

SCHEDULES

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Section 36.

THE URBAN REGENERATION AGENCY: TRANSFER SCHEMES

Definitions

- 1 In this Schedule—
- “the Agency” means the Urban Regeneration Agency, and
“transfer scheme” means a scheme under section 36(1).

Making and approval of transfer scheme

- 2 (1) Where the Agency is required to make a transfer scheme, it shall submit the scheme to the Secretary of State for his approval before such date as he may direct.
- (2) A transfer scheme shall not take effect unless approved by the Secretary of State.
- (3) The Secretary of State may, after consultation with the regional development agencies, approve a transfer scheme submitted to him by the Agency either with or without modifications.
- 3 (1) The Secretary of State may, after consultation with the regional development agencies, make a transfer scheme himself if—
- (a) he decides not to approve (with or without modifications) a scheme submitted to him before the date specified in relation to it under paragraph 2(1), or
- (b) no scheme is submitted to him for approval before that date.
- (2) Nothing in sub-paragraph (1) shall prevent the Secretary of State from approving a scheme submitted to him after the date specified in relation to it under paragraph 2(1).
- (3) A scheme made by the Secretary of State under sub-paragraph (1) shall be treated for all purposes as having been made by the Agency and approved by him.

Contents of scheme

- 4 (1) The property, rights and liabilities which may be transferred by a transfer scheme include property, rights and liabilities that would not otherwise be capable of being transferred or assigned.
- (2) The transfers authorised by sub-paragraph (1) include transfers which are to take effect as if there were no such contravention, liability or interference with any interest or right as there would otherwise be by reason of any provision having effect (whether under any enactment or agreement or otherwise) in relation to the terms on which the transferor is entitled to the property or right, or subject to the liability, in question.

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- 5 A transfer scheme may define the property, rights and liabilities to be allocated to a regional development agency by specifying or describing them or by referring to all the property, rights and liabilities comprised in a specified part of the undertaking of the Agency (or partly in one way and partly in the other).
- 6 A transfer scheme may also contain provision—
- (a) for the creation, in relation to property which the scheme transfers, of an interest in or right over the property in favour of the Agency;
 - (b) for the creation in favour of a regional development agency of—
 - (i) an interest in or right over property retained by the Agency, or
 - (ii) an interest in or right over property which the scheme transfers to another regional development agency;
 - (c) for the creation of any rights or liabilities as between two or more of the regional development agencies, or as between one or more of them and the Agency;
 - (d) for any rights or liabilities specified or described in the scheme to be, or to be to any extent, enforceable by or against two or more of the regional development agencies, or by or against one or more of them and the Agency;
 - (e) for imposing on any two or more of the regional development agencies, or on one or more of them and the Agency, an obligation to enter into written agreements with, or execute other instruments in favour of, each other.
- 7 A transfer scheme may make such supplemental, incidental and consequential provision as the Agency considers appropriate.

Effect of scheme

- 8 On the date appointed by a transfer scheme, the property, rights and liabilities which are the subject of the scheme shall, by virtue of this paragraph, be transferred in accordance with the provisions of the scheme.

Effect of transfer by scheme of contracts of employment

- 9 (1) This paragraph applies where rights and liabilities under a contract of employment are transferred by a transfer scheme.
- (2) Anything done by or in relation to the Agency in respect of the employee before the day of the transfer shall be treated on and after that day as done by or in relation to the transferee.
- (3) For the purposes of Part XI of the Employment Rights Act 1996 (redundancy payments etc.), the employee shall not be regarded as having been dismissed by virtue of the transfer.
- (4) For the purposes of that Act, the employee's period of employment with the transferor shall count as a period of employment with the transferee, and the change of employment shall not break the continuity of the period of employment.

Modification of scheme

- 10 (1) If at any time after a transfer scheme has come into force the Secretary of State considers it appropriate to do so, having consulted any regional development agency which may be affected, he may by order provide that the scheme shall for all purposes

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be deemed to have come into force with such modifications, other than modifications relating to the transfer of rights and liabilities under a contract of employment, as may be specified in the order.

- (2) An order under sub-paragraph (1) may make, with effect from the coming into force of the scheme, such provision as could have been made by the scheme, and in connection with giving effect to that provision from that time may contain such supplemental, consequential and transitional provision as the Secretary of State considers appropriate.
- (3) The power to make an order under sub-paragraph (1) shall be exercisable by statutory instrument which shall be subject to annulment in pursuance of a resolution of either House of Parliament.

Provision of information to Secretary of State

- 11 The Agency and the regional development agencies shall provide the Secretary of State with all such information and other assistance as he may reasonably require for the purposes of or in connection with the exercise of any of the powers conferred on him by this Schedule.