## STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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## The Inquiry Rules 2006

## Core participants

- **5.**—(1) The chairman may designate a person as a core participant at any time during the course of the inquiry, provided that person consents to being so designated.
- (2) In deciding whether to designate a person as a core participant, the chairman must in particular consider whether—
  - (a) the person played, or may have played, a direct and significant role in relation to the matters to which the inquiry relates;
  - (b) the person has a significant interest in an important aspect of the matters to which the inquiry relates; or
  - (c) the person may be subject to explicit or significant criticism during the inquiry proceedings or in the report, or in any interim report.
  - (3) A person ceases to be a core participant on—
    - (a) the date specified by the chairman in writing; or
    - (b) the end of the inquiry.