STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2013 No. 3200

The National Grid (King's Lynn B Power Station Connection) Order 2013

PART 3

Streets

Application of the 1991 Act

9.—(1) Works carried out under this Order in relation to a highway which consists of or includes a carriageway are to be treated for the purposes of Part 3 of the 1991 Act (street works in England and Wales) as major highway works if they are of a description mentioned in paragraph (f) of section 86(3) of that Act (which defines what highway authority works are major highway works).

(2) The provisions of the 1991 Act mentioned in paragraph (3) (which, together with other provisions of that Act, apply in relation to the carrying out of street works) and any regulations made, or code of practice issued or approved, under those provisions are to apply (with the necessary modifications) in relation to any closure, alteration or diversion of a street of a temporary nature by the undertaker under the powers conferred by article 11 (temporary closure of streets and public rights of way) and the carrying out of street works under article 10 (street works) whether or not the works, closure, alteration or diversion constitutes street works within the meaning of that Act.

- (3) The provisions of the 1991 Act referred to in paragraph (2) are—
 - (a) section 54 (advance notice of certain works), subject to paragraph (4);
 - (b) section 55 (notice of starting date of works), subject to paragraph (4);
 - (c) section 56 (directions as to timing of street works);
 - (d) section 57 (notice of emergency works);
 - (e) section 59 (general duty of street authority to co-ordinate works);
 - (f) section 60 (general duty of undertakers to co-operate);
 - (g) section 65 (safety measures);
 - (h) section 67 (qualifications of supervisors and operatives);
 - (i) section 68 (facilities to be afforded to street authority);
 - (j) section 69 (works likely to affect other apparatus in the street);
 - (k) section 70 (duty of undertaking to reinstate);
 - (l) section 71 (materials, workmanship and standard of reinstatement);
 - (m) section 72 (powers of street authority in relation to reinstatement);
 - (n) section 73 (reinstatement affected by subsequent works);
 - (o) section 75 (inspection fees);
 - (p) section 76 (liability for cost of temporary traffic regulation);
 - (q) section 77 (liability for cost of use of alternative route); and

(r) all such other provisions as apply for the purposes of the provisions mentioned above.

(4) Sections 54 and 55 of the 1991 Act as applied by paragraph (3) are to have effect as if references in section 57 of that Act to emergency works were a reference to a stopping up, alteration or diversion (as the case may be) required in a case of emergency.

Street works

10.—(1) The undertaker may, for the purposes of the authorised development, enter upon so much of any of the streets specified in Schedule 4 (streets subject to street works) as is within the Order limits and may—

- (a) break up or open the street, or any sewer, drain or tunnel under it;
- (b) place apparatus in the street;
- (c) maintain apparatus in the street or change its position;
- (d) strengthen, improve, repair or reconstruct any street; and
- (e) execute any works required for or incidental to any works referred to in sub-paragraphs (a), (b), (c) and (d).

(2) The authority given by paragraph (1) is a statutory right for the purposes of sections 48(3) (streets, street works and undertakers) and 51(1) (prohibition of unauthorised street works) of the 1991 Act.

(3) In this article "apparatus" has the same meaning as in Part 3 of the 1991 Act.

Temporary closure of streets and public rights of way

11.—(1) The undertaker, during and for the purposes of carrying out the authorised development, may temporarily close, alter or divert any street or public right of way and may for any reasonable time—

- (a) divert the traffic from the street or public right of way; and
- (b) subject to paragraph (3), prevent all persons from passing along the street or public right of way.

(2) Without prejudice to paragraph (1), the undertaker may use any street or public right of way closed under the powers conferred by this article within the Order limits as a temporary working site.

(3) The undertaker must provide reasonable access for pedestrians going to or from premises abutting a street or public right of way affected by the temporary closure, alteration or diversion of a street or public right of way under this article if there would otherwise be no such access.

(4) Without prejudice to the generality of paragraph (1), the undertaker may temporarily close, alter or divert the streets and public rights of way specified in columns (1) and (2) of Schedule 5 (Streets subject to street works) to the extent specified, by reference to the letters and numbers shown on the rights of way plans, in column (3) of that Schedule.

(5) The undertaker must not temporarily close, alter or divert-

- (a) any street or public right of way specified as mentioned in paragraph (4) without first consulting the street authority; and
- (b) any other street or public right of way without the consent of the street authority which may attach reasonable conditions to any consent, but such consent is not to be unreasonably withheld.

(6) If a street authority fails to notify the undertaker of its decision within 42 days of receiving an application for consent under paragraph (5)(b) that street authority is to be deemed to have granted consent.

Access to works

12.—(1) The undertaker may, for the purposes of carrying out, construction or maintenance of the authorised development—

- (a) form and lay out means of access, or improve existing means of access, in the locations specified in columns (1) and (2) of Schedule 6 (access to works); and
- (b) with the approval of the relevant planning authority after consultation with the highway authority, form and lay out such other means of access or improve existing means of access, at such locations within the Order limits as the undertaker reasonably requires for the purposes of the authorised development.

(2) If the relevant planning authority fails to notify the undertaker of its decision within 42 days of receiving an application for approval under paragraph (1)(b) that planning authority is to be deemed to have granted approval.

Agreements with street authorities

13.—(1) A street authority and the undertaker may enter into agreements with respect to—

- (a) the strengthening, improvement, repair or reconstruction of any street under the powers conferred by this Order;
- (b) any temporary closure, alteration or diversion of a street authorised by this Order; or
- (c) the carrying out in the street of any of the works referred to in article 10 (street works) or article 12 (access to works).
- (2) Such an agreement may, without prejudice to the generality of paragraph (1)—
 - (a) make provision for the street authority to carry out any function under this Order which relates to the street in question;
 - (b) include an agreement between the undertaker and the street authority specifying a reasonable time for the completion of the works; and
 - (c) contain such terms as to payment and otherwise as the parties consider appropriate.