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# The Water Supply (Water Quality) Regulations 2001 (Amendment) Regulations 2007.

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# Message

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No abre el plazo - Nezahajuje odklady - Fristerne indledes ikke - Kein Fristbeginn - Viivituste perioodi ei avata - ?a??? p???es?a? - Does not open the delays - N'ouvre pas de dlais - Non fa decorrere la mora - Neietekme atlikanu - Atidejimai nepradedami - Nem nyitja meg a ksseket - Ma jiftahx il-perijodi ta dawmien - Geen termijnbegin - Nie otwiera opznien - Nao inicia o prazo - Neotvor oneskorenia - Ne uvaja zamud - Mraika ei ala tst - Inleder ingen frist - ?? ?? ????????? ?? ????????? - Nu deschide perioadele de stagnare.

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#### 1. Structured Information Line

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#### 2. Member State

United Kingdom

## 3. Department Responsible

Department of Trade and Industry: Office of Science and Innovation

#### 3. Originating Department

The Welsh Assembly Government, Department for Environment, Planning and Countryside (The Drinking Water Inspectorate).

## 4. Notification Number

2007/0055/UK - C70A

#### 5. Title

The Water Supply (Water Quality) Regulations 2001 (Amendment) Regulations 2007.

#### 6. Products Concerned

Chemicals and construction products used in contact with, or in the treatment of, water intended for drinking, washing, cooking and food production purposes.

### 7. Notification Under Another Act

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#### 8. Main Content

The Regulations amend the Water Supply (Water Quality) Regulations 2001 ("the principal Regulations"), which apply broadly in Wales.

Paragraph (20) of regulation 2 of the draft amending Regulations substitutes regulation 31 of the principal Regulations, which includes a new charging provision in paragraph (13) for handling applications for regulation 31 approvals.

Regulation 31 of the principal Regulations allows the Drinking Water Inspectorate (acting on behalf of the National Assembly for Wales) to approve substances and products used in the provision of public water supplies in Wales. Approval may be given in response to an application under regulation 31(5). A list of the approved substances and products is published at least once each year under regulation 31(12).

Regulation 31(3) of the principal Regulations recognises equivalent EEA measures and paragraph (3) of substituted regulation 31 makes the same provision.

The UK will fulfil its obligation under Article 12 of Directive 98/34/EC when these Regulations are officially published.

## 9. Brief Statement of Grounds

Regulation 31 is intended to ensure that water companies do not use substances or products that will adversely affect the quality of drinking water or cause a risk to the health of consumers. The substituted regulation 31 includes a new provision in paragraph (13) to enable the Drinking Water Inspectorate (acting on behalf of the National Assembly for Wales) Secretary of State to make a reasonable charge to meet administration costs of handling applications for approval. Regulation 31 is otherwise unaffected.

#### 10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

- a) The principal Regulations, as amended, can be found in:
- i) The Water Supply (Water Quality) Regulations 2001 (also available at http://www.opsi.gov.uk/legislation/wales/wsi2001/20013911e.htm).
- ii) The Water Act 2003 (Consequential and Supplementary Provisions) Regulations 2005 (also available at http://www.opsi.gov.uk/si/si2005/20052035.htm).

## 11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure

No
12. Grounds for the Emergency
13. Confidentiality No
14. Fiscal measures No
15. Impact assessment Information on the impact assessment can be found in Annex A to the consultation document (pages 29 to 50) (also available at http://www.defra.gov.uk/corporate/consult/waterregs-amend/consultation.pdf).
16. TBT and SPS aspects TBT Aspect No The draft does not have a significant effect on international trade.
SPS Aspect No The draft does not have a significant effect on international trade.
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