

the Secretary, Ministry of Health, Whitehall, London, S.W. 1, not later than the 11th day of December, 1922. A copy of such representation or objection must be sent at the same time to the undersigned.

Dated this 10th day of November, 1922.

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Board of Trade.—1922.

SOUTHEND-ON-SEA AND DISTRICT GAS.

(Application for Special Order under Section 10 of the Gas Regulation Act, 1920.)

NOTICE is hereby given, that the Southend Gas Company (hereinafter called "the Company"), whose principal office is at York Road, Southend-on-Sea, Essex, intend to apply to the Board of Trade for a Special Order under Section 10 of the Gas Regulation Act, 1920, for all or some of the following purposes (that is to say):—

To change the name of the Company to the Southend-on-Sea and District Gas Company.

To confirm an agreement for the purchase by and transfer to the Company of the gas undertaking of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the County Borough of Southend-on-Sea, and to make any provisions incidental thereto.

To prescribe the consideration for such purchase and the method of payment thereof, and to make provision for compensation to any officials losing office or retiring in consequence of such purchase.

To extend the limits within which the Company are authorised to supply gas, and to authorise them to supply gas within the following limits (that is to say):—

(1) All that part of the county borough of Southend-on-Sea which immediately before the passing of the Southend-on-Sea Corporation Act, 1913, constituted the urban district of Leigh-on-Sea.

(2) So much of the parish of Eastwood, in the rural district of Rochford, in the county of Essex, and of the area formerly part of that parish which was added to the said county borough by the said Act of 1913 as lies between two imaginary straight lines drawn from a point at the boundary between the parishes of Eastwood and Rochford at or immediately to the north of Blatches Farmhouse, the one to the point in Great Wood where the boundaries of the parishes of Eastwood, Hadleigh and Southend-on-Sea meet, and the other to the northernmost point of the boundary between the former parishes of Leigh and Prittlewell, being the area added to the limits of the Corporation for the supply of gas by the Southend-on-Sea Order (No. 1), 1915, confirmed by the Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 3) Act, 1915.

(3) The parishes of Ashingdon, Great Stambridge and South Fambridge.

(4) All that part of the parish of Little Stambridge which is not already comprised within the limits of the Company for the supply of gas.

To authorise the Company during a limited period from the date of transfer to maintain,

alter, improve, renew or discontinue gasworks and plant for manufacture and store gas and residual and manufactured products upon the lands following at Leigh-on-Sea, in the county borough of Southend-on-Sea, and to deal in such products. The said lands are:—

Lands at Leigh-on-Sea, in the county borough of Southend-on-Sea, lying on the south side of the High Street, and of the public right-of-way leading from the west end of that street, and which said lands have a total area of one acre one rood and thirty poles or thereabouts, and are bounded on the north by High Street aforesaid and the said public right-of-way on the east by premises belonging or reputed to belong to Frederick While and Henry Samuel While, and on the west and south by land belonging or reputed to belong to William Booth, on behalf of the Salvation Army.

To empower the Company to create and issue new stock and debenture stock (redeemable or not), and to borrow further money, and to attach to such stock or any class thereof such dividends, interest, priorities or rights as may be found desirable, and to amend the provisions of the Southend-on-Sea Gas Acts, 1877 to 1920, or some of them relating to standard rate of dividend and to the capital redemption fund provided for by the Southend-on-Sea Gas Act, 1920, and to make further provisions as to a capital redemption fund and standard price, and to amend any provisions in the said Acts relating to dividends, capital or borrowing.

To authorise reserve and other funds.

To enable the Company to offer stock for public subscription with the approval of the Board of Trade, and on such terms as they may allow, and to pay commissions in connection with any such offer.

To make new provisions as to meetings, directors, proxies, remuneration of auditors, interim dividends, closing registers and notices to and by the Company.

To make further provision as to relief from penalties cutting off and re-connecting supplies and expense thereof, pipes for ancillary purposes, provision of valves where high pressure air is used, licences and patents, notices and relief from obligation to or conditions of supply.

To incorporate and apply, with or without modification, any provisions of the Gas Works-Clauses Acts, 1847 and 1871, the Companies-Clauses Acts, 1845 and 1889, and to repeal or amend any provisions of the Southend-on-Sea Gas Acts, 1877 to 1920, and any other Act or Order affecting the Company.

Any local or other public authority, Company or person desiring to bring before the Board of Trade any objection to the Draft Order may do so by registered letter addressed to the Director of Gas Administration, Board of Trade, Great George Street, London, S.W. 1, and despatched on or before the 11th day of December, 1922.

Any such objection shall state: (a) the specific grounds of objection; (b) the omissions, additions or modifications asked for.

A copy of the objection shall be forwarded to the applicants for the Order or their Agents, at the same time as it is sent to the Board of Trade.

A copy of the Draft Order and of the Maps have been deposited for public inspection with the Clerk of the Peace for the county of