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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2007 No. 1996**

**The Gas Transporter Pipe-line Works (Environmental Impact Assessment) (Amendment) Regulations 2007**

**Amendment of the 1999 Regulations**

**13.** In regulation 14 (Consent to pipe-line works)—

(a) in paragraph (1)—

(i) in sub-paragraph (a), for “regulations 10 and 11 above” substitute “regulations 10, 11 and 11A above”; and

(ii) for sub-paragraph (b)(i) and (ii) substitute—

“(i) the environmental statement and any supplementary information;

(ii) any further information or additional information;”;

(b) in paragraph (2), after “in relation to an application for consent” omit “for particular proposed pipe-line works”;

(c) in paragraph (4)—

(i) in sub-paragraph (a), after “relevant planning authority,” insert “other consultation bodies,”; and

(ii) for sub-paragraph (b)(i) to (iii) substitute—

“(i) the content of the decision and any conditions attached to it;

(ii) a summary of the concerns and opinions expressed by the persons affected or likely to be affected by, or having an interest in, the procedure for consent to development;

(iii) in the light of those concerns and opinions, the main reasons and considerations upon which the Secretary of State’s decision is based;

(iv) a description, where necessary, of the main measures to avoid, reduce and, if possible, offset the major adverse effects of the proposed pipe-line works; and

(v) an explanation of the right of a person aggrieved by a decision of the Secretary of State to make an application pursuant to regulation 16 below (application to court by person aggrieved)”;

(d) for paragraph (5) substitute—

“(5) The gas transporter shall, no later than 14 days after the date of the notification under paragraph (4)(a) above, inform the public of the decision by publishing a notice containing the information specified in paragraph (5A) below—

(a) in the Gazette; and

(b) in one or more local newspapers circulating in each area in which the proposed pipe-line works would be carried out.”;

(e) before paragraph (6), insert—

“(5A) The notice referred to in paragraph (5) above shall state—

- (a) the content of the decision and any conditions attached to it; and
- (b) an address in Great Britain at which copies of the statement by the Secretary of State referred to in paragraph (4)(b) above may be obtained and that such copies may be obtained free of charge by making a request to the gas transporter during a period of not less than 8 weeks immediately following the date on which the notice is to be last published pursuant paragraph (5) above.

(5B) The gas transporter shall satisfy all reasonable requests made during the period mentioned in paragraph (5A)(b) above for copies of the statement referred to in paragraph (4)(b) above.”; and

(f) in paragraph (6)—

- (i) after “each of the newspapers”, insert “and the Gazettes”; and
- (ii) after “publication of those newspapers”, insert “or the Gazettes”.