

Direction

Climate Change Adaptation Report by (name of organisation) Direction 2010

The Secretary of State has been conferred powers by section 62(1) of the Climate Change Act 2008 to direct certain persons or bodies known as “reporting authorities”¹ to give reports about adaptation to climate change.

He makes the following Direction to (name of organisation) under the powers conferred by that section:

Citation and Commencement

1. This Direction may be cited as the Climate Change Adaptation Report by (name of organisation) Direction 2010. It comes into immediate effect.

Interpretation

2. -In this Direction-
“the reporting authority” means (name of organisation)

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3. The reporting authority must prepare and send to the Secretary of State a report containing:
 - (a) an assessment of the current and predicted impact of climate change in relation to the reporting authority’s functions;
 - (b) a statement of the reporting authority’s proposals and policies for adapting to climate change in the exercise of its functions and the time-scales for introducing those proposals and policies.
4. The assessment of impact referred to in paragraph 3(a) must include:
 - (a) a summary of the statutory and other functions of the reporting authority;
 - (b) the methodology used to assess the current and predicted impacts of climate change in relation to those functions; and
 - (c) the findings of the assessment of the current and predicted impact of climate change in relation to those functions.

¹ See the definition of “reporting authority” in section 70 of the Act.

5. This report must be prepared by (deadlines for the reports range between September 2010 and October 2011).

Representations as to information that should not be published.

6. The reporting authority must, in its report, make representations as to any information in its report which it considers should not be published. Representations must demonstrate that this information is information that the Secretary of State is not obliged to publish on the basis that it meets one of the exemptions in section 63 (7) of the Climate Change Act 2008, namely:
 - (a) that it is information which the Secretary of State could refuse to disclose in response to a request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, or the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 (SI 2004/3391) or any regulations replacing those regulations; or
 - (b) that it is information whose disclosure is prohibited by any enactment.

Signed by Authority of the Secretary of State,

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