STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1999 No. 931

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

The United Kingdom Ecolabelling Board (Abolition) Regulations 1999

Made - - - -	*22nd March 1999*
Laid before Parliament	*29th March 1999*
Coming into force	*19th April 1999*

The Secretary of State, being a Minister designated**(a)** for the purposes of subsection (2) of section 2 of the European Communities Act 1972**(b)** in relation to the operation of a Community eco-label award scheme, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by that subsection and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the United Kingdom Ecolabelling Board (Abolition) Regulations 1999 and shall come into force on 19th April 1999.

Interpretation

2. In these Regulations "the Board" means the body corporate established by regulation 2(1) of the United Kingdom Ecolabelling Board Regulations 1992**(c)**.

Abolition of the Board

3. The Board is hereby abolished.

Designation of the Secretary of State as competent body

4. The Secretary of State shall be the body in the United Kingdom responsible for carrying out the tasks of the competent body provided for in Council Regulation (EEC) No. 880/92**(d)**.

Transfer of property, rights and liabilities

5. All the property, rights and liabilities to which the Board is entitled or subject immediately before the date on which these Regulations come into force are transferred on that date to the Secretary of State for the Environment, Transport and the Regions.

(a) S.I. 1992/1711.
(b) 1972 c. 68.
(c) S.I. 1992/2383.
(d) OJ No. L99, 11.4.92, p. 1.

Provision for continuity in exercise of functions

6. Anything duly done by, or any request or decision duly made by, the Board is deemed to have been duly done by, or made by, the Secretary of State.

Investigation of complaints by Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration

7.—(1) In Schedule 2 to the Parliamentary Commissioner Act 1967**(a)** (departments and authorities subject to investigation) the entry "United Kingdom Ecolabelling Board" is omitted.

(2) Notwithstanding the abolition of the Board, a complaint in relation to the Board may be made or investigated under the Parliamentary Commissioner Act 1967 as if the complaint had been made in relation to the Department of the Environment, Transport and the Regions.

Superannuation Act 1972

8. In Schedule 1 to the Superannuation Act 1972**(b)** (bodies whose employees etc. may be covered by superannuation schemes), under the heading "Other bodies" the entry "United Kingdom Ecolabelling Board" is omitted.

Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988

9. In section 507(1) of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988**(c)** (bodies entitled to exemption from tax corresponding to certain charities), paragraph (e) (the United Kingdom Ecolabelling Board) is omitted.

Revocation of the United Kingdom Ecolabelling Board Regulations 1992

10. The United Kingdom Ecolabelling Board Regulations 1992 are hereby revoked.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for
the Environment, Transport and the Regions

Michael Meacher
Minister of State,
Department of the Environment,
Transport and the Regions

22nd March 1999

(a) 1967 c. 13. The relevant amending instrument is S.I. 1992/2383.
(b) 1972 c. 11. The relevant amending instrument is S.I. 1992/2383.
(c) 1988 c. 1. Section 507 was amended by section 60(1) of the Finance Act 1989 (c. 26), section 11(2) of, and Schedule 8 to, the Museums and Galleries Act 1992 (c. 44) and section 24(1) of the National Lottery Act 1998 (c. 22). Relevant amending instruments are S.I. 1992/2383 and 1997/2971.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations abolish the United Kingdom Ecolabelling Board, which was the competent body for the United Kingdom for the purposes of Council Regulation (EEC) No. 880/92 of 23rd March 1992 on a Community eco-label award scheme, and therefore responsible in the United Kingdom for the award of labels to products which have a reduced environmental impact during their entire life cycle. Under these Regulations, the Secretary of State replaces the Board as the competent body and other consequential provision is made. The United Kingdom Ecolabelling Board Regulations 1992 are revoked.

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