Supplemental Charter of 2005

Elizabeth the Second
by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and of Our other Realms and Territories Queen, Head of the Commonwealth, Defender of the Faith:
TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, GREETINGS!

WHEREAS His Majesty King George the Fourth by Royal Charter (hereinafter referred to as 'the original Charter') dated the twenty-third day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty-five constituted a body politic and corporate by the name of 'The Geological Society of London' (hereinafter referred to as 'the Society') with perpetual succession and a Common Seal:

And whereas the Society has by a humble Petition prayed that We should be graciously pleased to grant to it a Supplemental Charter:

NOW THEREFORE KNOW YE that We having taken the said Petition into Our Royal Consideration by virtue of Our Prerogative Royal and of Our especial grace, certain knowledge and mere motion have granted and declared and by these Presents do for Us, Our Heirs and Successors grant and declare as follows:

1. The original Charter should be read as if "notwithstanding the Statutes of Mortmain" and "not exceeding at the time or times of purchasing or acquiring such lands tenements and hereditaments respectively the yearly value of two thousand pounds in the whole computing the same at the rack rent which might have been had or gotten for the same respectively at the time of the purchase or acquisition of the same" had been deleted and shall henceforward continue and operate as though it had been originally granted and made accordingly.

2. The Council of the Society may by a resolution in that behalf at any meeting of such Council by not less than two-thirds of the members of such Council present and voting (being an absolute majority of the whole number of the members of such Council entitled to vote at meetings thereof) and confirmed at a general meeting of members of the Society held not less than one month nor more than four months afterwards by a resolution passed by not less than two-thirds of the members voting thereat revoke, amend or add to the original Charter or this Our Supplemental Charter and any such revocation, amendment or addition shall when allowed by Us, Our Heirs or Successors in Council become effectual so that the original Charter and this our Supplemental Charter as the case may be shall thenceforward continue and operate as though it had been originally granted and made accordingly. Provided that no such revocation, amendment or addition shall be made which shall cause the Society to cease to be a charity in law. This provision shall apply to the original Charter and this Our Supplemental Charter as revoked, amended or added to in manner aforesaid.

IN WITNESS whereof We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent.

WITNESS Ourself at Westminster the fourteenth day of July in the fifty-fourth year of Our Reign.

BY WARRANT UNDER THE QUEEN'S SIGN MANUAL
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[SEAL ATTACHED]