### STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

## 2015 No. 483

# The Control of Major Accident Hazards Regulations 2015

## PART 4

#### EMERGENCY PLANS FOR UPPER TIER ESTABLISHMENTS

#### Preparation of external emergency plans

**13.**—(1) Subject to regulation 15, a local authority in whose administrative area an upper tier establishment is situated must prepare an external emergency plan specifying the measures to be taken outside the establishment.

(2) An external emergency plan must be prepared by the local authority no later than six months (or such longer period not exceeding nine months agreed by the competent authority in writing) after the receipt of the necessary information from the operator.

(3) The operator must provide the local authority with the information necessary to enable it to prepare an external emergency plan.

(4) The information in paragraph (3) must be provided to the relevant local authority before the date on which the internal emergency plan is required to be prepared for the establishment under regulation 12(2).

(5) Despite paragraph (1), the local authority is not required to prepare an external emergency plan if—

- (a) the off-site emergency plan prepared under regulation 10 of the 1999 Regulations, immediately before 1st June 2015, remains materially unchanged; and
- (b) it complies with the requirements of regulation 11 of these Regulations and this regulation,

in which case it is to be treated as an external emergency plan prepared under this regulation.

- (6) An external emergency plan must contain the information specified in Part 2 of Schedule 4.
- (7) In preparing an external emergency plan the local authority must consult—
  - (a) the operator;
  - (b) the appropriate agency;
  - (c) the designated authorities who are liable to be required to respond to an emergency at the establishment;
  - (d) if the establishment is situated in England, [<sup>F1</sup>NHS England] and Public Health England, an executive agency of the Department of Health [<sup>F2</sup>and Social Care]; and
  - (e) such members of the public and other persons as it considers appropriate.

#### **Textual Amendments**

F1 Words in Regulations substituted (6.11.2023) by The Health and Care Act 2022 (Further Consequential Amendments) (No. 2) Regulations 2023 (S.I. 2023/1071), reg. 1(1), Sch. para. 1

**Changes to legislation:** There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Control of Major Accident Hazards Regulations 2015, Section 13. (See end of Document for details)

F2 Words in reg. 13(7)(d) inserted (11.4.2018) by The Secretaries of State for Health and Social Care and for Housing, Communities and Local Government and Transfer of Functions (Commonhold Land) Order 2018 (S.I. 2018/378), art. 1(2), Sch. para. 20(dd) (with art. 14)

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