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Farm and Conservation Grant (Amendment) Scheme (Northern Ireland) 1991

Made 1st February 1991 Coming into operation . 28th February 1991

The Department of Agriculture, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Article 16(1) and (2) of the Agriculture and Fisheries (Financial Assistance) (Northern Ireland) Order 1987(a) and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, with the approval of the Department of Finance and Personnel, hereby makes the following Scheme:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

- 1.—(1) This Scheme may be cited as the Farm and Conservation Grant (Amendment) Scheme (Northern Ireland) 1991 and shall come into operation on 28th February 1991.
- (2) In this Scheme "the principal Scheme" means the Farm and Conservation Grant Scheme (Northern Ireland) 1989(b).

Amendment to the principal scheme

- 2. The principal Scheme shall be amended in accordance with Articles 3 and 4.
- 3. In Article 2 (interpretation) for the definition "the Council Regulation" there shall be substituted the following definition:
 - "the Council Regulations" means Council Regulation (EEC) No. 1942/81 for the stimulation of agricultural development in the less-favoured areas of Northern Ireland(c) as amended by Council Regulation (EEC) No. 3156/87(d); Council Regulation (EEC) No. 4253/88(e) laying down provisions for implementing Regulation (EEC) No. 2052/88(f) as regards co-ordination of the activities of the different Structural Funds between themselves and with the

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⁽b) S.R. 1989 No. 38 as amended by S.R. 1990 No. 226 (c) O.J. No. L197, 20.7.81, p. 17 (d) O.J. No. L301, 24.10.87, p. 1 (e) O.J. No. L374, 31.12.88, p. 1

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operations of the European Investment Bank and the other existing financial instruments; and Council Regulation (EEC) No. 4256/88 laying down provisions for implementing Regulation (EEC) No. 2052/88 as regards the EAGGF Guidance Section(a);".

4. In Article 4(1)(a)(ii) (restrictions on payment of grant) for the words "Council Regulation" there shall be substituted the words "Council Regulations".

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Agriculture on 1st February 1991.

(L.S.)

L. Sinclair

Assistant Secretary

The Department of Finance and Personnel hereby approves the foregoing Scheme.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Finance and Personnel on 1st February 1991.

(L.S.)

Doreen Brown

Assistant Secretary

Agriculture

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Scheme.)

This Scheme amends the Farm and Conservation Grant Scheme (Northern Ireland) 1989 ("the principal Scheme") and complies with Article 8 of Council Regulation (EEC) No. 797/85 (O.J. No. L93, 30.5.85, 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. 3808/89 (O.J. No. L371, 20.12.89, p. 1).

The Scheme amends the principal Scheme to provide that the Department of Agriculture shall not pay grant thereunder in relation to any expenditure if at the time the expenditure was incurred the agricultural business in relation to which the expenditure was incurred was the subject of an improvement plan drawn up or a farm investment schedule approved under or by virtue of Council Regulation (EEC) No. 4253/88 (O.J. No. L374, 31.12.88, p. 1) laying down provisions for implementing Regulation (EEC) No. 2052/88 (O.J. No. L185, 15.7.88, p. 9) as regards co-ordination of the activities of the different Structural Funds between themselves and with the operations of the European Investment Bank and the other existing financial instruments, and Council Regulation (EEC) No. 4256/88 (O.J. No. L374, 31.12.88, p. 25) laying down provisions for implementing Regulation (EEC) No. 2052/88 as regards the EAGGF, Guidance Section.

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