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## State Intelligence

### HOME OFFICE

Buckingham Palace

The QUEEN has been pleased by Warrant under Her Majesty's Royal Sign Manual dated 21st November 1996, to declare that in every prayer for or referring to the Prince of Wales and contained in any form of service authorised for use in the Church of England the words "Charles Prince of Wales" shall be substituted for the words "the Prince and Princess of Wales". (10 SI)

### DEPUTY LIEUTENANT COMMISSION

#### LIEUTENANCY OF LANCASHIRE

Commission signed by Colonel Sir Simon Towneley, K.C.V.O., J.P., the Lord-Lieutenant of the County of Lancashire:

Mrs. Gloria Oates, Dearden Brook, Edenwood Lane, Ramsbottom BL0 0EX, to be a Deputy Lieutenant.

18th November 1996.

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### DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT

#### WATER INDUSTRY ACT 1991, SECTION 19(1)(b)

Consumers supplied by Folkestone and Dover Water Services Limited who might be affected by improvement work being carried out by the Company will wish to be aware of the following information.

The Company has found through its water quality monitoring programme that water received by consumers in these areas fails on occasion to meet the standards, for certain parameters (normally those associated with occasional occurrences of discoloured water), as required by the Water Supply (Water Quality) Regulations 1989, because of deficiencies in the distribution system. These failures do not make the water unsafe to drink at any time.

The Company gave legally binding undertakings on 26th January 1990, to carry out appropriate remedial work, as the first stage of a long term programme, to refurbish affected parts of the distribution system.

The Secretary of State for the Environment reviewed these undertakings and concluded that whilst the Company had taken

action to discharge its duties in respect of the undertakings, the steps in the undertakings no longer remained the most appropriate for the Company to take to achieve compliance with the standards for the particular parameters.

Consequently the Secretary of State required the Company to give a new undertaking containing appropriate steps to carry out further remedial work as the next stage in the programme of improvement.

The Company has given a new undertaking on 27th September 1996, and the Secretary of State has informed the Company that he is satisfied the Company is complying with this new undertaking by serving on them the notice below:

#### WATER INDUSTRY ACT 1991, SECTION 19(1)(b)

The Secretary of State for the Environment:

1. Is satisfied that Folkestone and Dover Water Services Limited "the Company" in supplying water in seven supply zones has contravened and is likely to do so again its duty to supply wholesome water under section 68(1)(a) of the Water Industry Act 1991 "the Act" and the requirement of regulation 3(3)(c) of the Water Supply (Water Quality) Regulations 1989, that the water supplied should not contain concentrations or values of the parameters in tables A to C of those regulations in excess of the prescribed concentrations or values.
2. Has notified the Company on 5th April 1993, he is considering making in relation to the Company an enforcement order under section 18 of the Act.
3. Notes that the Company has on 27th September 1996, given a new undertaking under section 19(1)(b) of the Act to take the following steps specified in the Schedule of Works by the date shown:
  - (a) Submit to the Secretary of State the Company's strategy for improving the performance of its distribution system. To be completed by 31st May 1996.
  - (b) Carry out investigations in the zones identified in the annex to the Schedule to:
    - (i) identify the extent and nature of contraventions. To be completed by 31st March 1996.
    - (ii) identify appropriate remedial measures. To be completed by 31st March 1999.
    - (iii) prioritise and programme the execution of remedial measures. To be completed by 31st March 1999.
  - (c) Submit to the Secretary of State, a statement of the current situation and remedial action taken and required in the zones identified in the Annex to this Schedule. To be completed annually by 28th February.