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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2007 No. 1972**

**The Electricity (Applications for Licences,  
Modifications of an Area and Extensions and  
Restrictions of Licences) Regulations 2007**

**Interpretation**

**3.—(1)** In these Regulations —

“the 2000 Act” means the Utilities Act 2000<sup>(1)</sup>;

“the 2004 Act” means the Energy Act 2004<sup>(2)</sup>;

“the Act” means the Electricity Act 1989;

“application” means an application for a licence or for a modification of a licence under the Act and references to an application in respect of a licence shall be construed accordingly;

“the Authority” means the Gas and Electricity Markets Authority established by section 1 of the 2000 Act;

“distribution licence” means a licence granted or to be granted under section 6(1)(c) of the Act<sup>(3)</sup>;

“domestic premises” means premises used wholly or mainly for domestic purposes;

“extension”, in relation to a supply licence, means an extension of the licence under section 6(4) of the Act and, in relation to a distribution licence, means an extension of the licence under section 6(6) of the Act;

“generation licence” means a licence granted or to be granted under section 6(1)(a) of the Act;

“interconnector licence” means a licence granted or to be granted under section 6(1)(e) of the Act<sup>(4)</sup>;

“modification of an area” in relation to a transmission licence, means a modification of an area of the licence under section 6(6B) of the Act<sup>(5)</sup>;

“restriction”, in relation to a supply licence, means a restriction of the licence under section 6(4) of the Act and, in relation to a distribution licence, means a restriction of the licence under section 6(6) of the Act, and, in relation to a transmission licence, means a modification of an area of the licence under section 6(6B) of the Act by a restriction of the area of the licence;

“signed” includes signed in a manner which would for the purposes of section 7 of the Electronic Communications Act 2000<sup>(6)</sup> be an electronic signature;

“supply licence” means a licence granted or to be granted under section 6(1)(d) of the Act;

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(1) [2000 c.27](#)

(2) [2004 c.20](#)

(3) section 6 was substituted by section 30 of the Utility Act 2000

(4) section 6(1)(e) was inserted by section 145 of the Energy Act 2004

(5) section 6(6B) was inserted by section 136 of the Energy Act 2004

(6) [2000 c.7](#)

“transmission licence” means a licence granted or to be granted under section 6(1)(b) of the Act<sup>(7)</sup>; and

“ultimate holding company” means a holding company (within the meaning of sections 736, 736A and 736B of the Companies Act 1985<sup>(8)</sup>) of the licensee which is not itself a subsidiary of another company, which is in the position to control, or exercise significant influence over, a policy of the licensee by virtue of rights under contractual arrangements or rights of ownership which are held by the company or of which the company is a beneficiary.

(2) In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires, a reference to a standard condition is a reference, —

- (a) in relation to a distribution licence, a generation licence, a supply licence or a transmission licence, to a standard condition which is determined under section 33(1) of the 2000 Act<sup>(9)</sup> or section 137(1) of the 2004 Act; or
- (b) in relation to an interconnector licence, to a standard condition which is determined under section 146(1) of the 2004 Act,

subject to any modifications of the standard conditions made under Part I of the Act, the 2000 Act, or the 2004 Act after the determination under those sections.

(3) In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires—

- (a) any reference to a numbered regulation or Schedule is a reference to the regulation or Schedule bearing that number in these Regulations; and
- (b) any reference to a numbered paragraph is a reference to the paragraph bearing that number in the regulation in which the reference occurs.

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(7) section 6(1)(b) was amended by section 136 of the Energy Act 2004

(8) 1985 c.6

(9) section 33(1) was amended by section 143(1) of the Energy Act 2004