
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order authorises First Corporate Shipping Limited as harbour authority for the Port of Bristol and the Harbour of Bristol (other than the City Docks and the Portishead Pier and Docks) to reclaim land and to construct works at The Port of Bristol and on the bed of the River Severn, including a breakwater, a new quay, port facilities and rail infrastructure, and to dredge the River Severn in connection with those works and to provide an approach channel to those works. The Order also authorises the carrying out of subsidiary works and related construction activity.

The works will form part of Avonmouth Docks and of the undertaking of the Company. The Order extends the application of enactments and byelaws affecting the Port of Bristol and Harbour of Bristol so as to include the works.

By virtue of section 7(5) of the Pilotage Act 1987 a direction given by a competent harbour authority for the purposes of making pilotage compulsory for ships navigating in a specified area shall not apply to any area which is outside the authority's harbour unless the limits of jurisdiction of the authority for pilotage have been extended to cover that area.

This Order accordingly extends the limits of jurisdiction of First Corporate Shipping Limited for pilotage purposes under Part 1 of the Pilotage Act 1987 so as to include an area outside the port in respect of which the authority considers that pilotage should be compulsory.

The deposited plans and sections of the works authorised by the Order can be inspected during normal working hours at the offices of the Department for Transport, Great Minster House, 76 Marsham Street, London SW1P 4DR and at the offices of the Company, St Andrew's House, St Andrew's Road, Avonmouth, Bristol BS11 9DQ.