SCHEDULE 8

Regulation 37

GROUPS OF COMPANIES

- 1. This Schedule applies in relation to a relevant year—
 - (a) where a holding company and one or more of its subsidiaries, or two or more subsidiary companies of the same holding company (in either case referred to in this Schedule and Schedule 10 as "a group of companies") each satisfies the provisions of Columns 1 to 3 of Table 1 in Schedule 1 in relation to a class or classes of producer; and
 - (b) where the aggregate of the turnovers, and the aggregate of the amounts of packaging or packaging materials handled by each such company, are sufficient to satisfy the threshold tests as provided by paragraph 3 of Schedule 1.
- **2.** Subject to regulation 5, in respect of a year each company referred to in paragraph 1 above is a producer of a class specified in an entry in Column 4 of Table 1 in Schedule 1 if—
 - (a) in that year and the preceding year the company performs the relevant functions specified in Column 1 of that Table in relation to that entry; and
 - (b) in the preceding year the company made supplies of the materials or products specified in Column 2 of that Table in relation to that entry of a class specified in Column 3 of that Table in relation to that entry,

and the other provisions of that Schedule, other than paragraph 3, shall also have effect for the purposes of determining to which class of producer such a company belongs.

3. For the purposes of this Schedule and Schedule 10 "subsidiary" and "holding company" have the same meanings as they have in [F1 section 1159 of the Companies Act 2006].

Textual Amendments

- **F1** Words in Sch. 8 para. 3 substituted (26.11.2010) by The Producer Responsibility Obligations (Packaging Waste) (Amendment) Regulations 2010 (S.I. 2010/2849), regs. 1(b), **21(a)**
- **4.** Subject to regulation 5, companies who are producers and are in a group of companies shall comply with their producer registration obligations for a relevant year by—
 - (a) being registered for that year with the appropriate Agency as required by regulation 6, in which case each company so registered has its own [F2 recycling obligations], certifying obligations, and, where applicable, consumer information obligations; or
 - (b) the holding company and one or more of the subsidiaries being registered together for that year with the appropriate Agency, (in this Schedule and Schedule 10 referred to as a "group registration") in which case paragraphs 5 and 6 below shall apply.

Textual Amendments

- Words in Regulations substituted (S.) (1.1.2021) by The Producer Responsibility Obligations (Packaging Waste) Amendment (Scotland) Regulations 2020 (S.S.I. 2020/387), reg. 2(2); (E.) (1.1.2021) by The Producer Responsibility Obligations (Packaging Waste) (Amendment) (England) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/1336), reg. 2(2); and (W.) (1.1.2021) by The Producer Responsibility Obligations (Packaging Waste) (Amendment) (Wales) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/1390), reg. 2(2)
- 5. Where there is a group registration—
 - (a) the subsidiary companies in the group registration are exempt from complying with their producer responsibility obligations for the relevant year;

- (b) the holding company has a producer registration obligation for the relevant year which is an obligation to make the group registration and for this purpose regulations 5 to 11, and Parts I and II of Schedule 3, shall be read as if—
 - (i) references to the applicant or the producer were references to the holding company;
 - (ii) references to information to be provided regarding the producer were to information to be provided regarding each company in the group registration; and
 - (iii) the references in [F3 regulation 9(2)] to a fee for producer registration were read as references to a fee for group registration;
- (c) the holding company has [F2 recycling obligations] and, where applicable, consumer information obligations for the relevant year which are the aggregate of its own obligations in respect of that year, if any, and the obligations which the subsidiary companies in the group registration would have had but for the group registration;
- (d) the holding company shall furnish records and returns and provide a certificate of compliance, and references in regulation 21 and Schedule 4—
 - (i) to a producer shall be read as references to the holding company, and
 - (ii) to information shall be read as references to information regarding each company in the group registration.

Textual Amendments

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- **F3** Words in Sch. 8 para. 5(b)(iii) substituted (26.11.2010) by The Producer Responsibility Obligations (Packaging Waste) (Amendment) Regulations 2010 (S.I. 2010/2849), regs. 1(b), **21(b)**

6. Where—

- (a) there is a group registration;
- (b) a subsidiary company in the group is a small producer which has elected in the group registration application to follow the allocation method; and
- (c) the subsidiary company follows the allocation method during at least the year of registration and the following two years,

the obligations of the holding company for that subsidiary company shall be determined using the allocation method.

7. This Schedule is subject to the provisions of Schedule 10.

Changes to legislation:
There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Producer Responsibility
Obligations (Packaging Waste) Regulations 2007, SCHEDULE 8.