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## SCHEDULES

### SCHEDULE 3

#### THE OFFICE FOR ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION: NORTHERN IRELAND

##### PART 1

###### THE OEP'S NORTHERN IRELAND FUNCTIONS

###### *Duty of the OEP to involve the relevant department*

- 14 (1) Where the recipient of an information notice or a decision notice is not a Northern Ireland department, the OEP must—
- (a) provide the relevant department with—
    - (i) a copy of the notice, and
    - (ii) a copy of any correspondence between the OEP and the recipient of the notice that relates to the notice (apart from correspondence sent by virtue of paragraph (b)), and
  - (b) provide the recipient of the notice with a copy of any correspondence between the OEP and the relevant department that relates to the notice (apart from correspondence sent by virtue of paragraph (a)).
- (2) The obligation to provide a copy of any notice or correspondence under subparagraph (1) does not apply where the OEP considers that in the circumstances it would not be in the public interest to do so.
- (3) Where the OEP makes a review application, or an application for judicial review by virtue of paragraph 13(1), in which the relevant department is not a party, it must provide the relevant department with—
- (a) a copy of the application, and
  - (b) a statement of whether the OEP considers the relevant department should participate in the review (for example, by applying to be a party).

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#### Commencement Information

- 11** Sch. 3 para. 14 not in force at Royal Assent, see [s. 147\(6\)\(7\)](#)  
**12** Sch. 3 para. 14 in force at 28.2.2022 by [S.R. 2022/54](#), [art. 2\(1\)\(a\)](#)

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