### STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

# 1999 No. 743

# The Control of Major Accident Hazards Regulations 1999

## PART 5

### PROVISION OF INFORMATION BY OPERATOR

#### Provision of information to competent authority

**15.**—(1) Every operator of an establishment shall, when requested to do so by the competent authority provide sufficient information to the authority to demonstrate that he has taken all measures necessary to comply with these Regulations, and the information shall be so provided within such period as the competent authority specifies in the request.

(2) Without prejudice to the generality of paragraph (1), the operator shall when requested to do so by the competent authority, provide the authority with any information necessary to enable the authority—

- (a) fully to assess the possibility of a major accident and to determine the scope of possible increased probability or aggravation of a major accident;
- (b) to take substances into account which, due to their physical form, particular conditions or location, may require additional consideration; or
- (c) to perform its functions of obtaining or collecting information under regulation 19(4);

and the information shall be so provided within such period as the competent authority specifies in the request.

(3) Where a major accident has occurred at an establishment the operator shall forthwith inform the competent authority of that accident.

(4) Where the operator has notified a major accident to the Executive in accordance with the requirements of the Reporting of Injuries, Diseases and Dangerous Occurrences Regulations 1995(1), he shall be deemed to have complied with the requirement to inform the competent authority of that accident under paragraph (3).

(5) Anything required to be sent by an operator of an establishment to the competent authority pursuant to these Regulations shall be sent to the authority at an office of the Executive.