WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2003 No. 3225 (W.307)

RATING AND VALUATION, WALES

The Central Rating List (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2003

Made	-	-	-	-		9th December 2003
Coming i	nto f	orce		-	-	11th December 2003

The National Assembly for Wales makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred on the Secretary of State by sections 53(1), (2), (4) and (4A), 140(4) and 143(1), (3) and (4A) of the Local Government Finance Act 1988(1) and now vested in the National Assembly for Wales so far as exercisable in relation to Wales(2).

Name, application and commencement

1. These Regulations, which apply to Wales only, are called the Central Rating List (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2003 and shall come into force on the 11th December 2003.

Amendment to the 1999 Regulations

- 2.—(1) The Central Rating List (Wales) Regulations 1999(3) are amended as follows.
- (2) In paragraph (4) of regulation 1:
 - (a) At the beginning, insert the following—
 - "(a) Subject to subparagraph (b)".
 - (b) At the end, add the following—
 - "(b) In Part 2 of the Schedule, the reference to Aquila Networks plc is a reference to the company bearing that name on the 10th of May 2002.".

(3) In Part 2 of the Schedule, and with effect from the 1st of November 2001, for "Midlands Electricity plc" substitute "Aquila Networks plc".

⁽**1**) 1988 c. 41.

⁽²⁾ The powers of the Secretary of State under section 53(1), (2), (4) and (4A), 140(4) and 143(1), (3) and (4A) of the Local Government Finance Act 1988 were transferred to the National Assembly for Wales pursuant to article 2(2) of, and Schedule 1 to, the National Assembly for Wales (Transfer of Functions) Order 1999 (S.I.1999/672).

⁽**3**) S.I. 1999/3453.

Signed on behalf of the National Assembly for Wales under section 66(1) of the Government of Wales Act 1998(4)

9th December 2003

D. Elis-Thomas The Presiding Officer of the National Assembly

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note does not form part of the Regulations)

With a view to securing *en bloc* the central rating of certain hereditaments, the Secretary of State may make regulations under section 53(1) of the Local Government Finance Act 1988 to designate a person and prescribe in relation to that person one or more descriptions of non-domestic hereditament. Insofar as it relates to Wales, this power has been transferred to the National Assembly for Wales by virtue of the National Assembly for Wales (Transfer of Functions) Order 1999.

The principal Regulations made by the National Assembly for Wales in reliance on this power are the Central Rating List (Wales) Regulations 1999 which have effect with respect to any central rating list for Wales compiled on or after the 1st of April 2000.

These Regulations amend the principal Regulations by substituting, with effect from the 1st of November 2001, Aquila Networks plc for Midlands Electricity plc as a designated person in relation to hereditaments wholly or mainly used for the purposes of the functions of a public electricity supplier, or for ancillary purposes.