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STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**2014 No. 307**

**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION**

**The Nitrates Action Programme  
Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2014**

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**THE NITRATES ACTION PROGRAMME  
REGULATIONS (NORTHERN IRELAND) 2014**

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4. The base and walls of the slurry storage tank and...
5. (1) Any facilities used for the temporary storage of slurry...
6. (1) Subject to sub-paragraph (2), the capacity of storage facilities...
7. No part of the slurry storage tank or any effluent...
8. The slurry storage tank and any effluent tank, channels, pipes...
9. Where the walls of the slurry storage tank are not...
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6. No part of the silo, its effluent tank or channels...
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