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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2015 No. 1947**

**The Renewables Obligation Order 2015**

**PART 10**

Functions of the Authority

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**86.**—(1) In addition to the functions assigned to it elsewhere in this Order, the Authority must carry out the following specific functions—

- (a) keeping, maintaining and making available to the public a list of generating stations granted preliminary accreditation in accordance with article 88 (or article 58 of the 2009 Order) and accreditation in accordance with article 89 (or article 58ZZA of the 2009 Order), together with any applicable conditions attached to the preliminary accreditation or accreditation;
- (b) keeping and maintaining a list of ROCs which have been revoked and making such list available to the public;
- (c) calculating and publishing before the start of each obligation period the sum which corresponds to a ROC for that period by virtue of article 67(4);
- (d) calculating and publishing before the start of each obligation period the amount which is the mutualisation cap for that period by virtue of article 73(5);
- [<sup>F1</sup>(da) calculating and publishing the mutualisation threshold (referred to in article 72(4)) for each obligation period—
  - (i) in the case of the obligation period beginning on 1st April 2021, as soon as reasonably practicable after the date on which the Renewables Obligation (Amendment) Order 2021 comes into force;
  - (ii) in the case of any subsequent obligation period, before the start of that obligation period;]
- (e) publishing from time to time during an obligation period the total ROC claim for that period;
- (f) by the 1st April each year publishing a report in relation to the obligation period ending with the 31st March in the previous calendar year (“the relevant period”), such report to include details (or, in the case of paragraph (ix), a summary) of—
  - (i) the compliance of each designated electricity supplier with its renewables obligation, for the relevant period, including the extent to which that obligation was met by the production of UK ROCs under article 7(2), payments made under article 67 or the production of Northern Ireland certificates under article 14(1), or was treated as met by payments made under article 68;
  - (ii) the sums received by each UK supplier under article 71 in relation to the relevant period;

- (iii) the number of ROCs issued by the Authority, the number of ROCs accepted by it under article 7(2), and the number of ROCs issued by it but not yet deleted from the Register in relation to the relevant period;
  - (iv) the number of ROCs issued by the Authority in relation to the relevant period categorized by reference to the way in which the electricity in respect of which the ROCs were issued was generated;
  - (v) any notices published by the Authority under article 74(2) in relation to the relevant period;
  - (vi) any payments made to the Authority in accordance with article 74(5), during or in relation to the relevant period;
  - (vii) the sums received by each compliant UK supplier under article 77, during or in relation to the relevant period;
  - (viii) any recalculations carried out by the Authority in accordance with article 75(5), during or in relation to the relevant period;
  - (ix) the outcome of any enquiries or investigations conducted by the Authority pursuant to sub-paragraph (g) in relation to the relevant period; and
  - (x) any other matters which the Authority considers relevant in relation to the relevant period;
- (g) monitoring compliance with this Order by designated electricity suppliers and operators of generating stations (including compliance by operators of generating stations with any conditions attached to their accreditation), where such monitoring may include conducting enquiries or investigations into—
- (i) the amount of electricity generated from renewable sources by accredited generating stations;
  - (ii) the amount of such electricity supplied to customers in Great Britain;
  - (iii) the transfer and holding of ROCs (including the transfer and holding of ROCs issued to agents by virtue of article 19);
  - (iv) the effect of such matters on the making and allocation of payments under articles 67, 68, 71, 74, 76 and 77; and
  - (v) the effect of the renewables obligation on the activities and operations of designated electricity suppliers and operators of generating stations;
- (h) publishing at its discretion reports of enquiries or investigations conducted by the Authority pursuant to sub-paragraph (g); and
- (i) the provision of such information to the Northern Ireland authority as the Authority considers may be relevant to the exercise of the Northern Ireland authority's functions under any NIRO Order.
- (2) The Authority must, as soon as reasonably practicable after each obligation period, forward to the Secretary of State a summary of the information submitted to it during that period by the operators of generating stations for the purpose of demonstrating that bioliquid meets the greenhouse gas criteria and the land criteria.
- (3) In this article—
- “compliant UK supplier” and “UK supplier” have the same meanings as in Part 8; and
  - “total ROC claim” means the total number of ROCs which have been claimed in respect of an obligation period, less—
- (a) the number of ROCs which have been issued in respect of that obligation period, and

- (b) the number of ROCs which the Authority has, in respect of that obligation period, decided not to issue or refused to issue under article 24.

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**Textual Amendments**

- F1** Art. 86(1)(da) inserted (31.3.2021) by [The Renewables Obligation \(Amendment\) Order 2021 \(S.I. 2021/415\)](#), arts. 1(1), **4(2)**

**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Renewables Obligation Order 2015, Section 86.