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Dear Colleague

The Police Pensions (Additional Voluntary Contributions) Amendment (Scotland) Regulations 2010

Discussions through PNB have previously taken place regarding the closure of the Police AVC scheme with a view that the closure of the AVC scheme is intended to take effect from 1 October 2010.

I enclose the draft of the necessary amendment to The Police Pensions (Additional Voluntary Contributions) Regulations 1991 which reflects the fact the scheme will be closed to both new arrangements and any increase in contributions from October 2010.

The amendment, which brings about closure to new business, is the insertion into regulation 3 of paragraph 3(2A). The amendment which stops the option to increase contributions is the insertion which will become 3(2B). Amendments are also made to regulations 4, 5 and 6, which again reflect the fact that the scheme is closing to new and increased contributions and transfers into the scheme from October.

We have also taken the opportunity at paragraph 3 of the attached draft amendment to correct a reference error made when regulation E8 was amended under paragraph 3 of SSI 2009/185. The original amendment contained an incorrect scheme reference which is corrected by the amendment being introduced.

Timescale for comments

We are aiming to have the regulations in force for 1 October 2010 and as a result the period available for comment has to be limited to 3 weeks. I should be grateful for your comments on the proposed regulations by **25 August 2010**. Unless specifically asked to treat a response as confidential, the Agency may wish to publish, in due course, responses to this



consultation, or deposit them in the libraries of the Scottish Government or the Scottish Parliament.

A copy of this consultation will also be placed on the Agency's website.

Yours sincerely

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