STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

## 2018 No. 1407

# The Air Quality (Miscellaneous Amendment and Revocation of Retained Direct EU Legislation) (EU Exit) Regulations 2018

## PART 2

### Amendment and revocation of retained direct EU legislation

**Decision 2015/6674/EU** establishing a common format for the submission of Member State reports on the implementation of Directive 2004/42/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council on the limitation of emissions of volatile organic compounds due to the use of organic solvents in certain paints and varnishes and vehicle refinishing products

**15.**—(1) Decision 2015/6674/EU establishing a common format for the submission of Member State reports on the implementation of Directive 2004/42/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council on the limitation of emissions of volatile organic compounds due to the use of organic solvents in certain paints and varnishes and vehicle refinishing products is amended as follows.

(2) For Article 1 substitute—

#### "Article 1

For the purpose of the programme referred to in regulation 7 of the Volatile Organic Compounds in Paints, Varnishes and Vehicle Refinishing Products Regulations 2012(1), the Annex to this Decision details the information that the Secretary of State must compile as part of that programme."

(3) For Article 2 substitute—

#### "Article 2

**1.** The Secretary of State must publish the information required in accordance with Article 1 before 1 July 2021, and at least once every 5 years thereafter.

**2.** For the purpose of Article 1, the Secretary of State may require that an appropriate authority provide certain data for their area.

**3.** Where an appropriate authority is provided with a request in accordance with paragraph 2, the appropriate authority must comply with the request within any reasonable time frame specified in the request.

4. In this Decision the "appropriate authority" means—

- (a) in relation to Wales, the Welsh Ministers;
- (b) in relation to Scotland, the Scottish Ministers;
- (c) in relation to Northern Ireland, the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs.".

<sup>(1)</sup> S.I. 2012/1715, to which there are amendments not relevant to these Regulations.

(4) In the Annex, in the heading for the words "the report referred to in Article 7 of Directive 2004/42/EC" substitute "information in accordance with the programme referred to in regulation 7 of the Volatile Organic Compounds in Paints, Varnishes and Vehicle Refinishing Products Regulations 2012".