

## **Structural warranty services**

**1 Title of report** Structural Warranty Services in relation to New Homes: A report on the existence or possible existence of a monopoly situation in relation to the supply within the United Kingdom of structural warranty services in relation to new homes (MMC - Cmnd 1439)

**2 Date of report** 14 December 1990      **Published** 6 March 1991

**3 Orders** N/A

**4 Date of original undertakings** 7 December 1995 **Press release** 1 February 1996

**5 Companies giving undertakings** National House Building Council (NHBC)

### **6 Undertakings**

Changes to the NHBC's Rules of Membership

1. (1) The NHBC shall not make any amendment or addition to the Rules of Membership to which this paragraph applies unless the Director General of Fair Trading has previously given his consent thereto in writing.  
  
(2) This paragraph applies to any amendment or addition to the Rules of Membership that has or may have the result that the NHBC ceases to comply with, or complies to a lesser extent with, the MMC recommendations.

Interpretation

2. In these Undertakings:

'the MMC recommendations' means the recommendations set out in paragraphs 8.90 to 8.102 of a report by the Monopolies and Mergers Commission entitled 'A report on the existence or possible existence of a monopoly situation in relation to the supply within the United Kingdom of structural warranty services in relation to new homes' (CM 1439);

'the NHBC' means the National House-Building Council; and

'the Rules of Membership' means the rules as laid down from time to time by the NHBC for builders and developers of new homes registered with the NHBC.

**7. Date of amendments:** N/A

**8. Index information:** Tying, exclusivity