COUNTER Code of Practice for e-Resources

Release 4

Appendix B

Vendor/Aggregator/Gateway Declaration of COUNTER Compliance

We <name of vendor/aggregator/gateway> (‘The Company’) hereby confirm the following:

1. That the online usage reports that are supplied by The Company to its customers, and which The Company claims to be ‘COUNTER-compliant’, conform to Release 4 of the COUNTER Code of Practice for E-resources:

   <list COUNTER-compliant reports, ‘Journal Report 1, etc...>

2. The Company agrees that it will implement the protocols specified in Section 5 of Release 4 of the Code of Practice to correct for the effects of federated searches and internet robots on usage statistics.

3. Where The Company supplies to customers online usage statistics not included in the usage reports covered in 1 above, but which use terms defined in the COUNTER Code of Practice, that the definitions used by The Company are consistent with those provided in the COUNTER Code of Practice.

4. The Company will pay to COUNTER the Vendor Registration Fee (£250/US$500), unless The Company is a Member of COUNTER in good standing, for whom this fee is waived.

5. That to maintain COUNTER-compliant status, the usage reports provided by The Company to its customers will be independently audited according to a schedule and standards specified by COUNTER.

Signed:

Name:

For and on behalf of <name of vendor/aggregator/gateway>

Upon receipt of this signed Declaration by the COUNTER office, and upon payment (where the Company is not a member of COUNTER) by The Company of the Vendor Registration Fee, The Company will be listed on the Register of Vendors Providing COUNTER-compliant Usage Reports

This Declaration may be scanned and emailed to: PShepherd@projectcounter.org. Cheques should be made payable to ‘Project COUNTER’ and mailed to Dr Peter Shepherd, COUNTER, 39 Drummond Place, Edinburgh EH3 6NR, UK.