



Energy Act 2013

2013 CHAPTER 32

PART 3

NUCLEAR REGULATION

CHAPTER 4

FUNCTIONS OF THE ONR

Other functions

89 Provision of information or advice to relevant authorities

- (1) The ONR must, on request, provide a relevant authority with relevant information or relevant advice.
- (2) Relevant information is information about the ONR's activities which is requested—
 - (a) in the case of information requested by a Minister of the Crown—
 - (i) for the purpose of monitoring the ONR's performance of its functions, or
 - (ii) for the purpose of any proceedings in Parliament,
 - (b) in any case, in connection with any matter with which the relevant authority requesting it is concerned.
- (3) The reference in subsection (2) to the ONR's activities includes a reference to—
 - (a) the activities of inspectors appointed by the ONR under—
 - (i) Schedule 8,
 - (ii) section 19 of the 1974 Act, or
 - (iii) Article 26 of the Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005 (S.I. 2005/1541),in their capacity as such inspectors, and

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- (b) the activities of enforcing officers appointed by the ONR under section 61(3) of the Fire (Scotland) Act 2005 (asp. 5) in their capacity as such enforcing officers.
- (4) Relevant advice is advice on a matter with which the relevant authority requesting it is concerned where the matter—
 - (a) is relevant to the ONR's purposes, or
 - (b) is one on which expert advice is obtainable from any member or member of staff of the ONR.
- (5) The ONR may require a relevant authority to whom information or advice is provided under subsection (1) to pay a fee in respect of the ONR's costs reasonably incurred in providing the authority with—
 - (a) relevant information requested under subsection (2)(b), or
 - (b) relevant advice.
- (6) The Secretary of State may by regulations provide that subsection (5) is not to apply in particular cases or classes of case or in particular circumstances.
- (7) The duty under subsection (1) is in addition to any other duty or power of the ONR to provide information or advice.
- (8) In this section “relevant authority” means any of the following—
 - (a) a Minister of the Crown;
 - (b) the Scottish Ministers;
 - (c) the Welsh Ministers;
 - (d) a Northern Ireland Department;
 - (e) the Health and Safety Executive;
 - (f) the Health and Safety Executive for Northern Ireland;
 - (g) the Civil Aviation Authority;
 - (h) [^{F1}the Office of Rail and Road].
 - [^{F2}(i) a person appointed by regulations under section 16 of the Space Industry Act 2018.]

Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in s. 89(8)(h) substituted (E.W.S.) (16.10.2015) by [The Office of Rail Regulation \(Change of Name\) Regulations 2015 \(S.I. 2015/1682\)](#), reg. 1(2), **Sch. Pt. 1 para. 4(w)(ii)**
- F2** S. 89(8)(i) inserted (29.7.2021) by [Space Industry Act 2018 \(c. 5\)](#), s. 70(1), **Sch. 12 para. 32**; S.I. 2021/817, reg. 2, **Sch. para. 117** (with reg. 3)

Commencement Information

- I1** S. 89 in force at 1.4.2014 by [S.I. 2014/251](#), **art. 4**

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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. 68(4) inserted by [2023 c. 52 s. 302\(4\)](#)