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THE RENEWABLES OBLIGATION ORDER (NORTHERN IRELAND) 2009

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- 1. The Authority must maintain the Register referred to in Article...
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- 3. Particulars of a NIROC comprise—(a) the name of the...
- 4. A person may only be the registered holder of a...
- 5. The Authority may from time to time draw up procedural...
- 6. The Authority must delete from the Register—
- 7. Where the registered holder of a NIROC and a person...
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