

# Postal Services Act 2011

## **2011 CHAPTER 5**

### PART 1

#### RESTRUCTURING OF ROYAL MAIL GROUP

#### Ownership of the Post Office

## 6 Meaning of "Post Office company"

(1) In this Part "Post Office company" means a company that—

- (a) is engaged in the provision of post offices,
- (b) is or has at any time been—
  - (i) a subsidiary of the original holding company, or
  - (ii) in the same group as a company that is or (as the case may be) was at that time designated under this section, and
- (c) is designated for the purposes of this subsection by order made by the Secretary of State.
- (2) A company may be designated only if, immediately before it is designated, it is wholly owned by the Crown.
- (3) An order under subsection (1) may not be amended or revoked.
- (4) An order under section 93 that appoints a day for the commencement of section 1 (removal of restrictions on ownership of Royal Mail Holdings plc etc) may not be made unless Post Office Limited (registered number 02154540) has been designated under subsection (1).