

## SCHEDULES

### SCHEDULE 8

#### PROTECTIVE PROVISIONS

#### PART 1

#### FOR THE PROTECTION OF ELECTRICITY AND GAS UNDERTAKERS

##### *Removal of apparatus*

7.—(1) If, in the exercise of the powers conferred by this Order, the Secretary of State acquires any interest in any land in which any apparatus is placed or requires that the undertaker's apparatus is relocated or diverted, that apparatus must not be removed under this Part of this Schedule and any right of an undertaker to maintain that apparatus in that land must not be extinguished until alternative apparatus has been constructed and is in operation to the reasonable satisfaction of the undertaker in question in accordance with sub-paragraphs (2) to (7).

(2) If, for the purpose of executing any works in, on or under any land purchased, held, appropriated or used under this Order, the Secretary of State requires the removal of any apparatus placed in that land, the Secretary of State must give to the undertaker in question 28 days' written notice of that requirement, together with a plan of the work proposed, and of the proposed position of the alternative apparatus to be provided or constructed and in that case (or if in consequence of the exercise of any of the powers conferred by this Order an undertaker reasonably needs to remove any of its apparatus) the Secretary of State must, subject to sub-paragraph (3), afford to the undertaker the necessary facilities and rights for the construction of alternative apparatus in other land of the Secretary of State and subsequently for the maintenance of that apparatus.

(3) If alternative apparatus or any part of such apparatus is to be constructed elsewhere than in other land of the Secretary of State, or the Secretary of State is unable to afford such facilities and rights as are mentioned in sub-paragraph (2) in the land in which the alternative apparatus or part of such apparatus is to be constructed, the undertaker in question must, on receipt of a written notice to that effect from the Secretary of State, as soon as reasonably possible use its best endeavours to obtain the necessary facilities and rights in the land in which the alternative apparatus is to be constructed.

(4) Any alternative apparatus to be constructed in land of the Secretary of State under this Part of this Schedule shall be constructed in such manner and in such line or situation as may be agreed between the undertaker in question and the Secretary of State or in default of agreement settled by arbitration in accordance with article 40 (arbitration).

(5) The undertaker in question must, after the alternative apparatus to be provided or constructed has been agreed or settled by arbitration in accordance with article 40, and after the grant to the undertaker of any such facilities and rights as are referred to in sub-paragraph (2) or (3), proceed without unnecessary delay to construct and bring into operation the alternative apparatus and subsequently to remove any apparatus required by the Secretary of State to be removed under the provisions of this Part of this Schedule.

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(6) Regardless of anything in sub-paragraph (5), if the Secretary of State gives notice in writing to the undertaker in question that the Secretary of State intends to execute any work, or part of any work in connection with the construction or removal of apparatus in any land of the Secretary of State, that work, instead of being executed by the undertaker, must be executed by the Secretary of State without unnecessary delay under the superintendence, if given, and to the reasonable satisfaction of the undertaker.

(7) Nothing in sub-paragraph (6) authorises the Secretary of State to execute the placing, installation, bedding, packing, removal, connection or disconnection of any apparatus, or execute any filling around the apparatus (where the apparatus is laid in a trench) within 300 millimetres of the apparatus.