#### STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

# 2003 No. 1993

## TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT

# The Public Interest Disclosure (Prescribed Persons) (Amendment) Order 2003

Made - - - - Ist August 2003
Laid before Parliament 6th August 2003
Coming into force - - Ist October 2003

The Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred on her by section 43F of the Employment Rights Act 1996(1), hereby makes the following Order:

#### Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Public Interest Disclosure (Prescribed Persons) (Amendment) Order 2003 and shall come into force on 1st October 2003.

#### Amendment

**2.** For the Schedule to the Public Interest Disclosure (Prescribed Persons) Order 1999(**2**) there shall be substituted the Schedule to this Order.

Sainsbury of Turville,
Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for
Science and Innovation,
Department of Trade and Industry

1st August 2003

<sup>(1) 1996 (</sup>c. 18). Section 43F was inserted by the Public Interest Disclosure Act 1998 (c. 23), section 1.

<sup>(2)</sup> S.I.1999/1549.

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## SCHEDULE

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Persons and descriptions of people	Descriptions of matters
Accounts Commission for Scotland and auditors appointed by the Commission to audit the accounts of local government bodies.	The proper conduct of public business, value for money, fraud and corruption in local government bodies.
Audit Commission for England and Wales and auditors appointed by the Commission to audit the accounts of local government, and health service, bodies.	The proper conduct of public business, value for money, fraud and corruption in local government, and health service, bodies.
Certification Officer.	Fraud, and other irregularities, relating to the financial affairs of trade unions and employers' associations.
Charity Commissioners for England and Wales.	The proper administration of charities and of funds given or held for charitable purposes.
The Scottish Ministers.	The proper administration of charities and of funds given or held for charitable purposes.
Chief Executive of the Criminal Cases Review Commission.	Actual or potential miscarriages of justice.
Chief Executive of the Scottish Criminal Cases Review Commission.	Actual or potential miscarriages of justice.
Civil Aviation Authority.	Compliance with the requirements of civil aviation legislation, including aviation safety.
The competent authority under Part IV of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000.(3)	The listing of securities on a stock exchange; prospectuses on offers of transferable securities to the public.
Commissioners of Customs and Excise.	Value added tax, insurance premium tax, excise duties and landfill tax.
	The import and export of prohibited or restricted goods.
Commissioners of the Inland Revenue.	Income tax, corporation tax, capital gains tax, petroleum revenue tax, inheritance tax, stamp duties, national insurance contributions, statutory maternity pay, statutory sick pay, tax credits, child benefits, collection of student loans and the enforcement of the national minimum wage.
Comptroller and Auditor General of the National Audit Office.	The proper conduct of public business, value for money, fraud and corruption in relation to the provision of centrally-funded public services.

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Auditor General for Wales.	The proper conduct of public business, value for money, fraud and corruption in relation to the provision of public services.
Auditor General for Scotland and persons appointed by or on his behalf under the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000(4) to act as auditors or examiners for the purposes of sections 21 to 24 of that Act.	The proper conduct of public business, value for money, fraud and corruption in relation to the provision of public services.
Audit Scotland.	The proper conduct of public business, value for money, fraud and corruption in public bodies.
Director General of Electricity Supply.	The generation, transmission, distribution and supply of electricity, and activities ancillary to these matters.
Director General of Gas Supply.	The transportation, shipping and supply of gas through pipes, and activities ancillary to these matters.
Director General of Telecommunications.	The provision and use of telecommunications systems, services and apparatus.
Director General of Water Services.	The supply of water and the provision of sewerage services.
Water Industry Commissioner for Scotland.	The supply of water and the provision of sewerage services.
Director of the Serious Fraud Office.	Serious or complex fraud.
Lord Advocate, Scotland.	Serious or complex fraud.
Environment Agency.	Acts or omissions which have an actual or potential effect on the environment or the management or regulation of the environment, including those relating to pollution, abstraction of water, flooding, the flow in rivers, inland fisheries and migratory salmon or trout.
Scottish Environment Protection Agency.	Acts or omissions which have an actual or potential effect on the environment or the management or regulation of the environment, including those relating to flood warning systems and pollution.
Food Standards Agency.	Matters which may affect the health of any member of the public in relation to the consumption of food and other matters concerning the protection of the interests of consumers in relation to food.

<sup>(</sup>**4**) 2000 asp 1.

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Financial Services Authority.	The carrying on of investment business or of insurance business; the operation of banks and building societies, deposit-taking businesses and wholesale money market regimes; the operation of friendly societies, benevolent societies, working men's clubs, specially authorised societies, and industrial and provident societies; the functioning of financial markets, investment exchanges and clearing houses; money laundering, financial crime, and other serious financial misconduct, in connection with activities regulated by the Financial Services Authority.
General Social Care Council.	Matters relating to the registration of social care workers under the Care Standards Act 2000(5).
Care Council for Wales.	Matters relating to the registration of social care workers under the Care Standards Act 2000.
Scottish Social Services Council.	Matters relating to the registration of the social services workforce by the Scottish Social Services Council.
Children's Commissioner for Wales.	Matters relating to the rights and welfare of children.
Health and Safety Executive.	Matters which may affect the health or safety of any individual at work; matters, which may affect the health and safety of any member of the public, arising out of or in connection with the activities of persons at work.
Housing Corporation.	The registration and operation of registered social landlords, including their administration of public and private funds and management of their housing stock.
Local authorities which are responsible for the enforcement of health and safety legislation.	Matters which may affect the health or safety of any individual at work; matters, which may affect the health and safety of any member of the public, arising out of or in connection with the activities of persons at work.
Information Commissioner.	Compliance with the requirements of legislation relating to data protection and to freedom of information.
Scottish Information Commissioner.	Compliance with the requirements of legislation relating to freedom of information.

**<sup>(5)</sup>** 2000 (c. 14).

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National Care Standards Commission.	Matters relating to the provision of regulated care services, as defined in the Care Standards Act 2000.
National Assembly for Wales.	Matters relating to the provision of social care services liable to be registered or inspected under the Care Standards Act 2000 or the Children Act 1989(6).
	The registration and operation of registered social landlords, including their administration of public and private funds and management of their housing stock.
Scottish Commission for the Regulation of Care.	Matters relating to the provision of care services, as defined in the Regulation of Care (Scotland) Act 2001(7).
Occupational Pensions Regulatory Authority.	Matters relating to occupational pension schemes and other private pension arrangements.
Office of Fair Trading.	Matters concerning the sale of goods or the supply of services, which adversely affect the interests of consumers.
	Competition affecting markets in the United Kingdom.
Rail Regulator.	The provision and supply of railway services.
Standards Board for England.	Breaches by a member or co-opted member of a relevant authority (as defined in section 49(6) of the Local Government Act 2000(8)) of that authority's code of conduct.
Local Commissioner in Wales.	Breaches by a member or co-opted member of a relevant authority (as defined in section 49(6) of the Local Government Act 2000) of that authority's code of conduct.
Standards Commission for Scotland and the Chief Investigating Officer.	Breaches by a councillor or a member of a devolved public body (as defined in section 28 of the Ethical Standards in Public Life etc. (Scotland) Act 2000(9)) of the code of conduct applicable to that councillor or member under that Act.
Treasury.	The carrying on of insurance business.

<sup>(6) 1989 (</sup>c. 41). (7) 2001 asp 8. (8) 2000 (c. 22). (9) 2000 asp 7.

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Secretary of State for Trade and Industry.	Fraud, and other misconduct, in relation to companies, investment business, insurance business, or multi-level marketing schemes (and similar trading schemes); insider dealing.
	Consumer safety.
Secretary of State for Transport.	Compliance with merchant shipping law, including maritime safety.
Local authorities which are responsible for the enforcement of consumer protection legislation.	Compliance with the requirements of consumer protection legislation.
Local authorities which are responsible for the enforcement of food standards.	Compliance with the requirements of food safety legislation.
A person ("person A") carrying out functions, by virtue of legislation, relating to relevant failures falling within one or more matters within a description of matters in respect of which another person ("person B") is prescribed by this Order, where person B was previously responsible for carrying out the same or substantially similar functions and has ceased to be so responsible.	Matters falling within the description of matters in respect of which person B is prescribed by this Order, to the extent that those matters relate to functions currently carried out by person A.

## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order amends the Public Interest Disclosure (Prescribed Persons) Order 1999 by replacing the Schedule to that Order. The amendments to the Schedule are the inclusion of some persons not previously included, the deletion of others and some amendments to the description of matters for which certain persons are prescribed.