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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2016 No. 912**

**The Energy (Transfer of Functions, Consequential Amendments and Revocation) Regulations 2016**

**Petroleum Licensing (Applications) Regulations 2015**

- 25.**—(1) The Petroleum Licensing (Applications) Regulations 2015(1) are amended as follows.
- (2) In regulation 2 (interpretation)—
- (a) in the definition of “application notice”, for “Secretary of State” substitute “OGA”;
  - (b) in the definition of “block”, for “Department of Energy and Climate Change” substitute “OGA”;
  - (c) after the definition of “model clauses” insert—  
    ““the OGA” means the Oil and Gas Authority;”.
- (3) In regulation 4 (applications for licences: general)—
- (a) in paragraph (2)(a), omit “by the Department of Energy and Climate Change”;
  - (b) in paragraph 2(d), for “regulation 7” substitute “the Oil and Gas Authority (Fees) Regulations 2016(2)”.
  - (c) in paragraph (6), for “Secretary of State” (in both places) substitute “OGA”;
  - (d) in paragraph (8), for “Secretary of State” substitute “OGA”.
- (4) In regulation 5(6) (applications for a petroleum exploration and development licence or a seaward area production licence), for “Secretary of State” (in both places) substitute “OGA”.
- (5) Omit regulation 7 (fees).
- (6) In regulation 8 (form of licences), for “Secretary of State” substitute “OGA”.
- (7) After regulation 8, insert—

**“Review**

- 9.**—(1) The Secretary of State must from time to time—
- (a) carry out a review of these Regulations;
  - (b) set out the conclusions of the review in a report; and
  - (c) publish the report.
- (2) The report must in particular—
- (a) set out the objectives intended to be achieved by these Regulations;
  - (b) assess the extent to which those objectives are achieved;
  - (c) assess whether those objectives remain appropriate and, if so, the extent to which they could be achieved in a less burdensome way.

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(3) The first report under this regulation must be published before the end of the period of five years beginning with the day on which this regulation comes into force.

(4) Subsequent reports under this regulation must be published at intervals not exceeding five years.”.

(8) In paragraph 6 of Schedule 2 (information and supporting documentation required for an application for a petroleum exploration and development licence or a seaward area production licence), for “Secretary of State” substitute “OGA”.

(9) In paragraph 2 of Schedule 3 (additional information and supporting documentation required for an application for a seaward area production licence), for “Secretary of State” substitute “OGA”.