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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1988 No. 668**

**The Pneumoconiosis etc. (Workers' Compensation)  
(Payment of Claims) Regulations 1988**

**Power of Secretary of State to determine amount of payment**

7. In the case of a claim by any person who appears to the Secretary of State to be entitled to a payment under the Act but in respect of whose claim the Secretary of State is unable to determine affirmatively or accurately, to his satisfaction, the amount which should properly be paid to that person in accordance with these Regulations (whether because the date relevant for the purposes of regulation 3 is unknown or uncertain or for some other reason), payment shall nevertheless be made to that person of whatever amount, in any particular case, appears to the Secretary of State to be just and equitable:

Provided that in the case of any such payment—

- (a) where the date relevant for the purposes of regulation 3 is unknown or uncertain, the date to be taken as the relevant date shall be the latest date which, on the evidence available, could have been the relevant date;
- (b) where the relevant percentage disablement is unknown or uncertain this shall be taken as the lowest percentage on the evidence available which could have been the relevant percentage disablement;
- (c) where the relevant extent of incapacity is unknown or uncertain this shall be taken to be “partial”.