

2010 No. 326

GAS

**Gas (Applications for Licences and Extensions) (Amendment)
Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2010**

Made - - - - - *22nd September 2010*

Coming into operation - *30th September 2010*

The Department of Enterprise, Trade and Investment in exercise of the powers conferred by Article 8(3) of the Gas (Northern Ireland) Order 1996^(a) and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations:-

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Gas (Applications for Licences and Extensions) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2010 and shall come into operation on 30th September 2010.

Interpretation

2. The Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954^(b) shall apply to these Regulations as it applies to an Act of the Northern Ireland Assembly.

Amendments

3. Schedule 1 to the Gas (Applications for Licences and Extensions) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1996^(c) shall be amended by—

- (a) in paragraph 4, omitting “in Northern Ireland”; and
- (b) for paragraph 8(d) substituting

“The name, address and telephone number of a person or persons authorised to accept service of any notices or processes required to be served on the applicant.”.

(a) S.I. 1996/275 (N.I.2)
(b) 1954 c.33 (N.I.)
(c) S.R. 1996/447

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Investment on
22nd September 2010.



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EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the Gas (Applications for Licences and Extensions) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1996 (the principal Regulations).

The amendments are intended to ensure that the principal Regulations comply with Directive 2006/123/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council on services in the internal market by enabling an applicant for a natural gas conveyance, storage or supply licence to nominate persons outside Northern Ireland—

- (a) to accept correspondence or enquiries concerning the application; and
- (b) where the applicant is a body corporate, to accept services of any notices or processes required to be served on the applicant in connection with the application.

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