedule, calculate SHA3-512 hash â?¢ Compare hash to blockchain-published hash â?¢ Confirms price integrity (MW cannot retroactively change published prices)

â?■ â?■ â?■ ARTICLE XI â?? TEMPORAL VALIDITY & PRICE PERMANENCE â?■â?■â?■â?■â?■â?■â?■â?■â?■â?■â?■â?■â?■â?■â?■â?■â?■â?■â ?■â ?■â ?■â?■

S11.1 â?? 2025â??2075 Pricing Framework Permanence

Formula-Based Pricing Survives Technological Evolution: â?¢ Pricing components defined by FUNCTION, not TECHNOLOGY - "Usage unit" = countable action (certification, query) â?? technology-agnostic - "Payment method" = value transfer mechanism â?? evolves from wire/ACH/crypto to quantum-secure digital currencies (2050+) - "CPI adjustment" = inflation protection â?? BLS methodology may evolve but concept persists

2075 Scenario Testing:

Scenario A â?? Quantum Currency Payments (2060): â?¢ Bitcoin replaced by quantum-resistant cryptocurrency â?¢ Institution pays via "Q-Coin" (hypothetical quantum currency) â?¢ MW applies same exchange rate conversion protocol: ``` USD Amount Ã? (Q-Coin/USD Exchange Rate from ECB-equivalent quantum-era source) ``` â?¢ Pricing determinism maintained regardless of currency technology

Scenario B â?? Neural Interface Artifacts (2070): â?¢ CERTIFIED artifacts now include neural-verified identity attestations â?¢ "Artifact issuance" still countable action (1 neural artifact = 1 usage unit) â?¢ Unit price still applies ($5,000 CPI-adjusted to ~$12,500 in 2070) â?¢ Determinism maintained: same artifact type â?? same price

S11.2 â?? CPI Replacement Protocol (If BLS Dissolves)

Trigger: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics ceases CPI-U publication

Replacement Hierarchy (automatic, no discretion): 1. **Eurostat HICP** (Harmonized Index of Consumer Prices â?? EU equivalent) 2. **OECD CPI** (International CPI composite) 3. **IMF Global CPI** (World inflation index) 4. **Gold Price Index** (last resort â?? gold oz. price as inflation proxy)

Migration Protocol: â?¢ If BLS CPI unavailable for 90 consecutive days â?? automatic failover to Eurostat HICP â?¢ Base year reset to year of migration â?¢ Historical pricing continuity maintained via conversion factor

Example (BLSâ??Eurostat migration in 2040): ``` 2025 BLS CPI-U: 315.2 (base year) 2039 BLS CPI-U: 425.7 (last published) 2040 Eurostat HICP: 138.4 (different base year)

Conversion factor = 425.7 / 138.4 = 3.076

2040 pricing uses Eurostat HICP with 3.076 multiplier: Adjusted Price = Base Price Ã? (Current HICP / 138.4) Ã? 3.076 ```

Maintains pricing continuity despite data source change.

S11.3 â?? Price Permanence vs. Purchasing Power

Institutional Concern: "If prices only adjust for CPI, real costs stay constant forever. Why can't MW reduce prices as technology improves?"

MW Response: â?¢ **Temporal Consistency** trumps cost reduction optimization â?¢ Institutions value PREDICTABILITY over absolute cost minimization â?¢ If MW reduced prices opportunistically, institutions couldn't forecast multi-decade budgets â?¢ CPI adjustment maintains constant real purchasing power (fair to both MW and institutions)

Alternative Rejected (discretionary price reductions): â?¢ "MW revenue increased 10Ã?, so we'll reduce prices 20%" â?¢ Introduces discretion (WHO decides when/how much to reduce?) â?¢ Violates run-only law (pricing modification) â?¢ Creates timing arbitrage (institutions delay purchases hoping for reductions)

CPI-Only Adjustment = only modification permitted (zero discretion, perfect predictability)

â?■ ARTICLE XII â?? SEVERABILITY, SURVIVAL & FINAL PROVISIONS â?■

S12.1 â?? Severability

If any provision held invalid or unenforceable:

Severable Provisions: Most provisions severable (invalid provision struck, remainder continues)

Non-Severable Provisions (invalidation voids entire Charter): 1. **Deterministic pricing formula** (S2.4) â?? discretionary pricing destroys entire system 2. **Volume discount prohibition** (S7.1) â?? permitting discounts enables non-determinism 3. **Revenue allocation percentages** (S6.1) â?? arbitrary reallocation defeats predictability 4. **Payment-as-contract-acceptance** (S9.3) â?? without this, institutions could challenge artifacts post-payment

Savings Clause: If non-severable provision invalidated, MW reverts to Document 1 (MW Canon) general principles; Document 5 deemed superseded.

S12.2 â?? Survival Provisions

Post-Termination Survival (if MW dissolves): â?¢ **Perpetual**: Intellectual property in pricing methodology (prevents copycat systems) â?¢ **10 years**: Revenue allocation obligations (outstanding distributions) â?¢ **5 years**: Late payment interest calculations (old invoices) â?¢ **2 years**: Refund processing (billing errors)

S12.3 â?? Amendment Prohibition

Run-Only Enforcement: This Charter may NOT be amended, supplemented, clarified, or versioned after deployment.

Permitted Non-Modifications: â?¢ CPI data source migration (per S11.2) â?? technical substitution, NOT policy change â?¢ Payment processor replacement (Stripeâ??alternative if Stripe fails) â?? operational continuity â?¢ Currency additions (e.g., add Indian Rupee to accepted currencies) â?? expansion, not modification of existing

Prohibited Modifications: â?¢ Base fee amount changes (except CPI) â?¢ Unit price changes (except CPI) â?¢ Revenue allocation percentage changes â?¢ Late payment interest formula changes â?¢ Discount/negotiation rule changes

Violation of amendment prohibition triggers Document 2 (Layer Architecture) upward override prohibition enforcement.

S12.4 â?? Effective Date & Commercial Launch

Effective Date: Upon first commercial MW Infrastructure Stack licensing transaction

Pre-Launch Checklist: â?? Fee schedule published 90 days in advance â?? Payment infrastructure deployed (Stripe integration, cryptocurrency wallets) â?? Blockchain attestation operational (Ethereum/Polygon/Arbitrum) â?? Automated invoice generation tested (determinism verified) â?? IVC audit protocols established (quarterly verification) â?? Public registry live (mw-infrastructure.com/pricing)

First Invoice Milestone: First institution invoice marks full pricing system deployment

â?■ APPENDIX A â?? GLOSSARY â?■

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Base Fee: Fixed annual access charge for Authority services regardless of usage volume. Non-refundable. Universal across all institutions.

CPI (Consumer Price Index): U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics inflation metric (CPI-U, All Items, Not Seasonally Adjusted). Used for mechanical price adjustments.

Deterministic Pricing: Pricing methodology where identical services yield identical fees with zero discretion, zero negotiation, zero discounts.

Usage Unit: Objectively countable institutional action consuming Authority resources (certification, query, verification, lookup).

Unit Price: Per-action cost for usage units. Constant or CPI-adjusted only, never negotiated.

Linear Pricing: Pricing where cost scales proportionally with usage (1,000 units = 1,000 Ã? 1 unit price). No volume discounts.

Stablecoin: Cryptocurrency pegged to fiat currency (typically $1.00 USD). Examples: USDC, USDT, DAI. Used for cryptocurrency payments.

ECB (European Central Bank): Source for foreign exchange rates (EUR/USD, GBP/USD, etc.). Published daily at 16:00 CET.

ICC (Intraclass Correlation Coefficient): Statistical measure of inter-rater reliability (Document 4 context). Also: International Chamber of Commerce (arbitration context).

Reverse Charge: VAT/GST mechanism where buyer (not seller) self-assesses tax on cross-border B2B services.

Payment-as-Contract-Acceptance: Legal doctrine where fee payment constitutes binding acceptance of artifact terms without separate signature.

â?■ APPENDIX B â?? INSTITUTION BUDGET WORKSHEET â?■

CFO Budget Planning Template (calculate 5-year MW costs):

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STEP 1: SELECT AUTHORITIES (check all that apply) â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â?? â?■ IRUA ($50,000) â?■ GEAA ($45,000) â?■ GCRA ($50,000) â?■ CivicHab ($40K) â?■ GCPA ($35K) â?■ PMOA ($35K) â?■ EWA ($30K) â?■ EPA ($30K) â?■ EFAA ($40K) â?■ UPDIUD ($35K) â?■ IATA ($45K) â?■ SICA ($40K) â?■ DRFA ($45K) â?■ CRTA ($40K) â?■ IPPA ($35K) â?■ DCPA ($35K) â?■ CSCA ($35K) â?■ FAPA ($40K)

Total Base Fees (sum): $___________

## STEP 2: ESTIMATE ANNUAL USAGE

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Total Usage Fees: $___________
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STEP 3: CALCULATE YEAR 1 COST

â?? Base Fees: $__________ Usage Fees: $__________ â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??

YEAR 1 TOTAL: $___________

STEP 4: PROJECT MULTI-YEAR (with CPI) â?? Assume CPI growth: ____% per year (historical avg: 2.5%)

Year 1 (2026): $__________ Ã? 1.000 = $__________ Year 2 (2027): $__________ Ã? 1.025 = $__________ Year 3 (2028): $__________ Ã? 1.051 = $__________ Year 4 (2029): $__________ Ã? 1.077 = $__________ Year 5 (2030): $__________ Ã? 1.104 = $__________ â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??â??

5-YEAR TOTAL: $___________

NOTES:

â?¢ Pricing formula guarantees +/-0% variance (only CPI risk) â?¢ No volume discounts (linear pricing only) â?¢ No negotiation possible (deterministic pricing) â?¢ Multi-year budget LOCKED with perfect accuracy â?■ ```

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