STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1986 No. 2202 (C.86)

WATER, ENGLAND AND WALES

The Reservoirs Act 1975 (Commencement No. 4) Order 1986

Made - - - 10th December 1986

The Secretary of State, in exercise of his powers under section 29 of the Reservoirs Act 1975 and section 6(3) of the Local Government (Interim Provisions) Act 1984 and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, orders as follows:—

- 1. This order may be cited as the Reservoirs Act 1975 (Commencement No. 4) Order 1986.
- **2.**—(1) The provisions of the Reservoirs Act 1975 specified in the Schedule to this order shall come into force on 1st April 1987 in Greater London and the metropolitan counties.
- (2) Article 2(3)(ii) of the Reservoirs Act 1975 (Commencement No. 2) Order 1985 and article 2(2) of the Reservoirs Act 1975 (Commencement No. 3) Order 1986 shall be revoked on 1st April 1987.

Nicholas Ridley
Secretary of State for the Environment

10th December 1986

SCHEDULE

Provisions of the Act	Subject matter of Provisions
Section 6	Construction or enlargement of reservoirs
Section 7	Certificates of construction engineers
Section 8	Powers of enforcement authority in event of non-compliance with requirements as to construction or enlargement of reservoirs
Section 9	Re-use of abandoned reservoirs
Section 10	Periodical inspection of large raised reservoirs
Section 12	Supervision of large raised reservoirs
Section 13	Discontinuance of large raised reservoirs
Section 14	Abandonment of large raised reservoirs
Section 15(1), (2), (3), (4) so far as it is not already in force (1) and (5)	Reserve powers of enforcement authority
Section 17(1)(b) to (d) and (3)	Powers of entry
Section 19	Reference of disputed recommendations to referee
Section 20	General provisions as to reports, certificates etc. of engineers
Section 21(1) to (4), and (5) and (6) so far as they are not already in force (2)	Duty of undertakers to furnish information
Section 22, so far as it is not already in force (3)	Criminal liability of undertakers and their employees
Section 23	Continuity with Reservoirs (Safety Provisions) Act 1930.
Section 25	Reservoirs in course of construction or alteration or newly constructed or altered at commencement of Reservoirs Act 1975.
Section 26	Reservoirs constructed before commencement of Reservoirs (Safety Provisions) Act 1930
Section 27	Large raised reservoirs not within Reservoirs (Safety Provisions) Act 1930.
Section 28	Repeal of Reservoirs (Safety Provisions) Act 1930
Schedule 2	Liability for damage and injury

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

This order brings into force on 1st April 1987, in Greater London and the metropolitan counties, all the provisions of the Reservoirs Act 1975 not already in force in those areas. The majority of these provisions concern the safety of reservoirs. They require that suitably qualified engineers be employed in connection with their construction, inspection and supervision.

Earlier commencement orders (S.I. 1985/176 and S.I. 1986/466) modified the provisions that they brought into force so that they would apply to any large raised reservoir only partly in Greater London or one or more metropolitan county as if it were wholly within the non-metropolitan county or countries in which it was also partly situated. Article 2(2) of this order revokes the provisions that made those modifications.

When this order comes into force all the provisions of the Reservoirs Act 1975 will be in force without modification or limitation, throughout England, Wales and Scotland.