

2010 No.

ELECTRICITY

**The Electricity (Standards of Performance) (Amendment)
Regulations 2010**

Made - - - - 2010

Coming into force - - 1st October 2010

The Gas and Electricity Markets Authority(a) (the “Authority”) makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 39, 39A, 39B, 42A and 60 of the Electricity Act 1989(b);

In accordance with section 40B(1) of that Act, the Authority has considered the results of research to discover the views of a representative sample of persons likely to be affected by these Regulations;

In accordance with section 40B(4) of that Act, the Authority has consulted the National Consumer Council(c), electricity licence holders, and persons and bodies appearing to be representative of persons likely to be affected by these Regulations;

The Secretary of State has consented to making these Regulations in accordance with sections 39(1), 39A(1) and 39B(3) and (5) of that Act.

Citation, commencement and transitional provisions

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Electricity (Standards of Performance) (Amendment) Regulations 2010 and shall come into force on 1st October 2010.

(2) Where, in relation to any occasion upon which regulation 13, regulation 19 and regulation 23 of the Electricity (Standards of Performance) Regulations 2010(d) would otherwise apply, the applicable date falls before the date on which these Regulations come into force, the Electricity (Standards of Performance) Regulations 2010 shall continue to apply to the exclusion of these Regulations.

(a) The Gas and Electricity Markets Authority was established under section 1(1) of the Utilities Act 2000 (c.27).
(b) 1989 c.29: section 39 was amended by paragraph 32 of Schedule 6 to the Utilities Act 2000 (c.27) sections 39A and 39B were inserted by section 54(2) of the Utilities Act 2000 and section 42A was inserted by section 58 of the Utilities Act.
(c) The National Consumer Council was established under section 1(1) of the Consumers, Estate Agents and Redress Act 2007 (c.17).
(d) S.I. 2010/698

Interpretation

2.—(1) Any words or expressions used in these Regulations shall, unless the contrary intention appears, have the same meaning used in the Electricity (Standards of Performance) Regulations 2010.

(2) In regulation 1(2) of these Regulations, "applicable date" means, in relation to each occasion on which regulation 13, regulation 19 and regulation 23 of the Electricity (Standards of Performance) Regulations 2010 applies, the day on which that regulation first applies, or, where a prescribed period in a paragraph of that regulation is expressed in hours, the time on that day when that regulation first applies.

Amendment of the Electricity (Standards of Performance) Regulations 2010

3.—(1) Regulation 13 (Estimate of Charges for Connection) of the Electricity (Standards of Performance) Regulations 2010 is revoked.

(2) In paragraph (1) of regulation 23 (Timing of notification) of the Electricity (Standards of Performance) Regulations 2010, the number and comma "13," following the words "For the purpose of regulations", are deleted.

(3) In the table in Part 1 of Schedule 1 to the Electricity (Standards of Performance) Regulations 2010, the rows setting out the prescribed period and the prescribed sum for domestic and non-domestic customers for regulation 13(2) and 13(3) are deleted.

(4) Regulation 19 (Appointments) of the Electricity (Standards of Performance) Regulations 2010 shall not apply to a visit for any purpose that is the subject of the Electricity (Connections Standards of Performance) Regulations 2010(a).

The seal of the Gas and Electricity Markets Authority here affixed is authenticated by the signature of

Name
A member of the Authority

Date

I consent

Name
Minister of State
Department of Energy and Climate Change

Date

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These regulations amend the Electricity (Standards of Performance) Regulations 2010 (S.I. 2010/698).

Regulation 13 of the Electricity (Standard of Performance) Regulations 2010, the 'Estimate of charges for connection' standard is revoked, and associated references are deleted, as that standard is the subject of the Electricity (Connection Standards of Performance) Regulations 2010 (S.I. 2010/[TO INSERT] from 1st October 2010.

(a) S.I. 2010/[TO INSERT]

Regulation 19 of the Electricity (Standard of Performance) Regulations 2010, the 'Appointments' standard, is amended so that it does not apply to a visit for a purpose that is the subject of the Electricity (Connection Standards of Performance) Regulations 2010.