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DRAFT SCOTTISH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Cairngorms National Park Elections (Scotland) Order 2003

PART III

ISSUE AND RECEIPT OF BALLOT PAPERS

**Opening of covering envelopes**

**38.**—(1) When a ballot box has been opened, the returning officer shall count and note the number of covering envelopes, and shall then open each covering envelope separately.

(2) Where a covering envelope does not contain a ballot paper the returning officer shall mark the covering envelope “rejected”, attach to it the contents (if any) of the covering envelope and place it in a separate receptacle (referred to as “the receptacle for rejected votes”).

(3) Where the covering envelope does contain a ballot paper, the returning officer shall place it in a different receptacle from the receptacle for rejected votes.