STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1975 No. 198 (S. 17)

WATER SUPPLY, SCOTLAND

The North of Scotland Water Board (Loch Baligill, Farr) Water Order 1975

Made - - - - 7th February 1975
Coming into Operation 14th February 1975

The Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by section 21 of the Water (Scotland) Act 1946(a), as amended by the Water (Scotland) Act 1949(b) and the Water (Scotland) Act 1967(c), and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, on the application of the North of Scotland Water Board, hereby makes the following order:—

PART I

Citation and commencement

1. This order may be cited as the North of Scotland Water Board (Loch Baligill, Farr) Water Order 1975 and shall come into operation on 14th February 1975.

Interpretation

2. In this order, unless the context otherwise requires:—

"the Act" means the Water (Scotland) Act 1946;

"approved" means approved by the Secretary of State;

"Board" means the North of Scotland Water Board;

"deposited plans" means the two plans prepared in duplicate, sealed with the seal of the Secretary of State for Scotland and marked respectively "The North of Scotland Water Board (Loch Baligill, Farr) Water Order 1975 Plan of Catchment Area" and "The North of Scotland Water Board (Loch Baligill, Farr) Water Order 1975 Plan of Works", one copy of each of which is deposited in the office of the Scottish Development Department, St. Andrew's House, Edinburgh, and the other in the office of the Clerk to the Board at Wick;

"gauge" includes a gauge weir or other apparatus for measuring the flow of water;

"intake" includes any work by which water is taken by the Board for the purposes of the undertaking;

"undertaking" means the water undertaking for the time being of the Board;

"works" means the works described in Schedule 1 to this order which the Board, in exercise of the powers conferred on them by section 24 of the Act, with the consent of the Secretary of State and in the lines and situations and according to the levels shown on the deposited plan

(a) 1946 c. 42. (b) 1949 c. 31. (c) 1967 c. 78.

marked "The North of Scotland Water Board (Loch Baligill, Farr) Water Order 1975 Plan of Works", propose to construct and maintain for the purpose of providing a supply of water within their region when they have acquired the necessary land or sufficient rights therein.

Incorporation and application of provisions of the Fourth Schedule to the Act

3. The provisions of section 10(3), (4) and (5) of Part III of the Fourth Schedule to the Act (supplementary provisions relating to compensation water) modified and adapted in terms of section 21(3)(*b*) of the Act and set out in Schedule 2 to this order apply to the undertaking in so far as affected by the provisions of this order.

PART II

Water rights

4. Subject to the provisions of this order, the Board may, for the purposes of the undertaking and by means of the works, impound and take water from the loch known as Loch Baligill in the Parish of Farr and County of Sutherland.

5.—(1) During the construction of the works the Board may take from the said Loch Baligill such water as they may require for such construction.

(2) Commencing on the date of issue of the preliminary certificate given by the Engineer acting in terms of the Reservoirs (Safety Provisions) Act 1930(a) stating that water may be impounded within the Loch Baligill reservoir (Work No. 2) the Board shall discharge into the stream known as the Baligill Burn that issues from the westerly end of the said Loch Baligill during every day of 24 hours reckoned from midnight, in a uniform and continuous flow, a quantity of water not less than 136 cubic metres measured through or over an approved gauge incorporated in the gauging chamber (part of Work No. 1).

6. If the power to take water conferred by this order has not been exercised within 10 years from the date on which this order comes into operation the said power shall cease.

PART III

Miscellaneous

7. The Board shall at all times after the expiration of 6 months from the date on which this order comes into operation keep at their principal office a copy thereof and one copy of each of the deposited plans.

Given under the seal of the Secretary of State for Scotland.

John Kerr,
Assistant Secretary.

Scottish Development Department,
St. Andrew's House,
Edinburgh.
7th February 1975.

(a) 1930 c. 51.

Article 2

SCHEDULE 1

The works referred to in this order and shown on the deposited plan marked "The North of Scotland Water Board (Loch Baligill, Farr) Water Order 1975 Plan of Works" are:—

Work No. 1 A dam, situated at the outlet of the loch known as Loch Baligill at the place where the stream known as the Baligill Burn leaves the said Loch Baligill, having an overflow level of 147·43 metres or thereby above Ordnance Datum, and a gauging chamber incorporating an approved gauge for measuring the quantity of water discharged from the said Loch Baligill into the said Baligill Burn by means of a discharge pipe (Work No. 3).

Work No. 2 A reservoir (Loch Baligill Reservoir) commencing at the dam (Work No. 1) and extending over the said Loch Baligill.

Work No. 3 An intake at level 146·82 metres or thereby above Ordnance Datum and 30 metres or thereby in length leading in a westerly direction from the said Loch Baligill to the gauging chamber (part of Work No. 1).

Work No. 4 A discharge pipe 7 metres or thereby in length leading from the gauging chamber (part of Work No. 1) to the said Baligill Burn.

Article 3

SCHEDULE 2

The provisions of the Fourth Schedule to the Act referred to in this order are:—

Section 10(3)

If the Board—

(*a*) fail to instal or maintain in good order any such gauge as is mentioned in this order, or refuse to allow any person interested to inspect and examine any such gauge or any records made thereby or kept by them in connection therewith or to take copies of any such records; or

(*b*) take any water contrary to the provisions of this order,

they shall, without prejudice to their civil liability, if any, to a person aggrieved, be liable, in the case of an offence under paragraph (*a*) of this subsection, on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding £50 in respect of each day on which the offence has been committed or has continued, and in the case of an offence under paragraph (*b*) of this subsection—

(i) on summary conviction, to a fine not exceeding £50 in respect of each such day; and

(ii) on conviction on indictment, to a fine not exceeding £500 in respect of each such day.

Section 10(4)

For the purposes of this order a fishery district board shall be deemed to be interested in the flow of water in any stream within their fishery district or any stream feeding such a stream and shall be deemed to be aggrieved by the commission of an offence under this order in relation to any such stream.

Section 10(5)

The provisions of this order shall be deemed to have been accepted by all persons interested as providing full compensation for all water impounded by the works.