STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2016 No. 1032

The Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (Ring-fenced Bodies, Core Activities, Excluded Activities and Prohibitions) (Amendment) Order 2016

Amendments to the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (Ring-fenced Bodies and Core Activities) Order 2014

- **2.**—(1) The Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (Ring-fenced Bodies and Core Activities) Order 2014(1) is amended as follows.
 - (2) In article 1—
 - (a) after the definition of "deposit" insert—
 - "EEA account" has the meaning given in article 2(3)(b);
 - "EEA account holder" means the holder of an EEA account;";
 - (b) omit the following definitions—
 - (i) "qualifying organisation declaration"; and
 - (ii) "qualifying group member declaration";
 - (c) after the definition of "registered society" insert—
 - ""relevant financial year" in relation to an organisation means—
 - (a) the last completed financial year for which accounting records are available, or
 - (b) where the organisation has existed for less than one financial year, its first financial year;";
 - (d) in the definition of "UK deposit-taker" for "an institution" substitute "a body corporate incorporated in the United Kingdom".
 - (3) For article 3 substitute—

"Meaning of qualifying organisation

- **3.**—(1) An organisation is a qualifying organisation in relation to a UK deposit-taker if that deposit-taker, having made reasonable inquiries, determines that the organisation meets the relevant qualifying condition for the relevant financial year.
 - (2) The relevant qualifying condition is set out—
 - (a) in the case of a body corporate(2) or a partnership, in article 4;
 - (b) in the case of an organisation which is not a body corporate or a partnership, in article 5.

⁽¹⁾ S.I. 2014/1960

^{(2) &}quot;Body corporate" is defined in section 417(1) of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000. There are amendments to that section, but none are relevant to this Order.

- (3) Upon making a determination in accordance with paragraph (1), a UK deposit-taker must give notice to the organisation in writing—
 - (a) informing the organisation that the UK deposit-taker has made that determination;
 - (b) stating the reasons why the UK deposit-taker made that determination; and
 - (c) notifying the organisation that it has fourteen days from the date upon which the notice is given in which to submit representations to the UK deposit-taker if the organisation considers that the UK deposit-taker's determination was based on a mistake of fact."
- (4) In article 4(3) for sub-paragraph (b) substitute—
 - "(b) where the UK deposit-taker—
 - (i) makes a determination as to whether the organisation meets the qualifying condition during the organisation's first financial year; and
 - (ii) at the time the determination is made, the organisation has not yet prepared a balance sheet;

the aggregate of the amounts which would be shown as assets in a balance sheet prepared not more than six weeks before the date upon which that determination is made.".

- (5) Omit articles 6 and 7.
- (6) For article 8 substitute—

"Meaning of qualifying group member

- **8.**—(1) An organisation is a qualifying group member in relation to a UK deposit-taker if that deposit-taker determines that the organisation is a member of the same group(3) as a qualifying organisation.
- (2) Upon making a determination that an organisation is a qualifying group member, a UK deposit-taker must give notice to the organisation in writing—
 - (a) informing the organisation that the UK deposit-taker has reached that determination;
 - (b) specifying the identity of the relevant qualifying organisation; and
 - (c) notifying the organisation that it has fourteen days from the date upon which the notice is given in which to submit representations to the UK deposit-taker if the organisation considers that the UK deposit-taker's determination was based on a mistake of fact.
- (3) A notice given pursuant to paragraph (2) may be given at the same time as a notice given pursuant to article 3(3).".
- (7) In article 14(1)—
 - (a) in sub-paragraph (a) for "an account" substitute "an EEA account for the purpose of making one or more deposits";
 - (b) in sub-paragraph (b)—
 - (i) insert "EEA" at the beginning; and
 - (ii) after "individuals" insert "who use the account for the purpose of making one or more deposits".