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SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 3

MINOR AND CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENTS

The Local Government (Scotland) Act 1975

23 After paragraph 3 of Schedule 1 to the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1975 (certain lands and heritages of the Gas Corporation to be valued by formula for rating) there shall be inserted the following paragraphs—

“3A (1) Any lands and heritages occupied by a private supplier for or in connection with the supply of gas through pipes to consumers' premises, other than—

- (a) lands and heritages occupied and used as a dwelling house ;
- (b) a shop, room or other place occupied and used by a private supplier wholly or mainly for the sale, display or demonstration of apparatus or accessories for use by consumers of gas:

Provided that in determining whether any such shop, room or other place is wholly or mainly occupied and used as aforesaid, use for the receipt of payments for gas consumed shall be disregarded ;

- (c) lands and heritages held by a private supplier under a lease for a period not exceeding 21 years ;
- (d) premises which are—
 - (i) occupied by a private supplier ;
 - (ii) used wholly or mainly as an office or for office purposes (within the meaning of paragraph 2 of this Schedule); and
 - (iii) situated on land which, in respect of its nature and situation, is comparable rather with land in general than with land used for the purpose of supplying gas through pipes ; or
- (e) lands and heritages occupied and used by a private supplier wholly or mainly for the manufacture of plant or gas fittings.

(2) In this paragraph and paragraph 3B below—

' gas' has the same meaning as in Part III of the Gas Act 1972 ;

' private supplier' means a person authorised by a consent given under section 29 of that Act, or by section 29A of that Act, to supply gas through pipes to consumers' premises.

3B Any lands and heritages occupied for or in connection with the conveyance of gas through pipes other than lands and heritages which—

- (a) are occupied by the British Gas Corporation ;

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- (b) are occupied by a private supplier for or in connection with the supply of gas through pipes to consumers' premises; or
- (c) are occupied and used as a dwelling house.”