### STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

# 2021 No. 839

# The Occupational Pension Schemes (Climate Change Governance and Reporting) Regulations 2021

# PART 3

# Compliance

## Third party compliance notices

- **8.**—(1) Where in any of the circumstances of non-compliance in paragraph (2)—
  - (a) the Authority are of the opinion that the non-compliance is or was, wholly or partly, a result of an act or omission by another person ("the third party"); and
  - (b) that act or omission is not in itself a contravention of Part 2 of, or the Schedule to, these Regulations,

the Authority may issue to the third party a third party compliance notice.

- (2) The circumstances are—
  - (a) receipt of an indication that a person is unable to confirm whether they are complying with, or will be able to comply with a provision under Part 2 of, or the Schedule to, these Regulations; or
  - (b) the Authority are of the opinion that a person is not complying with, or has not complied with a provision under Part 2 of, or the Schedule to, these Regulations.
- (3) A third party compliance notice is a notice directing the third party to whom it is issued to take, or refrain from taking, the steps specified in the notice.
- (4) The steps mentioned in paragraph (3) may be any steps reasonably necessary to ensure that any non-compliance with any provision under Part 2 of, or the Schedule to, these Regulations can be remedied and, where appropriate, is not repeated.
  - (5) A third party compliance notice may, in particular—
    - (a) state the period within which any step must be taken or must cease to be taken;
    - (b) require the third party to provide within a specified period information relating to the non-compliance;
    - (c) require the third party to inform the Authority, within a specified period, how the third party has complied with, or is complying with, the notice;
    - (d) give the third party a choice between different steps that may be taken to ensure that the non-compliance can be remedied and, where appropriate, is not repeated.
  - (6) A third party compliance notice must state—
    - (a) the particulars of the act or omission by the third party and which of the circumstances in paragraph (2) apply in the Authority's opinion;
    - (b) if the Authority are of the opinion that the circumstances in paragraph (2)(a) apply, the evidence on which that opinion is based;

- (c) if the Authority are of the opinion that the circumstances in paragraph (2)(b) apply—
  - (i) which provision of Part 2 of, or the Schedule to, these Regulations was not, or is not, being complied with in the Authority's opinion;
  - (ii) the evidence on which that opinion is based; and
- (d) that if the Authority are of the opinion that the third party has failed to comply with the requirements of the notice, the Authority may issue a penalty notice under regulation 9(1) (b) of these Regulations.

### **Commencement Information**

II Reg. 8 in force at 1.10.2021, see reg. 1(1)

Changes to legislation:
There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Occupational Pension Schemes (Climate Change Governance and Reporting) Regulations 2021, Section 8.