STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1993 No. 881 (S.117)

RATING AND VALUATION

The British Telecommunications plc. (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1993

 Made
 19th March 1993

 Coming into force
 1st April 1993

The Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by sections 6, 35 and 37(1) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1975(1) and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, and after consultation with such associations of local authorities, and of persons carrying on undertakings, as appeared to him to be concerned, and with such local authorities, persons, or associations of persons with whom consultation appeared to him to be desirable, all in accordance with section 6(4) of the said Act, hereby makes the following Order, a draft of which has been laid before and has been approved by resolution of each House of Parliament:

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the British Telecommunications plc. (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1993 and shall come into force on 1st April 1993.

Interpretation

- 2.—(1) In this Order, unless the context otherwise requires—
 - "the 1975 Act" means the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1975;
 - "British Telecom" means the company registered at the date of this Order by the name of British Telecommunications plc.;
 - "financial year" means the period of twelve months beginning with 1st April;
 - "non-domestic water rate" shall be construed in accordance with the provisions of section 40 of the Water (Scotland) Act 1980(2); and

^{(1) 1975} c. 30; section 6(1) to (7) was substituted by the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1978 (c. 4), section 1, and section 6(1) subsequently substituted by the Local Government Finance Act 1988 (c. 41), Schedule 12, paragraph 11 and amended by the Local Government Finance Act 1992 (c. 14), Schedule 13, paragraph 42; section 6(1A) was inserted by the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 (c. 42), Schedule 6, paragraph 18; section 37(1) contains a definition of "prescribed" which is relevant to the exercise of the powers under which this Order is made.

^{(2) 1980} c. 45; section 40 was substituted by the Abolition of Domestic Rates Etc. (Scotland) Act 1987 (c. 47), Schedule 5, paragraph 29, and amended by the Local Government and Housing Act 1989, Schedule 6, paragraphs 16 and 18 and Schedule 12, Part II and by the Local Government Finance Act 1992, Schedule 11, paragraph 31.

"prescribed class of lands and heritages" means the class of lands and heritages prescribed for the purposes of section 6(1) of the 1975 Act in article 3 of this Order.

- (2) Any reference in this Order to-
 - (a) lands and heritages occupied by British Telecom includes a reference to lands and heritages which, if unoccupied, are owned by British Telecom; and
 - (b) lands and heritages used for any purpose includes a reference to lands and heritages which are unused but in relation to which it appears that, when next in use, they will be used for such a purpose.

Prescribed class of lands and heritages

3. The following class of lands and heritages is hereby prescribed for the purposes of section 6(1) of the 1975 Act, namely any lands and heritages in Scotland occupied by any posts, wires, underground cables and ducts, telephone kiosks, switchgear and other equipment not within a building, or by servitudes or wayleaves, and being lands and heritages occupied by British Telecom and used for the purposes of telecommunications services.

Non-domestic water rate

4. The non-domestic water rate shall not be leviable in respect of the prescribed class of lands and heritages in respect of the financial year 1993-94.

Aggregate amount of rateable values for financial year 1993-94

5. For the purposes of section 6(1) of the 1975 Act, the aggregate amount of the rateable values of the prescribed class of lands and heritages for the financial year 1993-94 is hereby prescribed as £19,731,334.

Apportionment of aggregate amount of rateable values

6. For the purposes of section 6(2) of the 1975 Act, the aggregate amount of the rateable values of the prescribed class of lands and heritages for the financial year 1993-94 which is prescribed by article 5 shall be apportioned among the local authorities specified in column 1 of the Schedule to this Order in the amount shown opposite to the name of each such local authority in column 2 of that Schedule.

Amendment of enactments

- 7. The following amendments shall be made to the enactments specified in articles 8 and 9 below in their relation to the valuation of the prescribed class of lands and heritages for the financial year 1993-94.
- **8.** In section 6(1) of the Valuation and Rating (Scotland) Act 1956(3), after the words "this Act", there shall be inserted the words "and to any Order made by the Secretary of State under section 6 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1975".
 - 9.—(1) Section 2(1)(c) of the 1975 Act shall be amended by inserting at the end the following:-
 - "(iii) upon their ceasing to be lands and heritages within the class of lands and heritages prescribed in the British Telecommunications plc. (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1993 (hereinafter in this Act referred to as "the 1993 Order");".

^{(3) 1956} c. 60; section 6(1) was amended by the Abolition of Domestic Rates Etc. (Scotland) Act 1987, Schedule 6 and the Local Government and Housing Act 1989, Schedule 6, paragraph 3.

- (2) Section 2(1)(d) of that Act shall be amended by inserting after the words "lands and heritages" the following words:—
- "(other than lands and heritages within the class of lands and heritages prescribed in the 1993 Order)".
- (3) After paragraph (g) of section 2(1) of that Act, there shall be inserted the following paragraphs:—
 - "(gg) by deleting therefrom, with effect from 1st April 1993, any lands and heritages within the class of lands and heritages prescribed in the British Telecommunications plc. (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1992(4) which were entered in the roll immediately before that date;
 - (ggg) by entering therein, with effect from 1st April 1993, any lands and heritages within the class of lands and heritages prescribed in the 1993 Order together with the rateable values apportioned by that Order to the local authorities whose areas comprise or form part of the valuation area;".
- (4) In section 3(2) of that Act, for the words from "and any such person" to the end, there shall be substituted the following:—
- "and, where the entry relates to any lands and heritages within the class of lands and heritages prescribed in the 1993 Order, any such person may at any time while the roll is in force appeal against the entry but only on the ground that there is a clerical error in that entry."
- (5) In section 3(4) of that Act, after the words "lands and heritages" where they appear for the first time, there shall be inserted the following:—
- "(other than lands and heritages within the class of lands and heritages prescribed in the 1993 Order)".

Revocation

10. The British Telecommunications plc. (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1992 is hereby revoked.

St Andrew's House, Edinburgh 19th March 1993 Allan Stewart
Parliamentary Under Secr etary of State, Scottish
Office

SCHEDULE Article 6

Apportionment of aggregate amount of rateable values of prescribed class of lands and heritages for financial year 1993-94

(1)	(2)
Local authority	Apportioned amount
District Councils:	6.77.720
Berwickshire	£ 76,730
Ettrick and Lauderdale	150,303
Roxburgh	141,008
Tweeddale	58,247
Clackmannan	134,328
Falkirk	469,237
Stirling	333,973
Annandale and Eskdale	126,355
Nithsdale	223,525
Stewartry	94,789
Wigtown	115,698
Dunfermline	416,578
Kirkcaldy	491,180
North East Fife	243,072
City of Aberdeen	1,211,360
Banff and Buchan	313,054
Gordon	249,586
Kincardine and Deeside	165,420
Moray	300,724
Badenoch and Strathspey	54,441
Caithness	104,924
Inverness	299,616
Lochaber	87,816
Nairn	35,040
Ross and Cromarty	192,179
Skye and Lochalsh	57,583
Sutherland	62,999
East Lothian	268,055
City of Edinburgh	2,349,367
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(1)	(2)
Local authority Midlothian	Apportioned amount 226,819
West Lothian	484,573
Argyll and Bute	291,326
Bearsden and Milngavie	116,083
Clydebank	170,192
Clydesdale	170,348
Cumbernauld and Kilsyth	202,533
Cumnock and Doon Valley	114,029
Cunninghame	435,986
Dunbarton	253,324
East Kilbride	291,052
Eastwood	127,828
City of Glasgow	3,127,574
Hamilton	359,322
Inverclyde	285,739
Kilmarnock and Loudoun	264,786
Kyle and Carrick	440,917
Monklands	299,489
Motherwell	429,279
Renfrew	756,366
Strathkelvin	235,343
Angus	337,588
City of Dundee	673,488
Perth and Kinross	519,086
Islands Council	
Orkney	86,596
Shetland	99,957
Western Islands	104,524

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order makes provision for the valuation for the financial year 1993-94 of certain lands and heritages occupied by the British Telecommunications plc. (article 3) ("the prescribed class of lands and heritages").

The Order prescribes the aggregate amount of the rateable values of the prescribed class of lands and heritages for that financial year at £19,731,334 (article 5). It also apportions that aggregate amount among local authorities in accordance with the Schedule to the Order (article 6).

The Order provides that the non-domestic water rate shall not be leviable in respect of the prescribed class of lands and heritages for that financial year (article 4).

The Order amends certain enactments relating to the valuation of the prescribed class of lands and heritages and revokes the Order for financial year 1992-93 concerning British Telecommunications plc. (articles 7 to 10).