# Environment Agency

WATER RESOURCES ACT 1991 (AS AMENDED BY THE ENVIRONMENT ACT 1995)

# NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR CONSENT FOR THE PURPOSES OF SECTION 88

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN in accordance with Schedule 10 of the Water Resources Act 1991 that an application has been made to the Environment Agency by Mr Michael Brownrigg for consent to discharge up to 9.8 cubic metres per day of secondary treated sewage effluent containing no trade effluent to an unnamed tributary of The River Dee at National Grid Reference SJ 42315 46119 from Bowling Bank Farm, Mulsford Lane, Worthenbury, Near Wrexham, LL13 0AW.

Any person who wishes to make representations about the application should do so in writing to The Environment Agency, Water Quality Permitting Support Centre, PO Box 4209, Sheffield, S9 9BS, during the period 28/3/08 to 9/5/08 quoting reference NPSWQD000924.

Please be aware that any representation may be made available to third parties under the Freedom of Information Act or Environmental Information Regulations 2004.

A copy of the application may be inspected free of charge at the Local Environment Agency office at Environment Agency Wales, Public Register, Chester Road, Buckley, Clwyd, CH7 3AJ between the hours of 9 am and 4.30 pm Monday to Friday (not Bank Holidays).

Catherine Leach

On behalf of The Environment Agency

Dated 28/3/08. (487473)

# Environment Agency

WATER RESOURCES ACT 1991 (AS AMENDED BY THE ENVIRONMENT ACT 1995)

# NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR CONSENT FOR THE PURPOSES OF SECTION 88

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN in accordance with Schedule 10 of the Water Resources Act 1991 that an application has been made to the Environment Agency by Mr Richard Silver for consent to discharge up to 48.4 cubic metres per day of secondary treated sewage effluent to land at National Grid Reference TQ 62176 31350 from Wadhurst College Development, Mayfield Lane, Wadhurst, East Sussex, TN5 6JA.

Any person who wishes to make representations about the application should do so in writing to The Environment Agency, Water Quality Permitting Support Centre, PO Box 4209, Sheffield, S9 9BS, during the period 28/3/08 to 9/5/08 quoting reference NPSWQD000403.

Please be aware that any representation may be made available to third parties under the Freedom of Information Act or Environmental Information Regulations 2004.

A copy of the application may be inspected free of charge at the Local Environment Agency office at Environment Agency, Saxon House, Little High Street, Worthing, West Sussex, BN11 1DH between the hours of 9 am and 4.30 pm Monday to Friday (not Bank Holidays).

Catherine Leach

On behalf of The Environment Agency

Dated 28/3/08. (487462)

# Post & Telecom



# **Telecommunications**

Royal Mail Group Ltd

SUČCESSOR POSTAL SĒRVICES COMPANY OVERSEAS LETTER POST SCHEME 2001

[This Note is not part of the Scheme]

NOTE: The amendment to the Scheme that follows this Note is made under Section 89 of the Postal Services Act 2000 and amends the Successor Postal Services Company Overseas Letter Post Scheme 2001. This amendment to the Scheme, which comes into force on 7 April 2008, provides notification of changes to the prices for several services set out in the Schedules and minor other amendments.

# ROYAL MAIL GROUP LTD., OVERSEAS LETTER POST SCHEME 2008 (AMENDMENT No 15) OLPS 1 / 2008.

Royal Mail Group Ltd (a) by virtue of the powers conferred upon it by section 89 of the POSTAL SERVICES ACT 2000(b) and of all other powers enabling it in this behalf, hereby makes the following Scheme:

#### Commencement, citation and interpretation

1. This amendment to the Scheme shall come into operation on 7 April and may be cited as the Royal Mail Group Ltd Overseas Letter Post Amendment (No.15) Scheme 2008.

2. This amendment to the Scheme shall be read as one with the Successor Postal Services Company Overseas Letter Post Scheme 2001(c) (hereinafter called "the Scheme") as amended by the Consignia plc Overseas Letter Post Scheme Amendment (No.1) 2001,(d) the Consignia plc Overseas Letter Post Scheme Amendment (No.2) 2001,(e) the Consignia plc Overseas Letter Post Scheme Amendment (No.3),(f) the Consignia plc Overseas Letter Post Scheme Amendment (No.4) 2002,(g) the Royal Mail Group plc Overseas Letter Post Scheme Amendment (No.5) 2002,(h) the Royal Mail Group plc Overseas Letter Post Scheme Amendment (No.6) 2003,(i) the Royal Mail Group plc Overseas Letter Post Scheme Amendment (No.7) 2003,(j) the Royal Mail Group plc Overseas Letter Post Scheme Amendment (No.8) Scheme 2003, (k) the Royal Mail Group plc Overseas Letter Post Scheme Amendment (No.9) Scheme 2004 (1), the Royal Mail Group plc Overseas Letter Post Scheme Amendment (No.10) (m), the Royal Mail Group plc Overseas Letter Post Scheme Amendment (No.11)(n), the Royal Mail Group plc Overseas Letter Post Scheme Amendment (No.12)(o), the Royal Mail Group plc Overseas Letter Post Scheme Amendment (No.13)(p) and the Royal Mail Group plc Overseas Letter Post Scheme Amendment (No.14)(q)

3. A reference in this Scheme to the Successor Postal Services Company shall be read as a reference to Royal Mail Group Ltd.

# Paragraph 5. LETTERS AND POSTCARDS OTHER THAN AIRMAIL PACKETS

In the title of paragraph 5 the words "PRINTED PAPERS AND SMALL" will be included after the words "OTHER THAN AIRMAIL", and in the Arrangement of Paragraphs, the same change shall be made to the title of paragraph 5.

Sub-paragraph (3) will be deleted and replaced with the following:

"Postage at the rates specified in Part 3 of schedule 1 to the Scheme shall be charged and paid on all Surface Mail letters and postcards for transmission to destinations outside Europe."

## Paragraph 6. MAIL TO HM FORCES AND NAVY SHIPS

The paragraph will be deleted and replaced with the following:

# "MAIL TO HM FORCES AND ROYAL NAVY SHIPS

(1) Postage at the rates specified in Schedule 3 shall be charged and paid on all letters, postcards, and packets, and postage at the rates specified in Schedule 10 shall be charged and paid on all Special Delivery packets, posted in the British postal area, for transmission: (i) to a person on board a ship of the Royal Navy (whether on the high seas or in any part or place outside the British postal area), or; (ii) to a member of the armed forces of the United Kingdom or of any other Commonwealth country serving outside the British postal area with the armed forces of the United Kingdom or any other Commonwealth country, being transmitted through a British Forces Post Office or a civilian postal administration in any Commonwealth or foreign country or a US Army Post Office which has agreed to deliver without surcharge letters and postcards at the said rates.

(2) Postage at the rates specified in Schedule 3 shall be charged and paid on all letters, postcards and packets, and postage at the rates specified in Schedule 10 shall be charged and paid on all Special Delivery packets posted:

(i) by a member of the Forces referred to in paragraph 6(1)(ii) serving as therein mentioned, for transmission through a British Forces Post Office at which British postage stamps are issued, to a person in the British postal area;

(ii) on board a ship of the Royal Navy (whether on the high seas or in any port or place outside the British postal area) for transmission to a person in the British postal area.

(3) Any postal packets for delivery to a person referred to in subparagraph (1) above are delivered Royal Mail to the Ministry of Defence, who arrange their onward transmission.

(4) Any postal packets referred to in sub-paragraph (2) above are handed to the Post Office in the British postal area, for onward

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transmission within that area, by the Ministry of Defence who arranges for the transmission of such postal packets to the British postal area.

### Paragraph 7. POSTING ON BOARD SHIP

The paragraph will be deleted in its entirety.

#### Paragraph 8. LITERATURE FOR THE BLIND

The words "(other than an air mail packet)" will be deleted.

# Paragraph 9. AIR MAIL PACKETS

The paragraph and its title will be deleted and replaced with the following, and in the Arrangement of Paragraphs, the same change shall be made to the title of paragraph 9:

#### "AEROGRAMMES

There shall be charged and paid:

- (a) on every Airletter sold singly postage of 50p, on every pack of 6 Airletters postage of £2.76, on every pictorial Airletters sold singly postage of 63p and on every pack of 6 pictorial Airletters postage of
- (b) on every Forces Airletter, postage of 36p;
- (c) on every Aircard, postage of £1.35.

# Paragraph 10. OTHER PRINTED PACKETS AND SMALL

The paragraph and its title will be deleted and replace with the following, and in the Arrangement of Paragraphs, the same change shall be made to the title of paragraph 10:

# "PRINTED PAPERS AND SMALL PACKETS

- (1) Postage at the rates specified in Part 1 of Schedule 2 shall be charged and paid on Airmail Printed Papers.
- (2) Except as otherwise provided by sub-paragraph (1) of this paragraph and paragraph 5 postage at the rates specified in Part 2 of Schedule 2 shall be charged and paid on outgoing Surface Mail Printed Papers and outgoing Surface Mail Small Packets.
- (3) Postage at the rates specified in Part 3 of schedule 2 shall be charged and paid on Airmail Small Packets.
- (4) Upon every Airpack, there shall be charged and paid the fees specified in Schedule 8.
- (5) This paragraph does not apply to Airmail Letters."

# Paragraph 34. COMPENSATION FOR SPECIAL DELIVERY PACKETS FOR TRANSMISSION THROUGH A BRITISH FORCES POST OFFICE OR SENT TO A BRITISH FORCES POST OFFICE NUMBERED ADDRESS OR A US ARMY POST OFFICE ADDRESS THROUGH AN ORDINARY POST OFFICE

In the title of paragraph 34 the words "SENT TO MEMBERS OF HM FORCES SERVING AT" will be included after the words "OR SENT TO A BRITISH FORCES POST OFFICE NUMBERED ADDRESS OR" and in the Arrangement of Paragraphs, the same change shall be made to the title of paragraph 34.

#### Paragraph 37A. COMPENSATION FOR AIRSURE PACKETS, AIRSURE PACKS, INTERNATIONAL SIGNED FOR PACKETS AND INTERNATIONAL SIGNED FOR PACKS

The following sub-paragraph shall be inserted as sub-paragraph (1b):

"The maximum amount of compensation payable in respect of lost or damaged mobile telephones shall not exceed £36 per postal packet, parcel (or any other posting of any description), regardless of the number of mobile telephones in it.'

#### Paragraph 38. COMPENSATION FOR CERTAIN OTHER POSTAL **PACKETS**

Sub-paragraph (2) will be deleted and replaced with the following:

"The total amount of compensation which the Post Office may pay under sub-paragraph (1) in respect of any one postal packet and its contents shall not in any case exceed £36.

# Paragraph 40. INTERNATIONAL REPLY COUPONS

Sub-paragraph (2) will be deleted and replaced with the following:

"The charge for an international reply coupon shall be 95p."

# **SCHEDULE 1**

The present schedule will be deleted in its entirety and replaced by the following provision:

Paragraphs 5 and 7

#### Rates of Postage on Air Mail Letters and Postcards other than Air Mail **Packets**

Part 1

Rates of Postage under paragraph 5(1)

1 Airmail Letter to Europe

	/ SmartStamp	Postage Impression
Weight not over	£	£
10g	0.50	0.49
20g	0.50	0.49
40g	0.72	0.71
60g	0.94	0.92
80g	1.14	1.12
100g	1.36	1.33
120g	1.58	1.55
140g	1.80	1.76
160g	2.02	1.98
180g	2.24	2.20
200g	2.44	2.39
220g	2.64	2.59
240g	2.85	2.79
260g	3.06	3.00
280g	3.26	3.19
300g	3.47	3.40
320g	3.66	3.59
340g	3.85	3.78
360g	4.04	3.97
380g	4.23	4.16
400g	4.42	4.35
420g	4.61	4.54
440g	4.80	4.73
460g	4.99	4.92
480g	5.18	5.11
500g	5.37	5.30
Each additional 20g or	0.15	0.15
part thereof (up to a		
weight of 1kg)		
Each additional 20g or	0.13	0.13
part thereof (up to a		
maximum weight of		
2kg)		
2. Postcard	0.50	0.49

Rates of postage under paragraph 5(2)

1 Airmail Letter to rest of World

	rostage Stamped Man	Franked Man / Frinted
	/ SmartStamp	Postage Impression
Weight not over	£	£
10g	0.56	0.55
20g	0.81	0.79
40g	1.22	1.20
60g	1.64	1.61
80g	2.08	2.04
100g	2.52	2.47
120g	2.94	2.88
140g	3.38	3.31
160g	3.81	3.73
180g	4.24	4.16
200g	4.68	4.59
220g	5.09	4.99
240g	5.49	5.38
260g	5.90	5.78
280g	6.29	6.16
300g	6.70	6.57
320g	7.08	6.95
340g	7.46	7.33
360g	7.84	7.71
380g	8.22	8.09
400g	8.60	8.47
420g	8.98	8.85
440g	9.36	9.23
460g	9.74	9.61
480g	10.12	9.99
500g	10.50	10.37
ach additional 20g or	0.28	0.28
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ach additional 20g or	0.25	0.25
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Postcard	0.56	0.55
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Weight not over	£
20g	0.48
60g	0.82
100g	1.16
150g	1.63

200g	2.09	1. Airmail Printed Paper	to Rest of World	
250g	2.55	•	Postage Stamped Mail	Franked Mail / Printed
300g	3.00		/ SmartStamp	Postage Impression
350g	3.45	Weight not over	£	£
400g	3.91	10g	1.56	1.53
450g	4.36	20g	1.56	1.53
500g	4.81	40g	1.56	1.53
550g	5.26	60g	1.56	1.53
600g	5.71	80g	1.56	1.53
650g	6.16	100g	1.56	1.53
700g	6.62	120g	1.79	1.75
750g	7.07	140g	2.03	1.99
800g	7.52	160g	2.26	2.21
850g	7.97	180g	2.50	2.45
900g	8.42	200g	2.72	2.67
950g	8.87	220g	2.94	2.88
1000g	9.32	240g	3.16	3.10
1050g	9.78	260g	3.37	3.30
1100g	10.23	280g	3.59	3.52
1150g	10.68	300g	3.81	3.73
1200g	11.13	320g	4.03	3.95
1250g	11.58	340g	4.25	4.17
1300g	12.03	360g	4.47	4.39
1350g	12.48	380g	4.69	4.61
1400g	12.94	400g	4.91	4.83
1450g	13.39	420g	5.13	5.05
1500g	13.84	440g	5.35	5.27
1550g	14.29	460g	5.57	5.49
1600g	14.74	480g	5.79	5.71
1650g	15.17	500g	6.01	5.93
1700g	15.60	Each 20g thereafter or	0.20	0.20
1750g	16.03	part thereof (up to a		
1800g	16.46	maximum weight of		
1850g	16.89	2kg)		
1900g	17.32	Each additional 20g or	0.20	0.20
1950g	17.75	part thereof (up to a		
2000g	18.18	maximum weight of		
2. Postcard	0.48	5kg)*		
		*books and pamphlets		

only

# SCHEDULE 2

The present schedule will be deleted in its entirety and replaced by the following provision:

Paragraph 10

# Other Rates of Postage

\*books and pamphlets

only

Part 1

Rates of postage under paragraph 10(1)

1. Airmail Printed Paper	to Europe	
•	Postage Stamped Mail	Franked Mail / Printed
	/ SmartStamp	Postage Impression
Weight not over	£	£
10g	1.07	1.05
20g	1.07	1.05
40g	1.07	1.05
60g	1.07	1.05
80g	1.07	1.05
100g	1.07	1.05
120g	1.16	1.14
140g	1.28	1.25
160g	1.39	1.36
180g	1.50	1.47
200g	1.61	1.58
220g	1.73	1.70
240g	1.82	1.78
260g	1.93	1.89
280g	2.04	2.00
300g	2.16	2.12
320g	2.27	2.23
340g	2.38	2.34
360g	2.49	2.45
380g	2.60	2.56
400g	2.71	2.67
420g	2.82	2.78
440g	2.93	2.89
460g	3.04	3.00
480g	3.15	3.11
500g	3.26	3.22
Each 20g thereafter or	0.10	0.10
part thereof (up to a		
maximum weight of		
2kg)		

Part 2 Rates of postage under paragraph 10(2)

Surface Mail Printed Paper and Small Packet to Europe and Rest of World

	iii Packet to Europe and Rest of World
Weight not over	£
20g	0.81
60g	0.81
100g	0.81
150g	1.09
200g	1.37
250g	1.64
300g	1.91
350g	2.18
400g	2.46
450g	2.73
500g	3.00
550g	3.28
600g	3.55
650g	3.82
700g	4.10
750g	4.37
800g	4.64
850g	4.91
900g	5.19
950g	5.46
1000g	5.73
1050g	6.01
1100g	6.28
1150g	6.55
1200g	6.83
1250g	7.10
1300g	7.37
1350g	7.64
1400g	7.92
1450g	8.19
1500g	8.46
1550g	8.74
1600g	9.01
1650g	9.27
1700g	9.53
1750g	9.79
1800g	10.05
1850g	10.31
1900g	10.57
1950g 1950g	10.83
2000g	11.09
Each additional 20g or part thereof	0.26
(up to a maximum weight of 2kg)	0.20
(up to a maximum weight of 2kg)	

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Dominican Republic

Morocco

Mvanmar

Namibia

Mozambique

Turks & Caicos Islands

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Tuvalu

Uganda

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Dubai East Timor	Nauru Island Nepal	United Arab Emirates USA	Part 2	Airsure packs, C4 size prepaid up to 300g (available to European
Ecuador	Netherlands Antilles	Uruguay		destinations determined from time to
Egypt	New Caledonia	Vanuatu		time by the Post Office)
El Salvador	New Zealand	Venezuela	Fee:	£7.00, inclusive of compensation not
Equatorial Guinea	New Zealand Island	Vietnam		exceeding £36
	Territories		Fee for additional compensation:,	£2.20, for compensation not exceeding
Eritrea	Nicaragua	Virgin Islands (USA)		£250 or not exceeding £500,
Ethiopia	Nigeria	Wake Island		depending on destination.
Falkland Islands	Niger Rep.	Wallis and Futuna		
		Islands	Part 3	Airsure packs, C4 size prepaid up to
Fiji	Norfolk Island	Western Samoa		300g (available to destinations outside
French Guiana	North Mariana Island	Yemen		Europe determined from time to time
French Polynesia	Oman	Zimbabwe		by the Post Office)
French South &	Pakistan		Fee:	£7.99, inclusive of compensation not
Antarctic Territories				exceeding £36
French West Indies	Panama		Fee for additional compensation:	£2.20, for compensation not exceeding
				£250 or not exceeding £500,
SCHEDULE 5				depending on destination.
The present schedule	will be deleted in its ent	irety and replaced by the		
F			Part 4	International Signed For nackets

following provision:

# Countries in Airmail Europe Zone

Albania Andorra Armenia Austria (EU) Azerbaijan Azores (EU) Balearic Islands (EU) Belarus Belgium (EU)	Georgia Germany (EU) Gibraltar (EU) Greece (EU) Greenland Hungary (EU) Iceland Irish Republic (EU) Italy (EU)	Montenegro Netherlands (EU) Norway Poland (EU) Portugal (EU) Romania (EU) Russia San Marino Serbia
Bosnia Herzegovina Bulgaria (EU)	Kazakhstan Kosovo	Slovakia (EU) Slovenia (EU)
Canary Islands	Kyrgyzstan	Spain (EU)
Corsica (EU)	Latvia (EU)	Spitzbergen
Croatia	Liechtenstein	Sweden (EU)
Cyprus (EU)	Lithuania (EU)	Switzerland
Czech Republic (EU)	Luxembourg (EU)	Tajikistan
Denmark (EU)	Macedonia	Turkey
Estonia (EU)	Madeira (EU)	Turkmenistan
Faroe Islands	Malta (EU)	Ukraine
Finland (EU)	Moldova	Uzbekistan
France (EU)	Monaco (EU)	Vatican City State

### **SCHEDULE 6**

The present schedule will be deleted in its entirety and replaced by the following provision:

Paragraph 14

### Limits of Weight and Size

The limits of weight and size specified in this Schedule apply to postal packets for all overseas destinations.

	Maximum weight	Maximum size
1. Letter	2 kg	Length breadth and depth: Combined900 mm Length600 mm Breadth600 mm Depth600 mm
2. Postcard	_	Length235 mm Breadth120 mm
3. Printed packet	2 kg	As item 1 in this column
4. Small packet	2 kg	As item 1 in this column
5. Packet consisting of or containing only literature for the blind	7 kg	As item 1 in this column

# **SCHEDULE 7**

The present schedule will be deleted in its entirety and replaced by the following provision:

Subject to the conditions outlined in Paragraphs 30, 32A and 37A.

Airsure packets, Airsure packs, International Signed For packets and International Signed For packs — fees and compensation levels

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Part 1	Airsure packets (available to
	destinations determined from time to
	time by the Post Office)
Fee:	£4.20, inclusive of compensation not exceeding £36
Fee for additional compensation:	£2.20, for compensation not exceeding £250 or not exceeding £500, depending on destination

#### Part 4

Fee: Fee for additional compensation: Part 5

Fee: Fee for additional compensation:

# Part 6

Fee:

Fee for additional compensation:

International Signed For packets (available to destinations determined from time to time by the Post Office) £3.50, inclusive of compensation not exceeding £36

£2.20, for compensation not exceeding £250 or not exceeding £500, depending on destination.

International Signed For packs, C4 size prepaid up to 300g to European destinations (available to European destinations determined from time to time by the Post Office)

£6.30, inclusive of compensation not exceeding £36

£2.20, for compensation not exceeding £250 or not exceeding £500. depending on destination.

International Signed For packs, C4 size prepaid up to 300g to destinations outside Europe (available to destinations outside Europe determined from time to time by the Post Office) £7.50, inclusive of compensation not

exceeding £36 £2.20, for compensation not exceeding

£250 or not exceeding £500, depending on destination

# **SCHEDULE 8**

The present schedule will be deleted in its entirety and replaced by the following provision:

#### Paragraph 10(4) Airpacks — Fees

C3 size, prepaid up to 500g to all	Fee £6.10
destinations	04.75
C3 size, prepaid up to 500g to	£4.75
European Destinations C4 size, prepaid up to 300g to all	£4.20
destinations	24.20
C4 size, prepaid up to 300g to	£3.15
European Destinations	20.10

### **SCHEDULE 10**

The present schedule will be deleted in its entirety and replaced by the following provision:

Paragraph 34

Special Delivery Packets for Transmission through a British Forces Post Office or to a British Forces Post Office Numbered Address through an ordinary Post Office - Compensation Fees and Maximum Compensation

Compensation not exceeding £500	Fee, including postage
Weight not over 100g	£4.60
Weight not over 500g	£5.05
Weight not over 1,000g	£6.40
Weight not over 2, 000g	£8.25
Compensation not exceeding £1,000	Fee, including postage
Compensation not exceeding £1,000 Weight not over 100g	Fee, including postage £5.35
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Weight not over 100g	£5.35
Weight not over 100g Weight not over 500g	£5.35 £5.80

Compensation not exceeding £2,500 Fee, including postage

Weight not over 100g £6.45 £6 90 Weight not over 500g Weight not over 1,000g £8.25 Weight not over 2, 000g £10.10

Signed by: Peter Hatton for and on behalf of Royal Mail Group Ltd. Date: 28 March 200

(a) Royal Mail Group Ltd., (a company registered in England and Wales under number 4138203) is a universal service provider as defined in section 4(3)(a) of the Postal Services Act 2000. Royal Mail Group Ltd., is the successor postal services company referred to in article 37(1) of the Postal Service Act 2000. (Commencement No.4 and Transitional and Savings Provisions) Order 2001 (2001/1148 (C.37)). Royal Mail Group Ltd., was formerly known as Royal Mail Group plc and before that Consignia plc.

(b) 2000 c26

- (c) The Post Office Overseas Letter Scheme 2000 was amended, renamed the Successor Postal Services Company Overseas Letter Post Scheme 2001 and treated as made under section 89 of the Postal Services Act 2000 by the article 37(1) of the Postal Services Act 2000 (Commencement No.4 and Transitional and Savings Provisions) Order 2001 (2001/1148(C37))
- (d) London Gazette, 29 June 2001, issue number 56259
- (e) London Gazette, 17 August 2001, issue number 56306
- (f) London Gazette, 14 December 2001, issue number 56417
- (g) London Gazette, 28 June 2002, issue number 56618
- (h) London Gazette, 28 October 2002, issue number 56733
- (i) London Gazette, 11 April 2003, issue number 56905
- (j) London Gazette, 2 May 2003, issue number 56924
- (k) London Gazette, 3 October 2003, issue number 57074
- (1) London Gazette, 26 March 2004, issue number 57244
- (m) London Gazette, 5 April 2005, issue number 57604
- (n) London Gazette, 24th March 2006, issue number 57937 (o) London Gazette, 2nd June 2006, issue number 57999 (p) London Gazette, 28th July 2006, issue number 58056

- (q) London Gazette, 16th March 2007, issue number 58275

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#### ROYAL MAIL SCHEME FOR FRANKING LETTERS AND PARCELS 2008

Royal Mail, by virtue of the powers conferred on it by section 89 of the Postal Services Act 2000 and all other relevant enabling powers, hereby makes the following Scheme.

#### APPLICATION, COMMENCEMENT, REVOCATION AND CITATION

1.1 This Scheme sets out Royal Mail's terms and conditions applicable to the franking of Letters and parcels for posting in the United Kingdom and to the posting of franked Letters and parcels and this Scheme forms part of each Licence issued.

1.2 This Scheme is made by Royal Mail under section 89 of Postal Services Act 2000. This Scheme shall come into operation on 7th April, 2008 and may be cited as the Royal Mail Scheme for Franking Letters and Parcels 2008 and supersedes in its entirety from that date the Successor Postal Services Company Scheme for Franking Letters and Parcels 2001(including all amending Schemes). Licences issued under the superseded Schemes are from 7th April, 2008, subject to the provisions of this Scheme, but without prejudice to Royal Mail's accrued rights under those Licences,

1.3 Royal Mail may amend this Scheme from time to time. Amendments will be published in the London, Edinburgh and Belfast Gazettes.

### 2. INTERPRETATION

- 2.1 The definitions of expressions used in this Scheme are set out in the Schedule to this Scheme.
- 2.2 References in this Scheme to the use of Franking Equipment are (except where stated or the context necessarily indicates otherwise) references to the use of Franking Equipment to indicate payment of Postage and Fees, and/or to the resetting of Franking Equipment with a view to using the equipment to indicate the payment of Postage and Fees on Letters and parcels to be posted in the United Kingdom

#### FRANKING APPROVAL OF **EQUIPMENT** AUTHORISATION OF MANUFACTURERS, SUPPLIERS AND MAINTAINERS

- 3.1 Royal Mail may at its discretion approve different models of Franking Equipment, and may authorise persons to manufacture, supply, maintain or otherwise deal with Franking Equipment.
- 3.2 By authorising any person to manufacture, supply, maintain or otherwise deal with Franking Equipment, Royal Mail does not become a party to any customer contract for the supply, inspection,

maintenance, or otherwise in relation to Franking Equipment, and does not give any warranties, whether as to quality, weight of items, or otherwise, concerning any goods or services supplied by that person.

#### GENERAL PROHIBITIONS ON USE OF FRANKING **EQUIPMENT**

- 4.1 Franking Equipment may not be used unless the equipment has been manufactured by an Authorised Manufacturer and the Model has Royal Mail's then current approval.
- 4.2 Franking Equipment which has been altered or modified in any way may not be used unless that alteration or modification has been submitted by the Authorised Manufacturer to, and approved by Royal Mail.
- 4.3 Franking Equipment may not be used if Royal Mail withdraws approval of the Model. Whenever Royal Mail withdraws approval for a Model it will notify Users by whatsoever means it deems suitable and use of the Franking Equipment of that Model must cease within the timescales notified by Royal Mail

### 5. AUTHORISATION OF USERS

- 5.1 Franking Equipment may not be used before the User has obtained Royal Mail's authorisation to do so. All Users must apply to Royal Mail for authorisation via an Authorised Supplier, who will either liaise with Royal Mail or direct the User to Royal Mail.
- 5.2 When Royal Mail has approved an application to use Franking Equipment, a Licence will be issued to the User. The issue of that Licence shall constitute authorisation for the purposes of paragraph 5.1 above. Franking Equipment may not be used before a Licence has been issued to the User or after a Licence either expires or has been terminated, nor during any period of suspension.
- 5.3 The provisions of this Scheme are incorporated into and form part of each Licence.
- 5.4 The User shall carry out all reasonable instructions given to it by Royal Mail with a view to recording details of Franking Equipment, the issue of a Licence and the identity of the User.

#### 6. USER LICENCES

- 6.1 If an application for a Licence is rejected, Royal Mail will advise the applicant and / or the Authorised Supplier or Authorised Manufacturer by whatever means Royal Mail deems appropriate. The requirement for a User to obtain a Licence applies regardless of whether or not the User may have entered into a contract with Royal Mail for the provision of postal services. If a person has neither received a Licence, nor a rejection then the application has been rejected.
- 6.2 The Licence will include the following information and the User must notify Royal Mail of any changes within 14 days of their occurrence:
- 6.2. 1. the User's name and address;
- 6.2.2. the address where the equipment may be used; (Note this may not be changed without Royal Mail's prior written consent);
- 6.2.3. the name of the Royal Mail controlling office where the User's records will be kept;
- 6.2.4. the name and number of the Model of the Franking Equipment;
- 6.2.5. the serial number of the Franking Equipment and/or Meter; 6.2.6. the number of the Die and / or Device (or related machine identifier):
- 6.3 Royal Mail may pass this information, and any amendments to it to the authorised Authorised Manufacturer, Authorised Supplier and Authorised Maintainer of the User's Franking Equipment, so that their records will be accurate and up to date.
- 6.4 The Licence authorises the User to use the specified Franking Equipment at the address shown on the Licence only for the purpose of franking its own business Letters, but not Letters or other mail of any third party. The Licence does not authorise the User to use any other Franking Equipment, for which a separate Licence, or Licences must be obtained. The Franking Equipment named in the Licence must only be used by the User and may not be transferred to a third
- 6.5 The Licence may not be transferred to another person, company, business or organisation.(Note: if the Franking Equipment is sold or otherwise transferred, the Licence does not transfer with it. and the proposed new user must be informed of the need for a Licence.
- 6.6 If the User wishes to change any of the details shown on the Licence, for example the address, the User must make a request in writing to the Royal Mail controlling office and the Authorised Manufacturer or Authorised Supplier of the equipment. The Licence may not be changed without Royal Mail's prior written consent.
- 6.7 If the User ceases permanently to use Franking Equipment, the User must notify each of the following in writing, either prior to the date of cessation, or as soon as possible afterwards:-
- 6.7.1 the Royal Mail controlling office
- 6.7.2 the authorised Authorised Manufacturer