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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2016 No. 545**

**The Midland Metro (Birmingham City Centre Extension,  
etc.) (Land Acquisition and Variation) Order 2016**

**PART 4**

**OPERATION OF TRAMWAY SYSTEM**

**Traffic signs**

**33.**—(1) The Executive may, for the purposes of, or in connection with the operation of, the authorised tramway, place or maintain traffic signs on or near any street along which tramcars using the authorised tramway are run.

(2) The Executive—

- (a) must consult with the traffic authority as to the placing of signs; and
- (b) unless the traffic authority is unwilling to do so and subject to any directions given under section 65 (powers and duties of highway authorities as to the placing of traffic signs)<sup>(1)</sup> of the 1984 Act, must enter into arrangements with the traffic authority for the signs to be placed and maintained by the traffic authority.

(3) Any power conferred by section 65 of the 1984 Act to give directions to a traffic authority or local traffic authority as to traffic signs includes a power to give directions to the Executive as to traffic signs under this article; and, the powers conferred by paragraph (1) are exercisable subject to and in conformity with any directions given under that section.

(4) A traffic authority or other authority having power under the 1984 Act to place and maintain, or cause to be placed and maintained, traffic signs on or near any street along which tramcars using the authorised tramway are run, must consult with the Executive as to the placing of any traffic sign which would affect the operation of the authorised tramway.

(5) Tramcars are taken to be public service vehicles for the purposes of section 122(2)(c) (exercise of functions by local authorities) of the 1984 Act.

(6) Expressions used in this article and in the 1984 Act have the same meaning in this article as in that Act.

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(1) As amended by section 153 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 (s. 42), section 168(1) of, and paragraph 48 of part 2 of Schedule 8 to, the 1991 Act and section 48 of, and paragraph 29 of Schedule 4 to, the Road Traffic Act 1991 (c. 40).