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STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**2012 No. 59**

**PLANNING**

**The Planning (Environmental Impact  
Assessment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012**

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The Department of the Environment is a designated<sup>(1)</sup> Department for the purposes of section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972<sup>(2)</sup> in relation to the environment.

The Department of the Environment makes the following regulations in exercise of the powers conferred on it by that section.

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(1) [S.I. 2008/301](#)

(2) [1972 c. 68](#) The enabling powers of section 2(2) were extended by virtue of the amendment of section 1(2) by section 1 of the European Economic Area Act [1993 \(c.51\)](#)