#### STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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# **ELECTRICITY**

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# The Electricity and Gas (Internal Markets) Regulations 2020

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The Secretary of State is designated(a) for the purposes of section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972(b) in relation to energy and energy sources.

The Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 2(2) of that Act, makes the following Regulations.

# PART 1

### **Preliminary**

#### Citation and commencement

**1.** These Regulations may be cited as the Electricity and Gas (Internal Markets) Regulations 2020 and come into force on 25th February 2020.

## PART 2

# Amendment of primary legislation

# **Gas Act 1986**

**2.**—(1) The Gas Act  $1986(\mathbf{c})$  is amended as follows.

<sup>(</sup>a) S.I. 2010/761.

<sup>(</sup>b) 1972 c. 68. The European Communities Act 1972 was repealed by section 1 of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018 (c. 16) with effect from exit day, but saved with modifications until IP completion day by section 1 A of that Act (as inserted by section 1 of the European Union (Withdrawal Agreement) Act 2020 (c. 1). Section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972 was amended by section 27(1) of the Legislative and Regulatory Reform Act 2006 (c. 51) and by section 3(3) of, and Part 1 of the Schedule to, the European Union (Amendment) Act 2008 (c. 7). Paragraph 1A of Schedule 2 was inserted by section 28 of the Legislative and Regulatory Reform Act 2006 and amended by Part 1 of the Schedule to the European Union (Amendment) Act 2008 and S.I. 2007/1388.

 $<sup>\</sup>textbf{(c)} \quad 1986 \text{ c. } 44; \text{ relevant amending instruments are S.I. } 2011/2704 \text{ and S.I. } 2019/530, \text{ which has not yet been commenced.}$ 

- (2) In section 4C (binding decisions of the Agency and of the European Commission), after "the Agency Regulation" insert "(or the predecessor of the Agency Regulation)".
- (3) In section 48 (interpretation of Part 1 and savings), in subsection (1), for the definition of "the Agency Regulation" substitute—

""the Agency Regulation" means Regulation (EU) 2019/942 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 5 June 2019 establishing a European Union Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators (recast)(a), and "predecessor", in relation to that Regulation, means Regulation (EC) 713/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 July 2009 establishing an Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators:".

- (4) In Schedule 4B (provisions imposing obligations enforceable as relevant requirements), in paragraph 9, for paragraph (f) substitute—
  - "(f) Article 51(3) of Regulation (EU) 2019/943 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 5 June 2019 on the internal market for electricity (recast)(**b**) (duty to supply information relating to certification of electricity transmission system operators)."

#### **Electricity Act 1989**

- **3.**—(1) The Electricity Act 1989(**c**) is amended as follows.
- (2) In section 3E (binding decisions of the Agency and of the European Commission), after "the Agency Regulation" insert "(or the predecessor of the Electricity Regulation or the Agency Regulation)".
  - (3) In section 3F(3) (authority to consult and cooperate with other authorities)—
    - (a) in the definition of "network code", for "Article 6" substitute "Article 59";
    - (b) in the definition of "region", for "Article 12(3)" substitute "Article 34(3)".
  - (4) In section 10D (certification), in subsection (6), for "Article 3" substitute "Article 51".
  - (5) In section 10E (grounds for certification)—
    - (a) in subsection (1)(b), for "Article 3" substitute "Article 51";
    - (b) in subsection (6)(b), for "Article 17" substitute "Article 63";
    - (c) after subsection (6) insert—
      - "(6A) In subsection (6)(b), the reference to an exemption granted under Article 63 of the Electricity Regulation is to be treated as including an exemption granted under Article 17 of the predecessor of that Regulation."
  - (6) In section 10L (continuation or withdrawal of certification)—
    - (a) in subsection (6), for "Article 3" substitute "Article 51";
    - (b) after subsection (6) insert—
      - "(6A) In subsection (6), the reference to a final decision made under Article 51 of the Electricity Regulation is to be treated as including a final decision made under Article 3 of the predecessor of that Regulation."
  - (7) In section 25 (orders for securing compliance)—
    - (a) in the definition of "relevant requirement" in subsection (8)—
      - (i) the words from "means" to the end become paragraph (a);
      - (ii) after paragraph (a) insert—

", and

<sup>(</sup>a) OJ No L 158, 14.6.2019, p. 22–53.

<sup>(</sup>**b**) OJ No L 158, 14.6.2019, p. 54–124.

<sup>(</sup>c) 1989 c. 29; relevant amending instruments are S.I. 2011/2704 and S.I. 2019/530, which has not yet been commenced.

- (b) in relation to a regulated person who is a licence holder, also includes any duty or requirement relating to nomination imposed on that person in accordance with fallback procedures developed for the purposes of Article 44 of the CACM Regulation (establishment of fallback procedures).";
- (b) after subsection (8) insert—
  - "(9) In paragraph (a) of the definition of "relevant requirement" in subsection (8), the reference to a provision specified in Schedule 6A is to be treated as including a provision of the predecessor of the Electricity Regulation that was specified in that Schedule immediately before the coming into force of the Electricity and Gas (Internal Markets) Regulations 2020(a)."
- (8) In section 64(1) (interpretation etc. of Part 1)—
  - (a) omit the definition of "the 2013 Amending Regulations";
  - (b) for the definition of "the Agency Regulation" substitute—

""the Agency Regulation" means Regulation (EU) 2019/942 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 5 June 2019 establishing a European Union Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators (recast), and "predecessor", in relation to that Regulation, means Regulation (EC) 713/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 July 2009 establishing an Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators;".

(c) for the definition of "the Electricity Regulation" substitute—

""the Electricity Regulation" means Regulation (EU) 2019/943 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 5 June 2019 on the internal market for electricity (recast), and "predecessor", in relation to that Regulation, means Regulation (EC) 714/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 July 2009 on conditions for access to the network for cross-border exchanges in electricity;".

- (9) In Schedule 6A (provisions imposing obligations enforceable as relevant requirements)—
  - (a) in paragraph 1 (all licence holders)—
    - (i) after paragraph (c) insert—
      - "(ca) Article 43(2) of the Electricity Balancing Regulation(**b**) (nomination obligations in the balancing timeframe);";
    - (ii) in paragraph (d)—
      - (aa) in subparagraph (i), for "Article 15(5)", substitute "Article 50(5)";
      - (bb) in subparagraph (ii), for "Article 16(4)", substitute "Article 16(10) and (12)";
    - (iii) omit paragraph (e);
    - (iv) at the end insert—
      - "(f) Article 36(4) of the FCA Regulation(c) (nomination obligations in the long-term timeframe);
      - (g) in the Transparency Regulation(d)—
        - (i) Article 4 (submission and publication of data),
        - (ii) Article 6 (information on total load),
        - (iii) Article 7 (information relating to the unavailability of consumption units),
        - (iv) Article 8 (year-ahead forecast margin),
        - (v) Article 9 (transmission infrastructure),

<sup>(</sup>a) S.I. 2020/96.

<sup>(</sup>b) The Electricity Balancing Regulation is defined in paragraph 10 of Schedule 6A to the Electricity Act 1989, as substituted by these Regulations.

<sup>(</sup>c) The FCA Regulation is defined in paragraph 10 of Schedule 6A to the Electricity Act 1989.

<sup>(</sup>d) The Transparency Regulation is defined in section 64 of the Electricity Act 1989.

- (vi) Article 10 (information relating to the unavailability of transmission infrastructure),
- (vii) Article 11 (information relating to the estimation and offer of cross zonal capacities),
- (viii) Article 12 (information relating to the use of cross zonal capacities),
- (ix) Article 13 (information relating to congestion management measures),
- (x) Article 14 (forecast generation),
- (xi) Article 15 (information relating to the unavailability of generation and production units),
- (xii) Article 16 (actual generation),
- (xiii) Article 17 (balancing).";
- (b) in paragraph 2 (generation licence holders), for "Article 15(6)" substitute "Article 50(6)";
- (c) in paragraph 4 (persons required to be certified as to independence)—
  - (i) after paragraph (c), insert—
  - "(ca) any Article of the CACM Regulation, the Electricity Balancing Regulation or the FCA Regulation;";
  - (ii) for paragraph (d) substitute—
    - "(d) in the Electricity Regulation—
      - (i) Article 6(13) (duties in respect of publication of information),
      - (ii) Article 7 (duties in relation to day-ahead and intraday markets),
      - (iii) Article 9 (duties in relation to forward markets),
      - (iv) Article 16(1) to (4), (6), (10) and (11) (duties concerning capacity allocation and congestion management),
      - (v) Article 17(1) and (2) (duties in relation to cross-zonal capacity across timeframes),
      - (vi) Article 18(1), (3), (4) and (6) (duties relating to charges for access to networks, use of network and reinforcement),
      - (vii) Article 19(2) and (3) (congestion income),
      - (viii) Article 28(1) (duty to cooperate through the ENTSO for Electricity),
      - (ix) Article 33 (duty to pay costs of the ENTSO for Electricity),
      - (x) Article 34(1) and (2) (duties relating to regional cooperation),
      - (xi) Article 49(2) and (3) (duties relating to the inter-transmission system operator compensation mechanism),
      - (xii) Article 50(1) to (4) (duties relating to publication of specified information),
      - (xiii) Article 51(3) (duty to supply information relating to certification of transmission system operators);
  - (da) Article 8 (publication on the internet) of the Electricity Transmission System Operation Regulation(a);
  - (db) in the Network Code on Electricity Emergency and Restoration(b)—
    - (i) Article 36(2) (publication of rules for suspension and restoration of market activities),

<sup>(</sup>a) The Electricity Transmission System Operation Regulation is defined in paragraph 10 of Schedule 6A to the Electricity Act 1989.

<sup>(</sup>b) The Network Code on Electricity Emergency and Restoration Regulation is defined in paragraph 10 of Schedule 6A to the Electricity Act 1989.

- (ii) Article 39(1) duty to develop and publish rules for settlement in case of suspension of market activities);"
- (iii) omit paragraph (e);
- (iv) after paragraph (g), insert—
  - "(h) in the Transparency Regulation—
    - (i) Article 6 (information on total load),
    - (ii) Article 7 (information relating to the unavailability of consumption units),
    - (iii) Article 8 (year-ahead forecast margin),
    - (iv) Article 9 (transmission infrastructure),
    - (v) Article 10 (information relating to the unavailability of transmission infrastructure),
    - (vi) Article 11 (information relating to the estimation and offer of cross zonal capacities),
    - (vii) Article 12 (information relating to the use of cross zonal capacities),
    - (viii) Article 13 (information relating to congestion management measures),
    - (ix) Article 14 (forecast generation),
    - (x) Article 15 (information relating to the unavailability of generation and production units),
    - (xi) Article 16 (actual generation),
    - (xii) Article 17 (balancing).";
- (d) in paragraph 9 (electricity undertakings which are relevant producers or suppliers), in paragraph (e), for "Article 3(3)" substitute "Article 51(3)".
- (e) for paragraph 10 (interpretation), substitute—

## "Interpretation

#### **10.** In this Schedule—

"the Electricity Balancing Regulation" means Commission Regulation (EU) 2017/2195 of 23 November 2017 establishing a guideline on electricity balancing(a);

"the Electricity Transmission System Operation Regulation" means Commission Regulation (EU) 2017/1485 of 2 August 2017 establishing a guideline on electricity transmission system operation(**b**);

"the FCA Regulation" means Commission Regulation (EU) 2016/1719 of 26 September 2016 establishing a guideline on forward capacity allocation (c);

"the ITC Regulation" means Commission Regulation (EU) 2010/838 of 23 September 2010 on laying down guidelines relating to the inter-transmission system operator compensation mechanism and a common regulatory approach to transmission charging(**d**);

"the Network Code on Electricity Emergency and Restoration" means Commission Regulation (EU) 2017/2196 of 24 November 2017 establishing a network code on electricity emergency and restoration(e);

"the Transparency Regulation" means Commission Regulation (EU) No 543/2013 of 14 June 2013 on submission and publication of data in electricity markets and

<sup>(</sup>a) OJ No L 312, 28.11.2017, p. 6–53.

**<sup>(</sup>b)** OJ No L 220, 25.8.2017, p. 1–120.

<sup>(</sup>c) OJ No L 259, 27.9.2016, p. 42–68.

<sup>(</sup>d) OJ No. L250, 24.9.2010, p. 5-11.

<sup>(</sup>e) OJ No L 312, 28.11.2017, p. 54–85.

amending Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 714/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council(a).".

#### **Utilities Act 2000**

- **4.**—(1) The Utilities Act 2000(**b**) is amended as follows.
- (2) In section 3A (designation of Authority as regulatory authority for Great Britain), in subsection (3), for "Article 13(2)" substitute "Article 19(1)(b)".
- (3) In section 106 (interpretation), in subsection (1), for the definition of "the Agency Regulation" substitute—

""the Agency Regulation" means Regulation (EU) 2019/942 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 5 June 2019 establishing a European Union Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators (recast)(c);".

#### PART 3

Amendment of subordinate legislation: Great Britain

### Electricity and Gas (Internal Markets) Regulations 2011

- **5.**—(1) The Electricity and Gas (Internal Markets) Regulations 2011(**d**), are amended as follows.
  - (2) In regulation 51(review of regulations)—
    - (a) in paragraph (2), after "Third Package" insert ", the Electricity Regulation, the ACER Regulation";
    - (b) in paragraph (6)—
      - (i) after the definition of "the 2013 Amending Regulation", insert—
      - ""ACER Regulation" means Regulation (EU) 2019/942 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 5 June 2019 establishing a European Union Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators (recast)(e);";
      - (ii) after the definition of "CACM Regulations", insert—
        - ""Electricity Regulation" means Regulation (EU) 2019/943 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 5 June 2019 on the internal market for electricity (recast)(**f**);";
      - (iii) in the definition of "Internal Markets Regulations", at the appropriate place insert—
        "the Electricity and Gas (Internal Markets) Regulations 2020;";
      - (iv) in the definition of "Third Package", omit paragraphs (a) and (b).

<sup>(</sup>a) OJ No L 163, 15.6.2013,2000 c. 27; relevant amending instruments are S.I. 2011/2704 and S.I. 2019/530, which has not yet been commenced. p. 1–12.

<sup>(</sup>b) 2000 c. 27; relevant amending instruments are S.I. 2011/2704 and S.I. 2019/530, which has not yet been commenced.

<sup>(</sup>c) OJ No L 158, 14.6.2019, p. 22–53.

<sup>(</sup>d) S.I. 2011/2704; relevant amending instruments are S.I. 2014/3332, S.I. 2017/493 and S.I. 2019/530, which has not yet been commenced

<sup>(</sup>e) OJ No L 158, 14.6.2019, p. 22–53.

<sup>(</sup>f) OJ No L 158, 14.6.2019, p. 54–124.

## PART 4

# Amendment of Northern Ireland Legislation

## The Electricity (Northern Ireland) Order 1992

- **6.**—(1) The Electricity (Northern Ireland) Order 1992(a) is amended as follows.
- (2) In Article 3 (interpretation of Part 2), after the definition of "the 2011 Regulations" insert—
  ""the Authority" means the Northern Ireland Authority for Utility Regulation;".
- (3) In Article 10E (certification), in paragraph (5), for "Article 3" substitute "Article 51".
- (4) In Article 10F (grounds for certification)—
  - (a) in paragraph (1)(b), for "Article 3" substitute "Article 51";
  - (b) in paragraph (6), for "Article 17" substitute "Article 63";
  - (c) after paragraph (6), insert—
    - "(6A) In paragraph (6), the reference to an exemption granted under Article 63 of the Electricity Regulation is to be treated as including an exemption granted under Article 17 of the 2009 Electricity Market Regulation."
- (5) In Article 10K (continuation or withdrawal of certification)—
  - (a) in paragraphs (4) and (5), for "Article 3" substitute "Article 51";
  - (b) after paragraph (5) insert—
    - "(5A) In paragraph (5), the reference to a final decision made under Article 51 of the Electricity Regulation is to be treated as including a final decision made under Article 3 of the 2009 Electricity Market Regulation."
- (6) In Article 10L(1) (interpretation)—
  - (a) for the definition of "Electricity Regulation" substitute—
    - "Electricity Regulation" means Regulation (EU) 2019/943 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 5 June 2019 on the internal market for electricity (recast);";
  - (b) before the definition of "certification ground", insert—
    - ""2009 Electricity Market Regulation" means Regulation (EC) 714/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 July 2009 on conditions for access to the network for cross-border exchanges in electricity;".

### The Energy (Northern Ireland) Order 2003

- 7.—(1) The Energy (Northern Ireland) Order 2003(b) is amended as follows.
- (2) In Article 2(2) (interpretation)—
  - (a) before the definition of "the Agency", insert—
    - ""2009 Agency Regulation" means Regulation (EC) 713/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 July 2009 establishing an Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators;
    - "2009 Electricity Market Regulation" means Regulation (EC) 714/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 July 2009 on conditions for access to the network for cross-border exchanges in electricity";

 <sup>(</sup>a) S.I. 1992/231 (N.I.1); relevant amending instruments are S.I. 1999/506, S.I. 2003/419 (N.I.6), S.R. 2007/321, S.I. 2007/913 (N.I.7), S.R. 2011/155, S.R. 2015/249 and S.I. 2019/530, which has not yet been commenced.

<sup>(</sup>b) S.I. 2003/419 (N.I.6); relevant amending instruments are section 9(4)(b) of the Energy Act (Northern Ireland) 2011 (c. 6), paragraph 26 of Schedule 14 to the Enterprise and Regulatory Reform Act 2013 (c. 24), S.R. 2005/335, S.I. 2006/3336 (N.I.21), S.R. 2007/321, S.I. 2007/913 (N.I.7), S.R. 2010/27, S.R. 2011/155, S.R. 2013/92, S.R 2014/198 and S.I. 2019/530, which has not yet been commenced.

- (b) for the definition of "the Agency Regulation" substitute—
  - "the Agency Regulation" means Regulation (EU) 2019/942 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 5 June 2019 establishing a European Union Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators (recast);";
- (c) for the definition of "the Electricity Regulation" substitute—
  - "Electricity Regulation" means Regulation (EU) 2019/943 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 5 June 2019 on the internal market for electricity (recast);";
- (d) in the definition of "Third Package" omit sub-paragraphs (c) and (d).
- (3) In Article 6B (decisions of the Agency and the European Commission)—
  - (a) after "the Gas Directive," insert "the 2009 Electricity Market Regulation,"; and
  - (b) after "the Gas Regulation" insert ", the 2009 Agency Regulation".
- (4) In Article 8A(2) (authority to consider the need to consult and co-operate with other authorities), after "the Third Package" insert ", the Agency Regulation and the Electricity Regulation".
- (5) In Article 8A(3), in paragraph (a) of the definition of "region", for "Article 12(3)" substitute "Article 34(3)".
- (6) After Article 12 (principal objective and general duties of the department and authority in relation to electricity), insert Article 12A—

## "Additional functions of the Authority in relation to electricity

- **12A.** In relation to electricity and where required for the purpose of setting a reliability standard in accordance with Article 25 of the Electricity Regulation, the Authority must determine an estimate of the value of lost load for Northern Ireland in accordance with Article 11 of the Electricity Regulation.".
- (7) In Article 41A (relevant requirement in relation to electricity), after paragraph (7), insert—
  - "(8) In paragraphs (1) and (3)(b), the references to provisions in the Electricity Regulation designated under this Article are to be treated as including provisions of the 2009 Electricity Market Regulation that were designated under this Article before the coming into force of the Electricity and Gas (Internal Markets) Regulations 2020(a)."
- (8) In Article 45(11) (financial penalties), for the definition of "Community Regulation" substitute—
  - "(11) "Community Regulation" means—
    - (a) the Gas Regulation;
    - (b) the Electricity Regulation, in the case of a contravention which occurred on or after the date on which the Electricity and Gas (Internal Markets) Regulations 2020 came into force; or
    - (c) the 2009 Electricity Market Regulation, in the case of a contravention which occurred before the date referred to in sub-paragraph (b).".

#### PART 5

## **Modifications of Standard Conditions**

# Modifications of standard conditions of gas licences and electricity licences

**8.** The Schedule to these Regulations (which modifies the standard conditions of gas interconnector licences granted under Part 1 of the Gas Act 1986 and the standard conditions of

<sup>(</sup>a) S.I. 2020/96.

transmission, distribution, supply and interconnector licences granted under Part 1 of the Electricity Act 1989) has effect.

Kwasi Kwarteng
Minister of State
Department of Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy

At 2.00 p.m. on 3rd February 2020

## **SCHEDULE**

Regulation 8

Modifications of standard conditions of licences granted under the Gas Act 1986 and standard conditions of licences granted under the Electricity Act 1989

# PART 1

### Interpretation

#### 1. In this Schedule—

- "electricity distribution licence" means a licence granted under section 6(1)(c) of the Electricity Act 1989 (distribution licences);
- "electricity interconnector licence" means a licence granted under section 6(1)(e) of the Electricity Act 1989 (interconnector licences);
- "electricity supply licence" means a licence granted under section 6(1)(d) of the Electricity Act 1989 (supply licences);
- "electricity transmission licence" means a licence granted under section 6(1)(b) of the Electricity Act 1989 (transmission licences);
- "gas interconnector licence" means a licence granted under section 7ZA of the Gas Act 1986 (licences for operation of gas interconnectors).

## PART 2

Modifications of standard conditions of licences granted under the Gas Act 1986

- **2.**—(1) The standard conditions of a gas interconnector licence are amended as follows.
- (2) In condition 1 (definitions and interpretation), for the definition of "Agency" substitute—

""Agency" means the European Union Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators established by Regulation (EU) 2019/942 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 5 June 2019 establishing a European Union Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators (recast);".

# PART 3

Modifications of standard conditions of licences granted under the Electricity Act 1989

#### Standard conditions of electricity transmission licences

**3.**—(1) The standard conditions of an electricity transmission licence are amended as follows.

- (2) In condition A1 (definitions and interpretation)—
  - (a) for the definition of "Agency" substitute—

""Agency" means the European Union Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators established by Regulation (EU) 2019/942 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 5 June 2019 establishing a European Union Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators (recast);";

(b) for the definition of "the Electricity Regulation" substitute—

""the Electricity Regulation" means Regulation (EU) 2019/943 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 5 June 2019 on the internal market for electricity (recast);".

- (3) In condition B20 (regional cooperation), in paragraph 1, for "Article 12" substitute "Article 34".
- (4) In condition E24 (regional cooperation), in paragraph 1, for "Article 12" substitute "Article 34".

## Standard conditions of electricity distribution licences

- **4.**—(1) The standard conditions of an electricity distribution licence are amended as follows.
- (2) In condition 1 (definitions for the standard conditions)—
  - (a) for the definition of "Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators" substitute—

""Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators" means the European Union Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators established by Regulation (EU) 2019/942 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 5 June 2019 establishing a European Union Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators (recast);";

(b) for the definition of "Regulation" substitute—

""Regulation" means Regulation (EU) 2019/943 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 5 June 2019 on the internal market for electricity (recast);".

### Standard conditions of electricity supply licences

- **5.**—(1) The standard conditions of an electricity supply licence are amended as follows.
- (2) In condition 1 (definitions for standard conditions), for the definition of "Regulation" substitute—

""Regulation" means Regulation (EU) 2019/943 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 5 June 2019 on the internal market for electricity (recast);".

### Standard conditions of electricity interconnector licences

- **6.**—(1) The standard conditions of an electricity interconnector licence are amended as follows.
- (2) In condition 1 (definition and interpretations)—
  - (a) for the definition of "Agency" substitute—

""Agency" means the European Union Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators established by Regulation (EU) 2019/942 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 5 June 2019 establishing a European Union Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators (recast);";

(b) for the definition of "Regulation" substitute—

""Regulation" means Regulation (EU) 2019/943 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 5 June 2019 on the internal market for electricity (recast);".

- (3) In condition 9 (use of revenues)—
  - (a) in Part B (use of revenues), for "Article 16(6)" substitute "Article 19(2) and (3)";

- (b) in Part C (use of revenues statement), in paragraph 5(c), for "Article 16(6)" substitute "Article 19(2) and (3)".
- (4) In condition 12 (application of licence conditions 9, 10 and 11: exemption orders)—
  - (a) in paragraph 2, for "Article 17" substitute "Article 63";
  - (b) in paragraph 3, for "Article 17" substitute "Article 63";
  - (c) in paragraph 5, for "Article 17" substitute "Article 63".
- (5) In condition 23 (regional cooperation), for "Article 12" substitute "Article 34".

#### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations make amendments to the electricity and gas regulatory regimes in the United Kingdom in order to implement, and address matters arising out of or related to, the coming into force of Regulation (EU) 2019/942 establishing a European Union Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators ("recast") ("the Agency Regulation") and Regulation (EU) 2019/943 on the internal market for electricity ("recast") ("the Electricity Regulation"), which repealed Regulation (EC) No 713/2009 and Regulation (EC) No 714/2009, respectively.

The Agency Regulation and the Electricity Regulation are part of a package of European energy measures collectively referred to as the "Clean Energy Package".

The Clean Energy Package comprises Regulation (EU) 2019/942 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 5 June 2019 establishing a European Union Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators (recast); Regulation (EU) 2019/943 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 5 June 2019 on the internal market for electricity (recast); Directive (EU) 2019/944 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 5 June 2019 on common rules for the internal market for electricity and amending Directive 2012/27/EU (recast) and five other dossiers(a).

These Regulations amend references, currently in domestic legislation and in licence conditions, to the Agency Regulation (EC) No 713/2009 and Electricity Regulation (EC) No 714/2009 to reflect the relevant provisions in the Agency Regulation and Electricity Regulation.

Part 1, regulation 1 covers the citation and commencement of the Regulations.

Part 2 amends primary legislation in Great Britain to update the references to the Agency Regulation and Electricity Regulation. Regulations 2 to 4 amend those references in the Gas Act 1986, the Electricity Act 1989, and the Utilities Act 2000, respectively.

Regulation 3, amends paragraph 1, 2 and 4 of Schedule 6A to the Electricity Act 1989. References to the CACM Regulation, the Electricity Balancing Regulation, the FCA Regulation, the Transparency Regulation, the Electricity Transmission System Operation Regulation and the Network Code on Electricity Emergency and Restoration have been inserted as a consequence of the repeal of Annex I of the repealed Electricity Regulation (EC) No 714/2009. This regulation also inserts three transitional provisions, one to section 10E, another to section 10L and one to section 25 of the Electricity Act 1989. Section 10E(6A) ensures that an exemption granted under Article 17 of the revoked Electricity Regulation is to be treated as granted under Article 63 of the Electricity Regulation. Section 10L(6A) ensures that a final decision made under Article 3 of the revoked Electricity Regulation is to be treated as made under Article 51 of the Electricity Regulation. Section 25(9) ensures that the relevant requirements specified under Schedule 6A of the Electricity Act 1989 are to be treated as including a provision of the revoked Electricity Regulation that was specified in that Schedule immediately prior to the coming into force of these Regulations; this will ensure continuity of the compliance and enforcement measures under Part 1 of the Electricity Act 1989.

<sup>(</sup>a) Directive (EU) 2018/844 (energy performance in buildings); Directive (EU) 2018/2001 (renewable energy); Directive (EU) 2018/2002 (energy efficiency); Regulation (EU) 2018/1999 (governance of energy union); and Regulation (EU) 2019/941 (on risk preparedness).

Part 3 amends subordinate legislation in Great Britain. Regulation 5 amends regulation 51 of the Electricity and Gas (Internal Markets) Regulations 2011 (S.I. 2011/2704) to update references to the Agency Regulation and the Electricity Regulation and to provide for the review of the Electricity and Gas (Internal Markets) Regulations 2020 alongside other Internal Markets Regulations.

Part 4 of the Regulations amends Northern Ireland legislation. Specifically, they amend the Electricity (Northern Ireland) Order 1992, and the Energy (Northern Ireland) Order 2003. Regulation 6 inserts two transitional provisions, one to Article 10F and one to Article 10K of the Electricity (Northern Ireland) Order 1992. Article 10F(6A) ensures that an exemption granted under Article 17 of the revoked Electricity Regulation is to be treated as granted under Article 63 of the Electricity Regulation. Article 10K(5A) ensures that a final decision made under Article 3 of the revoked Electricity Regulation is to be treated as made under Article 51 of the Electricity Regulation. Regulation 7(6) inserts Article 12A to the Energy (Northern Ireland) Order 2003; this provision gives the Authority the additional function of determining an estimate of the value of lost load for Northern Ireland for the purpose of setting a reliability standard in relation to electricity and in accordance with the Electricity Regulation. Regulation 7(7) inserts paragraph (8) in Article 41A of the Energy (Northern Ireland) Order 2003; this transitional provision allows for the references in Article 41A to relevant provisions in the Electricity Regulation to be treated as including provisions of the revoked Electricity Regulation that were designated under Article 41A before the coming into force of these Regulations.

Part 5, regulation 8, modifies the standard conditions of supply, transmission, distribution and interconnector licences to update references to the Electricity Regulation and the Agency Regulation by giving effect to the Schedule. The Schedule modifies standard conditions of licences granted under the Gas Act 1986 and under the Electricity Act 1989 by updating, in those conditions, the references to the ACER Regulation (EC) No 713/2009 and Electricity Regulation (EC) No 714/2009. Copies of those standard licence conditions are available for inspection on Ofgem's Electronic Public Register website: https://epr.ofgem.gov.uk/Document. Indicative versions of the standard licence conditions are also available for inspection at Ofgem's office at 10 South Colonnade, Canary Wharf, London, E14 4PU.

While costs and benefits have been assessed, a full impact assessment has not been prepared for these Regulations because the impacts are below the threshold required to carry out a full impact assessment.

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