

# Nuclear Energy (Financing) Act 2022

# **2022 CHAPTER 15**

#### PART 2

#### REVENUE COLLECTION CONTRACTS

# Miscellaneous and interpretation

# 29 Licence modifications

- (1) The Secretary of State may modify—
  - (a) a condition of a particular licence under section 6(1)(b) or (c) of the Electricity Act 1989 (transmission and distribution licences);
  - (b) the standard conditions incorporated in licences under section 6(1)(b) or (c) of the Electricity Act 1989 by virtue of section 8A of that Act;
  - (c) a document maintained in accordance with the conditions of licences under section 6(1)(b) or (c) of the Electricity Act 1989 or an agreement that gives effect to a document so maintained.
- (2) The Secretary of State may make a modification under subsection (1) only for the purpose of—
  - (a) allowing or requiring services to be provided to a revenue collection counterparty;
  - (b) enforcing obligations under a revenue collection contract.
- (3) Provision included in a licence, or in a document or agreement relating to licences, by virtue of subsection (1) may in particular include provision of a kind that may be included in revenue regulations.
- (4) Before making a modification under subsection (1), the Secretary of State must consult—
  - (a) the Scottish Ministers,
  - (b) the Welsh Ministers.
  - (c) the holder of any licence being modified,

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- (d) every holder of a licence to supply electricity under section 6(1)(d) of the Electricity Act 1989,
- (e) the Authority, and
- (f) such other persons as the Secretary of State considers appropriate.
- (5) Subsection (4) may be satisfied by consultation before the passing of this Act (as well as by consultation after that time).
- (6) The power under subsection (1)—
  - (a) may be exercised generally, only in relation to specified cases or subject to exceptions (including provision for a case to be excepted only so long as specified conditions are satisfied);
  - (b) may be exercised differently for different purposes;
  - (c) includes power to make incidental, supplementary, consequential or transitional modifications.
- (7) Provision included in a licence, or in a document or agreement relating to licences, by virtue of subsection (1)—
  - (a) may make different provision for different purposes;
  - (b) need not relate to the activities authorised by the licence;
  - (c) may do anything authorised for licences of that type by section 7(2A), (3), (4), (5) or (6A) of the Electricity Act 1989.
- (8) The Secretary of State must publish details of any modifications made under subsection (1) as soon as reasonably practicable after they are made.
- (9) If under subsection (1) the Secretary of State makes a modification of the standard conditions of a licence, the Authority must—
  - (a) make the same modification of those standard conditions for the purposes of their incorporation in licences of that type granted after that time, and
  - (b) publish the modification.
- (10) A modification made under subsection (1) of part of a standard condition of a licence does not prevent any other part of the condition from continuing to be regarded as a standard condition for the purposes of Part 1 of the Electricity Act 1989.
- (11) The power conferred by subsection (1) to "modify" (in relation to licence conditions or a document or agreement) includes power to amend, add to or remove, and references to modifications are to be construed accordingly.

#### **Commencement Information**

I1 S. 29 in force at 1.6.2022, see s. 44(2)(b)

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