STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2017 No. 196

ELECTRICITY, ENGLAND AND WALES INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING, ENGLAND AND WALES

The Electricity (Applications for Consent) (Amendment) (England and Wales) Regulations 2017

Made	20th February 2017
Laid before Parliament	27th February 2017
Coming into force	6th April 2017

The Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 36(8) and 60(3) of, and paragraph 1(3) of Schedule 8 to, the Electricity Act 1989(1) makes the following Regulations:

Citation, commencement and extent

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Electricity (Applications for Consent) (Amendment) (England and Wales) Regulations 2017 and come into force on 6th April 2017.

(2) These Regulations extend to England and Wales only.

Amendment of the Electricity (Applications for Consent) Regulations 1990

2.—(1) The Electricity (Applications for Consent) Regulations 1990(2) are amended as follows.

(2) In regulation 11 (fees payable on applications for consent)(3) as it applies in England and Wales, the table in paragraph (1) is amended as follows—

- (a) in the entry for "Overhead line with a nominal capacity not exceeding 132kV", for "£200" substitute "£402.50";
- (b) in the entry for "Overhead line with a nominal capacity exceeding 132kV", for "£700" substitute "£902.50".

^{(1) 1989} c. 29; section 60(3) was amended by the Utilities Act 2000 (c. 27), section 3(2).

⁽²⁾ S.I. 1990/455; disapplied in respect of offshore generating stations in England and Wales by S.I. 2006/2064.

⁽³⁾ Regulation 11 was amended in relation to England and Wales by S.I. 2013/495 and in relation to Scotland by S.S.I. 2005/295 and S.S.I. 2013/58.

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20th February 2017

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the Electricity (Applications for Consent) Regulations 1990 as they apply in England and Wales, insofar as they specify the fees payable upon making an application to the Secretary of State under section 37 of the Electricity Act 1989 (c. 29) to install or keep installed an electric line above ground.

Regulation 2 increases the fees payable for such applications by replacing the existing fees of £200 for overhead lines with a nominal capacity not exceeding 132kV, and £700 for overhead lines with a nominal capacity exceeding 132kV, with fees of £402.50 and £902.50 respectively. The new fees will apply to applications made on or after 6th April 2017 when these Regulations come into force.

A full impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as no, or no significant, impact on the private, voluntary or public sectors is foreseen.