#### STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

## 2024 No. 70

# The Drax Power Station Bioenergy with Carbon Capture and Storage Extension Order 2024

### PART 5

#### POWERS OF ACQUISITION

#### Application of the 1981 Act

**21.**—(1) The 1981 Act applies as if this Order were a compulsory purchase order.

(2) The 1981 Act, as applied by paragraph (1), has effect with the following modifications.

(3) In section 1 (application of the Act), for subsection 2 substitute—

"(2) This section applies to any Minister, any local or other public authority or any other body or person authorised to acquire land by means of a compulsory purchase order.".

(4) In section 5(2) (earliest date for execution of declaration) omit the words from "and this subsection" to the end.

(5) Section 5A (time limit for general vesting declaration) is omitted.

(6) In section 5B(1) (extension of time limit during challenge) for "section 23 of the Acquisition of Land Act 1981 (application to High Court in respect of compulsory purchase order), the three year period mentioned in 5A" substitute section 118 (legal challenges relating to applications for orders granting development consent) of the 2008 Act, the five year period mentioned in article 18 (time limit for exercise of authority to acquire rights compulsorily) of the Drax Power Station Bioenergy with Carbon Capture and Storage Extension Order 2024".

(7) In section 6 (notices after extension of declaration), in subsection (1)(b) for "section 15 of, or paragraph 6 of Schedule 1 to, the Acquisition of Land Act 1981" substitute "section 134 (notice of authorisation of compulsory acquisition) of the Planning Act 2008".

(8) In section 7 (constructive notice to treat), in subsection (1)(a) omit the words "(as modified by section 4 of the Acquisition of Land Act 1981)".

(9) In Schedule A1 (counter-notice requiring purchase of land not in general vesting declaration), for paragraph 1(2) substitute—

"(2) But see article 22(3) (acquisition of subsoil only) of the Drax Power Station Bioenergy with Carbon Capture and Storage Extension Order 2024 which excludes the acquisition of subsoil only from this Schedule.".

(10) References to the 1965 Act in the 1981 Act must be construed as references to the 1965 Act as applied by section 125 (application of compulsory acquisition provisions) of the 2008 Act (and as modified by article 23 (modification of Part 1 of the Compulsory Purchase Act 1965)) to the compulsory acquisition under this Order.