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PART I

BEST VALUE

Audit of best value performance plans

9 Response to audit

- (1) A best value authority shall publish any report received in accordance with section 7(5)
 - (a).
- (2) The following subsections apply where a best value authority receives a report under subsection (4) of section 7 which contains a recommendation under any of paragraphs (c) to (f) of that subsection.
- (3) The authority shall prepare a statement of—
 - (a) any action which it proposes to take as a result of the report, and
 - (b) its proposed timetable.
- (4) A statement required by subsection (3) shall be prepared—
 - (a) before the end of the period of 30 working days starting with the day on which the authority receives the report, or
 - (b) if the report specifies a shorter period starting with that day, before the end of that period.
- (5) The authority shall incorporate the statement in its next best value performance plan.
- (6) If the statement relates to a report which recommends that the Secretary of State give a direction under section 15, the authority shall send a copy of the statement to the Secretary of State—
 - (a) before the end of the period of 30 working days starting with the day on which the authority receives the report, or

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- (b) if the report specifies a shorter period starting with that day, before the end of that period.
- (7) For the purposes of this section a working day is a day other than—
- (a) a Saturday or a Sunday,
 - (b) Christmas Day or Good Friday, or
 - (c) a day which is a bank holiday under the Banking and Financial Dealings Act 1971 in England and Wales.