## SCHEDULES

#### **SCHEDULE 9**

#### PROTECTIVE PROVISIONS

### PART 2

# FOR THE PROTECTION OF OPERATORS OF ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS CODE NETWORKS

15. In this Part of this Schedule—

"the 2003 Act" means the Communications Act 2003(1);

"conduit system" has the same meaning as in the electronic communications code and references to providing a conduit system are to be construed in accordance with paragraph 1(3A)(2) (interpretation of code) of that code;

"electronic communications apparatus" has the same meaning as in the electronic communications code;

"the electronic communications code" has the same meaning as in Chapter 1 (electronic communications, networks and services) of Part 2 of the 2003 Act(**3**);

"electronic communications code network" means-

- (a) so much of an electronic communications network or conduit system provided by an electronic communications code operator as is not excluded from the application of the electronic communications code by a direction under section 106 (application of the electronic communications code) of the 2003 Act; and
- (b) an electronic communications network which the undertaker is providing or proposing to provide;

"electronic communications code operator" means a person in whose case the electronic communications code is applied by a direction under section 106 of the 2003 Act; and

"operator" means the operator of an electronic communications code network.

<sup>(1) 2003</sup> c. 21.

<sup>(2)</sup> Paragraph 1(3A) was inserted by section 106(2) of, and paragraphs 1 and 4 of Schedule 3 to, the Communications Act 2003.

<sup>(3)</sup> See section 106 of the 2003 Act.