
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2026 No. 844

ELECTRICITY

The Contracts for Difference (Definition of Eligible Generator) (Amendment) Regulations 2026

Made - - - - *16th July 2026*
Coming into force - - *17th July 2026*

The Secretary of State makes these Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 6(1) and 10(3) of the Energy Act 2013⁽¹⁾.

The Secretary of State has consulted the persons listed in section 24(1) of that Act and such other persons as the Secretary of State considered it appropriate to consult and has had regard to the matters in section 5(2) of the Act.

In accordance with section 6(8)(b) of that Act, a draft of this instrument was laid before Parliament and approved by a resolution of each House of Parliament.

Citation, commencement and extent

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Contracts for Difference (Definition of Eligible Generator) (Amendment) Regulations 2026 and come into force on the day after the day on which they are made.

(2) These Regulations extend to England and Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland.

Amendment of the Contracts for Difference (Definition of Eligible Generator) Regulations 2014

2.—(1) The Contracts for Difference (Definition of Eligible Generator) Regulations 2014⁽²⁾ are amended as follows.

(2) In regulation 3 (definition of eligible generator), in paragraph (5), in the definition of “carry out a generating activity”—

- (a) omit the “or” after sub-paragraph (d);
- (b) after sub-paragraph (e), insert—

“or

(1) 2013 c. 32; section 6 was amended by the Energy Prices Act 2022 (c. 44), section 18(2)(a).

(2) S.I. 2014/2010; relevant amending instruments are S.I. 2021/758, 2022/691, 2025/25, 2025/772.

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(f) the continuation of electricity generation by an existing nuclear power station.”.

16th July 2026

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the Contracts for Difference (Definition of Eligible Generator) Regulations 2014 ([S.I. 2014/2010](#)) (the “Eligible Generator Regulations”).

Regulation 3 of the Eligible Generator Regulations defines “eligible generator”, for the purposes of Chapter 2 of Part 2 of the Energy Act 2013 ([c. 32](#)), as including a person who intends to carry out a generating activity in relation to an eligible generating station. The amendments made by regulation 2 provide that carrying out a generating activity includes the continuation of electricity generation by an existing nuclear power station.

Proportionate analysis of costs and benefits has been produced for this instrument. It is available from the Department for Energy Security and Net Zero at 55 Whitehall, London SW1A 2HP and is published alongside this instrument on www.legislation.gov.uk.