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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**WATER RESOURCES, ENGLAND AND WALES**

**The Water Resources (Environmental Impact Assessment) (England and Wales) Regulations 2003**

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**THE WATER RESOURCES (ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT) (ENGLAND AND WALES) REGULATIONS 2003**

PART I

GENERAL

1. Citation, commencement and extent
2. Interpretation
3. Requirement for an environmental impact assessment
- 3A Defence and civil emergencies
- 3B Exceptional circumstances
- 3C Coordination

PART II

ASSESSMENT OF RELEVANT PROJECTS

4. Determination whether a project is a relevant project
5. Environmental statement to be provided in relation to an application for authorisation
6. Environmental statement, and opinions of the appropriate authority on the contents of an environmental statement
7. Publicity for environmental statement and related information
- 7A Conclusion about environmental impact
8. Determination of application and notice of determination

**Changes to legislation:** There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Water Resources (Environmental Impact Assessment) (England and Wales) Regulations 2003. (See end of Document for details)

### PART III

#### RELEVANT PROJECTS WHICH REQUIRE CONSENT UNDER THESE REGULATIONS

9. Restriction on abstracting or impounding water
- 9A Civil sanctions
10. The appropriate authority's decision on an application for consent
11. Appeals in relation to consents
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### PART IV

#### MODIFICATION OF PART II FOR PARTICULAR CASES

13. Called-in applications in relation to abstraction or impounding licences
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15. Modifications where regulation 14 applies

### PART V

#### REGISTERS AND REVIEW

16. Register of environmental statements and further information
17. Review  
Signature

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#### SCHEDULE 1 — Selection criteria for relevant projects

1. Characteristics of projects
2. Location of projects
3. Type and characteristics of the potential impact

#### SCHEDULE 2 — Information about proposed projects

1. A description of the relevant project, including in particular—
2. A description of the reasonable alternatives (for example in terms...
3. A description of the relevant aspects of the current state...
4. A description of the factors specified in regulation 7A(2) likely...
5. A description of the likely significant effects of the relevant...
6. The description referred to in paragraph 4 of the likely...
7. A description of the forecasting methods or evidence, used to...
8. A description of the measures envisaged to avoid, prevent, reduce...
9. A description of the expected significant adverse effects of the...
10. A non-technical summary of the information provided under paragraphs 1...
11. A reference list detailing the sources used for the descriptions...

Explanatory Note

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