fittings and the exemption thereof from distress; the prevention of improper use of gas; the notice to be given by consumers before discontinuance of supply; the inspection and testing of meters; the charge for special reading of meters; and the relief of the Company from obligation to supply gas in certain cases.

16. To authorise the directors of the Company to grant gratuities pensions and superannuation and other allowances and to make other payments to officers and employees and the widows, families, and dependants of such persons, to enter into and carry into effect agreements with local authorities, insurance companies, or others for securing such gratuities pensions and other payments, to empower the directors to make donations to infirmaries, hospitals and other institutions and to other funds and to apply the revenues of the Company for those purposes.

17. To make provision as to the recovery of sums due for fittings, etc., the inclusion of several sums in one summons, the authentication and service of notices by the Company, and the recovery of penalties and demands.

18. To confer upon the Company all other powers commonly conferred upon gas under-takers.

19. The Order will vary or extinguish all rights and privileges which would impede or interfere with its purposes and confer other rights and privileges.

20. To incorporate with the Order with or without modification or to render inapplicable to the Company all or some of the provisions of the Lands Clauses Acts, the Gasworks Clauses Act, 1847, and the Gasworks Clauses Act, 1871.

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.I, and despatched on or before the 16th day of March, nineteen hundred and thirty-seven.

Any such objections shall state—

(a) the specific grounds of objection; and

(b) the omissions, additions or modifications asked for.

A copy of the objection must be forwarded to the undermentioned Solicitors or Parliamentary Agents at the same time as it is sent to the Board of Trade.

Printed copies of the draft Order together with copies of an ordnance map on a scale of not less than one inch to the mile showing the situation of the existing gasworks of the Company and the boundaries of the proposed area of supply and copies of an ordnance map on a scale of 25 inches to the mile, showing the lands referred to in paragraph 8 of this Notice have been deposited for public inspection at the office of the Company, with the Clerk of the Peace for the County of Buckingham at his office at the County Hall, Aylesbury, and with the Clerk of the Peace for the County of Northampton at his office at the County Hall, Northampton.

Printed copies of the draft Order may be obtained at the office of the Company and of the undermentioned Solicitors and Parliamentary Agents at a price of one shilling a copy.

Dated this 11th day of February, nineteen hundred and thirty-seven.

WALTON AND RAY, Stony Stratford, Bucks, Solicitors.

VIZARD OLDHAM CROWDER AND CASH, 21, Tothill Street, Westminster, (209) S.W.1, Parliamentary Agents.

Board of Trade.

RUNCORN AND DISTRICT GAS.

(Application for Special Order under the Gas Undertakings Acts, 1920 to 1934).

NOTICE is hereby given that the Runcorn Gas Company (hereinafter called "the Company") whose address is at the Gas Offices, 57, High Street, Runcorn intend to apply to the Board of Trade for a Special Order under the above named Acts for all or some of the following purposes (that is to say):—

1. To change the name of the Company.

2. To convert the ordinary shares of the Company into consolidated stock with such rights privileges and incidence as the Order may prescribe, to provide for the creation and issue of consolidated stock in substitution for the existing ordinary shares of the Company and to make all necessary and convenient provisions for giving effect to such consolidation and conversion.

3. To authorise and require trustees and others to accept the new consolidated stock so as to be issued in substitution for the shares held by them and to make provision for the cancellation of the certificates of the existing shares and for the issue of new certificates in exchange and as to transfers or other dispositions of the existing ordinary shares of the Company made but not registered prior to the date of consolidation and conversion.

4. To provide that as from the consolidation and conversion of the existing share capital of the Company any additional capital which the Company are authorised to raise under the Runcorn Gas Act 1885 shall be raised by the creation and issue of consolidated stock or preference shares or stock or by one or more of those methods.

5. To provide for the transfer to and vesting in the Company of the undertaking of the Frodsham Gas and Water Company (hereinafter referred to as "the Frodsham Company") including all rights of making distributing and supplying gas and all other the rights, easements, powers, authorities and privileges whatsoever of the Frodsham Company and all property whatsoever including cash balances reserve and other funds (if any) investments, interests, obligations and things in action belonging to the Frodsham Company but subject to all contracts, debts, liabilities, obligations and incumbrances of the Frodsham Company.

6. To provide for the amalgamation of the undertaking of the Frodsham Company with the undertaking of the Company and for the dissolution of the Frodsham Company.