

**2007 No. 530 (C. 45)**

**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION**

**The Water Environment and Water Services (Scotland) Act 2003  
(Commencement No. 7) Order 2007**

*Made* - - - - *28th November 2007*

The Scottish Ministers make the following Order in exercise of the powers conferred by section 38(1) of the Water Environment and Water Services (Scotland) Act 2003(a).

**Citation**

1. This Order may be cited as the Water Environment and Water Services (Scotland) Act 2003 (Commencement No. 7) Order 2007.

**Appointed Day**

2. 14th December 2007 is the appointed day on which the following provisions of the Water Environment and Water Services (Scotland) Act 2003 come into force:—

- (a) sections 12 to 14;
- (b) section 16; and
- (c) section 19.

*MICHAEL RUSSELL*

Authorised to sign by the Scottish Ministers

St Andrew's House,  
Edinburgh  
28th November 2007

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

This Order brings into force further provisions of the Water Environment and Water Services (Scotland) Act 2003 (“the Act”) on 14th December 2007, which provide as follows:–

- Section 12 concerns the submission of a river basin management plan by the Scottish Environment Protection Agency to the Scottish Ministers;
- Section 13 concerns the approval process in relation to the river basin management plan;
- Section 14 concerns the review of river basin management plans;
- Section 16 concerns the duty of the Scottish Ministers and public bodies to have regard to river basin management plans and sub-basin plans; and
- Section 19 contains general regulation making powers of the Scottish Ministers in relation to river basin management plans.

The Act received Royal Assent on 5th March 2003.

## NOTE AS TO EARLIER COMMENCEMENT ORDERS

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

The following provisions of the Act have been or will be brought into force by Commencement Order made before the date of this Order:–

<i>Provision</i>	<i>Date of Commencement</i>	<i>S.S.I. No.</i>
Sections 1 to 7, 18, 20, 21, 26 to 28	15th December 2003	2003/562
Sections 8 to 11, 15 and 17	1st June 2005	2005/235
Section 25 and Schedules 1 and 2	20th May 2005	2005/256
Sections 29, 32 and 33(1) (partially)	6th March 2006	2006/55
Section 24(1) to (4)	31st March 2007	2007/50
Section 33(1) (to the extent not already in force), Section 33(2) and Schedule 3	30th November 2007	2007/512

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