



Energy Act 2023

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PART 2

CARBON DIOXIDE CAPTURE, STORAGE ETC AND HYDROGEN PRODUCTION, TRANSPORT AND STORAGE

CHAPTER 1

REVENUE SUPPORT CONTRACTS

General

91 **Sections 89 and 90: supplementary**

- (1) In this section “relevant power” means a power conferred by—
 - (a) subsection (1) or (2) of [section 89](#), or
 - (b) [section 90](#).
- (2) Before making modifications under a relevant power, the Secretary of State must lay a draft of the modifications before Parliament.
- (3) If, within the 40-day period, either House of Parliament resolves not to approve the draft, the Secretary of State may not take any further steps in relation to the proposed modifications.
- (4) If no such resolution is made within that period, the Secretary of State may make the modifications in the form of the draft.
- (5) Subsection (3) does not prevent a new draft of proposed modifications being laid before Parliament.
- (6) In this section “40-day period”, in relation to a draft of proposed modifications, means the period of 40 days beginning with the day on which the draft is laid before

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Parliament (or, if it is not laid before each House of Parliament on the same day, the later of the 2 days on which it is laid).

- (7) For the purposes of calculating the 40-day period, no account is to be taken of any period during which Parliament is dissolved or prorogued or during which both Houses are adjourned for more than 4 days.
- (8) A relevant power—
 - (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 in different cases or circumstances;
 - (c) includes a power to make incidental, supplementary, consequential or transitional modifications.
- (9) Provision included in a licence, or in a document or agreement relating to licences, by virtue of a relevant power—
 - (a) may make different provision for different cases;
 - (b) need not relate to the activities authorised by the licence.
- (10) The Secretary of State must publish details of any modifications made under a relevant power as soon as reasonably practicable after they are made.
- (11) A modification made under a relevant power 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 Gas Act 1986 or the Gas (Northern Ireland) Order 1996.
- (12) The power conferred by a relevant power to “modify” (in relation to licence conditions or a document) includes a power to amend, add to or remove, and references to modifications are to be construed accordingly.
- (13) In section 81 of the Utilities Act 2000 (standard conditions of gas licences), in subsection (2), after “Energy Prices Act 2022” insert “or under [section 89](#) or sections [245](#) to [247](#) of the Energy Act 2023”.