
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2014 No. 198

The Energy Efficiency Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2014

PART 2

AMENDMENTS TO THE ENERGY ORDER

Interpretation

3. In Article 2(2) (Interpretation) of the Energy Order, insert at the appropriate place the following definition—

““Energy Efficiency Directive” means the European Parliament and Council Directive 2012/27/EU on energy efficiency, amending Directive 2009/125/EC and 2010/125/EC and 2010/30/EU and repealing Directives 2004/8/EC and 2006/32/EC;”.

Principal objective and general duties in relation to electricity

4. Article 12 of the Energy Order is amended as follows—

(a) in paragraph (5)(a) for the words “on the part of persons authorised by licences or exemptions to supply, distribute or participate in the transmission of electricity” substitute “in the generation, distribution, transmission and supply of electricity”;

(b) after paragraph 12(5) insert:—

“(5A) The duties under paragraph (5) shall, in particular, include—

(a) ensuring the provision of the incentives referred to in Article 15(1) of the Energy Efficiency Directive, where appropriate and having taken into account the costs and benefits, and ensuring that no incentives are provided contrary to Article 15(4) of that Directive; and

(b) the encouragement of demand side resources in accordance with Article 15(8), first and third indents of that Directive.

(5B) Before 30 June 2015, the Authority shall deliver to the Department—

(a) an assessment of the electricity infrastructure which complies with the requirements of Article 15(2)(a) of the Energy Efficiency Directive; and

(b) a list identifying concrete measures and investments which complies with the requirements of Article 15(2)(b) of that Directive.

(5C) For the purpose of paragraph (5B), the Authority may, by notice given to the holder of any electricity licence or any exemption holder, require that person to provide such information, assistance and advice as may be specified in the notice and that holder shall comply with that requirement.”.

Principal objective and general duties in relation to gas

5. Article 14 of the Energy Order is amended as follows—

- (a) for paragraph (5)(a) substitute—
 - “(a) to promote the efficient use of gas and efficiency and economy in the conveyance, storage or supply of gas;” and
- (b) after paragraph 14(5A) insert—
 - “(5B) Before 30 June 2015 the Authority shall deliver to the Department—
 - (a) an assessment of the gas infrastructure which complies with the requirements of Article 15(2)(a) of the Energy Efficiency Directive; and
 - (b) a list identifying concrete measures and investments which complies with the requirements of Article 15(2)(b) of that Directive.
 - (5C) For the purpose of paragraph (5A), the Authority may serve on any holder of a gas licence or any exemption holder a notice requiring that person to provide the Authority with such information, assistance or advice as may be specified in the notice and that holder shall comply with that requirement.”.

Penalties

- 6. Article 41A of the Energy Order is amended as follows—
 - (a) in paragraph (4)(i), omit “and”;
 - (b) in paragraph (4)(j), for “,” substitute “; and”; and
 - (c) after paragraph (4)(j) there shall be inserted the following sub-paragraph—
 - “(k) paragraph 2(1) and 3(4) of Schedule 7 to the Electricity Order (individual meters).”.
- 7. Article 41B of the Energy Order is amended as follows—
 - (a) in paragraph (3)(h) omit “and”;
 - (b) in paragraph (3)(i), for “.” substitute “; and”; and
 - (c) after paragraph (3)(i) there shall be inserted the following sub-paragraph—
 - “(j) Article 21A of the Gas Order (individual meters).”.