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SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 1

AUTHORISATIONS FOR PROCESSES: SUPPLEMENTARY PROVISIONS

PART I

GRANT OF AUTHORISATIONS

[^{F1} Determination of applications

Textual Amendments

F1 Sch. 1 repealed (1.4.2015 for S.) by Pollution Prevention and Control Act 1999 (c. 24), s. 7(3), Sch. 3; S.S.I. 2015/74, art. 2(2)(b)

- 2 (1) Subject to sub-paragraph (2) below, the enforcing authority shall give notice of any application for an authorisation, enclosing a copy of the application, to the persons who are prescribed or directed to be consulted under this paragraph and shall do so within the specified period for notification.
- (2) The Secretary of State may, by regulations, exempt any class of application from the requirements of this paragraph or exclude any class of information contained in applications for authorisations from those requirements, in all cases or as respects specified classes only of persons to be consulted.
- (3) Any representations made by the persons so consulted within the period allowed shall be considered by the enforcing authority in determining the application.
- (4) For the purposes of sub-paragraph (1) above—
- (a) persons are prescribed to be consulted on any description of application for an authorisation if they are persons specified for the purposes of applications of that description in regulations made by the Secretary of State;
 - (b) persons are directed to be consulted on any particular application if the Secretary of State specifies them in a direction given to the enforcing authority;
- and the “specified period for notification” is the period specified in the regulations or in the direction.
- (5) Any representations made by any other persons within the period allowed shall also be considered by the enforcing authority in determining the application.
- (6) Subject to sub-paragraph (7) below, the period allowed for making representations is—

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- (a) in the case of persons prescribed or directed to be consulted, the period of twenty-eight days beginning with the date on which notice of the application was given under sub-paragraph (1) above, and
 - (b) in the case of other persons, the period of twenty-eight days beginning with the date on which the making of the application was advertised in pursuance of paragraph 1(2) above.
- (7) The Secretary of State may, by order, substitute for the period for the time being specified in sub-paragraph (6)(a) or (b) above, such other period as he considers appropriate.

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** Sch. 1 para. 2 excluded (1.4.1991 for E.W. and 1.4.1992 for S.) by [S.I. 1991/507](#) reg. 6(1)
C2 Sch. 1 para. 2(1) excluded (1.4.1991 for E.W. and 1.4.1992 for S.) by [S.I. 1991/507](#) reg. 7(2)

- 3 (1) The Secretary of State may give directions to the enforcing authority requiring that any particular application or any class of applications for an authorisation shall be transmitted to him for determination pending a further direction under sub-paragraph (5) below.
- (2) The enforcing authority shall inform the applicant of the fact that his application is being transmitted to the Secretary of State.
- (3) Where an application for an authorisation is referred to him under sub-paragraph (1) above the Secretary of State may—
- (a) cause a local inquiry to be held in relation to the application; or
 - (b) afford the applicant and the authority concerned an opportunity of appearing before and being heard by a person appointed by the Secretary of State;
- and he shall exercise one of the powers under this sub-paragraph in any case where, in the manner prescribed by regulations made by the Secretary of State, a request is made to be heard with respect to the application by the applicant or [^{F2}the enforcing authority] concerned.
- (4) Subsections (2) to (5) of section 250 of the ^{M1}Local Government Act 1972 (supplementary provisions about local inquiries under that section) or, in relation to Scotland, subsections (2) to (8) of section 210 of the ^{M2}Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 (which make similar provision) shall, without prejudice to the generality of subsection (1) of either of those sections, apply to inquiries in pursuance of sub-paragraph (3) above as they apply to inquiries in pursuance of either of those sections and, in relation to England and Wales, as if the reference to a local authority in subsection (4) of the said section 250 included a reference to the enforcing authority.
- (5) The Secretary of State shall, on determining any application transferred to him under this paragraph, give to the enforcing authority such a direction as he thinks fit as to whether it is to grant the application and, if so, as to the conditions that are to be attached to the authorisation.

Extent Information

- E1** See s. 164(4)(5)

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- F2** Words in Sch. 1 Pt. I para. 3(3) substituted (1.4.1996) by 1995 c. 25, s. 120(1), **Sch. 22 para. 93(2)** (with ss. 7(6), 115, 117); S.I. 1996/186, **art.3**.

Marginal Citations

M1 1972 c. 70.

M2 1973 c. 65.

- 4 The Secretary of State may give the enforcing authority a direction with respect to any particular application or any class of applications for an authorisation requiring the authority not to determine or not to proceed with the application or applications of that class until the expiry of any such period as may be specified in the direction, or until directed by the Secretary of State that they may do so, as the case may be.
- 5 (1) Except in a case where an application has been referred to the Secretary of State under paragraph 3 above and subject to sub-paragraph (3) below, the enforcing authority shall determine an application for an authorisation within the period of four months beginning with the day on which it received the application or within such longer period as may be agreed with the applicant.
- (2) If the enforcing authority fails to determine an application for an authorisation within the period allowed by or under this paragraph the application shall, if the applicant notifies the authority in writing that he treats the failure as such, be deemed to have been refused at the end of that period.
- (3) The Secretary of State may, by order, substitute for the period for the time being specified in sub-paragraph (1) above such other period as he considers appropriate and different periods may be substituted for different classes of application.]

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C3** Sch. 1 para. 5(1) modified (1.4.1991 for E.W. and 1.4.1992 for S.) by S.I. 1991/513, **arts. 2(1)** and 3(1)(3)(5)(6).

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 30(4A) inserted by [2021 c. 30 s. 57\(2\)](#)
- s. 33ZB(10A) inserted by [2021 c. 30 s. 69\(3\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 34ZB(8A) inserted by [2021 c. 30 s. 69\(5\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 45A-45AZG substituted for s. 45A by [2021 c. 30 s. 57\(4\)](#)
- s. 46(2)(a)(b) substituted for words by [2021 c. 30 s. 57\(5\)](#)
- s. 106A inserted by [2023 c. 6 s. 41\(2\)](#)
- s. 161(2AA)(2AB) inserted by [2016 anaw 3 s. 69\(4\)](#)