### SCOTTISH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

## 2011 No. 24

# The Storage of Carbon Dioxide (Licensing etc.) (Scotland) Regulations 2011

Closure of storage site and post-closure period

### Post-closure plan

- **12.**—(1) Before applying for a storage permit, the licence holder must draw up a proposed provisional post-closure plan that is—
  - (a) based on best practice; and
  - (b) in accordance with Annex II to the Directive.
  - (2) Before granting a storage permit, the authority must—
    - (a) approve that proposed plan, or
    - (b) require the operator to make such modifications to it as the authority (after consulting the operator) considers necessary,

and the provisional post-closure plan is the plan as so approved or modified.

- (3) The authority may—
  - (a) approve a proposed post-closure plan submitted to it for approval in accordance with provisions in the licence included by virtue of regulation 5 and paragraph 3(1) of Schedule 1; or
  - (b) require the operator to make such modifications to it as the authority (after consulting the operator) considers necessary,

and the post-closure plan is the plan as so approved or modified.

(4) Where the authority is deemed to be the operator in accordance with regulation 11(4), the post-closure plan is the provisional post-closure plan with such modifications as the authority considers necessary.

### Post-closure obligations

- **13.**—(1) This regulation applies after the storage site has been closed and until the licence is terminated.
  - (2) The operator must continue to—
    - (a) monitor the site in accordance with the provisions in the storage permit included by virtue of regulation 8(d) and paragraph 2 of Schedule 2;
    - (b) comply with its reporting and notification obligations in accordance with the provisions in the storage permit included by virtue of regulation 8(d) and paragraph 3 of Schedule 2 (with the exception of the obligation in the provision included by virtue of subparagraph (5)(b)); and
    - (c) comply with its obligations to take corrective measures in accordance with the provisions in the storage permit included by virtue of regulation 8(d) and paragraph 6 of Schedule 2.

- (3) For those purposes any reference to the monitoring plan or the corrective measures plan is to be read as a reference to the post-closure plan.
- (4) The operator must seal the storage site and remove the injection facilities in accordance with its obligations under Part 4 of the Petroleum Act 1998.
  - (5) The closure of the storage site is without prejudice to the obligations of the operator—
    - (a) under legislation implementing Articles 5 to 8 of the Environmental Liability Directive; and
    - (b) relating to the surrender of allowances under the ETS Directive.