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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1999 No. 743**

**The Control of Major Accident Hazards Regulations 1999**

**PART 6**

**FUNCTIONS OF COMPETENT AUTHORITY**

**Functions of competent authority in relation to the safety report**

**17.—**(1) The competent authority shall within a reasonable period of time of receiving a safety report—

- (a) communicate the conclusions of its examination of the report to the operator of the establishment concerned; or
- (b) prohibit the operation or bringing into operation of the establishment or installation concerned or any part thereof in accordance with regulation 18.

(2) Where, pursuant to regulation 7(10), a report has been sent to the competent authority in parts, paragraph 17(1)(a) shall apply—

- (a) to each part of the report, as if the reference to communicating the conclusions of the examination were a reference to communicating provisional conclusions;
- (b) to all parts of the report, as if the reference to communicating the conclusions of the examination within a reasonable period of time of receiving a safety report were a reference to communicating, within a reasonable period of time of receiving the last part, the examination of the parts as a whole having regard, in particular, to the inter-relationship between different industrial activities in the establishment.