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The Water Environment (Water Framework Directive) (England and Wales) Regulations 2003

Directions and guidance to public bodies

20.—(1) Section 40 of the Environment Act 1995(1) (directions to the new Agencies) shall have effect as if the power in subsection (2) to give directions included a power for the appropriate authority to give directions to any public body for the purposes of giving effect to the Directive.

(2) Section 122 of the Environment Act 1995 (directions) shall apply in relation to any direction given by virtue of paragraph (1).

(3) The appropriate authority may give guidance to the Agency or to any other public body with respect to the practical implementation of the Directive, and the body to whom guidance is issued shall have regard to it.