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ATOMIC ENERGY AND RADIOACTIVE SUBSTANCES

The National Radiological Protection Board (Extension of Functions) Order 1974

Laid before Parliament in draft

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Whereas a draft of the following regulations was laid before Parliament and approved by resolution of each House of Parliament:

Now, therefore, the Secretary of State for Social Services, in exercise of the powers conferred on her by section 1(6)(*a*) of the Radiological Protection Act 1970(**a**), and of all other powers enabling her in that behalf, after consultation with the United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority and the Medical Research Council, hereby makes the following Order: —

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the National Radiological Protection Board (Extension of Functions) Order 1974 and shall come into operation on 1st August 1974.

Interpretation

2.—(1) In this Order, unless the context otherwise requires:—

"the Act" means the Radiological Protection Act 1970;

"Board" means the National Radiological Protection Board.

(2) The rules for the construction of an Act of Parliament contained in the Interpretation Act 1889(**b**) shall apply for the purposes of the interpretation of this Order as they apply for the purposes of the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

Extension of functions of the Board

3. There is conferred upon the Board a new function for purposes connected with the protection of mankind from the dangers of radiation which is electro-magnetic but not ionising, namely, that the Board's existing functions (mentioned in section 1(1) and (2) of the Act) shall be exercised in respect of dangers of radiation which is electro-magnetic but not ionising.

(**a**) 1970 c. 46. (**b**) 1889 c. 63.

Barbara Castle,
Secretary of State for Social Services.

22nd July 1974.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

This Order extends the function and powers of the National Radiological Protection Board under section 1 of the Radiological Protection Act 1970 (advancing and acquisition of knowledge, provision of information, advice and technical services and making charges for information and advice in respect of radiation hazards) to include radiation which is electro-magnetic but not ionising.

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