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CONSTITUTIONAL LAW

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The Wales Act 2017 (Commencement No. 3) Regulations 2017

Made - - - 6*th November* 2017

The Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 71(4) and (6) of the Wales Act $2017(\mathbf{a})$, makes the following Regulations:

Citation

6th November 2017

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Wales Act 2017 (Commencement No. 3) Regulations 2017.

Commencement of section 24 of the Wales Act 2017

2. Section 24 of the Wales Act 2017 (onshore petroleum: existing licences) comes into force on the day which is four months after the day on which these Regulations are made.

Richard Harrington Parliamentary Under Secretary of State, Minister for Energy and Industry Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations are the third commencement Regulations made under the Wales Act 2017 (c. 4) ("the Act").

Regulation 2 brings into force section 24 of the Act relating to existing licences to search, bore for and get petroleum, which allows the Secretary of State to direct that licences granted in respect of an area only part of which is within the "Welsh onshore area" (as defined in section 24(6)) have effect as separate licences in respect of the English and Welsh areas, and make amendments to existing licences which are wholly or partially within the Welsh onshore area.

Section 24 comes into force four months after the day on which these Regulations are made.

⁽a) 2017 c. 4.

NOTE AS TO EARLIER COMMENCEMENT REGULATIONS

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

The following provisions of the Wales Act 2017 (c. 4) will be brought into force by commencement regulations made before the date these Regulations were made.

Provision	Date of Commencement	<i>S.I. No.</i>
Section 21	7th January 2018	2017/893
Section 49	7th January 2018	2017/893
Section 59	See regulation 2 of S.I. 2017/351	2017/351
Section 60	See regulation 2 of S.I. 2017/351	2017/351
Section 61	See regulation 2 of S.I. 2017/351	2017/351
Section 62	See regulation 2 of S.I. 2017/351	2017/351
Section 63	See regulation 2 of S.I. 2017/351	2017/351
Section 64	See regulation 2 of S.I. 2017/351	2017/351
Section 69(1) (partially)	See regulation 2 of S.I. 2017/351	2017/351
Schedule 5	See regulation 2 of S.I. 2017/351	2017/351
Schedule 6 (partially)	See regulation 2 of S.I. 2017/351	2017/351

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