# STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

# 2016 No. 818

# The North Wales Wind Farms Connection Order 2016

# PART 2

# PRINCIPAL POWERS

#### Development consent etc. granted by the Order

**3.**—(1) The undertaker is granted development consent for the authorised development, as set out in Schedule 1 (authorised development), subject to the provisions of this Order including the Requirements set out in Schedule 2 (Requirements).

(2) Subject to paragraph (3), each numbered work must be situated on the corresponding numbered area shown on the works plans.

(3) Subject to paragraph (4), in constructing each numbered work, the undertaker may deviate within the corresponding numbered area shown on the works plans up to the limits of deviation provided for in article 4.

(4) Development consent is only granted for development within the Order limits.

#### Limits of deviation

4. In carrying out and maintaining the authorised development the undertaker may—

- (a) deviate laterally from the lines or situations of the authorised development shown on the works plans to the extent of the limits of deviation within the Order limits relating to each numbered work shown on those plans and carry out construction and maintenance activities for the purposes of the authorised development anywhere within the Order limits; and
- (b) deviate vertically from the levels of the authorised development—
  - (i) to any extent not exceeding 2 metres upwards; or
  - (ii) to any extent downwards as may be found to be necessary or convenient.

#### **Operation of authorised development**

**5.**—(1) The undertaker is authorised to keep installed the above ground electric line included in the authorised development.

(2) This article does not relieve the undertaker of any requirement to obtain any permit or licence under any other legislation that may be required from time to time to authorise the keeping installed or use of an electic line above ground.

#### Maintenance of authorised development

**6.**—(1) The undertaker may, at any time, maintain the authorised development, except to the extent that this Order, or an agreement made under this Order, provides otherwise.

(2) This article only authorises the carrying out of maintenance works within the Order limits.

#### **Benefit of the Order**

7.—(1) Subject to article 8 (consent to transfer benefit of the Order), and paragraph (2), the provisions of this Order have effect solely for the benefit of the undertaker.

(2) Paragraph (1) does not apply where this Order provides an express benefit to owners and occupiers of land, statutory undertakers and other persons affected by the authorised development.

## Consent to transfer benefit of the Order

8.—(1) Subject to paragraph (4), the undertaker may—

- (a) transfer to another person ("the transferee") any or all of the benefit of the provisions of this Order (including any of the numbered works) and such related statutory rights as may be agreed in writing between the undertaker and the transferee; or
- (b) grant to another person ("the lessee") for a period agreed between the undertaker and the lessee any or all of the benefit of the provisions of this Order (including any of the numbered works) and such related statutory rights as may be so agreed.

(2) Where a transfer, or grant, has been made in accordance with paragraph (1) references in this Order to the undertaker, except in paragraph (3), include references to the transferee or the lessee.

(3) The exercise by a person of any benefits or rights conferred in accordance with any transfer or grant under paragraph (1) is subject to the same restrictions, liabilities and obligations as would apply under this Order if those benefits or rights were exercised by the undertaker.

(4) The consent of the Secretary of State is required for the exercise of the powers of paragraph (1) except where—

- (a) the transferee or lessee is a statutory undertaker;
- (b) the transferee or lessee is a person who holds a licence issued under section 6(1) of the Electricity Act 1989(1); or
- (c) the time limits for all claims for compensation in respect of the acquisition of land or effects upon land under this Order have elapsed and—
  - (i) no such claims have been made;
  - (ii) any such claims that have been made have all been compromised or withdrawn;
  - (iii) compensation has been paid in final settlement of all such claims;
  - (iv) payment of compensation into court in lieu of settlement of all such claims has taken place; or
  - (v) it has been determined by a tribunal or court of competent jurisdiction in respect of all claims that no compensation is payable.

(5) Where an exception in paragraph (4) applies, the undertaker must notify the Secretary of State in writing before transferring or granting any benefit referred to in paragraph (1).