STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Environmental Noise (England) Regulations 2006

PART 6

ADOPTION OF STRATEGIC NOISE MAPS AND ACTION PLANS

Adoption of strategic noise maps

- 23.—(1) If the Secretary of State considers that a strategic noise map—
 - (a) submitted to him pursuant to regulation 11 or 12;
 - (b) submitted to him pursuant to paragraph (4); or
 - (c) made or revised by him,

meets the requirements of regulation 4, he must adopt the map.

- (2) If the Secretary of State considers that a strategic noise map submitted to him pursuant to regulation 11 or 12 or paragraph (4) does not meet the requirements of regulation 4 he may—
 - (a) amend and adopt the map; or
 - (b) reject the map.
- (3) If a strategic noise map is rejected pursuant to paragraph (2)(b) the Secretary of State must notify the competent authority that submitted it of—
 - (a) the reasons why the map was not adopted; and
 - (b) the date by which the map must be revised and resubmitted.
- (4) The recipient of a notification under paragraph (3) must submit the revised strategic noise map to the Secretary of State by the date specified in the notification.
- (5) Paragraphs (1) to (4) apply to a revised strategic noise map as they apply to a strategic noise map submitted pursuant to regulation 11 or 12.
 - (6) If the Secretary of State amends—
 - (a) a strategic noise map; or
 - (b) a revised strategic noise map,

he must take such steps as he considers appropriate for ensuring that the map complies with the requirements of regulation 4.