
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2007 No. 3617

The Compulsory Purchase (Inquiries Procedure) Rules 2007

Evidence at inquiry

15.—(1) A person entitled to appear at an inquiry to give, or to call another person to give, evidence at the inquiry by reading a statement of that evidence shall send to the inspector and (in the case of non-ministerial orders) to the acquiring authority, a copy of that statement and, subject to paragraph (2), a written summary of it together with any relevant supporting documents.

(2) No written summary shall be required where the statement mentioned in paragraph (1) contains not more than 1,500 words.

(3) The statement and the summary (if any) shall be sent to the inspector and to the acquiring authority not later than—

(a) 3 weeks before the date fixed for the commencement of the inquiry, or

(b) where, pursuant to rule 10, a timetable has been arranged which specifies a date by which the statement of evidence and summary shall be sent to the inspector, that date.

(4) Unless paragraph (2) applies, only the summary shall be read at the inquiry unless the inspector permits or requires otherwise.

(5) The acquiring authority shall afford to any person who so requests a reasonable opportunity to inspect and, where practicable and on payment of a reasonable charge, take copies of any document sent to or by it in accordance with this rule.

(6) Where the acquiring authority sends a copy of a statement of evidence or a summary to the inspector in accordance with paragraphs (1) and (2), it shall at the same time send a copy to every remaining objector and any other person who has sent an outline statement under rule 5 or a statement of case under rule 7.