1993 No. 472

LAGANSIDE DEVELOPMENT

River Lagan (Extinguishment of Rights of Navigation) Order (Northern Ireland) 1993

Made . . . . . 2nd December 1993

Coming into operation . . 1st February 1994

WHEREAS the Laganside Corporation has constructed the weir described in the Lagan Weir and Footbridge Order (Northern Ireland) 1990(**a**) across the River Lagan;

AND WHEREAS in consequence the Corporation has applied to the Department of the Environment ("the Department") for an order extinguishing certain public rights of navigation over the river and the Department considers it necessary to extinguish such rights;

AND WHEREAS notice has been published and served in compliance with paragraphs 1 and 2 of Schedule 6 to the Roads (Northern Ireland) Order 1980(**b**) as applied by paragraph 6(2) of Schedule 2 to the Laganside Development (Northern Ireland) Order 1989(**c**);

AND WHEREAS no objections were received;

NOW THEREFORE the Department, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Article 2(2) of, and paragraph 6(1) of Schedule 2 to, the Laganside Development (Northern Ireland) Order 1989(**d**) and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, makes the following Order:

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the River Lagan (Extinguishment of Rights of Navigation) Order (Northern Ireland) 1993 and shall come into operation on 1st February 1994.

Extinguishment of certain public rights of navigation

2.—(1) Except as provided in paragraphs (2) and (3) public rights of navigation over the part of the river cross-hatched on map number 1 annexed to the Schedule to the Lagan Weir and Footbridge Order (Northern Ireland) 1990 are hereby extinguished.

(**a**) S.R. 1990 No. 454
(**b**) S.I. 1980/1085 (N.I. 11)
(**c**) S.I. 1989/490 (N.I. 2)
(**d**) Art. 2(2) is cited because it contains a definition of "the Department"

(2) Craft whose draft does not exceed 1.5 metres may navigate through the openings in the weir shown on map number 2 of the said Order when the tidal level exceeds 0.3 metres above ordnance datum, Belfast, except—

(*a*) at all times of the year during the hours of darkness unless reasonable notice has been given to the weir manager during normal working hours;

(*b*) in spring and summer between midnight and 06.00 hours unless reasonable notice has been given to the weir manager during normal working hours;

(*c*) during periods of maintenance or repair of the weir;

(*d*) where necessary, during periods of dredging or other works to the river or its banks;

(*e*) during periods when the Corporation considers it desirable to adjust the weir openings to reduce or eliminate pollution of the water in the river;

(*f*) in an emergency arising from an exceptionally high tide.

(3) Craft whose draft exceeds 1.5 metres but does not exceed 3.0 metres may navigate through the said openings when the tidal level provides sufficient depth of water, subject to the exceptions set out in paragraph (2)(*a*) to (*f*).

(4) In this Article:

"hours of darkness" means the time between half an hour after sunset and half an hour before sunrise;

"ordnance datum, Belfast" means the average value of mean sea level at Belfast for the period 1951-1956.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of the Environment on 2nd December 1993.

(L.S.) *D. S. S. McAuley*
Assistant Secretary

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order.)

This Order provides for the extinguishment of public rights of navigation over part of the River Lagan due to construction of a new weir downstream of Queen Elizabeth Bridge.

Subject to certain exceptions craft whose draft does not exceed 1.5 metres will be able to cross through the weir during daylight hours when the tidal level exceeds 0.3 metres above ordnance datum, Belfast. Subject to the same exceptions craft with draft between 1.5 and 3.0 metres will also be able to cross through the weir when the tidal level provides sufficient depth of water.

Copies of the Order referred to in Article 2(1) may be inspected at Belfast Development Office, Clarence Court, 10-18 Adelaide Street, Belfast, and at the offices of the Laganside Corporation, 15 Clarendon Road, Belfast.

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Medicines (Pharmacies) (Applications for Registration and Fees) Amendment Regulations 1993

These Regulations have been made by the Secretaries of State respectively concerned with health in England, in Wales and in Scotland and the Department of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland, acting jointly as the Health Ministers in exercise of powers conferred by sections 75(1), 76(1)(2) and (6) and 129(5) of the Medicines Act 1968.

In pursuance of paragraph 11 of Schedule 4 to that Act these Regulations have been registered as a Northern Ireland statutory rule under the Statutory Rules (Northern Ireland) Order 1979. They are printed in full in the volume of United Kingdom Statutory Instruments for 1993 and have been numbered 2902 in that series.