

**WATER SERVICES REGULATION AUTHORITY
WATER INDUSTRY ACT 1991, SECTIONS 6 TO 9 AND 11**

**Variations of the Appointments of SSE Water Limited as a Water Undertaker and
Thames Water Utilities Ltd as a Water Undertaker**

Made on 8 November 2010
Coming into effect on 8 November 2010

1. SSE Water Limited ("SSE Water") and Thames Water Utilities Ltd ("Thames Water") both hold Appointments as water and sewerage undertakers for their respective areas ("the Appointments").¹ The areas to which the Appointments of SSE Water and Thames Water as water and sewerage undertakers relate ("Water Supply Area" and "Sewerage Services Area") are set out in their Instruments of Appointment.
2. The site at Kingsmere, Bicester, which is shown edged in red on the plan attached to this variation ("the Site"), is within Thames Water's Water Supply Area and Sewerage Services Area. The site is being developed by Countryside Properties.
3. SSE Water has applied under section 7(4)(b) of the Water Industry Act 1991 ("the Act") for a variation of its Appointments as a water undertaker to include the Site and for a consequential variation of Thames Water's Appointment as a water undertaker.²
4. On 27 June 1995, the Secretary of State for the Environment and the Secretary of State for Wales acting jointly and pursuant to sections 6(1) and 7(2) of the Act authorised the Director General of Water Services³ to make variations such as those contained in paragraph 5 below. After public consultation as required by section 8 of the Act, the Water Services Regulation Authority has decided that it should grant SSE Water's application without modification.
5. Therefore, as provided by sections 7(2) and 7(4)(b) of the Act, and with the agreement of Countryside Properties, the Water Services Regulation Authority **varies**—
 - (a) the Appointment of SSE Water as a water undertaker so that the Site is included in SSE's Water Supply Area; and
 - (b) the Appointment of Thames Water as a water undertaker so that the Site is excluded from Thames Water's Water Supply Area.

Signed for and on behalf of the Water Services Regulation Authority



**Regina Finn
Chief Executive**

¹ Thames Water's original Appointments as a water and sewerage undertaker were made by the Secretary of State for the Environment under sections 11 and 14 of the Water Act 1989, now replaced by sections 6 and 11 of the Water Industry Act 1991.

² The Site is, and remains, within the Sewerage Services Area of Thames Water.

³ With effect from 1 April 2006 the functions of the Director General of Water Services were transferred to the Water Services Regulation Authority in accordance with section 36 of, and Schedule 3 to, the Water Act 2003.