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**The Public Procurement etc. (EU Exit)  
(Scotland) (Amendment) Regulations 2020**

**PART 3**

**AMENDMENT OF SECONDARY LEGISLATION**

**CHAPTER 5**

**AMENDMENT OF OTHER SUBORDINATE LEGISLATION**

**The Utilities Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2012**

**12.**—(1) To the extent that the Utilities Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2012<sup>(1)</sup> (“the 2012 Utilities Regulations”) continue to have prospective effect, their effect is modified as follows.

(2) The 2012 Utilities Regulations have prospective effect as if—

- (a) all references in them to a “member State” continued to include the United Kingdom,
- (b) all requirements to send any notice to the Official Journal of the European Union were instead a requirement to submit the notice to the UK e-notification service for publication,
- (c) all provisions relating or referring to such a requirement, or to the publication of such a notice in that Journal, were instead references to that requirement as modified by sub-paragraph (b) and to the publication of that notice on the UK e-notification service,
- (d) regulation 7(7) (which relates to information requested by the European Commission) were omitted,
- (e) in regulation 8(3) (which provides for certain information to be sent to or for the European Commission)—

- (i) in sub-paragraph (a), the words from “5,000,000 euro” in the words before sub-paragraph (i) to “documents” at the end of sub-paragraph (xiii) read “£4,423,600, submit, within 48 days of the award, a contract award notice to the UK e-notification service for publication, containing the information referred to in regulation 68(2)(a) of the Utilities Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2016”,

- (ii) in sub-paragraph (b)—

- (aa) “400,000 euro” read “£353,890”,

- (bb) “5,000,000 euro” read “£4,423,600”,

- (cc) sub-paragraph (ii) read as follows—

- “(ii) if the Minister requests that information in relation to any such contract, forthwith send it to the Minister.”,

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<sup>(1)</sup> [S.S.I. 2012/89](#). The Regulations were revoked by [S.S.I. 2016/49](#) subject to transitional provision and saving specified in [S.S.I. 2016/49](#), regulation 111.

- (f) in regulation 12(5) (which provides for the definition of certain technical specifications), the words “and to the extent that those requirements are compatible with EU obligations” were omitted,
  - (g) in regulation 24(3)(a) (which provides for evidence of certain environmental management measures)—
    - (i) in sub-paragraph (i)—
      - (aa) sub-paragraph (aa) were omitted,
      - (bb) in sub-paragraph (bb) the words “European standard or” were omitted, and
    - (ii) in sub-paragraph (ii) for “established in any relevant State conforming to EU law or the relevant European standard or” there was substituted “meeting any”,
  - (h) regulation 30(7)(e), (8) and (9) (which relate to State aid) were omitted,
  - (i) in regulation 31(2) (which provides for determining the country of origin of goods for certain purposes), the words from “in accordance” to the end read “as it would be determined for the purposes of Part 1 of the Taxation (Cross-Border Trade) Act 2018 if the products were chargeable goods within the meaning of that Part”,
  - (j) regulation 38(2) (which provides for the provision of certain reports requested by the European Commission) were omitted,
  - (k) regulation 39(5) (which makes provision about reports for onward transmission to the European Commission) were omitted,
  - (l) in regulation 44(1) (which makes compliance with certain obligations a duty owed to economic operators), the words “any enforceable EU obligation” referred instead to “any retained EU obligation that is enforceable by virtue of section 4 of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018”.
- (3) In paragraph (2)(b), (c) and (e), “the UK e-notification service” has the meaning given by regulation 52(5) of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015.
- (4) Where—
- (a) immediately before IP completion day, a procurement has been commenced,
  - (b) on or after IP completion day, a contract is awarded or any other act is done, pursuant to that procurement, and
  - (c) that award or other act would, if it had occurred before IP completion day, have been covered by an exemption from requirements of the 2012 Utilities Regulations by virtue of any provision in those Regulations,
- that award or other act is covered by that exemption on and after IP completion day regardless of whether the terms used to define that exemption in the 2012 Utilities Regulations would otherwise have been apt to continue to achieve that effect on and after IP completion day.
- (5) Paragraph 11 of Part 4 of the schedule applies for the purposes of paragraph (4) as it applies for the purposes of that Part as if the reference to “the second commencement date” was a reference to the date on which paragraph (4) comes into force.