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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1988 No. 1057**

**The Electricity Supply Regulations 1988**

**PART VII**

**MISCELLANEOUS**

**Notification of specified events**

**34.**—(1) Every supplier shall give to the Secretary of State notice in accordance with paragraph (3) in respect of any event specified in paragraph (2), whether or not that event was caused accidentally.

(2) The events referred to in paragraph (1) are—

- (a) any event attributable in whole or in part to the generation, transformation, control, distribution or supply of energy up to and including the supply terminals which has given rise to—
  - (i) the death of any person other than a person engaged by the supplier for the purposes of his business;
  - (ii) an injury (including any electric shock) to any person other than a person engaged by the supplier for the purposes of his business;
  - (iii) any fire; or
  - (iv) any explosion or implosion;
- (b) any event attributable in whole or in part to the presence of energy on the consumer's side of the supply terminals on any non-industrial and non-commercial premises resulting in the death of any person;
- (c) any event, whether or not accompanied by an event specified in sub-paragraph (a) above, which caused an overhead line to be at a height less than that required by regulation 13(2);
- (d) the occurrence of any damage to any underground electric line of the supplier resulting from an event not specified in sub-paragraphs (a) and (b) above; and
- (e) any event other than those listed in sub-paragraphs (a), (c) or (d) above which, taking into account the circumstances of that event, was likely to cause any of the events listed in sub-paragraph (a).

(3) The notice shall be in writing and—

- (a) in respect of the events specified in paragraphs (2)(a) and (b)—
  - (i) shall be sent to the Secretary of State by the quickest practicable means after the event becomes known to the supplier; and
  - (ii) shall contain the particulars specified in Parts I and II respectively of Schedule 4;
- (b) in respect of the events notifiable under paragraphs (2)(c) and (e)—

- (i) shall be sent to the Secretary of State by means of a return to be submitted within 15 days of the end of the month in which the event became known to the supplier; and
  - (ii) in respect of an event specified in paragraph (2)(c) shall contain the particulars specified in Part III of Schedule 4; and
  - (iii) in respect of an event specified in paragraph (2)(e) shall contain the particulars specified in whichever of Parts I, II and III Of Schedule 4 is most appropriate to the circumstances;
- (c) in respect of the events notifiable under paragraph (2)(d)—
- (i) shall be sent to the Secretary of State by means of a return to be submitted within one month of the period of 3 months ending on 31st March, 30th June, 30th September or 31st December as the case may be, in which the event became known to the supplier; and
  - (ii) shall contain the particulars specified in Part IV of Schedule 4; and
- (d) shall, in every case, indicate by a unique and sequential reference number, in respect of each year ending on 31st March, the number of that report.
- (4) Notices in respect of any event specified in paragraph (2)(a), (b), (c) or (e) shall be sent to the Secretary of State notwithstanding that the supplier is unable to give the full particulars required by Parts I, II or III of Schedule 4 and any particulars omitted shall be sent by the supplier in a supplementary notice to the Secretary of State by the earliest practicable means after they become known to the supplier.
- (5) Without prejudice to paragraph (3), the supplier shall give notice to the Secretary of State by telephone, telex or other immediate means of communication of any death reportable under paragraph (2)(a)(i) immediately the event becomes known to the supplier.