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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**The Town and Country Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) (England and Wales) Regulations 1999**

**PART VI**

**AVAILABILITY OF DIRECTIONS ETC. AND NOTIFICATION OF DECISIONS**

**Duties to inform the public and the Secretary of State of final decisions**

**21.**—(1) Where an EIA application is determined by a local planning authority, the authority shall—

- (a) in writing, inform the Secretary of State of the decision;
- (b) inform the public of the decision, by publishing a notice in a newspaper circulating in the locality in which the land is situated, or by such other means as are reasonable in the circumstances; and
- (c) make available for public inspection at the place where the appropriate register (or relevant section of that register) is kept a statement containing—
  - (i) the content of the decision and any conditions attached thereto;
  - (ii) the main reasons and considerations on which the decision is based; and
  - (iii) a description, where necessary, of the main measures to avoid, reduce and, if possible, offset the major adverse effects of the development.

(2) Where an EIA application is determined by the Secretary of State or an inspector, the Secretary of State shall—

- (a) notify the relevant planning authority of the decision; and
- (b) provide the authority with such a statement as is mentioned in sub-paragraph (1)(c).

(3) The relevant planning authority shall, as soon as reasonably practicable after receipt of a notification under sub-paragraph (2)(a), comply with sub-paragraphs (b) and (c) of paragraph (1) in relation to the decision so notified as if it were a decision of the authority.