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Department of the Environment

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Date: 21st September 2005

Dear Sir/Madam

BELFAST GAZETTE

I enclose a copy of Notices for insertion in the Belfast Gazette for the week ending Friday 23rd September 2005.

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Yours faithfully

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This Approval approves as from and including 28th September 2005 for the purpose of the detection of light signal offences the type of device known as **RedGuard**.



Internal Memo

From: John McMullan
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Ref: Tpt 3/9/14/05

Tel: 40080

cc: Copy distribution list attached

Date: 20 September 2005

To: Wesley Shannon

Mr McMullan

Agreed. Approval notices signed as requested.

WS 21/9/05

RE-ISSUE OF TYPE APPROVALS FOR POLICE SPEED AND RED LIGHT ENFORCEMENT EQUIPMENT TO ACCOMMODATE A MANUFACTURER NAME CHANGE

Objective

That you agree to issue the attached 3 Approval Notices.

Issue

Re-issue of approval of devices for the purpose of speed and red light enforcement to take account of a manufacturer name change.

Urgency

Medium

Date of Announcement

This does not involve an announcement.

Presentational Issues

There are no presentational issues associated with this submission.

FOI Implications

This minute is fully disclosable.

Line to take

There is no line to take.

Media Interviews

This submission does not require any media involvement.

BACKGROUND

1. This minute seeks your agreement to issue the 3 Approval Notices (**aside**) in respect of the devices specified therein to take account of a manufacturing name change.

DETAIL

2. On 12th June 2003 the Department issued Approval Notices in respect of the following devices to permit the PSNI to measure and record the speed of motor vehicles, namely:
 - a RedGuard roadside red light safety camera for red light enforcement;

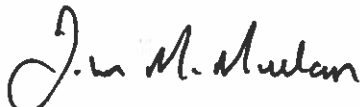
- a **SpeedCurb** roadside speed safety camera for speed enforcement; and
- a **RedSpeed** roadside speed and red light safety camera for speed and red light enforcement.

These devices were stated in the Approval Notices as being manufactured by "Monitron International Limited".

3. In mid-2004, "Monitron International Limited" went into liquidation and was taken over by "Redspeed International Limited". The Home Office duly issued new GB Approval Notices in November 2004 to take account of the manufacturer name change. The Home Office has confirmed that there were no issues raised regarding the gap of four months between Monitron International Limited going into liquidation and the consequent approval of Redspeed International Limited.
4. This Department is obliged to similarly amend the initial DOE Approvals to take account of the above-mentioned name change.
5. The Approval Notices are not considered contentious or sufficiently significant to warrant referral to the Minister.
6. No Consultation was required.
7. A Regulatory Impact Assessment (RIA) is not applicable.
8. The content of this submission has been cleared by Road Safety Branch who have advised that the section 75 Equality of Opportunity screening analysis has been completed and agreed with the equality unit.
9. If the Approval Notices are signed by 21st September 2005 the proposed approval date would be 28th September 2005.

RECOMMENDATION

10. You are asked to approve and sign the 3 Approval Notices (**aside**).



J. MCMULLAN

cc	P/S Secretary Cynthia Smith Desi McDonnell Harry Green) without enclosures) " ") " ") " "
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7 September 2005

Our ref: SOL2581/05/DOE
Your ref: Tpt3/9/12/03, Tpt3/9/14/05

Dear Colette

RE The Road Sensors Speed Measuring and Light Signals (Detection of Offences) Device Approval (Northern Ireland) 2005

The Road sensors Speed Measuring Device Approval (Northern Ireland) 2005

The Light Signals (Detection of Offences) Device Approval (Northern Ireland) 2005

I would advise that the above matters have now been allocated to me for scrutiny.

I have considered the drafts and would propose that foot-note (b) to each of the Approvals is amended to be more specific and refer to Article 2, of the Road Traffic Offenders (Prescribed Devices) Order (Northern Ireland) 1997. *✓ MMB 12/9*

Subject to this minor amendment I would confirm that the draft Approvals and Notices would appear to be in the correct form and within the power of the Department to make and therefore may be taken to have been cleared by this office.

Should you wish to discuss further please do not hesitate to contact me at the number below.

Yours sincerely

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Date: 27th July 2005

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Please find enclosed for scrutiny three draft Approvals and three draft notices for the Belfast Gazette (in duplicate).

These Approvals replicate GB Approvals (copies aside).

The Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments does not apply to these Approvals.

Priority

The granting of these Approvals is regarded as being desirable because they are neither inescapable or high priority. It is hoped to grant approval in September 2005 and to come into operation on 1st October 2005 at the very latest. However, PSNI has requested, if feasible, an earlier date for the Approvals coming into operation.

Powers

The Approvals are being granted using Article 23(4) and (5) of the Road Traffic Offenders (Northern Ireland) Order 1996 and are not subject to any resolution type.

Consultation Summary

These Approvals reflect a change in name of manufacturer from "Monitron International Ltd" to "Redspeed International Ltd" and consultation is not required.

Compatibility with section 24 of the Northern Ireland Act 1998

Not considered relevant.

Purpose

The purpose of these Approvals is to change the manufacturer name from "Monitron International Ltd" to "Redspeed International Ltd". The firm ("Monitron") manufacturing equipment for measuring/recording the speed of motor vehicles went into liquidation in 2004 and was subsequently taken over by another firm ("Redspeed"). These fresh Approvals would permit the PSNI to use equipment manufactured by Redspeed Ltd in the near future.

Comparison with GB Equivalent

These Approvals mirror the Home Office Approvals, which took effect from 3rd November 2004.

Queries

GB issued Approval Notices to reflect the manufacturer name change in November 2004 which was 4 months after the takeover. GB confirmed that the Monitron Approvals were not revoked as it was felt that some police forces would continue to use the Monitron devices. Within the 4 months, as far as GB was aware, there were no requests for Redspeed equipment to be approved nor were any issues raised about the legality of the detection devices.

You will also note that GB has omitted footnote (c) from the Road Sensors Speed Measuring and the Light Signals (Detection of Offences) Devices Approval (No. 2) 2004 yet it is included in Approval 2003 (copy aside).

Yours sincerely

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