STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2015 No. 879

The Occupational Pension Schemes (Charges and Governance) Regulations 2015

PART 4

COMPLIANCE

Third party compliance notices

27.—(1) Where in any of the circumstances of non-compliance in paragraph (2)—

- (a) the Regulator is of the opinion that the non-compliance is or was, wholly or partly, a result of a failure of [^{F1}another person] ("the third party"), and
- (b) that failure is not in itself a contravention of ^{F2}... Part 2 of these Regulations, the Regulator may issue to the third party a third party compliance notice.
- (2) The circumstances mentioned in paragraph (1) are—
 - (a) receipt of an indication pursuant to regulation 3(1)(i) of the Register of Occupational and Personal Pension Schemes Regulations 2005 that the [^{F3}person has] not complied with Part 2 of these Regulations;
 - (b) receipt of an indication that the [^{F4}person is] unable to confirm whether they are complying or will be able to comply with that Part; or
 - (c) if the Regulator is of the opinion that the [^{F5}person is not complying with, or has not complied with,] that Part.

(3) A third party compliance notice is a notice directing the third party to take, or refrain from taking, the steps specified in the notice.

(4) The steps mentioned in paragraph (3) may be any steps that the Regulator reasonably requires with a view to remedying and, where appropriate, preventing a recurrence of the failure mentioned in paragraph (1).

(5) A third party compliance notice may, in particular—

- (a) state the period within which any step must be taken or must cease to be taken;
- (b) require the third party to provide within a specified period specified information relating to the failure;
- (c) require the third party to inform the Regulator, within a specified period, how the third party has complied with or is complying with the notice;
- (d) state that, if the Regulator is of the opinion that the third party has failed to comply with the requirements of the notice, the Regulator may issue a penalty notice under subparagraph (a) of paragraph (1) of regulation 28;
- (e) give the third party a choice between different ways of remedying or preventing the recurrence of the failure.

- (6) A third party compliance notice must state—
 - (a) which of the circumstances of non-compliance in paragraph (2) applies; and
 - (b) the matters which the Regulator believes constitute the failure by the third party; and
 - (c) if the circumstance in paragraph (2)(c) applies, in addition to the matters mentioned in sub-paragraphs (a) and (b)—
 - (i) which provision of Part 2 of these Regulations the Regulator believes was not, or is not being, complied with; and
 - (ii) the evidence on which the Regulator's belief is based.
- **F1** Words in reg. 27(1)(a) substituted (6.4.2016) by The Occupational Pension Schemes (Charges and Governance) (Amendment) Regulations 2016 (S.I. 2016/304), regs. 1, **8(2)(a)**
- F2 Word in reg. 27(1)(b) omitted (6.4.2016) by virtue of The Occupational Pension Schemes (Charges and Governance) (Amendment) Regulations 2016 (S.I. 2016/304), regs. 1, 8(2)(b)
- **F3** Words in reg. 27(2)(a) substituted (6.4.2016) by The Occupational Pension Schemes (Charges and Governance) (Amendment) Regulations 2016 (S.I. 2016/304), regs. 1, **8(3)(a)**
- F4 Words in reg. 27(2)(b) substituted (6.4.2016) by The Occupational Pension Schemes (Charges and Governance) (Amendment) Regulations 2016 (S.I. 2016/304), regs. 1, 8(3)(b)
- F5 Words in reg. 27(2)(c) substituted (6.4.2016) by The Occupational Pension Schemes (Charges and Governance) (Amendment) Regulations 2016 (S.I. 2016/304), regs. 1, 8(3)(c)

Changes to legislation: There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Occupational Pension Schemes (Charges and Governance) Regulations 2015, Section 27.