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WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2001 No. 2222 (W. 160)**

**RATING AND VALUATION, WALES**

**The Central Rating List (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2001**

*Made* - - - - *14th June 2001*

*Coming into force* - - *1st August 2001*

The National Assembly for Wales makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers given to the Secretary of State by sections 53(1), (2), and (4), 64(3) and 65(4) of the Local Government Finance Act 1988(1), which are now vested in the National Assembly for Wales so far as exercisable in Wales(2).

**Name, application and commencement**

1. The name of these Regulations, which apply to Wales only, is the Central Rating List (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2001 and they shall come into force on 1st August 2001.

**Amendment to the 1999 Regulations**

2.—(1) The Central Rating List (Wales) Regulations 1999(3) are amended as follows.

(2) After Regulation 5 insert—

**“Independent Gas Transporters**

5A.—(1) Hereditaments (other than excepted hereditaments) which are occupied, or if unoccupied are owned, by a person designated by being named in Part 3A of the Schedule and are used, or if they were occupied would be used, wholly or mainly for the purposes of that person acting as a public gas transporter and which would, apart from this Regulation, constitute more than one hereditament shall be treated as a single hereditament.

(2) In paragraph (1)—

(a) “excepted hereditament” means a hereditament consisting of or comprising premises used wholly or mainly as office premises where those premises are not situated on operational land of the designated person; and

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(1) 1988 c. 41; section 53 is amended by paragraph 29 of Schedule 5 to the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 (c. 42). See section 146(6) of the 1988 Act for the definition of “prescribed”.  
(2) See the National Assembly for Wales (Transfer of Functions) Order 1999 (S.I.1999/672).  
(3) S.I. 1999/3453.

(b) “public gas transporter” has the same meaning as in Part I of the Gas Act 1986 (4)

(3) The hereditament described in paragraph (1) shall be treated as occupied by the designated person.”

(3) In the Schedule, after Part 3, insert—

### **“Part 3A**

#### **Independent Gas Transporters**

*Designated person*

British Gas Connections Limited

TotalFinaElf Pipelines Limited

The Gas Transportation Company Limited

SSE Pipelines Limited

ScottishPower Gas Limited

East Midlands Pipelines Limited

GTC Pipelines Limited

Energi Link Limited

Hyder Gas Networks Limited

E.S. Pipelines Limited

*Relevant hereditaments*

Hereditaments described in Regulation 5A.”.

Signed on behalf of the National Assembly for Wales under section 66(1) of the Government of Wales Act 1998(5).

14th July 2001

*D. Elis-Thomas*  
The Presiding Officer of the National Assembly

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(4) 1986 c. 44. Section 7, in which the definition appears, was inserted by section 5 of the Gas Act 1995 (c. 45).

(5) 1998 c. 38.

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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note does not form part of the Regulations)*

With a view to securing the central rating *en bloc* of certain hereditaments, regulations may be made under section 53(1) of the Local Government Finance Act 1988 which designate a person and prescribe in relation to that person one or more descriptions of non-domestic hereditament.

The principal Regulations made under this power are the Central Rating List (Wales) Regulations 1999 which have effect with respect to any central rating list for Wales compiled on or after 1st April 2000.

These Regulations amend the principal Regulations by designating a group of gas transporting companies and providing that the prescribed hereditaments which each of them uses for the purposes of acting as a public gas transporter are rated as a single hereditament.