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Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 1

Section 1(6).

THE BRITISH GAS CORPORATION : SUPPLEMENTARY PROVISIONS

Termination of office of existing members of Gas Council

The terms of office of all persons who are members of the Gas Council immediately before the appointed day shall expire on that day, but without prejudice to the appointment of any of those persons under section 1(2) of this Act to membership of the body under its new name for a term of office beginning on that day.

Functions etc. of first members of British Gas Corporation before the appointed day

- 2 (1) It shall be the duty of the persons appointed to membership of the Corporation as from the appointed day to meet from time to time before that day for the purpose of planning the organisation and operation of the gas industry in Great Britain as from that day; and the Gas Council shall provide those persons with the accommodation and staff necessary for the carrying out of that duty, shall supply them with such information as they may reasonably require for that purpose, shall meet any expenses reasonably incurred by them in that connection, and shall give effect to any recommendation for the appointment of officers with effect from the appointed day which may have been decided upon by a majority of those persons in accordance with rules of procedure (which may include provision for a casting vote) determined by them for the purpose.
 - (2) The Gas Council shall pay to the persons appointed to membership as aforesaid, for the period beginning with their appointment and ending immediately before the appointed day, such remuneration and such allowances as may be determined by the Secretary of State with the consent of the Minister for the Civil Service.

Supplementary provisions with respect to vesting of assets etc.

- 3 (1) The Secretary of State may provide by regulations for the registration of the title of the Corporation to assets vesting in them by virtue of this Act and of a kind subject to provision for the registration of title thereto, and for any matters for which provision appears to him to be necessary or expedient for the purpose of securing the effective transfer of any assets so vesting.
 - (2) In the application of sub-paragraph (1) above to Scotland, after the word "thereto" there shall be inserted the words " for the completion of the title of the Corporation to heritable property vesting in them as aforesaid ".
- 4 Every agreement to which any Area Board was a party immediately before the appointed day, whether in writing or not, and whether or not of such a nature that rights, liabilities and obligations thereunder could be assigned by the Board, shall, unless its terms or subject matter make it impossible that it should have effect as

modified in the manner provided by this paragraph, have effect as from that day as if—

- (a) the Corporation had been a party to the agreement,
- (b) subject to sub-paragraph (e) below, for any reference (however worded, and whether express or implied) to the Board there were substituted, as respects anything falling to be done on or after the appointed day, a reference to the Corporation,
- (c) for any reference (however worded, and whether express or implied) to any member or officer of the Board not being a party to the agreement and beneficially interested therein there were substituted, as respects anything falling to be done on or after the appointed day, a reference to such person as the Corporation may appoint, or, in default of appointment, to the member or officer of the Corporation who corresponds as nearly as may be to the member or officer of the Board,
- (d) in the case of an agreement for the rendering of personal services to the Board, the services to which the agreement relates were, on and after the appointed day, any services under the Corporation, to be selected by the Corporation, which are reasonably equivalent services, and
- (e) except as provided in sub-paragraphs (c) and (d) above, for any reference (however worded, and whether express or implied) to the business carried on by the Board or to the Board's area of supply or part of it there were substituted, as respects anything falling to be done on or after the appointed day, a reference to the corresponding part of the Corporation's business or, as the case may be, to the corresponding area supplied by the Corporation.
- 5 Every agreement, whether in writing or not, and every document (not being an agreement to which paragraph 4 above applies or an enactment) which refers whether specifically or generally to any Area Board shall be construed in accordance with the provisions of that paragraph so far as applicable.
- 6 Paragraphs 4 and 5 above shall have effect subject to the provisions of any regulations made under section 36 of this Act.
- Without prejudice to the generality of paragraphs 4 and 5 above, where any right, liability or obligation vests in the Corporation by virtue of this Act, the Corporation and all other persons shall, as from the appointed day, have the same rights, powers and remedies (and, in particular, the same rights as to the taking or resisting of legal proceedings or the making or resisting of applications to any authority) for ascertaining, perfecting or enforcing that right, liability or obligation as they would have had if it had at all times been a right, liability or obligation of the Corporation, and any legal proceedings or applications to any authority pending on the appointed day by or against any Area Board, in so far as they relate to any property, right, liability or obligation vesting in the Corporation by virtue of this Act or to any agreement or document which has effect in accordance with paragraph 4 or 5 above or to any enactment applied by or under this Act, shall be continued by or against the Corporation to the exclusion of the Board.