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PART I RECOGNITION

Acceptance of applications

- **14.**—(1) This paragraph applies if—
 - (a) two or more relevant applications are made,
 - (b) at least one worker falling within one of the relevant bargaining units also falls within the other relevant bargaining unit (or units), and
 - (c) the Court has not accepted any of the applications.
- (2) A relevant application is an application under paragraph 11 or 12.
- (3) In relation to a relevant application, the relevant bargaining unit is—
 - (a) the proposed bargaining unit, where the application is under paragraph 11(2) or 12(2);
 - (b) the agreed bargaining unit, where the application is under paragraph 12(4).
- (4) Within the acceptance period the Court must decide, with regard to each relevant application, whether the 10 per cent test is satisfied.
- (5) The 10 per cent test is satisfied if members of the union (or unions) constitute at least 10 per cent of the workers constituting the relevant bargaining unit.
 - (6) The acceptance period is—
 - (a) the period of 10 working days starting with the day after that on which the Court receives the last relevant application, or
 - (b) such longer period (so starting) as the Court may specify to the parties by notice containing reasons for the extension.
 - (7) If the Court decides that—
 - (a) the 10 per cent test is satisfied with regard to more than one of the relevant applications, or
- (b) the 10 per cent test is satisfied with regard to none of the relevant applications,
- the Court must not accept any of the relevant applications.
- (8) If the Court decides that the 10 per cent test is satisfied with regard to one only of the relevant applications the Court—
 - (a) must proceed under paragraph 15 with regard to that application, and

- (b) must not accept any of the other relevant applications.
- (9) The Court must give notice of its decision to the parties.
- (10) If by virtue of this paragraph the Court does not accept an application, no further steps are to be taken under this Part in relation to that application.

Changes to legislation:
There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Trade Union and Labour Relations (Northern Ireland) Order 1995, Paragraph 14.