

SCHEDULE 2

Inquiry Session Rules

Procedure at inquiry session

5.—(1) Except as otherwise provided in these Inquiry Session Rules, the procedure at the inquiry session shall be such as the appointed person determines.

(2) The appointed person is, having considered any submission by the persons entitled to appear at the inquiry session, to state at or before the commencement of the inquiry session the procedure which the appointed person proposes to adopt and in particular is to state—

- (a) the order in which the specified matters are to be considered at the inquiry session; and
- (b) the order in which the persons entitled to appear at the inquiry session are to be heard in relation to a specified matter (a different order may be chosen for different specified matters).

(3) Any person entitled to appear may do so on that person's own behalf or be represented by another person.

(4) Where there are two or more persons having a similar interest in the matter under inquiry, the appointed person may allow one or more persons to appear for the benefit of some or all persons so interested.

(5) Subject to paragraph (6), any person entitled to appear at the inquiry session is entitled to call evidence and to cross examine persons giving evidence and to make closing statements.

(6) The appointed person may refuse to permit—

- (a) the giving or production of evidence;
- (b) the cross examination of persons giving evidence; or
- (c) the presentation of any other matter,

which the appointed person considers to be irrelevant or repetitious.

(7) If any person entitled to appear at the inquiry session fails to do so, the appointed person may proceed with the inquiry session at the appointed person's discretion.

(8) The appointed person may from time to time adjourn the inquiry session and, if the date, time and place of the adjourned inquiry session are announced before the adjournment, no further notice is to be required, otherwise rule 3 shall apply as it applies to the variation of the date, time or place at which a inquiry session is to be held.