



**IN THE COMPETITION APPEAL
TRIBUNAL**

Case No.1058/2/4/06

BETWEEN:

INDEPENDENT WATER COMPANY LTD

Appellant

-v-

DIRECTOR GENERAL OF WATER SERVICES

Respondent

ORDER OF THE TRIBUNAL

UPON reading the appellant's notice of appeal and the submissions of the parties

AND UPON reading the request for permission to intervene filed on behalf of Bristol Water Plc on 6 February 2006

AND UPON reading the request for permission to intervene filed by Albion Water Limited on 14 February 2006

AND UPON hearing the Appellant and Albion Water Limited in person and the legal representatives of the Respondent and Bristol Water Plc at a case management conference on 20 February 2006

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. Bristol Water Plc be granted permission to intervene.
2. Albion Water Limited be granted permission to intervene, limited to the issue of the admissibility of the appeal, written submissions to be limited to the request for permission to intervene already filed with the Tribunal, unless the Tribunal gives permission to make further written submissions.
3. The issue of whether there is an appealable decision capable of being appealed under section 46 and/or section 47 of the Competition Act 1998 be determined as a preliminary issue at a hearing on a date to be listed.

4. The Respondent file and serve submissions for the preliminary hearing by 5.00pm on 6 March 2006.
5. Bristol Water Plc file and serve its statement of intervention by 5.00pm on 13 March 2006.
6. There be liberty to apply.

Sir Christopher Bellamy
President of the Competition Appeal Tribunal

Made 20 February 2006
Drawn 23 February 2006