STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2001 No. 435

Environmental Impact Assessment (Uncultivated Land and Semi-Natural Areas) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2001

Application of the Regulations

- **3.**—(1) These Regulations apply to any project which is not exempt under paragraph (2) or (3).
- (2) A project is exempt if it:
 - (a) is a project described in regulation 3(2) of the Environmental Impact Assessment (Forestry) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2000(1);
 - (b) constitutes development to which the Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1999(2)apply; or
 - (c) constitutes the carrying out of drainage works by the Department within the meaning of the Drainage (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2001(3).
- (3) A project is exempt under this paragraph to the extent that the Department directs that it shall be exempt from these Regulations.
- (4) In the case of a project which the Department decides is likely to have a significant effect on a European site (either alone or in combination with other projects), the power to direct that the project is exempt from these Regulations under paragraph (3) above shall be exercisable only to the extent that compliance with the Habitats Directive is secured in relation to the project.

⁽¹⁾ S.R. 2000 No. 84

⁽²⁾ S.R. 1999 No. 73

⁽³⁾ S.R. 2001 No. 394