

## HIGHWAYS ACT 1980

*Notice of invitation for proposals to build and finance a tolled Western Orbital Route west of Birmingham*

The Department of Transport of the United Kingdom hereby invites pre-qualification proposals from firms and consortia as prospective promoters to build and finance a tolled road round the western side of the West Midlands conurbation.

The contract would be to design, build, finance and operate the road, under a concession agreement with the Department. Costs would be recovered through tolls charged by the concessionaire.

The route should broadly follow the Department's published preferred route for the Western Orbital Route. This provides for a motorway standard road linking the M5 and M42 motorways near Bromsgrove to the M6 and the proposed privately financed Birmingham Northern Relief Road north of the M54.

Completion of the new road is expected by the late 1990s.

Prospective bidders must provide the information and comply with the conditions set out in an information and pre-qualification requirements document, copies of which are available from the address below.

Proposals should be sent, in English, to Tolled Roads and Crossings Division, The Department of Transport, Room S5/16, 2 Marsham Street, London SW1P 3EB (Telephone: (071) 276 5420), by noon on 22nd May 1992.

The Department reserves the right not to follow up in any way this invitation.

A notice advertising this contract has been sent for publication to the Official Journal of the European Communities, similar advertisements are being published in the *Edinburgh* and *Belfast Gazettes*. (Ref. T0149RL.) (15 SI)

## MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE FISHERIES AND FOOD

## THE PLANT HEALTH ACT 1967

*The Plant Health (Great Britain) Order 1987 No. 1758 (As Amended)*

In pursuance of Article 42 of the Plant Health (Great Britain) Order 1987, the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, The Secretary of State for Scotland and the Secretary of State for Wales hereby suspends until further notice General Licence issued in 1990, PHF/1192/62(100), which permitted the landing of potatoes from the Jutland region of Denmark.

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*R. F. Patterson*, officer of the Welsh Office Agriculture Department.

This means that all varieties of potatoes, both seed and ware, originating in Denmark may not enter the UK.

17th February 1992. (7 SI)

## PLANT HEALTH ACT 1967

*The Plant Health (Great Britain) Order 1987 No. 1758 (as Amended)**Amendment to Import Licence*

The Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food in respect of England, the Secretary of State for Scotland in respect of Scotland and the Secretary of State for Wales in respect of Wales hereby amend the General Licence PHF1308/56/(49) authorising the landing of potatoes (*Solanum Tuberosum* L) originating in Germany as follows:

For the words

"This authorisation does not extend to potatoes originating in Lower Saxony or Schleswig-Holstien"

substitute

"This authorisation does not extend to potatoes originating in Lower Saxony, Schleswig-Holstien, Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania, Brandenburg, Berlin, Saxony-Anhalt, Thuringia or Saxony."

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This amendment includes the landers of the former GDR.

17th February 1992. (8 SI)

## OFFICE OF GAS SUPPLY

## BRITISH GAS PLC.

*Notification by a public gas supplier of intention to execute works for the construction of high pressure pipelines*

In accordance with section 20(1) of the Gas Act 1986 (c44), the Director General of Gas Supply has received notice from British Gas Plc., a public gas supplier within the meaning of that Act, of its intention to execute works for the construction of a high-pressure pipeline for the conveyance of Natural Gas or Substitute Natural Gas, as follows:

<i>Points between which the pipeline is to run</i>	<i>National Grid References</i>
Nantgarw	ST 127 857
Margam	SS 785 869

Copies of the notice, and of the accompanying map delineating the route which the proposed pipeline is to take, may be inspected, free of charge, between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday to Friday, in the Library of the Office of Gas Supply, Southside, 105 Victoria Street, London SW1E 6QT, (telephone 071-828 0898 for an appointment). Copies may also be purchased from the Library, at a cost of £1 for up to and including five pages, and £0.10 per page thereafter (including VAT), by personal callers between the times given above, or by postal request made payable to the Office of Gas Supply.

Sections 20(4) and (5) of the Gas Act 1986, provide that the Director General of Gas Supply may give directions as to the capacity of a proposed pipeline and as to the cost of its construction, if satisfied in the light of representations;

- that a demand exists or is likely to arise for the conveyance of gas of, or of a kind similar to, the kind specified in the notice relating to a proposed pipeline; and
- that the routes along which the gas will require to be conveyed will severally be, as to the whole or any part thereof, the same or substantially the same as the route or any part of the route so specified.

Any representations as to such matters should be made in writing and delivered to the Director General of Gas Supply, Office of Gas Supply, Southside, 105 Victoria Street, London SW1E 6QT, in such manner that:

- an indication in respect of the gas for the conveyance of which a demand may exist or be likely to arise, of
  - its origin
  - its quantity; and
  - the rate at which it may be conveyed,
 is delivered within 28 days of publication of this notice; and
- any other and further representations are delivered within 90 days of publication. (11 SI)