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PUBLIC HEALTH

Food Protection (Shellfish Emergency Prohibitions) (Strangford Lough)(Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2000

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The Department of Agriculture and Rural Development(a), in exercise of the powers conferred on it by sections 1(1) and 24(3) of the Food and Environment Protection Act 1985(b) and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, being of the opinion that there exist or may exist circumstances which are likely to create a hazard to human health through human consumption of certain food and that in consequence such food which is or may be in the future in the area specified by the Order mentioned in Article 2 of the following Order or which is derived, or may be in the future derived from Queen scallops in those areas, is, or may become, unsuitable for human consumption, hereby makes the following Order:-

Citation and interpretation

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Food Protection (Shellfish Emergency Prohibitions) (Strangford Lough) (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2000.

(2) The Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954(c) shall apply to this Order as it applies to Acts of the Northern Ireland Assembly.

Amendment

2. In Article 1(2) of the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Strangford Lough) Order (Northern Ireland) 1999(d), for the definition of "scallops" there shall be substituted—

"(c) "scallops" means Queen scallops of the species of Aequipecten opercularis;".

⁽a) Formerly the Department of Agriculture for Northern Ireland. *See* Article 3(4) of the Departments (Northern Ireland) Order 1999 S.I. 1999/283 (N.I. 1)

¹⁹⁸⁵ c. 48 section 1 as amended by section 51 of the Food Safety Act 1990 (c. 16) See also section 25(2) 1985 c. 48 1954 c. 33 (N.I.)

⁽d) S.R. 1999 No. 386

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development on 13th March 2000.

(L.S.)

Gerald Lavery Senior Officer of the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order.)

This Order amends the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Strangford Lough) Order (Northern Ireland) 1999 which contained emergency prohibitions on various activities in order to prevent human consumption of scallops or food which is derived from scallops originating in waters in Strangford lough. Those prohibitions now only apply to Queen scallops of the species *Aequipecten opercularis*.

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