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STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**2006 No. 461**

**Insolvency Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1996 (Electronic Communications) Order (Northern Ireland) 2006**

**Amendments to the 1996 Regulations**

2.—(1) The 1996 Regulations shall be amended as follows.

(2) After regulation 49, insert the following—

“**49A.**—(1) The requirements under these Regulations as set out in paragraphs 2, 3 and 4 may be met by means of an electronic communication.

(a) (2) the giving of particulars or notice, sending or forwarding accounts or making application to the Department by,

(i) an administrator or former administrator

(ii) a liquidator or former liquidator or;

(iii) a trustee

(b) Where the Department requires that such accounts be certified, there may be delivered to the Department using electronic communications, a statement made by the liquidator or trustee, as the case may be, complying with the requirements of regulations 14(1) and 29(1).

(c) Where the Department requires the use of a form with regard to making payment or application, giving notice or sending a statement or account to it, the Department shall make available such a form by electronic means.

(3) the authorisation by the Department of the liquidator or trustee to make payments in or out of a specified bank, subject to a limit, instead of the Insolvency Account.

(4) the authorisation by the Official Receiver that the liquidator or trustee may at any time sell, destroy or otherwise dispose of the books, papers and other records of the company or bankrupt.

(5) in this Regulation “electronic communication”, has the meaning given in section 4 of the Electronic Communications Act (Northern Ireland) 2001.”