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SCHEDULES

[^{F1}SCHEDULE B1

ADMINISTRATION

Textual Amendments

- F1** Sch. B1 inserted (15.9.2003) by 2002 c. 40, ss. 248(2), 279, Sch. 16 (with s. 249(1)-(3)(6)); S.I. 2003/2093, art. 2(1), Sch. 1 (subject to arts. 3-8 (as amended by S.I. 2003/2332, art. 2))

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** Sch. B1 applied in part (with modifications) (5.10.2004) by Energy Act 2004 (c. 20), ss. 159(1), 198, Sch. 20 Pts. 1-3; S.I. 2004/2575, art. 2(1), Sch. 1
- C1** Sch. B1 applied (with modifications) (1.7. 2005) by S.I. 1994/2421, art. 6(1), Sch. 2 (as amended (1.7.2005) by S.I. 2005/1516, arts. 3, 7, Sch. 1 (with art. 2))
- C1** Sch. B1: specified provisions applied (with modifications) (1.10.2011) by Postal Services Act 2011 (c. 5), ss. 73, 93(2)(3), {Sch. 10 Pts. 1, 2}; S.I. 2011/2329, art. 3 (with arts. 4, 5)

APPOINTMENT OF ADMINISTRATOR BY COURT

Administration order

- 10 An administration order is an order appointing a person as the administrator of a company.

Conditions for making order

- 11 The court may make an administration order in relation to a company only if satisfied—
- (a) that the company is or is likely to become unable to pay its debts, and
 - (b) that the administration order is reasonably likely to achieve the purpose of administration.

Administration application

- 12 (1) An application to the court for an administration order in respect of a company (an “administration application”) may be made only by—
- (a) the company,
 - (b) the directors of the company,
 - (c) one or more creditors of the company,
 - (d) the justices’ chief executive for a magistrates’ court in the exercise of the power conferred by section 87A of the Magistrates’ Courts Act 1980 (c. 43) (fine imposed on company), or
 - (e) a combination of persons listed in paragraphs (a) to (d).

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- (2) As soon as is reasonably practicable after the making of an administration application the applicant shall notify—
- (a) any person who has appointed an administrative receiver of the company,
 - (b) any person who is or may be entitled to appoint an administrative receiver of the company,
 - (c) any person who is or may be entitled to appoint an administrator of the company under paragraph 14, and
 - (d) such other persons as may be prescribed.
- (3) An administration application may not be withdrawn without the permission of the court.
- (4) In sub-paragraph (1) “creditor” includes a contingent creditor and a prospective creditor.
- [^{F2}(5) Sub-paragraph (1) is without prejudice to section 7(4)(b).]

Textual Amendments

F2 Sch. B1 para. 12(5) added (15.9.2003) by [The Enterprise Act 2002 \(Insolvency\) Order 2003 \(S.I. 2003/2096\)](#), [art. 2\(2\)](#)

Powers of court

- 13 (1) On hearing an administration application the court may—
- (a) make the administration order sought;
 - (b) dismiss the application;
 - (c) adjourn the hearing conditionally or unconditionally;
 - (d) make an interim order;
 - (e) treat the application as a winding-up petition and make any order which the court could make under section 125;
 - (f) make any other order which the court thinks appropriate.
- (2) An appointment of an administrator by administration order takes effect—
- (a) at a time appointed by the order, or
 - (b) where no time is appointed by the order, when the order is made.
- (3) An interim order under sub-paragraph (1)(d) may, in particular—
- (a) restrict the exercise of a power of the directors or the company;
 - (b) make provision conferring a discretion on the court or on a person qualified to act as an insolvency practitioner in relation to the company.
- (4) This paragraph is subject to paragraph 39.]

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

C1 Sch. B1 para. 13 restricted (5.10.2004) by [Energy Act 2004 \(c. 20\)](#), [ss. 162\(3\)](#), 198; [S.I. 2004/2575](#), [art. 2\(1\)](#), [Sch. 1](#)

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