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PART 12

CORE FUEL SECTOR RESILIENCE

CHAPTER 2

POWERS FOR RESILIENCE PURPOSES

Information

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- (1) The Secretary of State may by notice in writing require any of the following to provide the Secretary of State with information relating to their relevant activities or assets—
 - (a) a person carrying on core fuel sector activities in the course of a business which has capacity in excess of 1,000 tonnes;
 - (b) a [Part 12](#) facility owner whose owned facility has capacity in excess of 1,000 tonnes.
- (2) The Secretary of State may by notice in writing require a relevant wetstock manager to provide the Secretary of State with information relating to the relevant activities or assets of a person carrying on core fuel sector activities to whom the relevant wetstock manager provides stock management services.
- (3) In this Part “relevant wetstock manager” means a person who provides to persons who make retail supplies of core fuels in the United Kingdom stock management services in respect of such supplies.
- (4) The Secretary of State may only require information under this section for the purpose of maintaining or improving core fuel sector resilience.
- (5) A notice under [subsection \(1\)](#) or [\(2\)](#) may—

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- (a) specify the manner in which information is to be provided;
 - (b) specify time limits for providing information;
 - (c) require information to be provided at specified intervals.
- (6) Before giving a person a notice under [subsection \(1\)](#) or [\(2\)](#) the Secretary of State must—
- (a) notify the person in writing of the proposed contents of the notice and of the period within which the person may make written representations with respect to the proposed requirement, and
 - (b) consider any representations made by the person.
- (7) The period notified under [subsection \(6\)\(a\)](#) must begin on the date on which the notification is given and (subject to [subsection \(8\)](#)) must be not less than 14 days.
- (8) The Secretary of State may notify a period under [subsection \(6\)\(a\)](#) that is less than 14 days but not less than 7 days if the Secretary of State considers that it is necessary to do so by reason of urgency.