

Breaking up of Roads, and Repair of Pipes; Change of Name; Increase in number of Directors and Qualification; Amendment and Repeal of Acts, &c.)

NOTICE is hereby given that application is intended to be made to Parliament in the ensuing Session for an Act (hereinafter called "the intended Act") for effecting the following, or some of the following, among other purposes (that is to say):—

1. To authorise and empower the New Swindon Gas Company (hereinafter called "the Company") to purchase, hold, and work, and the Swindon Gas and Coke Company, Limited (hereinafter called "the Limited Company"), to sell, for such consideration and upon such terms and conditions and subject to such provisions as to the debts, liabilities, and obligations of the Limited Company as may be agreed upon between the Company and the Limited Company, the undertaking, works, lands, mains, pipes, property, powers, rights, privileges, and authorities of the Limited Company, and to confer upon the Company and the Limited Company respectively all powers, and to make all provisions necessary or expedient for effecting such transfer, and for the dissolution and winding up of the affairs of the Limited Company, and for the vesting, apportionment, and acceptance of shares or other securities of the Company in, amongst, and by holders of shares and securities of the Limited Company, or for the distribution amongst such holders of other the consideration for such purchase, and for the discharge of the liabilities of the Limited Company.

2. To confirm and give effect to any agreement between the Company and the Limited Company with reference to such purchase and sale which may have been or may be entered into prior to the passing of the intended Act.

3. To authorise the Company to sell all or any portion of the site of the gas works and other lands of the Limited Company free from the provisions of the Lands Clauses Acts with respect to superfluous lands.

4. To enable the Company to apply their corporate funds and revenues for all or any of the purposes of the intended Act, and to authorise the Company to raise additional capital by the creation of new shares or stock, and by loans or debenture stock, and by any one or more of those methods, and to attach to such shares or stock any guarantee, preference, or priority of dividend, or other advantages or rights as the intended Act may provide, and to make special provision with regard to the issue of such capital and the rights of shareholders and consumers of gas in connection therewith.

5. To make provision with respect to setting aside of reserve and insurance, contingency, or accident funds.

6. To define the limits of supply of the Company and extend the same so as to include the parish of Wroughton, in the county of Wilts.

7. To authorise the Company to supply gas in bulk to local authorities and others beyond their limits of supply.

8. To make provision with reference to notices of discontinuance of a supply of gas, the refusal to supply gas to persons in debt to the Company, and for securing the payment of gas rates and charges, and for the prepayment thereof in certain cases, and for the measurement of gas and the registration and testing of meters, with respect to the period of error in meters, the inspection of fittings, service pipes, and other apparatus, the prohibition of the use of im-

proper or insufficient fittings, and the power to require the use of anti-fluctuators on gas engines.

9. To exempt any fittings and apparatus of the Company on consumers' premises from liability to be taken in execution or distress, and to relieve the Company from penalties in cases arising from unavoidable cause.

10. To confer upon the Company the same powers of laying down and maintaining mains, pipes, and apparatus in streets or roads not dedicated to the public as they from time to time possess in respect of public streets and roads.

11. To vary the existing rates, rents, and charges, and to vary and extinguish exemption from the payment of rates, rents, and charges.

12. To change the name of the Company.

13. To increase the number of directors and alter the qualification.

14. To vary and extinguish all or any rights or privileges inconsistent with or which would interfere with any of the objects or purposes or provisions of the intended Act, and to confer other rights and privileges.

15. The intended Act will or may alter, amend, enlarge, and, if need be, repeal all or some of the provisions of the New Swindon Gas Act, 1893, the New Swindon Gas Act, 1901, and the Swindon Gas Order, 1893, and any other Act relating to or affecting the Company or the Limited Company, or their respective undertakings.

16. Printed copies of the Bill for the intended Act will be deposited in the Private Bill Office of the House of Commons on or before the 21st day of December next

Dated this 11th day of November, 1901.

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Great Northern and Strand Railway.

(Construction of Underground Railways, &c., in Counties of London and Middlesex; Compulsory Purchase of and Powers as to Lands, Easements, &c.; Appropriation of Subsoil; Underpinning, &c., of Houses; Interference with Streets; Tolls, Rates, &c.; Powers over Metropolitan District Railway; Power to Great Northern Railway Company to exercise certain Powers of Bill, and to Lease Portion of Undertaking executed by them to Company or Brompton and Piccadilly Circus Railway Company, and Provisions as to Transfer to latter Company of Undertaking of Company, and Winding-up of Company; Agreement with and Powers to, and Application of Funds and raising Additional Capital by aforesaid Companies; Payment of Interest out of Capital; Agreements with and Application of Funds by Metropolitan District Railway and Metropolitan District Electric Traction Companies; Abandonment of Railways; Extension of Time for Purchase of Lands and Completion of Works; Amendment of Acts, &c., &c.)

NOTICE is hereby given, that application is intended to be made to Parliament in the ensuing Session, by or on behalf of the Great Northern and Strand Railway Company (in this Notice called "the Company"), for leave to bring in a Bill for effecting the purposes, or some of the purposes, following (that is to say):—

To empower the Company to make and maintain the underground railways and works