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STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**The Offshore Installations (Offshore Safety Directive)  
(Safety Case etc.) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2016**

**Communication of national arrangements for confidential reporting of safety concerns etc.**

**31.**—(1) A duty holder shall communicate to the persons specified in paragraph (2) the details of arrangements made by the competent authority for—

- (a) the confidential reporting of safety and environmental concerns from any source relating to offshore oil and gas operations; and
- (b) the investigation of such concerns while maintaining the anonymity of individuals in connection with the confidential reporting of those concerns.

(2) The persons are—

- (a) employees of the duty holder;
- (b) persons contracted by the duty holder to carry out offshore oil and gas operations; and
- (c) employees of the persons referred to in sub-paragraph (b).

(3) A duty holder shall make reference to the confidential reporting mentioned in paragraph (1) (a) in relevant training and notices.

(4) In this regulation (but not this paragraph) a reference to a duty holder includes a reference to a well operator.