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SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 1

THE ENVIRONMENT AGENCY

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** [Sch. 1](#): transfer of functions (with effect in accordance with art. 1(3) of the amending S.I.) by [The Natural Resources Body for Wales \(Consequential Provision\) Order 2013 \(S.I. 2013/1821\)](#), arts. 1(2), 5 (with art. 24)

Members' interests

- 7 (1) A member who is in any way directly or indirectly interested in any matter that is brought up for consideration at a meeting of the Agency shall disclose the nature of his interest to the meeting; and, where such a disclosure is made—
- (a) the disclosure shall be recorded in the minutes of the meeting; and
 - (b) the member shall not take any part in any deliberation or decision of the Agency, or of any of its committees or sub-committees, with respect to that matter.
- (2) For the purposes of sub-paragraph (1) above, a general notification given at a meeting of the Agency by a member to the effect that he—
- (a) is a member of a specified company or firm, and
 - (b) is to be regarded as interested in any matter involving that company or firm,
- shall be regarded as a sufficient disclosure of his interest in relation to any such matter.
- (3) A member need not attend in person at a meeting of the Agency in order to make a disclosure which he is required to make under this paragraph if he takes reasonable steps to secure that the disclosure is made by a notice which is read and considered at the meeting.
- (4) The Secretary of State may, subject to such conditions as he considers appropriate, remove any disability imposed by virtue of this paragraph in any case where the number of members of the Agency disabled by virtue of this paragraph at any one time would be so great a proportion of the whole as to impede the transaction of business.
- (5) The power of the Secretary of State under sub-paragraph (4) above includes power to remove, either indefinitely or for any period, a disability which would otherwise attach to any member, or members of any description, by reason of such interests, and in respect of such matters, as may be specified or described by the Secretary of State.
- (6) Nothing in this paragraph precludes any member from taking part in the consideration or discussion of, or voting on, any question whether an application

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should be made to the Secretary of State for the exercise of the power conferred by sub-paragraph (4) above.

- (7) Any reference in this paragraph to a meeting of the Agency includes a reference to a meeting of any committee or sub-committee of the Agency.

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