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PART 6

Powers and functions of the regulator and the appropriate authority

Environment Agency: public participation statement

59.—(1) The Agency must prepare and publish a statement of its policies for complying with its public participation duties.

(2) In preparing or revising the statement the Agency must consult such persons as it considers are affected by, are likely to be affected by, or have an interest in, the statement.

- (3) The Agency must—
 - (a) keep the statement under review;
 - (b) revise the statement when it considers necessary; and
 - (c) publish any revised statement.

(4) The Agency must comply with any published statement when exercising its functions under the public participation provisions.

(5) The duty in paragraph (2) may be satisfied by a consultation carried out partially or wholly before the coming into force of these Regulations.

(6) In this regulation, "public participation duties" means the duties in the following provisions—

- (a) regulation 26;
- (b) regulation 29;
- (c) paragraphs 6 and 8(2) of Part 1 of Schedule 5.