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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1996 No. 913**

**The Offshore Installations and Wells (Design  
and Construction, etc.) Regulations 1996**

**PART V**

**MISCELLANEOUS**

**Transitional provision**

**24.**—(1) Where, at the coming into force of these Regulations, a Certificate of Fitness in relation to an installation is in force or such Certificate has been applied for, the provisions of the 1974 Regulations shall (notwithstanding their revocation by regulation 27 and Schedule 3) be deemed to remain in force in relation to that installation, with the modifications contained in paragraph (2), until—

- (a) the expiration of any Certificate of Fitness without its having been renewed;
- (b) the expiration of two years from the coming into force of these Regulations; or
- (c) the receipt by the Executive of a notification by the duty holder for the installation and the Certifying Authority which issued the last Certificate of Fitness relating to the installation that they no longer wish the 1974 Regulations to be deemed to be in force in relation to the installation,

whichever first occurs.

- (2) The 1974 Regulations shall be deemed, for the purpose of paragraph (1), to be modified—
  - (a) in regulation 11(3) of those Regulations by inserting, after the words “that regulation”, the words “not exceeding two years from the coming into force of the Offshore Installations and Wells (Design and Construction, etc.) Regulations 1996”;
  - (b) by substituting, for any reference to the “owner”, a reference to the person who is the duty holder within the meaning of these Regulations; and
  - (c) by treating those Regulations for purposes of enforcement (but not of interpretation) as if they were set out herein.
- (3) In this regulation—
  - “the 1974 Regulations” means the Offshore Installations (Construction and Survey) Regulations 1974(1);
  - “Certificate of Fitness” and “Certifying Authority” have the same meaning as in the 1974 Regulations.