2000 No. 1306

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT

Recognition and Derecognition Ballots (Qualified Persons) Order 2000

Made - - - - - - Laid before Parliament

11th May 2000 12th May 2000 6th June 2000

The Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by paragraphs 25(7)(a) and 117(9)(a) of Schedule A1 to the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992(a), hereby makes the following Order:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Recognition and Derecognition Ballots (Qualified Persons) Order 2000 and shall come into force on 6th June 2000.

(2) In this Order "the relevant provisions" means paragraphs 25(7)(a) and 117(9)(a) of Schedule A1 to the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992.

Qualifications

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2. In relation to an individual, the condition specified for the purposes of the relevant provisions is that he—

- (a) has in force a practising certificate issued by the Law Society of England and Wales or the Law Society of Scotland; or
- (b) is eligible for appointment as a company auditor under section 25 of the Companies Act 1989(b).

3. In relation to a partnership, the condition specified for the purposes of the relevant provisions is that every member of the partnership is an individual who satisfies the condition specified in Article 2.

Persons specified by name

4. The following persons are specified for the purposes of the relevant provisions—

The Association of Electoral Administrators Election.Com Limited Electoral Reform (Ballot Services) Limited

⁽a) 1992 c. 52. Schedule A1 to the Act was inserted by the Employment Relations Act 1999 and comes into force on 6th June 2000.

⁽b) 1989 c. 40.

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> Alan Johnson, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Competitiveness, Department of Trade and Industry

11th May 2000

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

Under Schedule A1 to the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992, where the Central Arbitration Committee arranges a ballot on the recognition or derecognition of a trade union for collective bargaining, it must appoint a "qualified independent person" to conduct the ballot. This Order specifies conditions which must be satisfied in order for an individual or partnership to be a qualified person. It also specifies certain persons by name as qualified persons.

The Order comes into force on 6th May 2000.

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