

Electrical Contracting (London Exhibition Halls) Order 1995 Revocation Order 2018

Background

1. In 1990 the Monopolies and Mergers Commission (MMC) issued a report on its investigation of the electrical contracting market in Greater London, which identified public interest concerns arising from a monopoly situation in the market for the provision of electrical contracting services to large exhibition halls in London.
2. On 18 December 1995, the Secretary of State, in accordance with section 56(2) of the Fair Trading Act 1973 (FTA), made the Electrical Contracting (London Exhibition Halls) Order 1995 as SI 1995 No. 3299 (the Order) to remedy the adverse effects identified in the MMC's report.
3. The Competition and Markets Authority (CMA) has a duty to consider whether, by reason of any change of circumstances, the Order is no longer appropriate and needs to be varied or revoked. The Enterprise Act 2002 (the Act) provides in Schedule 24, paragraph 17(1), that orders made under section 56 of the FTA, and of a description specified in an order made by the Secretary of State under this paragraph, may be varied or revoked by an order made by the CMA under this paragraph. The Order was specified for the purposes of the Act in SI 2004 No.2181.
4. The CMA considered that, by reason of change of circumstances, it is appropriate to revoke the Order.
5. On 20 March 2018, the CMA published its provisional decision to revoke the Order. The CMA did not receive any responses to its provisional decision, and did not receive any representations opposing the revocation.
6. The CMA makes this order exercising its powers under paragraph 17(1) of Schedule 24 to the Act for the purpose of revoking the Order.

The Order

The CMA makes this order exercising its powers under paragraph 17(1) of Schedule 24 to the Enterprise Act 2002 for the purpose of revoking the Electrical Contracting (London Exhibition Halls) Order 1995. Electrical Contracting (London Exhibition Halls) Order 1995 was made to remedy adverse effects identified in the report of the Monopolies and Mergers Commission entitled *Electrical Contracting at Exhibition Halls in London: A report on the supply in Greater London of electrical contracting services at large exhibition halls* (12 April 1990, Cm 995).

1. Citation, commencement and purpose

1. This Order may be cited as 'the Electrical Contracting (London Exhibition Halls) Order 1995 Revocation Order 2018'.
2. This Order shall come into force on 30 April 2018 which is the date this Order is signed.
3. The purpose of this Order is to revoke the Electrical Contracting (London Exhibition Halls) Order 1995.

2. Interpretation

1. In this Order:
 - (a) 'The CMA' means the Competition and Markets Authority.
 - (b) 'The Electrical Contracting (London Exhibition Halls) Order 1995' means the Electrical Contracting (London Exhibition Halls) Order 1995 (SI 1995 No.3299).

3. Revocation

1. The Electrical Contracting (London Exhibition Halls) Order 1995 is revoked.



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Panel Chair

Competition and Markets Authority

30 April 2018

Explanatory Note

(This Note is not part of the Order)

This Order revokes the Electrical Contracting (London Exhibition Halls) Order 1995.