
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2013 No. 116

**The Renewables Obligation (Amendment)
Order (Northern Ireland) 2013**

Wave and tidal stream generating stations

21. After Article 28 of the 2009 Order insert—

“Wave and tidal stream generating stations

28A.—(1) This Article applies to electricity which is generated—

- (a) using 2012/17 marine capacity, and
- (b) by a generating station to which Article 27 does not apply.

(2) Where the total installed capacity of the 2012/17 marine capacity of the station does not exceed 30 megawatts as at the date of the generation of the electricity, the amount of electricity to be stated in each NIROC issued in respect of electricity to which this Article

applies is $\frac{1}{5}$ of a megawatt hour.

(3) Where the total installed capacity of the 2012/17 marine capacity of the station exceeds 30 megawatts as at the date of the generation of the electricity, the amount of electricity to be stated in each NIROC—

- (a) issued in respect of the relevant proportion of the electricity to which this Article

applies, is $\frac{1}{5}$ of a megawatt hour;

- (b) issued in respect of the remainder of the electricity to which this Article applies, is to be determined in accordance with Article 25(4) to (8).

(4) In any month where 2012/17 marine capacity forms part, but not the whole, of the total installed capacity of a generating station, the proportion of the station’s renewable output which, for the purposes of paragraphs (2) and (3), is generated using 2012/17 marine

capacity is $\frac{A}{B}$.

(5) In paragraph (4)—

- (a) A is the total installed capacity of the 2012/17 marine capacity in the month in question; and
- (b) B is the total installed capacity of the station in the month in question.

(6) In this Article—

“2012/17 marine capacity”, in relation to a generating station, means any capacity which—

- (a) generates electricity from the capture of the energy created from—

- (i) the motion of naturally occurring tidal currents in water, or
- (ii) the motion of naturally occurring waves on water,
- (b) in the Authority's view, forms part of the station from a date no earlier than 1st April 2012 and no later than 31st March 2017,
- (c) has, on or before 31st March 2017, generated electricity in respect of which NIROCs may be issued, and
- (d) in the case of a generating station accredited on or before 31st March 2012, does not form part of the capacity of the station as accredited;

“the relevant proportion”, in relation to electricity generated using the 2012/17 marine capacity of a generating station, is the proportion which 30 megawatts bears to the total installed capacity of the 2012/17 marine capacity as at the date of generation of the electricity;

“total installed capacity”, in relation to 2012/17 marine capacity, means the maximum capacity at which the 2012/17 marine capacity could be operated for a sustained period without causing damage to it (assuming the source of power used by it to generate electricity was available to it without interruption).

- (7) This Article is subject to Article 30.”.