The following notice is in substitution for that which appeared on page 3279 of The London Gazette dated Friday, 16th March 2001:

### **Peter Grant Papers Ltd.** PUBLIC NOTIFICATION OF AN APPLICATION MADE UNDER REGULATION 10 OF THE POLLUTION PREVENTION AND CONTROL (ENGLAND AND WALES) REGULATIONS 2000

### INTEGRATED POLLUTION CONTROL

Notice is hereby given that Peter Grant Papers Ltd., has applied to the Environmental Agency for an Integrated Pollution Prevention and Control (IPPC) permit to operate an installation involving tissue paper manufacture and related processes including de-inking, effluent treatment and associated boiler house activites, in accordance with Part I of Schedule 1 of the regulations. The installation is located at Lansil Way, Caton Road, Lancaster LA1 3PQ, in the county of Lancashire. The application contains a description of any foreseeable significant effects of emissions from the installation on the environment.

Information relating to the above IPPC application for a permit to operate the mill is held in registers at the Environment Agency, North West Region, Richard Fairclough House, Great Sankey, Warrington WA4 and Lancaster City Council, Town Hall, Morecambe LA4 5AF. Members of the public can inspect these registers, free of charge, at the above stated addresses during normal office hours. In addition, members of the public who wish to obtain a coy of the relevant information contained in the registers can do so upon the payment of a reasonable charge to cover the costs of copying.

Any objections or representations to the above IPPC application should be made in writing to Mrs. L. Heathcote, Authorisations Officer, The Environment Agency, North West Central Area, PO Box 519, South Preston PR5 8GD, within 28 days from the date of the public notice

Any such objections or representations will be entered into a public register unless the person making them requests in writing that they should not be so placed. If there is such a request, the register will only include a statement that there has been a request.





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### **Environment Agency—Anglian Region** WATER RESOURCES ACT 1991 NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO VARY A LICENCE TO ABSTRACT WATER

Take notice that Floranova Ltd., of Floranova Nursery, Norwich Road, Foxley, Dereham, Norfolk NR20 4SS, is applying to the Environment Agency to vary licence serial number 7/34/11/G/0391 which authorises the abstraction of water from a borehole into the chalk stratum at National Grid Ref. TG 038 214, at Floranova Nursery, Norwich Road, Foxley, Dereham, Norfolk. The variation being applied for is to increase the area of land to be irrigated, with no other changes to quantities or rates of abstraction.

A copy of the application and any maps, plans and other documents submitted with it may be inspected, free of charge, at all reasonable hours at Floranova Ltd., Norwich Road, Foxley, Dereham, Norfolk, between 17th March and 17th April 2001.

Any person who wishes to make representations about the application should do so in writing to the Environment Agency, Anglian Region, Eastern Area Office, Cobham Road, Ipswich, Suffolk IP3 9JE, before the end of the said period, quoting the name of the applicant.

*T. W. Page & Son Ltd.*, on behalf of Floranova Ltd.

17th March 2001.

# Water Industry

# Dwr Cymru

## WATER INDUSTRY ACT 1991, SECTION 13 PROPOSALS BY THE DIRECTOR GENERAL OF WATER SERVICES FOR THE MODIFICATION OF THE CONDITIONS OF APPOINTMENT OF DWR CYMRU CYFYNGEDIG

### The Process

This notice seeks responses to the proposed modifications described below. Any representations or objections must be sent in writing to the Director General of Water Services, Centre City Tower, 7 Hill Street, Birmingham B5 4UA (fax 0121-625 3606 or e-mail allan.merry @ofwat.gsi.gov.uk) to be received no later than 5 p.m. on 4th April 2001.

#### Description of the proposed modifications and the reasons for them

Dwr Cymru Cyfyngedig ("Dwr Cymru") was, until recently, a whollyowned subsidiary of Hyder plc. On 19th September 2000, following a successful takeover bid, ownership of Hyder plc passed to Western Power Distribution Limited (WPD).

Before the takeover, the Director General of Water Services ("the Director") obtained assurances from WPD that, if its bid was successful, it would ensure that Dwr Cymru consented to the modifications of its conditions of appointment described below. (WPD also agreed that, pending the modifications, it would ensure that Dwr Cymru carried out its activities as if the modifications had already been made).

WPD has now agreed terms for the acquisition of Dwr Cymru by Glas Cymru Cyfyngedig (Glas). Glas is a Company limited by guarantee incorporated under the Companies Act 1985. It will be a wholly debtfinanced Company and proposes to outsource the day-to-day management of its operations and customer services to third parties.

Except for the modifications in section 5, the changes described in this notice will be made to the licence of Dwr Cymru regardless of whether Glas completes its proposed acquisition. If Glas is successful in acquiring Dwr Cymru, then the further changes set out in section 5 will also be made.

Both WPD and Glas have consented to the making of these proposed modifications.

1. Dwr Cymru's responsibilities as a water and a sewerage undertaker

WPD intends to let, by competitive tender, contracts for the provision to Dwr Cymru of all operational and customer services required for the discharge of its functions as a water and sewerage undertaker. Glas will, if its proposed acquisition of Dwr Cymru is successful, "inherit" these contracts which it intends to re-let over time.

All water and sewerage undertakers have the same responsibilities for the proper discharge of their functions. For example, they must comply with regulations about the quality of water intended for human consumption and with conditions of consents to the discharges from their sewage treatment works. It is exposed both to regulatory enforcement action and the criminal law. The Director considers that any contracting-out of the day-to-day operations of Dwr Cymru's core assets must not interfere with Dwr Cymru's continuing responsibilities as a water and a sewerage undertaker.

Dwr Cymru's licence already requires that its Board of Directors certify annually to the Director the adequacy of its financial and management resources, to enable it to discharge its core functions for the ensuing year. The Director proposes that these requirements be extended to require that:

Dwr Cymru's Board will certify annually the sufficiency of its methods of planning and control, to enable it to discharge its functions for the ensuing year.

For these purposes, Dwr Cymru will be required to ensure that those systems for planning and internal control comply with requirements specified by the Director in written, published guidance. This will ensure that Dwr Cymru maintains proper control over its legal obligations and responsibilities as a water and sewerage undertaker and also that it pursues proper market-testing of whatever services it chooses to continue to outsource (see section 2 below).

The Guidance on internal planning and control are based upon the Combined Code of the Committee on Corporate Governance and of the Turnbull Report: *Internal Control—Guidance for Directors on the Combined Code* (September 1999).

They require Dwr Cymru's Board to pay additional attention to the assessment and handling of hazard and risk, when the services in question are being provided by any contractor. For example, the Board will have to appoint a Water Quality Committee, to include independent experts on public health and operational aspects of water supply. Its findings should be reported to Dwr Cymru's Board and attached to its annual report to the Drinking Water Inspectorate (DWI) and