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**The Utilities Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2016**

**PART 2**

**RULES APPLICABLE TO CONTRACTS**

**CHAPTER 3**

**CONDUCT OF THE PROCEDURE**

*SECTION 2*

*Publication and transparency*

**Publication at national level**

**70.**—(1) In addition to the publication of the notices referred to in regulations 65 to 68 by the EU Publications Office, a utility may publish the information contained in such notices on the internet on a buyer profile.

(2) A buyer profile may also include—

- (a) periodic indicative notices which are published on it pursuant to regulation 65(3)(b) (periodic indicative notices);
- (b) information on on-going invitations to tender, scheduled purchases, contracts concluded, procedures cancelled; and
- (c) any useful general information, such as a contact point, telephone and fax number, postal address and e-mail address.

(3) The notices referred to in regulations 65 to 68, and the information contained in them, must not be published at national level before the notices are published by the EU Publications Office.

(4) Notwithstanding paragraph (3), publication may take place at national level where a utility has not been notified of the publication by the EU Publications Office within 48 hours after confirmation of the receipt of the notice in accordance with Article 71(5) of the Utilities Contracts Directive.

(5) A notice published at national level must not contain information other than that contained in the notice sent to the EU Publications Office or published on a buyer profile, but must indicate the date of sending of the notice to the EU Publications Office or its publication on the buyer profile.

(6) Where a periodic indicative notice is to be published on a buyer profile—

- (a) the periodic indicative notice may not be so published before the utility sends to the EU Publications Office the notice referred to in regulation 65(4) (periodic indicative notices); and
- (b) the periodic indicative notice must indicate the date of that sending.