

**PROTECTIVE PROVISIONS FOR THE PROTECTION OF THE  
SEMBCORP PROTECTION CORRIDOR**

**Extent of this Schedule**

1.—(1) The provisions of this Schedule have effect for the benefit of owners and operators in the Sembcorp Protection Corridor, owners and operators in the Wilton Complex and Sembcorp unless otherwise agreed in writing between the undertaker and Sembcorp.

(2) Except to the extent as may be otherwise agreed in writing between the undertaker and Sembcorp, where the benefit of this Order is transferred or granted to another person under article 8 (consent to transfer benefit of Order)—

- (a) any agreement of the type mentioned in sub-paragraph (1) has effect as if it had been made between Sembcorp and the transferee or grantee (as the case may be); and
- (b) written notice of the transfer or grant must be given to Sembcorp on or before the date of that transfer or grant.

(3) Sub-paragraph (2) applies to any agreement—

- (a) which states that it is “entered into for the purposes of the Sembcorp Protective Provisions”; and
- (b) whether entered into before or after the making of this Order.

(4) Articles 43(5) and 43(6) (procedure in relation to certain approvals) do not apply to any consent, agreement or approval required or contemplated by any of the provisions of this Schedule.

**Interpretation of this Schedule**

2. In this Schedule—

“alternative apparatus” means alternative apparatus adequate to serve the owner of the apparatus in question in a manner no less efficient than previously;

“apparatus” means mains, pipes, cables, sewers, drains, ditches, watercourses or other apparatus and includes any structure in which apparatus is or is to be lodged or which gives or will give access to apparatus;

“in”, in a context referring to apparatus or alternative apparatus in land, includes a reference to apparatus or alternative apparatus under, over or on land;

“operator” means any person who is responsible for the construction, operation, use, inspection, adjustment, alteration, repair, maintenance, renewal, removal or replacement of any apparatus or alternative apparatus in the Sembcorp Protection Corridor or has rights to the use of such apparatus or alternative apparatus, but who is not an owner in relation to the Sembcorp Protection Corridor or the Wilton Complex and is not a third party owner or operator;

“owner” means—

- (a) in relation to the Sembcorp Protection Corridor, any person—
  - (i) with an interest in the Sembcorp Protection Corridor;
  - (ii) with rights in, on, under or over the Sembcorp Protection Corridor;
  - (iii) with apparatus in, on or under the Sembcorp Protection Corridor;
- (b) in relation to the Wilton Complex, any owner (as defined in article 2(1) of this Order) or occupier in the Wilton Complex,

but who is not a third party owner or operator.

“Sembcorp” means Sembcorp Utilities (UK) Limited (company number 04636301), whose registered office is at Sembcorp UK Headquarters, Wilton International, Middlesbrough, Cleveland, TS90 8WS and any successors in title or function to the Sembcorp operations in, under or over the Sembcorp Protection Corridor;

“Sembcorp operations” means—

- (a) the activities and functions carried on by Sembcorp in the Sembcorp Protection Corridor (including in relation to any access routes and laydown spaces associated with them or it);
- (b) the number 2 river tunnel between Bran Sands and North Tees crossing the Order limits under the River Tees (together with associated headhouses) operated by Sembcorp; and
- (c) other pipes and apparatus (including access routes and laydown spaces associated with such pipes and apparatus) operated—
  - (i) by Sembcorp; or
  - (ii) by any owner or operator within the Sembcorp Protection Corridor; or
  - (iii) for the benefit or on behalf of any owner or operator in the Wilton Complex;

“Sembcorp Protection Corridor” means for the purposes of this Order the area shaded yellow on the Sembcorp Protection Corridor protective provisions supporting plans;

“Sembcorp Protection Corridor protective provisions supporting plans” means the plans which are certified as the Sembcorp Protection Corridor protective provisions supporting plans by the Secretary of State under article 44 (certification of plans etc) for the purposes of this Order;

“third party owner or operator” means an owner or operator of apparatus the subject of the third party protective provisions;

“third party protective provisions” means the protective provisions in Schedules 16 to 44 of this Order;

“Wilton Complex” means the industrial and manufacturing plant shown outlined in blue ~~hatching~~ on the Sembcorp Protection Corridor protective provisions supporting plans;

“works details” means—

- (a) plans and sections;
- (b) details of the proposed method of working and timing of execution of works;
- (c) details of vehicle access routes for construction and operational traffic; and
- (d) any further particulars provided in response to a request under paragraph 63.

### **Separate approvals by third party owners or operators**

3.—(1) If the approval of a third party owner or operator is required, sought or obtained under the third party protective provisions on any matter to which this Schedule relates, this does not remove any obligation on the undertaker to seek consent from Sembcorp pursuant to this Schedule in respect of that matter.

(2) Where the undertaker seeks consent for works details from a third party owner or operator pursuant to the third party protective provisions that also require consent from Sembcorp under this Schedule, the undertaker must provide Sembcorp with—

- (a) the same information provided to the third party owner or operator at the same time; and
- (b) a copy of any approval from the third party owner or operator given pursuant to the third party protective provisions.

### **Removal of apparatus**

4.—(1) If, in the exercise of the powers conferred by this Order, the undertaker acquires any estate, interest or right in any land in which any apparatus is placed, the apparatus must not be removed, and any right to maintain the apparatus in the land must not be extinguished, until alternative apparatus has been constructed and is in operation and equivalent rights for the alternative apparatus have been granted to Sembcorp and, where relevant, the owner or operator of the apparatus.

(2) If, for the purpose of executing any works in, on or under any land purchased, held, appropriated or used under this Order, the undertaker requires the removal of any apparatus placed in the land, it must give to the owner or operator in question and Sembcorp written notice of the requirement, together with a plan and section of the work proposed, and of the proposed position of the alternative apparatus to be provided or constructed, and in that case the undertaker must afford to the owner or operator and Sembcorp the necessary facilities and rights for the construction, adjustment, alteration, use, repair, maintenance, renewal, inspection, removal and replacement of alternative apparatus in other land of the undertaker and subsequently for the maintenance of the apparatus.

(3) Any alternative apparatus to be constructed in land of the undertaker under this Schedule must be constructed in such manner and in such line or situation as may be agreed between Sembcorp and the undertaker or in default of agreement settled by an arbitrator appointed under paragraph 15.

(4) The owner or operator in question must, after the alternative apparatus to be provided or constructed has been agreed or determined by an arbitrator under paragraph 15, and after the grant to the owner or operator of any such facilities and rights as are referred to in sub-paragraph 2 and after the expiration of any applicable notice period in respect of the works under the Pipelines Safety Regulations 1996( ), proceed without unnecessary delay to construct and bring into operation the alternative apparatus and subsequently to remove any apparatus required by the undertaker to be removed under this Schedule subject to any reasonable directions given to or requirements imposed on that owner or operator by Sembcorp.

(5) Notwithstanding sub-paragraph (4), if the undertaker gives notice in writing to the owner or operator in question and Sembcorp that it desires itself to execute any work, or part of any work, in connection with the construction or removal of apparatus in any land of the undertaker, that work, instead of being executed by the owner or operator, must be executed by the undertaker without unnecessary delay to an appropriate standard and in a safe manner.

(6) If the works are executed by the undertaker in accordance with sub-paragraph (5), the owner or operator of the apparatus and Sembcorp must be notified of the timing of the works and afforded facilities to watch, monitor and inspect the execution of the works.

(7) Nothing in sub-paragraph (5) authorises the undertaker to execute the placing, installation, bedding, packing, removal, connection or disconnection of any apparatus, or execute any filling around the apparatus (where the apparatus is laid in a trench) within 3,000 millimetres of the apparatus, without the written agreement of Sembcorp, such agreement not to be unreasonably withheld.

#### **Alternative apparatus**

5.—(1) Where, in accordance with this Schedule, the undertaker affords to an owner or operator and Sembcorp facilities and rights for the construction and maintenance in land of the undertaker of alternative apparatus in substitution for apparatus to be removed, those facilities and rights must be granted on such terms and conditions as may be agreed between the undertaker and Sembcorp or in default of agreement determined by arbitration under paragraph 15, such terms to be no less favourable as a whole than the terms and conditions which applied to the apparatus to be removed.

(2) In settling the terms and conditions in respect of alternative apparatus to be constructed in or along the authorised development, the arbitrator must—

- (a) give effect to all reasonable requirements of the undertaker for ensuring the safety and efficient operation of the authorised development and for securing any subsequent alterations or adaptations of the alternative apparatus that may be required to prevent interference with any proposed works of the undertaker; and
- (b) so far as it may be reasonable and practicable to do so in the circumstances of the particular case, give effect to the terms and conditions, if any, applicable to the apparatus constructed in or along the authorised development for which the alternative apparatus is to be substituted.

(3) If the facilities and rights to be afforded by the undertaker in respect of any alternative apparatus, and the terms and conditions subject to which those facilities and rights are to be granted, are in the opinion of the arbitrator materially worse than the rights enjoyed by them in respect of the apparatus to be removed, the arbitrator must make such provision for the payment of compensation by the undertaker to the owner or operator and Sembcorp as appears to the arbitrator to be reasonable, having regard to all the circumstances of the particular case.

### **Consent under this Schedule in connection with Sembcorp operations**

6. Before commencing any part of the authorised development which would or may have an effect on the operation or maintenance of the Sembcorp operations or access to them, and in all cases where such works are within 3,000 millimetres of the Sembcorp Protection Corridor, the undertaker must submit to Sembcorp the works details for the proposed works and such further particulars as Sembcorp may, within 30 days from the day on which the works details are submitted under this paragraph, reasonably require.

7. The works referred to in paragraph 6 must not be commenced until the works details in respect of those works submitted under that paragraph have been approved by Sembcorp.

8. Any approval of Sembcorp required under paragraph 7 must not be unreasonably withheld or delayed, but may be given subject to such reasonable requirements as Sembcorp may require to be made for—

- (a) the continuing safety and operational viability of the Sembcorp operations (for the avoidance of doubt where the reasonable requirements relate to such matters, a reasoned explanation will be provided by Sembcorp to substantiate the need for these requirements); and
- (b) the requirement for Sembcorp to have reasonable access to the Sembcorp operations at all times.

9.—(1) The authorised development must be carried out in accordance with the works details approved under paragraph 7 and any requirements imposed on the approval under paragraph 8.

(2) Where there has been a reference to an arbitrator in accordance with paragraph 15 and the arbitrator gives approval for the works details, the authorised development must be carried out in accordance with the approval and conditions contained in the decision of the arbitrator under paragraph 15.

### **Insurance**

10.—(1) Before carrying out any works forming part of the authorised development on any part of the Sembcorp Protection Corridor, the undertaker (or any contractor carrying out such works on behalf of the undertaker) must put in place a policy of insurance with a reputable insurer for a sum not less than such level as may be agreed in writing between the undertaker and Sembcorp, and evidence of that insurance must be provided to Sembcorp on request.

(2) Not less than 90 days before carrying out any works forming part of the authorised development on any part of the Sembcorp Protection Corridor or before proposing to change the terms of the insurance policy, the undertaker must notify Sembcorp of details of the terms or cover of the insurance policy that it proposes to put in place including the proposed level of the cover to be provided.

(3) The undertaker (or any contractor carrying out such works on behalf of the undertaker) must maintain insurance in relation to works or the use of the authorised development affecting the Sembcorp Protection Corridor during the operation of the authorised development at such level as may be agreed in writing between the undertaker and Sembcorp.

(4) Any dispute between the undertaker and Sembcorp regarding the terms, cover or insured level of the insurance policy shall be resolved in accordance with paragraph 15.

### **Expenses**

**11.—**(1) Subject to the provisions of this paragraph, the undertaker must pay to the owner or operator in question and Sembcorp (as the case may be) the reasonable expenses incurred by them under this Schedule in connection with—

- (a) the inspection, removal and relaying or replacing, alteration or protection of any apparatus or the construction of any new apparatus or alternative apparatus under any provision of this Schedule;
- (b) the cutting off of any apparatus from any other apparatus, or the making safe of any redundant apparatus in consequence of the exercise by the undertaker of any power under this Order;
- (c) the survey of any land, apparatus or works, the watching, inspection, superintendence and monitoring of works or the installation or removal of any temporary works in consequence of the exercise by the undertaker of any power under this Order;
- (d) the design, project management, supervision and implementation of works;
- (e) the negotiation and grant of necessary rights for the construction, adjustment, alteration, use, repair, maintenance, renewal, inspection, removal and replacement of alternative apparatus;
- (f) monitoring the effectiveness of any requirement referred to in paragraph ~~74~~ and the installation of any additional protective measures reasonably required in order to deal with any deficiency in the expected level of protection afforded by those requirements; and
- (g) any other work or thing reasonably required in consequence of the exercise by the undertaker of any power under this Order or by the service by the undertaker of any notice, plan, section or description,

within a reasonable time of being notified by the person in question that it has incurred such expenses, such notification to be provided by the owner or operator or Sembcorp (as the case may be).

(2) Where reasonable and practicable, the person to whom the payment is to be made under this paragraph must notify the undertaker of any anticipated expense as outlined in sub-paragraph (1) and provide an estimate of such costs prior to incurring such expense.

(3) In advance of any payment under sub-paragraph (1) above being made and where reasonably requested by the undertaker, the person to whom the payment is to be made under this paragraph must provide to the undertaker such reasonable evidence of the costs incurred as the undertaker may reasonably request.

(4) There must be deducted from any sum payable under sub-paragraph (1) the value of any apparatus removed under this Schedule, that value being calculated after removal.

(5) If in accordance with this Schedule—

- (a) apparatus of better type, of greater capacity or of greater dimensions is placed in substitution for existing apparatus of worse type, of smaller capacity or of smaller dimensions; or
- (b) apparatus (whether existing apparatus or apparatus substituted for existing apparatus) is placed at a depth greater than the depth at which the existing apparatus was,

and the placing of apparatus of that type or capacity or of those dimensions or the placing of apparatus at that depth, as the case may be, is not agreed by the undertaker or, in default of agreement, is not

determined by an arbitrator under paragraph 15 to be necessary, then, if such placing involves cost in the construction of works under this Schedule exceeding that which would have been involved if the apparatus placed had been of the existing type, capacity or dimensions, or at the existing depth, as the case may be, the amount which from this sub-paragraph would be payable to the owner or operator in question by virtue of sub-paragraph (1) must be reduced by the amount of that excess.

(6) In determining whether the placing of apparatus of a type or capacity or of particular dimensions or the placing of apparatus at a particular depth, as the case may be, are necessary under sub-paragraph (5), regard must be had to current health and safety requirements, current design standards, relevant good practice and process design specification.

(7) For the purposes of sub-paragraph (5)—

- (a) an extension of apparatus to a length greater than the length of existing apparatus must not be treated as a placing of apparatus of greater dimensions than those of the existing apparatus; and
- (b) where the provision of a joint in a cable is agreed, or is determined to be necessary, the consequential provision of a jointing chamber or of a manhole must be treated as if it also had been agreed or had been determined.

(8) An amount which apart from this sub-paragraph would be payable to a person in respect of works by virtue of sub-paragraph (1) must, if it confers a financial benefit on that person by deferment of the time for renewal of the apparatus in the ordinary course of that person's business practice, be reduced by the amount that represents that benefit.

### **Indemnity**

**12.—**(1) Subject to sub-paragraphs (2) and (3), if by reason or in consequence of the construction of the authorised development, including without limitation any of the works referred to in paragraph 4 (other than apparatus, the repair of which is not reasonably necessary in view of its intended removal for the purposes of those works), or any subsidence resulting from any of these works, any damage is caused to the Sembcorp operations or property of an owner or operator or Sembcorp, or there is any interruption in any service provided, or in the supply of any goods, to or by an owner or operator or Sembcorp, or Sembcorp becomes liable to pay any amount to any third party, the undertaker must—

- (a) bear and pay the cost reasonably incurred by the owner or operator in question or Sembcorp (as the case may be) in making good such damage or restoring the service, supply and/or operations; and
- (b) make reasonable compensation to the owner or operator in question or Sembcorp or to any other person whose supply or operations are affected by the damage or interruption (as the case may be, and in all cases excluding third party owners or operators) for any other expenses, loss, damages, penalty or costs incurred by that person, by reason or in consequence of any such damage or interruption.

(2) Nothing in sub-paragraph (1) imposes any liability on the undertaker with respect to any damage or interruption to the extent that it is attributable to the act, neglect or default of the person (or its officers, employees, servants, contractors or agents) who would but for this sub-paragraph be the beneficiary of the indemnification provisions in the said sub-paragraph (1).

(3) The person to whom the liability is owed under sub-paragraph (1) must give the undertaker reasonable notice of any such claim or demand and no settlement or compromise is to be made without the consent of the undertaker which, if it withholds such consent, has the sole conduct of any settlement or compromise or of any proceedings necessary to resist the claim or demand.

(4) The person to whom the liability is owed under sub-paragraph (1) must use its reasonable endeavours to mitigate in whole or in part and to minimise any costs, expenses, loss, demands, and penalties to which the indemnity under this paragraph 12 applies where it is within the reasonable ability and control to do so.

(5) If requested to do so by the undertaker, the person must provide an explanation of how the claim has been minimised or details to substantiate any cost or compensation claimed pursuant to sub-paragraph (1).

(6) The undertaker shall only be liable under this paragraph 12 for claims reasonably incurred by the owner or operator in question or by Sembcorp (as the case may be).

#### **Participation in community groups**

**13.**—(1) Before undertaking any works or exercising any powers in this Order relating to or affecting the Sembcorp operations or the Sembcorp Protection Corridor, the undertaker must participate in any relevant consultation groups established or coordinated by Sembcorp.

(2) Before undertaking any construction works affecting the Sembcorp operations or the Sembcorp Protection Corridor, where any of these might reasonably be expected to give rise to significantly perceptible effects beyond the Order limits in terms of—

- (a) construction noise and vibration management;
- (b) air quality, including dust emissions;
- (c) waste management;
- (d) traffic management and materials storage on site;
- (e) surface water and groundwater management; or
- (f) artificial light emissions,

the undertaker must participate in any relevant community environmental liaison group that may be established or coordinated by Sembcorp with local residents.

(3) The undertaker must cooperate with Sembcorp to respond promptly to any complaints raised in relation to the construction or operation of the authorised development or the traffic associated with the authorised development.

(4) The undertaker's obligations in sub-paragraphs (1) and (2) are subject to Sembcorp providing reasonable notice to them of the existence of a relevant consultation group or a relevant community environmental liaison group and reasonable notice of the arrangements for meetings of those groups.

#### **Notice of the start and completion of commissioning**

**14.**—(1) Notice of the intended start of commissioning of the authorised development must be given to Sembcorp no later than 14 days prior to the date that commissioning is started.

(2) Notice of the intended date of final commissioning of each of Work Nos. 2A, 6A.1, 6B.1, 8 and 10A.1 must be given to Sembcorp no later than 14 days prior to the date of final commissioning.

#### **Arbitration**

**15.** Any difference or dispute arising between the undertaker and an owner or operator or Sembcorp (as the case may be) under this Schedule must, unless otherwise agreed in writing between the undertaker and that person, be referred to and settled by arbitration in accordance with article 46 (arbitration).

#### **Additional agreement**

**16.** For the protection of Sembcorp, the Sembcorp operations, the Sembcorp Protection Corridor and the Wilton Complex, the undertaker and Sembcorp have entered into an agreement dated 24 February

2025 containing provisions for the protection and benefit of Sembcorp, the Sembcorp operations, the Sembcorp Protection Corridor and the Wilton Complex in relation to the exercise, operation and use of the authorised development by the undertaker in addition to and which differ from the provisions for the protection of the Sembcorp Protection Corridor set out in this Schedule.

1. Protective provisions for the benefit of Sembcorp Utilities (UK) Limited (“SEUK”) were included in Schedule 42 of the draft DCO at Deadline 7A. A few minor referencing errors have been identified, and these are shown track changed above. SEUK have been provided with a copy of these changes and have confirmed agreement. A clean SI template version reflecting the above amendments has also been submitted by the Applicant at Deadline 8 (please see document reference 8.44.22.1).
2. A side agreement and protective provisions were agreed between the Applicant and SEUK and the agreement was completed on 17 February 2025. Some errors were identified within the signed agreement and this has since been re-signed and was completed on 24 February 2025. Please note revised date incorporated above.
3. The ‘Sembcorp Protection Corridor protective provisions supporting plans’ as referred to in the SEUK protective provisions contained in Schedule 42 of the dDCO are being finalised between the parties and will be submitted as soon as practicable. These require to be certified plans.