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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2016 No. 880**

**The Triton Knoll Electrical System Order 2016**

**PART 4**

**Supplemental powers**

**Discharge of water**

**12.**—(1) The undertaker may use any watercourse or any public sewer or drain for the drainage of water in connection with the carrying out or maintenance of the authorised project and for that purpose may lay down, take up and alter pipes and may, on any land within the Order limits, make openings into, and connections with, the watercourse, public sewer or drain, subject to the obtaining of consent and approval under paragraphs (3) and (4) respectively.

(2) Any dispute arising from the making of connections to or the use of a public sewer or drain by the undertaker under paragraph (1) must be determined as if it were a dispute under section 106 of the Water Industry Act 1991(1)(right to communicate with public sewers).

(3) The undertaker must not discharge any water into any watercourse, public sewer or drain except with the consent of the person to whom it belongs; and such consent may be given subject to such terms and conditions as the person may reasonably impose, but must not be unreasonably withheld.

(4) The undertaker must not carry out any works to any public sewer or drain under paragraph (1) except—

- (a) in accordance with plans approved by the person to whom the sewer or drain belongs, but such approval must not be unreasonably withheld; and
- (b) where that person has been given the opportunity to supervise the making of the opening.

(5) The undertaker must not, in carrying out or maintaining works under this article, damage or interfere with the bed or banks of any watercourse forming part of a main river.

(6) The undertaker must take such steps as are reasonably practicable to secure that any water discharged into a watercourse or public sewer or drain under this article is as free as may be practicable from gravel, soil or other solid substance, oil or matter in suspension.

(7) Nothing in this article overrides the requirement for an environmental permit under regulation 12(1)(b) of the Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2010.

(8) If a person who receives an application for consent under paragraph (3) or for approval under paragraph (4)(a) fails to notify the undertaker of a decision within 28 days of receiving the application, the person is deemed to have granted consent or given approval, as the case may be.

(9) In this article—

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(1) 1991 c.56. Section 106 was amended by sections 35(8) and 43(2) of, and Schedule 2 to, the Competition and Service (Utilities) Act 1992 (c.43) and sections 36(2) and 99 of the Water Act 2003 (c.37). The section is amended by paragraph 16(2) of Schedule 3 to the Flood and Water Management Act 2010 (c.29) from a date to be appointed.

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- (a) “public sewer or drain” means a sewer or drain which belongs to a sewerage undertaker<sup>(2)</sup>, the Environment Agency, an internal drainage board or a local authority; and
- (b) except as provided in article 2 (interpretation), other expressions used both in this article and in the Water Resources Act 1991 have the same meaning as in that Act.

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(2) “Sewerage undertaker” is defined in Schedule 1 to the Interpretation Act 1978 (c.30).