

21. *Comment.* The Norwegian system seems to place reliance on the delegation of specific functions to a Directorate, which enforces laws and regulations made by its sponsor Ministry and regulations introduced itself. By close definition of functions there does not seem to be any overlap between the various agencies although the possibility of conflicting requirements must arise. The Committee took evidence from one operator with Norwegian experience and did not form the impression that great difficulties were created by the number of inspection bodies. There are many obvious similarities between the controls exercised in Norway and in the UK reflecting the coincidental nature of the operations both as to timing and nature. Nevertheless we gained the impression that Norwegian regulations were more detailed than those in the UK and that they were more rigidly and less knowledgeably enforced. The consequences were often time-consuming and expensive for operators.