STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Conservation of Offshore Marine Habitats and Species Regulations 2017

PART 1

INTRODUCTORY PROVISIONS

Meaning of "competent authority"

- **5.**—(1) In these Regulations, "competent authority" means—
 - (a) a Minister of the Crown, government department, public or statutory undertaker, or public body of any description or person holding a public office;
 - (b) the Scottish Ministers;
 - (c) the Welsh Ministers;
 - (d) any Northern Ireland department; and
 - (e) any person exercising any function of a person or body referred to in sub-paragraphs (a) to (d).
- (2) In paragraph (1)(a), "public office" means—
 - (a) an office under Her Majesty;
 - (b) an office created or continued in existence by a public general Act of Parliament; or
 - (c) an office the remuneration in respect of which is paid out of public funds.