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Dear Clerks ,

Direction under regulation 28 of the Land Drainage (Election of Drainage Boards) Regulations 1938

Please find attached a Direction under regulation 28 of the Land Drainage (Election of Drainage Boards) Regulations 1938 (as amended). The effect of the Direction is to confirm that any notice, certificate or declaration required under the Regulations may be advertised through publicly available websites instead of only by insertion in one or more newspapers circulating in the Internal Drainage District. IDBs may still advertise notices in local newspapers if they so wish. IDBs can also place the notice, certificate or declaration in additional places such as publicly available notice boards, local magazines, newsletters and other circulars distributed to residences and businesses within the Internal Drainage District to ensure access for those people who do not have internet facilities.

Yours sincerely,

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DIRECTION UNDER REGULATION 28 OF THE LAND DRAINAGE
(ELECTION OF DRAINAGE BOARDS) REGULATIONS 1938

1. Having regard to the power conferred on the Minister for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (“the Minister”) in Regulation 28 of the Land Drainage (Election of Drainage Boards) Regulations 1938 (as amended) (“the Regulations”), the Minister considers it sufficient for any notice, certificate or declaration required by those regulations to be given in a manner otherwise than by insertion in one or more newspapers circulating in the Internal Drainage District.
2. Accordingly, the Minister directs that any notice, certificate or declaration may be given by publicly available websites. IDBs may still advertise notices in local newspapers if they so wish.
3. Notwithstanding the above, Internal Drainage Boards can, and may, put the notice, certificate or declaration in additional places such as publicly available notice boards, local magazines, newsletters and other circulars distributed to residences and businesses within the Internal Drainage District to ensure access for those people who do not have internet facilities.

Signed by the authority of the Secretary of State

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'N. V.' followed by a long, sweeping horizontal line.

27 April 2016

A Senior Civil Servant in the Department of Environment, Food and Rural
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