#### STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

# 2013 No. 3135

The Greenhouse Gas Emissions Trading Scheme and National Emissions Inventory (Amendment) Regulations 2013

### PART 2

Amendment of the Greenhouse Gas Emissions Trading Scheme Regulations 2012

## Transitional provisions: penalties

- **4.**—(1) In regulation 3 (interpretation), in the definition of "allowance", for "subject to regulations 54(7) and 82(1)" substitute "subject to regulations 54(7), 82(1) and 87B(5)".
  - (2) In regulation 86 (savings and transitional provisions: the 2005 Regulations)—
    - (a) in paragraph (15), after "the following civil penalties apply" insert "(subject to the regulator's discretion under regulation 51 above)"; and
    - (b) in paragraph (18), for "Regulations" substitute "Subject to regulation 87B below, regulations".
- (3) In paragraph (8) of regulation 87 (savings and transitional provisions: the 2010 Regulations)(1), for "Subject to regulation 87A below" substitute "Subject to paragraph (8A) and to regulations 87A and 87B below".
  - (4) After regulation 87(8) insert—
    - "(8A) Regulation 51 above applies in relation to the penalty under regulation 35 of the 2010 Regulations as it applies in relation to the penalty under regulation 64 above."
  - (5) After regulation 87A insert—

#### "Unreported emissions arising before 2013

- **87B.**—(1) Where paragraph (2) applies, a person ("P") is not liable to an excess emissions penalty for a failure to surrender allowances in respect of those reportable emissions in a relevant year ("Y") that—
  - (a) were not reported in the verified emissions report submitted for Y; but
  - (b) have been determined by the regulator.
- (2) This paragraph applies where P, before the regulator serves on P a penalty notice imposing an excess emissions penalty in respect of emissions in Y (or a notice of the regulator's intention to do so)—
  - (a) notifies the regulator that there are reportable emissions not included in the report that has been submitted for Y; and
  - (b) has surrendered allowances equal to the reportable emissions for Y as determined by the regulator.

- (3) Where paragraph (2) applies, P is liable to the civil penalty of the sterling equivalent of 20 Euros for each allowance that P failed to surrender by 30th April in the year following Y in respect of the unreported emissions.
- (4) Regulation 51(1) above applies to a penalty under paragraph (3) as it applies to a penalty under Part 7.
  - (5) In this regulation—
    - (a) "allowance" includes—
      - (i) where the excess emission penalty would arise under the 2010 Regulations, an aviation allowance; and
      - (ii) within the limits allowed by regulation 27A of the 2005 Regulations or regulation 26 of the 2010 Regulations, a project credit as defined by regulation 27 of the 2010 Regulations;
    - (b) "determined" means determined under regulation 30 of the 2005 Regulations or regulation 22 of the 2010 Regulations;
    - (c) "excess emissions penalty" means the penalty under regulation 39 of the 2005 Regulations or regulation 38(1)(a) of the 2010 Regulations;
    - (d) "penalty notice" means a notice under regulation 41(2) of the 2005 Regulations or regulation 30(1) of the 2010 Regulations;
    - (e) "relevant year" means a calendar year prior to 2013;
    - (f) "unreported emissions" means the emissions mentioned in paragraph (1);
    - (g) "sterling equivalent" has the meaning given in regulation 54(7) above.".