

Copies of the Order may be obtained, free of charge, on application to the office of the Department of Transport, Government Office for the North West, Sunley Tower, Piccadilly Plaza, Manchester M1 4BE (quoting reference GO/TNW 5086/35/1/17), and may be inspected at all reasonable hours at the Town Hall, Stockport.

Any person aggrieved by the Order and desiring to question the validity thereof, or of any provision contained therein, on the ground that it is not within the powers of the above Act or that any requirement of that Act, or of any regulation made thereunder has not been complied with in relation to the Order, may, within 6 weeks of 20th November 1996, apply to the High Court for the suspension or quashing of the Order or of any provision contained therein.

G. Tarr, Government Office for the North West, Department of Transport. (756)

## HIGHWAYS AGENCY

### ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984, SECTION 84

*The A40 Trunk Road (Western Avenue, Hillingdon) (30 m.p.h. Speed Limit) (Long Lane Slip Road) Order 1996*

The Secretary of State for Transport hereby gives notice that on 18th November 1996, he made the above-named Order, the effect of which is to impose a speed limit of 30 miles per hour on the westbound access slip road, linking Long Lane (A437) to the main westbound carriageway of Western Avenue (A40), in the London Borough of Hillingdon. The speed limit will apply to that section of slip road, from its junction with the western kerb-line of Hercies Road, for a distance of 319 metres in a westerly direction.

A copy of the Order and a plan, which illustrates its provisions, have been deposited at the offices of the Highways Agency, London Network Management Division, Room 5/69, St. Christopher House, Southwark Street, London SE1 0TE; and at London Borough of Hillingdon, Local Services, Level 3 Reception, Civic Centre, High Street, Uxbridge, Middlesex UB8 1UW, where they may be inspected between 9.30 a.m. and 4 p.m., on Mondays to Fridays inclusive, until 18th October 1996; and at the Oak Farm Library, Sutton Court Road, Hillingdon, where they may be inspected during normal opening hours.

Any person wishing to question the validity of the Order, or any of its provisions, on the grounds that it is not within the relevant powers of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, or that a requirement of that Act, or of any relevant regulations made thereunder, has not been complied with, may, within 6 weeks of the date on which the Order was made, make application for the purpose to the High Court.

N. J. K. Atkinson, a Grade 7 Officer in the Highways Agency, London Network Management Division, St. Christopher House, London SE1 0TE. (755)

### HIGHWAYS ACT 1980

*The A249 Trunk Road (Bobbing Junction) (Detrunking) Order 199*

The Secretary of State for Transport hereby gives notice that he proposes to make the following Order under sections 10 and 12 of the Highways Act 1980, which will provide that a length of the A249 Trunk Road, superseded by the new trunk roads, as described in the A249 Iwade By-pass Order 1992, and the A249 Iwade By-pass (Slip Roads) Order 1992, shall cease to be a trunk road, and shall be classified as a classified road, as from the date on which the Secretary of State notifies the Kent County Council (who will become the highway authority responsible for that length) the new trunk roads on the main route are open for traffic. The length of the trunk road ceasing to be a trunk road, situated at Bobbing, near Sittingbourne, in the county of Kent, starting at a point on the A249 Trunk Road, 820 metres north-east of its junction with Key Street, and proceeding eastwards to, and including, a new roundabout, south of Bobbing Primary School.

Copies of the draft Order and a plan, which may be inspected, free of charge, at all reasonable hours, from 20th November 1996 until 8th January 1997, or within 7 weeks from the date of first publication of this notice if that period expires later, at the Highways Agency, ASD London Support Division, 12th Floor, St. Christopher House,

London SE1 0TA; at the offices of the Highways Agency, Construction Operations Division, Broadway, Broad Street, Birmingham B15 1BL; and at the Highways Agency, Southern Network Management Division, Federated House, London Road, Dorking, Surrey RH4 1SZ; Kent County Council, Highways and Transportation Department, Springfield, Maidstone, Kent; Swale Borough Council, Planning Reception (2nd Floor), Swale House, East Street, Sittingbourne, Kent; and Sittingbourne Library, Central Avenue, Sittingbourne, Kent.

Any person may object to the making of this Order, not later than 8th January 1997, or within 7 weeks from the date of first publication of this notice, if that period expires later, by notice to the Secretary of State, at the office of the Director, Construction Operations Division, Highways Agency, Broadway, Broad Street, Birmingham B15 1BL, quoting reference HA10/RPD/187, and stating the grounds of objection. In preparation of an objection and statement of grounds of objection, it should be borne in mind that the substance of any objection or representation may be communicated to other people who may be affected by it.

M. Paton, Higher Executive Officer, Construction Operations Division, Highways Agency. (753)

19th November 1996.

## MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE FISHERIES AND FOOD

### SCOTTISH OFFICE AGRICULTURE, ENVIRONMENT AND FISHERIES DEPARTMENT WELSH OFFICE AGRICULTURE DEPARTMENT

The Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, the Secretary of State for Scotland and the Secretary of State for Wales, acting jointly, in exercise of the powers conferred on them by section 1 of the Animal Health Act 1981(a), and of all powers enabling them in that behalf, hereby make the following Order: S.I. 1996 No. 2458.

This Order may be cited as the Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy (Amendment) Order 1996, and shall come into force on 24th September 1996.

This Order amends the Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy Order ("the principal Order").

The definition of "rendering", in article 4(1) of the principal Order, is replaced by a revised definition, which refers directly to the Schedule to the Animal By-Products Order 1992, in which rendering processes are defined (article 2(2)).

The Order makes provision for the sale of MBM products at premises where feeding stuffs for livestock are produced, by amending article 13 of the principal Order. MBM products may now be offered for sale at such premises, provided that they are kept in separate buildings from those in which the feeding stuffs is produced and the feeding stuff and its constituent ingredients stored. Exceptionally, MBM products and feeding stuffs for livestock may both be kept in the same building, provided they are there solely to be sold there. In this case, the requirements which apply to other premises selling both MBM products and livestock feeding stuffs apply, in order to prevent any contamination of the feeding stuffs by the MBM Product (article 2(3)).

This Order makes an exception to the record-keeping requirement, set out in article 16 of the principal Order. It provides that no records need to be kept where mammalian meat and bone meal presented as a fertiliser, for a use permitted by the Fertilisers (Mammalian Meat and Bone Meal) Regulations 1996, is sold by retail, provided that it is sold in packages of not more than 26 kilograms, and not more than 104 kilograms is sold in the transaction. The amendment also provides that the retailer need not keep records relating to the delivery to him of such fertilisers (article 2(7)).

A Compliance Cost Assessment for this Order has been prepared and placed in the libraries of both Houses of Parliament, and copies can be obtained from the Bovine Products Division of the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, Whitehall Place, London SW1A 2JA.

Copies of the above-mentioned Order may be obtained from The Stationary Office, PO Box 7923, London SE1 5ZH, or 71 Lothian Road, Edinburgh EH3 9AZ, price £1.10. (3 SI)