STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1975 No. 271 (S.34)

WATER SUPPLY, SCOTLAND

The North of Scotland Water Board

(Neshion Water) Water Order 1975

Made - - - *24th February*, 1975

Coming into Operation *3rd March*, 1975

The Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by sections 21(2) and 44(1) 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 1

Citation and commencement

1. This order may be cited as the North of Scotland Water Board (Neshion Water) Water Order 1975 and shall come into operation on 3rd March, 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 (Neshion Water) Water Order 1975 Plan of Catchment Area" and "The North of Scotland Water Board (Neshion Water) 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;

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

"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 marked "The North of Scotland Water Board (Neshion Water) 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) and (4) of Part III of the Fourth Schedule to the Act modified and adapted in terms of section 44(1) 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, take water from the loch known as Neshion Water in the Parish of Delting and County of Zetland.

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

(2) After the completion of the works the Board shall discharge into the stream known as the Burn of Neshion Water from the said Neshion Water a sufficient quantity of water to maintain a minimum flow therein of 18 cubic metres during every day of 24 hours reckoned from midnight in a uniform and continuous flow as measured through or over an approved gauge incorporated in the weir (Work No. 1).

(3) After the completion of the works the Board shall not in any one day of 24 hours reckoned from midnight take from the said Neshion Water a quantity of water greater than 164 cubic metres measured through or over an approved gauge incorporated in the gauging chamber (Work No. 3).

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.
24th February, 1975.

SCHEDULE 1 Article 2

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

Work No. 1

A weir, sill level 64.58 metres or thereby above Ordnance Datum, incorporating an approved gauge for measuring the quantity of water discharged from the loch known as Neshion Water into the stream known as the Burn of Neshion Water and situated at the point where the said Burn of Neshion Water leaves the said Neshion Water.

Work No. 2

An intake at level 63.82 metres or thereby above Ordnance Datum 75 metres or thereby in length leading due south from the said Neshion Water to the gauging chamber (Work No. 3).

Work No. 3

A gauging chamber, situated on the south side of the said Neshion Water, incorporating an approved gauge to measure the quantity of water taken by the Board from the said Neshion Water.

SCHEDULE 2 Article 3

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.