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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2017 No. 942 (C. 83)**

**ENERGY**

The Energy Act 2016 (Commencement No. 4  
and Transitory Provision) Regulations 2017

Made - - - - 26th September 2017

The Secretary of State makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by section 84(3) and 84(4) of the Energy Act 2016<sup>(1)</sup>.

**Citation**

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Energy Act 2016 (Commencement No. 4 and Transitory Provision) Regulations 2017.

**Provisions coming into force on 21st October 2017**

2. Sections 30 to 36 of the Energy Act 2016, so far as they are not already in force, come into force on 21st October 2017.

**Transitory provision**

3. Notwithstanding the commencement of section 31(8) of the Energy Act 2016, the requirement imposed by section 31(2)(a) of that Act is not sanctionable in accordance with Chapter 5 of Part 2 of that Act before 12th November 2017.

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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Regulations)*

These Regulations bring the remaining provisions of the Energy Act 2016 into force.

The commenced provisions relate to the appointment of information and samples coordinators, and to the preparation and agreement of information and samples plans in relation to the transfer, expiry, revocation or surrender of rights under an offshore licence, and provide a right of appeal to the First-tier Tribunal on prescribed grounds against the preparation by the Oil and Gas Authority of an information and samples plan.

Regulation 3 provides that the sanction for failure to agree an information and samples plan in advance of a licence event does not apply before 12th November 2017.

An impact assessment of the effect that the Act will have on the costs of business and the voluntary sector has been produced, and a copy is available at [www.legislation.gov.uk](http://www.legislation.gov.uk). No separate impact assessment has been produced for this instrument.

## NOTE AS TO EARLIER COMMENCEMENT REGULATIONS

*(This note is not part of the Regulations)*

<i>Provision</i>	<i>Date of Commencement</i>	<i>S.I. No.</i>
Subsections (1) to (3) of section 1	12th July 2016	2016/602 (C. 43)
Subsection (4) of section 1	24th May 2016	2016/602 (C. 43)
Subsection (1) of section 2	1st October 2016	2016/920 (C. 66)
Subsections (2) to (6) of section 2	24th May 2016	2016/602 (C. 43)
Sections 3 to 5	12th July 2016	2016/602 (C. 43)
Sections 6 to 12	1st October 2016	2016/920 (C. 66)
Sections 13 and 14	12th July 2016	2016/602 (C. 43)
Sections 15 to 29	1st October 2016	2016/920 (C. 66)
Subsections (1)(a) and (2) to (6) of section 34	19th December 2016	2016/1198 (C. 83)
Section 36 (partially)	19th December 2016	2016/1198 (C. 83)
Sections 37 to 65	1st October 2016	2016/920 (C. 66)
Subsections (1) and (2) of section 66	1st October 2016	2016/920 (C. 66)
Subsections (3) and (4) of section 66	24th May 2016	2016/602 (C. 43)
Subsections (5) to (7) of section 66	1st October 2016	2016/920 (C. 66)
Sections 67 to 75	1st October 2016	2016/920 (C. 66)
Section 78	12th July 2016	2016/602 (C. 43)
Schedules 1 and 2	1st October 2016	2016/920 (C. 66)

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