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The Natural Resources Body for Wales (Consequential Provision) Order 2013

PART 5

Charging schemes

Approval of charging schemes and application of sums recovered

- **20.**—(1) Section 42 of the 1995 Act(1) is amended as follows.
- (2) In subsection (3), after paragraph (b) insert—
 - '(c) in the case of licences granted by the Agency under Chapter II of Part II of the 1991 Act (abstraction and impounding), which the Natural Resources Body for Wales incurs in carrying out its functions under Part II of that Act or section 6(2A) above in the catchment areas of the rivers Dee, Wye and Severn for purposes connected with abstractions from, or impounding of, waters in England,
 - (d) in the case of licences granted by the Natural Resources Body for Wales under Chapter II of Part II of the 1991 Act (abstraction and impounding), which the Agency incurs in carrying out its functions under Part II of that Act or section 6(2) above in the catchment areas of the rivers Dee, Wye and Severn for purposes connected with abstractions from, or impounding of, waters in Wales,".
- (3) In subsection (7), after "Agency" insert "or by both of the appropriate agencies acting jointly".
- (4) After subsection (9) insert—
 - "(9A) The Agency must pay to the Natural Resources Body for Wales any sums which the Agency recovers under a charging scheme made under section 41 (other than a joint charging scheme made in accordance with section 41B) that may fairly be regarded as recovered for the purpose of meeting (in whole or in part) any costs and expenses incurred, or deemed to have been incurred, by the Body in carrying out its functions under Part II of the 1991 Act or section 6(2A) above.
 - (9B) The Natural Resources Body for Wales must pay to the Agency any sums which the Body recovers under a charging scheme made under section 41 (other than a joint charging scheme made in accordance with section 41B) that may fairly be regarded as recovered for the purpose of meeting (in whole or in part) any costs and expenses incurred by the Agency in carrying out its functions under Part II of the 1991 Act or section 6(2) above, other than costs and expenses that are deemed to have been incurred by the Body.
 - (9C) Any sums recovered by an appropriate agency by way of charges prescribed by a joint charging scheme made in accordance with section 41B must be apportioned between, and paid to, each appropriate agency in the manner specified by the scheme pursuant to section 41B(2)(b).

⁽¹⁾ Section 42 was amended by the Food Standards Act 1999 (c. 28), section 41(1) and (4), Schedule 5, paragraphs 44(1) and (2), and Schedule 6; other relevant amending instruments are S.I. 2010/675, 2012/2788, and W.S.I 2013/755 (W. 90).

- (9D) For the purposes of subsections (9A) and (9B), costs or expenses are deemed to have been incurred by the Natural Resources Body for Wales if the liability for those costs or expenses was transferred from the Agency to the Body on 1st April 2013—
 - (a) by a transfer scheme made by the Welsh Ministers under section 23 of the Public Bodies Act 2011; or
 - (b) by virtue of article 10 of, and paragraph 2 of Schedule 7 to, the Natural Resources Body for Wales (Functions) Order 2013."
- (5) After subsection (10) insert—

"(10A) Any dispute as to the apportionment or payment of sums under subsection (9A), (9B) or (9C) shall be determined by the Secretary of State and the Welsh Ministers acting jointly."