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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2016 No. 455 (C. 23)**

**ENERGY**

**The Infrastructure Act 2015  
(Commencement No. 5) Regulations 2016**

*Made - - - - 24th March 2016*

The Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 57(7)(c) and (10) of the Infrastructure Act 2015<sup>(1)</sup>, makes the following Regulations.

**Citation and interpretation**

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Infrastructure Act 2015 (Commencement No. 5) Regulations 2016.

**Provisions coming into force on 6th April 2016**

2. Section 50 (onshore hydraulic fracturing: safeguards) of the Infrastructure Act 2015 comes into force on 6th April 2016, so far as it is not already in force.

24th March 2016

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**Status:** This is the original version (as it was originally made). This item of legislation is currently only available in its original format.

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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Regulations)*

These Regulations bring into force section 50 (onshore hydraulic fracturing: safeguards) of the Infrastructure Act 2015 so far as it is not already in force.

An impact assessment of the effect that section 50 of the Act will have on the costs of business and the voluntary sector has been produced and a copy is published alongside the Onshore Hydraulic Fracturing (Protected Areas) Regulations 2016 on [www.legislation.gov.uk](http://www.legislation.gov.uk). No separate impact assessment has been produced for this instrument.

## NOTE AS TO EARLIER COMMENCEMENT REGULATIONS

*(This note is not part of the Regulations)*

The following provisions of the Infrastructure Act 2015 have been brought into force by commencement regulations made before the date of these Regulations:

<i>Provision</i>	<i>Date of Commencement</i>	<i>S.I. No.</i>
Part 1, so far as not already in force	5th March 2015	<a href="#">2015/481 (C. 26)</a>
Part 2	31st July 2015	<a href="#">2015/1543 (C. 88)</a>
Section 23, so far as it relates to England	12th April 2015	<a href="#">2015/481 (C. 26)</a>
Sections 24 and 25, so far as they relate to England	5th March 2015	<a href="#">2015/481 (C. 26)</a>
Part 4, so far as it relates to Wales	12th April 2015	<a href="#">2015/990 (W.67) (C. 67)</a>
Section 26	12th April 2015	<a href="#">2015/758 (C. 41)</a>
Section 28, so far as not already in force	14th July 2015	<a href="#">2015/758 (C. 41)</a>
Sections 41 and 42	12th April 2015	<a href="#">2015/481 (C. 26)</a>
Section 50 (partially)	30th July 2015	<a href="#">2015/1576 (C. 90)</a>
Schedule 7	12th April 2015	<a href="#">2015/481 (C. 26)</a>