

WATER RESOURCES (SCOTLAND) ACT 2013

EXPLANATORY NOTES

THE ACT – SECTION BY SECTION

Part 3 – Scottish Water’s Functions

Section 24 – Development of assets

38. This section inserts a new section 50A into the 2002 Act which places a duty on Scottish Water to take reasonable steps to develop the commercial value of its assets and expertise, although only so far as it considers that this is not inconsistent with the economic, efficient and effective exercise of its functions. In complying with this duty, Scottish Water must have regard to any guidance issued by the Scottish Ministers. Assets in this section are defined as property, rights and other assets (whether tangible or intangible). For example, this might include technological expertise, water treatment works and land.