Schedule thereto or, if an order varying the boundaries of that District is made under section four of the last-mentioned Act, that District as so varied.

(2) The Interpretation Act, 1889(a), applies to the interpretation of these regulations as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

5. These regulations shall come into operation on the fourth day after the date hereof, and may be cited as the Civil Defence (Electricity Undertakings) Regulations, 1954.

Dated this twenty-fourth day of March, nineteen hundred and fifty-four.

Geoffrey Lloyd,
Minister of Fuel and Power.

We consent.

Hendrie D. Oakshott,
Edward Heath,
Two of the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(*This note is not part of the regulations but is intended to indicate their general purport.*)

These regulations, made under section 6 of the Civil Defence Act, 1948, empower the Minister of Fuel and Power to make grants to the British Electricity Authority and Area Electricity Boards towards approved expenses incurred in securing the due functioning of their undertakings in the event of hostile attack.

They also provide that the British Electricity Authority and Area Electricity Boards shall furnish the Minister with such information as he may require as to the measures they have taken, and shall take such measures as the Minister may specify, to secure the due functioning of their undertakings in the event of hostile attack.

1954 No. 269

The Civil Defence (Gas Undertakers) Regulations, 1954

Made - - - -	*9th March,* 1954
Coming into Operation	*24th March,* 1954

Whereas by the Civil Defence (Designation of the Minister of Fuel and Power) Order, 1953(b), it is ordered that the Minister of Fuel and Power be the designated Minister in relation to the provision and supply of coal, gas and electricity, petroleum and other sources of fuel and power (including hydraulic power) and coal and petroleum products for purposes which include the making of regulations under section six of the Civil Defence Act, 1948(c):

Now, therefore, the Minister of Fuel and Power, in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by section six of the Civil Defence Act, 1948, and

(a) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63. (b) S.I. 1953/1196 (1953 I, p. 279). (c) 12, 13 & 14 Geo. 6. c. 5.

of all other powers him enabling, with the consent of the Treasury, hereby makes the following regulations in the terms of a draft duly approved by resolution of each House of Parliament:—

1.—(1) The Minister may serve a notice in writing on any Gas Board requiring them within the time specified in the notice—

(*a*) to make a report stating what measures they have taken or are taking or proposing to take to secure the due functioning of their undertaking in the event of hostile attack, or

(*b*) to take such measures as may be so specified to secure the due functioning of their undertaking in the event of hostile attack.

(2) If any Gas Board fail to comply with the requirements of a notice served on them under the last preceding paragraph they shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding one hundred pounds and, if the failure in respect of which they were so convicted continues after the conviction, they shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding ten pounds for each day on which the failure so continues:

Provided that if any Board are convicted in respect of a breach of paragraph (*b*) of that paragraph the Court by which they are convicted may fix a reasonable period from the date of conviction for compliance with the requirements of the notice, and where a Court has fixed such a period the said daily penalty shall not be recoverable in respect of any day before the expiration thereof.

2.—(1) The Minister may pay out of monies provided by Parliament towards the approved expenses of Gas Boards in taking measures, whether before or after the coming into operation of these regulations, to secure the due functioning of their undertaking in the event of hostile attack grants not exceeding fifty-two and three quarters per centum of those expenses.

(2) In this regulation the expression "approved expenses" means such expenses of a capital nature incurred on such measures as the Minister acting in accordance with general directions of the Treasury may approve for the purposes of this regulation.

3. Paragraph (*b*) of subsection (2) of section thirty-six of the Civil Defence Act, 1939(a), section thirty-seven of that Act so far as it relates to measures to secure the due functioning of an undertaking in the event of hostile attack and section thirty-nine of that Act are hereby repealed in so far as they relate to gas undertakers.

4.—(1) Section seventy-nine and subsection (28) of section ninety-one of the Civil Defence Act, 1939, are brought into force in relation to notices, reports or other action under these regulations.

(2) The following provisions of the Civil Defence Act, 1939, that is to say—

section 62, subsections (1) to (3)
section 76
section 77
section 78
section 80
section 83, subsections (3) and (4)

shall apply in relation to notices, reports or other action under these regulations but as if references to the Minister therein were references to the Minister of Fuel and Power.

(a) 2 & 3 Geo. 6. c. 31.

5.—(1) In these regulations, except where the context otherwise requires, the following expressions have the meanings hereby assigned to them—

"Gas Board" means an Area Board established for the purposes of the Gas Act, 1948(**a**);

"the Minister" means the Minister of Fuel and Power.

(2) The Interpretation Act, 1889(**b**), applies to the interpretation of these regulations as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

6. These regulations shall come into operation on the fifteenth day after the date hereof, and may be cited as the Civil Defence (Gas Undertakers) Regulations, 1954.

Dated this ninth day of March, nineteen hundred and fifty-four.

Geoffrey Lloyd,
Minister of Fuel and Power.

We consent.

Martin Redmayne,
Hendrie D. Oakshott,
Two of the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of these regulations, but is intended to indicate their general purport.)

These regulations, made under section 6 of the Civil Defence Act, 1948, empower the Minister of Fuel and Power to make grants to Gas Boards towards approved expenses incurred in securing the due functioning of their undertakings in the event of hostile attack.

They also provide that Gas Boards shall furnish the Minister with such information as he may require as to the measures they have taken, and shall take such measures as the Minister may specify, to secure the due functioning of their undertakings in the event of hostile attack.

1954 No. 450 (S. 47)

The Civil Defence (North of Scotland Hydro-Electric Board) Regulations, 1954

Made - - - -	*2nd April,* 1954
Coming into Operation	*17th April,* 1954

In exercise of the powers conferred on me by section six as read with the proviso to subsection (2) of section nine of the Civil Defence Act, 1948(**c**), as extended by the Civil Defence (Electricity Undertakings) Act, 1954(**d**), and of all other powers enabling me in that behalf, I hereby, with the consent of the Treasury, make the following Regulations, a draft of which has been laid before Parliament and has been approved by resolution of each House of Parliament.

(**a**) 11 & 12 Geo. 6. c. 67. (**b**) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63. (**c**) 12, 13 & 14 Geo. 6. c. 5. (**d**) 2 & 3 Eliz. 2. c. 19.