



IN THE COMPETITION
APPEAL TRIBUNAL

Case: 1050/2/4/05

BETWEEN:

AQUA RESOURCES LIMITED

Appellant

-v-

DIRECTOR GENERAL OF WATER SERVICES

Respondent

supported by

SEVERN TRENT WATER LIMITED

Intervener

ORDER OF THE TRIBUNAL

UPON reading the submissions of the parties

AND UPON reading the request for permission to intervene filed on behalf of Severn Trent Water Limited on 10 May 2005

AND UPON hearing the appellant in person and the legal representatives of the respondent and the intervener at a case management conference held on 18 May 2005

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. Under rule 18 of the Tribunal Rules, the proceedings be proceedings before a Tribunal in England and Wales.
2. Severn Trent Water Limited be granted permission to intervene.
3. The respondent shall file and serve a defence by 5.00pm on 31 May 2005.
4. The respondent shall file and serve a bundle of documents (in date order earliest date first) containing all documents on which it relies or which may support the

notice of appeal to include all correspondence between the respondent, the appellant, Severn Trent Water and the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration, and any internal documents material to the consideration by the respondent of the exercise of its powers under section 25 of the Competition Act 1998 and/or as to the conduct and result of any investigation by the respondent and/or as to whether the respondent has taken a decision within section 47 of the Competition Act 1998 by 5.00 pm on 31 May 2005.

5. Severn Trent Water Limited shall file and serve a statement of intervention by 5.00pm on 14 June 2005.
6. The appellant shall file and serve any reply by 5.00pm on 28 June 2005.
7. Both the appellant and the respondent shall file and serve skeleton arguments by 5.00pm on 6 July 2005.
8. Severn Trent Water Limited shall file and serve a skeleton argument by 5.00pm on 11 July 2005.
9. The parties shall agree a bundle of authorities, such bundle to be filed and served by the respondent by 5.00 pm on 11 July 2005.
10. The parties shall agree a paginated bundle of documents in date order earliest date first to contain all the documents relied upon by the parties, such bundle to be filed and served by the respondent by 5.00 pm on 11 July 2005.
11. A further case management conference be listed for 12 July 2005.
12. The main hearing be listed for 20 July 2005 and 21 July 2005.
13. Costs be reserved.
14. There be permission to apply.

Marion Simmons QC
Chairman of the Competition Appeal Tribunal

Made: 18 May 2005
Drawn: 24 May 2005