

SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 3

Section 6.

CONSULTATIVE AND CONSUMERS' COUNCILS

PART I

ELECTRICITY INDUSTRY

The Councils concerned

- 1 This Part of this Schedule applies to the Consultative Councils established—
- (a) under section 7 of the Electricity Act 1947 for the areas of Area Boards ;
and
 - (b) under section 7A of that Act, for the districts of the North of Scotland Hydro-Electric Board and the South of Scotland Electricity Board.

Council chairmen

- 2 There shall be paid to the chairman of a Council such remuneration as the Secretary of State may determine ; and in the case of a person remunerated under this paragraph there shall be no obligation to remunerate him also—
- (a) under paragraph 14 of Schedule 1 to the Hydro-Electric Development (Scotland) Act 1943, as a member of the North of Scotland Hydro-Electric Board or the South of Scotland Electricity Board; or
 - (b) under section 3(6) of the Electricity Act 1947, as a member of the Area Board for the same area as that for which he is chairman of the Consultative Council.
- 3 If the Secretary of State so determines in the case of a person who has been remunerated under paragraph 2 above, he shall pay such pension to or in respect of that person, or make such payments towards the provision of such a pension, as he (the Secretary of State) may determine.
- 4 If a person in receipt of remuneration under that paragraph ceases to hold the office by virtue of which he receives it, and it appears to the Secretary of State that there are special circumstances which make it right that that person should receive compensation, that person shall be paid a sum of such amount as the Secretary of State may determine.
- 5 In Part III of Schedule 1 to the House of Commons Disqualification Act 1975, the following shall be inserted at the appropriate place in alphabetical order—
- “Chairman of any of the Consultative Councils established, under sections 7 and 7A of the Electricity Act 1947, for the areas of Area Boards or the districts of the North of Scotland Hydro-Electric Board and the South of Scotland Electricity Board.”

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Councils' administration, personnel etc.

- 6 A Council may, subject to the approval of the Secretary of State as to numbers, appoint such officers as appear to the Council to be requisite for the performance of their functions, including those of any committee or individual appointed under section 7(9) or 7A(8) of the Electricity Act 1947 (scheme for Council's representation at local level).
- 7 The Secretary of State shall provide the Councils with funds wherewith to pay—
- (a) to their members, and to members of any such committee, or to any such individual, as is mentioned above such travelling and other allowances ; and
 - (b) to the officers of a Council, such remuneration, and such travelling and other allowances,
- as the Secretary of State may determine, and wherewith also to defray such other expenses in connection with their functions as he may determine to be appropriate; and he may make arrangements for Councils to be provided with office accommodation.
- 8 (1) There shall be paid such pensions, or arrangements shall be made for the payment of such pensions, to or in respect of persons who are or have been officers of Consultative Councils as the Secretary of State may determine.
- (2) A Consultative Council may, if the Secretary of State determines that they should do so, assume in respect of such persons as are referred to in sub-paragraph (1) above any liabilities incurred by the Electricity Council, an Area Board, the North of Scotland Hydro-Electric Board or the South of Scotland Electricity Board (as the case may be) under or in pursuance of section 54 of the Electricity Act 1947.
- (3) The Secretary of State shall provide Consultative Councils with funds wherewith to pay pensions under sub-paragraph (1) above or to finance any arrangements under that sub-paragraph, and to discharge any liabilities assumed by Councils under sub-paragraph (2).

Supplementary

- 9 (1) The consent of the Minister for the Civil Service shall be required for any determination or approval by the Secretary of State under the foregoing paragraphs.
- (2) In this Part of this Schedule " pension " includes allowance and gratuity payable on retirement or otherwise.

PART II

GAS INDUSTRY

- 10 Schedule 3 to the Gas Act 1972 is amended in accordance with the following paragraphs.
- 11 In paragraph 2 of the Schedule—
- (a) for sub-paragraph (3) substitute—
 - “(3) Any of the said Councils may, if the Secretary of State determines that they should do so, assume in respect of any such persons as are referred to in sub-paragraph (2) above any

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liabilities incurred by the Corporation under or in pursuance of section 36(1) of this Act”;

(b) after sub-paragraph (4) insert—

“(4A) The Secretary of State may make arrangements for Councils to be provided with office accommodation”.

12 For paragraph 3 of the Schedule substitute—

“3 (1) The payments to be made under paragraph 1 above—

(a) in respect of the remuneration of the chairman of any of the Councils there mentioned ; and

(b) in respect of the chairman's pension or otherwise under sub-paragraph (3) of that paragraph,

shall be made by the Secretary of State ; and other payments under or in pursuance of paragraphs 1 and 2 above shall be made by Councils from funds provided by the Secretary of State.

(2) The consent of the Minister for the Civil Service shall be required for any determination or approval by the Secretary of State under paragraphs 1 and 2 above.

(3) In those paragraphs "pension" includes allowance and gratuity payable on retirement or otherwise”.

13 In paragraph 7 of the Schedule for " the Corporation " substitute " the Secretary of State ".