#### STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

#### 1996 No. 275

### The Gas (Northern Ireland) Order 1996

## PART III SAFETY

Safety of pipe-lines

# Prohibition of use of length of pipe-line not complying with requirements imposed under Article 50

- **52.**—(1) Where, by virtue of Article 51(1), works are required to be removed or altered, it shall not be lawful for use to be made of so much of a pipe-line as has been constructed in the course of the execution of the works unless and until such alterations have been effected to the works (whether by the person required to remove or alter them or by the Department) as are necessary to make them comply with the prohibition in contravention of which they were executed.
- (2) Where, by virtue of Article 51(2), a length of a pipe-line is required to be removed or altered, it shall not be lawful for use to be made of that length unless and until such alterations have been effected thereto (whether by the person required to remove or alter it or by the Department) as are necessary to make it comply with the prohibition in contravention of which it was constructed.
- (3) In the event of a contravention of paragraph (1) in relation to any works, the person who executed them shall be guilty of an offence, and, in the event of a contravention of paragraph (2) in relation to a length of a pipe-line, the owner of the line comprising the length shall be guilty of an offence.