#### 1988 No. 412

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# The Agriculture Improvement (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1988

Made . 28th November 1988

. 29th November 1988 Coming into operation

The Department of Agriculture, being a department designated(a) for the purposes of section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972(b) in relation to the common agricultural policy of the European Economic Community, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by the said section 2(2) and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

- 1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Agriculture Improvement (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1988 and shall come into operation on 29th November 1988.
- (2) The Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954(c) shall apply to these Regulations as it applies to a Measure of the Northern Ireland Assembly.

Amendment of the Agriculture Improvement Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1987

- 2. Regulation 7 of the Agriculture Improvement Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1987(d) (closing dates for submission of improvement plans) shall be amended-
  - (a) by substituting for paragraph (1) the following paragraph—
    - "(1) Subject to paragraphs (2) and (3) the Department shall not approve an improvement plan under these Regulations where the plan is received by the Department on or after 29th November 1988 or such later date, not later than 28th December 1988, as the Department may in special circumstances permit.";
  - (b) by inserting after paragraph (2) the following paragraph—
    - "(3) Paragraph (1) shall not apply where the improvement plan includes only proposed expenditure in connection with any work,

<sup>(</sup>a) S.I. 1972/1811
(b) 1972 c. 68; section 2 is subject to Schedule 2 to that Act and is to be read with S.I. 1984/703 (N.I. 3) and S.R. 1984 No. 253 (c) 1954 c. 33 (N.I.)

<sup>(</sup>d) S.R. 1987 No. 156 as amended by S.R. 1987 No. 452 and S.R. 1988 No. 265

facility or transaction of a kind specified in paragraph 9 or 10 in column 1 of the Schedule (glasshouse heating systems and heated glasshouses).".

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Agriculture for Northern Ireland on 28th November 1988.

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**Assistant Secretary** 

## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This note is not part of the Regulations.)

These Regulations further amend the Agriculture Improvement Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1987 ("the principal Regulations"), implementing in part the provisions of Council Regulation (EEC) No. 797/85 (O.J. No. L93, 30.3.85, p. 1) on improving the efficiency of agricultural structures, as amended by Council Regulation (EEC) No. 1760/87 (O.J. No. L167, 26.6.87, p. 1) and Council Regulation (EEC) No. 1137/88 (O.J. No. L108, 29.4.88, p. 1), and Council Directive No. 75/268/EEC (O.J. No. L128, 19.5.75, p. 1) on mountain and hill farming and farming in certain less-favoured areas.

These Regulations bring forward the closing date for receipt of applications for the approval of farm improvement plans from 31st December 1994 to 28th November 1988 in most cases (regulation 2(a)).

The new closing date does not apply where the plan includes only proposed expenditure in connection with glasshouse heating systems and heated glasshouses.