

SCHEDULE

PART 1

Climate change governance etc. requirements

General and interpretation

25. Where this Part provides that trustees must meet a requirement “as far as they are able”, the trustees are required to take all such steps as are reasonable and proportionate in the particular circumstances taking into account—

- (a) the costs, or likely costs, which will be incurred by the scheme; and
- (b) the time required to be spent by the trustees, or any person to whom the trustees have delegated responsibility,

in taking such steps.

Commencement Information

II Sch. para. 25 in force at 1.10.2021, see **reg. 1(1)**

26. In this Part—

“absolute emissions metric” means a metric which gives the total greenhouse gas emissions attributable to the scheme’s assets;

“additional climate change metric” means a metric relating to climate change which is not an absolute emissions metric or an emissions intensity metric [^{F1}or a portfolio alignment metric];

“emissions intensity metric” means a metric which gives the total greenhouse gas emissions attributable to the scheme’s assets per unit of currency;

“emissions” in relation to a greenhouse gas has the meaning given by section 97 of the Climate Change Act 2008⁽¹⁾;

“first scheme year of re-application” means the first scheme year in respect of which the requirements of this Part are re-applied to the trustees in accordance with regulation 3(4), 4(4) or 5(4) and where this occurs more than once, it means the first scheme year in respect of which the requirements are re-applied to the trustees on each of those occasions;

“greenhouse gas” has the meaning given by [^{F2}section 92(1)(a) to (f)] of the Climate Change Act 2008;

[^{F3}“portfolio alignment metric” means a metric which gives the alignment of the scheme’s assets with the climate change goal of limiting the increase in the global average temperature to 1.5 degrees Celsius above pre-industrial levels;]

“scheme year” has the meaning given by regulation 2;

“scope 1” in relation to greenhouse gas emissions means all direct emissions from the activities of an entity or activities under its control;

“scope 2” in relation to greenhouse gas emissions means indirect emissions from electricity purchased and used by an entity which are created during the production of energy which the entity uses;

(1) 2008 c. 27.

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“scope 3” in relation to greenhouse gas emissions means all indirect emissions from activities of the entity, other than scope 2 emissions, which occur from sources that the entity does not directly control.

- F1** Words in Sch. para. 26 inserted (1.10.2022) by The Occupational Pension Schemes (Climate Change Governance and Reporting) (Amendment, Modification and Transitional Provision) Regulations 2022 (S.I. 2022/733), regs. 1(1), **2(2)(d)(i)**
- F2** Words in Sch. para. 26 substituted (3.2.2023) by The Climate Change (Targeted Greenhouse Gases) Order 2023 (S.I. 2023/118), arts. 1(2), **4(1)**
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