

## **Future Proofing our Climate and Weather Intellectual Property Pledge**

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## Part 1: Definitions

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<b>Signatory</b>	means any party who has agreed to be bound by the terms of this Pledge; and
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