



Energy Act 2008

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Food and Environment Protection Act 1985 (c. 48)

- 1 The Food and Environment Protection Act 1985 is amended as...
2 In section 7A (regulation of deposits made in the sea:...
3 In section 24 (interpretation)— (a) in subsection (1), after the...

Petroleum Act 1987 (c. 12)

- 4 (1) Section 21 of the Petroleum Act 1987 (automatic establishment...

Gas (Northern Ireland) Order 1996 (S.I. 1996/275 (N.I.2))

- 5 In Article 3(1) of the Gas (Northern Ireland) Order 1996...

Petroleum Act 1998 (c. 17)

- 6 The Petroleum Act 1998 is amended as follows.
7 In section 11 (application of civil law)—
8 In section 13 (interpretation of Part 2), after the existing...
9 In section 28 (interpretation of Part 3), in the definition...
10 In section 30 (persons who may be required to submit...
11 In section 44 (offshore installations)— (a) in subsection (3), after...
12 In section 47A (factors for the Secretary of State to...

Energy Act 2004 (c. 20)

- 13 In section 188 of the Energy Act 2004 (power to...

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SCHEDULE 2 — Property schemes

SCHEDULE 3 — Petroleum licences: amendments to model clauses

Part 1 — PETROLEUM (PRODUCTION) (LANDWARD AREAS) REGULATIONS 1995

1 (1) Schedule 3 to the Petroleum (Production) (Landward Areas) Regulations...

Part 2 — PETROLEUM (CURRENT MODEL CLAUSES) ORDER 1999

2 This Part of this Schedule contains amendments to the Petroleum...

3 (1) Part 2 of Schedule 2 (seaward production licences) is...

4 (1) Part 2 of Schedule 3 (landward production licences) is...

5 (1) Part 2 of Schedule 4 (landward production licences) is...

6 (1) Part 2 of Schedule 5 (seaward production licences) is...

7 (1) Part 2 of Schedule 6 (seaward production licences) is...

8 (1) Part 2 of Schedule 8 (landward development licences) is...

9 (1) Part 2 of Schedule 9 (seaward production licences) is...

10 (1) Part 2 of Schedule 10 (seaward production licences) is...

11 (1) Part 2 of Schedule 11 (seaward exploration licences) is...

12 (1) Part 2 of Schedule 12 (landward exploration licences) is...

13 (1) Part 2 of Schedule 13 (landward appraisal licences) is...

14 (1) Part 2 of Schedule 14 (landward development licences) is...

Part 3 — PETROLEUM LICENSING (EXPLORATION AND PRODUCTION) (SEAWARD AND LANDWARD AREAS) REGULATIONS 2004

15 This Part of this Schedule amends the Petroleum Licensing (Exploration...

16 (1) Schedule 1 (exploration licences) is amended as follows.

17 (1) Schedule 2 (frontier areas: production licences without break clause)...

18 (1) Schedule 3 (frontier areas: production licences with break clause)...

19 (1) Schedule 4 (production licences for areas other than frontier...

20 (1) Schedule 6 (exploration and development licences) is amended as...

SCHEDULE 4 — Smart meters: licensable activities

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1 After section 41H of the Gas Act 1986 (c. 44),...

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2 After section 56F of the Electricity Act 1989 (c. 29)...

SCHEDULE 5 — Minor and consequential amendments

Pipe-lines Act 1962 (c. 58)

1 In section 54 of the Pipe-lines Act 1962 (offences by...

Gas Act 1986 (c. 44)

2 In section 64(2) of the Gas Act 1986 (orders) after...

Electricity Act 1989 (c. 29)

3 In section 25 of the Electricity Act 1989 (orders for...

4 In section 47 of that Act (general functions of the...

5 In section 106 of that Act (regulations and orders), after...

6 In section 106(2)(b) of that Act (regulations and orders) for...

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Petroleum Act 1998 (c. 17)

- 7 The Petroleum Act 1998 is amended as follows.
- 8 In section 5(9) (alteration of licences) for “an instrument under...
- 9 In section 31(1) (notices: supplementary provision) omit “(d) or”.
- 10 In section 34 (revision of programmes)— (a) in subsection (2)(a),...
- 11 In section 45 (interpretation), in the definition of “submarine pipeline”...

Utilities Act 2000 (c. 27)

- 12 The Utilities Act 2000 is amended as follows.
- 13 In section 33 (standard conditions of electricity licences), in subsection...
- 14 In section 81 (standard conditions of gas licences), in subsection...
- 15 In section 105 (general restrictions on disclosure of information)—

Energy Act 2004 (c. 20)

- 16 The Energy Act 2004 is amended as follows.
- 17 Omit section 105(9) (power to require provision of information in...
- 18 Omit section 107(5) to (7) (power to require provision of...
- 19 In section 132 (interpretation of Chapter 5 of Part 2),...
- 20 In section 185 (adjustment of transmission charges), in subsection (14),...
- 21 In Schedule 13 (directions given to the Civil Nuclear Police...

SCHEDULE 6 — Repeals

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