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SCOTTISH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2007 No. 560**

**The Inquiries (Scotland) Rules 2007**

*Awards*

**Assessment of award by the solicitor to the inquiry**

**21.**—(1) The solicitor to the inquiry must make an initial assessment of the amount of the award within 21 days of the referral by the chairman.

(2) Where the solicitor to the inquiry assesses that the full amount applied for by the applicant should be paid, the initial assessment of the amount of the award is also the final assessment of the amount of the award.

(3) If the applicant disagrees with the initial assessment of the amount of the award, or a part of it, the applicant must notify the solicitor to the inquiry of this in writing as soon as reasonably practicable and, in any event, within 21 days of the date on which the initial assessment of the amount of the award is sent to the applicant in accordance with paragraph (5).

(4) Where the applicant has not responded within 21 days of the initial assessment of the amount of the award being sent to the applicant, the solicitor to the inquiry must make the final assessment of the amount of the award.

(5) An initial or final assessment of the amount of the award made by the solicitor to the inquiry must be in writing and sent—

- (a) to the applicant; and
- (b) where the applicant has a legal representative, that legal representative.