



Energy Act 2004

2004 CHAPTER 20

PART 2

SUSTAINABILITY AND RENEWABLE ENERGY SOURCES

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OFFSHORE PRODUCTION OF ENERGY

Navigation and civil aviation

100 Further provision relating to public rights of navigation

- (1) This section applies where a consent falling within subsection (2) has been granted by the Secretary of State or the Scottish Ministers ^{F1}...under section 36 of the 1989 Act (consent required for construction etc. of generating stations) before the commencement of section 99.
- (2) A consent falls within this subsection if it relates to—
 - (a) the construction or operation of a generating station that comprises or is to comprise (in whole or in part) renewable energy installations situated in relevant waters; or
 - (b) an extension of a generating station that comprises or is to comprise (in whole or in part) renewable energy installations so situated or an extension of such an installation.
- (3) On an application made by the generator, [^{F2}the appropriate authority] may make a declaration under this section as respects rights of navigation—
 - (a) so far as they pass through the places where the renewable energy installations are situated or are to be situated; or
 - (b) so far as they pass through some of those places.

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- (4) A declaration under this section is one declaring that the rights of navigation specified or described in it—
- (a) are extinguished;
 - (b) are suspended for the period that is specified in the declaration;
 - (c) are suspended until such time as may be determined in accordance with provision contained in the declaration; or
 - (d) are to be exercisable subject to such restrictions or conditions, or both, as are set out in the declaration.
- (5) Subsections (4) to (6) of section 36A of the 1989 Act (declarations extinguishing etc. rights of navigation upon grant of consent under section 36 of that Act) shall apply in relation to declarations under this section as they apply in relation to declarations under that section, but with the omission of subsection (5)(c).
- (6) Before making a declaration under this section, [^{F3}the appropriate authority] must—
- (a) publish details of the generator’s application in such manner as that authority considers appropriate;
 - (b) give notice of that application to such persons as that authority considers appropriate;
 - (c) consult the persons to whom notice has been given;
 - (d) make such arrangements as that authority considers appropriate for a copy of the application to be made available for inspection by members of the public; and
 - (e) give such opportunities to such persons as that authority considers appropriate to make representations to the authority about the application.
- (7) [^{F4}The appropriate authority] may satisfy the requirements of paragraphs (a) to (d) of subsection (6) by securing that the things that it is required to do under those paragraphs are done on its behalf by the generator.
- (8) In this section—
- [^{F5}“appropriate authority” has the same meaning as in section 36 of the Electricity Act 1989;]
- “generator”, in relation to a consent under section 36 of the 1989 Act, means the person who is constructing or operating the station in question, or making the extension in question, or who is proposing to do so;
- “relevant waters” has the same meaning as in section 36A of the 1989 Act.

Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in s. 100(1) omitted (1.4.2019) by virtue of [Wales Act 2017 \(c. 4\), ss. 40\(12\), 71\(4\)](#) (with [Sch. 7 paras. 1, 6, 8](#)); [S.I. 2017/1179, reg. 5\(a\)](#)
- F2** Words in s. 100(3) substituted (1.4.2019) by [Wales Act 2017 \(c. 4\), ss. 40\(13\), 71\(4\)](#) (with [Sch. 7 paras. 1, 6, 8](#)); [S.I. 2017/1179, reg. 5\(a\)](#)
- F3** Words in s. 100(6) substituted (1.4.2019) by [Wales Act 2017 \(c. 4\), ss. 40\(13\), 71\(4\)](#) (with [Sch. 7 paras. 1, 6, 8](#)); [S.I. 2017/1179, reg. 5\(a\)](#)
- F4** Words in s. 100(7) substituted (1.4.2019) by [Wales Act 2017 \(c. 4\), ss. 40\(13\), 71\(4\)](#) (with [Sch. 7 paras. 1, 6, 8](#)); [S.I. 2017/1179, reg. 5\(a\)](#)
- F5** Words in s. 100(8) inserted (1.4.2019) by [Wales Act 2017 \(c. 4\), ss. 40\(14\), 71\(4\)](#) (with [Sch. 7 paras. 1, 6, 8](#)); [S.I. 2017/1179, reg. 5\(a\)](#)

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Commencement Information

II S. 100 in force at 1.9.2005 by [S.I. 2005/442](#), art. 2(3), [Sch. 3](#)

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 137(3)(c)-(e) inserted by [2011 c. 16 s. 117\(b\)](#)
- s. 173(2C) inserted by [2023 c. 52 Sch. 14 para. 10](#)
- Sch. 22 para. 4(1A) inserted by [2023 c. 52 Sch. 14 para. 11\(2\)\(b\)](#)