

# Financial Services and Markets Act 2000

## **2000 CHAPTER 8**

## PART VI

## OFFICIAL LISTING

 $[^{F_1}Compensation for false or misleading statements etc^{F_1}]$ 

### 90A Compensation for statements in certain publications

- (1) The publications to which this section applies are—
  - (a) any reports and statements published in response to a requirement imposed by a provision implementing Article 4, 5 or 6 of the transparency obligations directive, and
  - (b) any preliminary statement made in advance of a report or statement to be published in response to a requirement imposed by a provision implementing Article 4 of that directive, to the extent that it contains information that it is intended—
    - (i) will appear in the report or statement, and
    - (ii) will be presented in the report or statement in substantially the same form as that in which it is presented in the preliminary statement.
- (2) The securities to which this section applies are—
  - (a) securities that are traded on a regulated market situated or operating in the United Kingdom, and
  - (b) securities that—
    - (i) are traded on a regulated market situated or operating outside the United Kingdom, and
    - (ii) are issued by an issuer for which the United Kingdom is the home Member State within the meaning of Article 2.1(i) of the transparency obligations directive.
- (3) The issuer of securities to which this section applies is liable to pay compensation to a person who has—

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- (a) acquired such securities issued by it, and
- (b) suffered loss in respect of them as a result of-
  - (i) any untrue or misleading statement in a publication to which this section applies, or
  - (ii) the omission from any such publication of any matter required to be included in it.
- (4) The issuer is so liable only if a person discharging managerial responsibilities within the issuer in relation to the publication—
  - (a) knew the statement to be untrue or misleading or was reckless as to whether it was untrue or misleading, or
  - (b) knew the omission to be dishonest concealment of a material fact.
- (5) A loss is not regarded as suffered as a result of the statement or omission in the publication unless the person suffering it acquired the relevant securities—
  - (a) in reliance on the information in the publication, and
  - (b) at a time when, and in circumstances in which, it was reasonable for him to rely on that information.
- (6) Except as mentioned in subsection (8)—
  - (a) the issuer is not subject to any other liability than that provided for by this section in respect of loss suffered as a result of reliance by any person on—
    - (i) an untrue or misleading statement in a publication to which this section applies, or
    - (ii) the omission from any such publication of any matter required to be included in it, and
  - (b) a person other than the issuer is not subject to any liability, other than to the issuer, in respect of any such loss.
- (7) Any reference in subsection (6) to a person being subject to a liability includes a reference to another person being entitled as against him to be granted any civil remedy or to rescind or repudiate an agreement.
- (8) This section does not affect—
  - (a) the powers conferred by section 382 and 384 (powers of the court to make a restitution order and of the Authority to require restitution);
  - (b) liability for a civil penalty;
  - (c) liability for a criminal offence.
- (9) For the purposes of this section—
  - (a) the following are persons "discharging managerial responsibilities" in relation to a publication—
    - (i) any director of the issuer (or person occupying the position of director, by whatever name called),
    - (ii) in the case of an issuer whose affairs are managed by its members, any member of the issuer,
    - (iii) in the case of an issuer that has no persons within sub-paragraph (i) or (ii), any senior executive of the issuer having responsibilities in relation to the publication;
  - (b) references to the acquisition by a person of securities include his contracting to acquire them or any interest in them.

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