EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations relate to Part 3 of the Transport (Scotland) Act 2001 which enable road user charging schemes ("charging schemes") to be made.

Any charging scheme will be contained in an order made by the charging authority. Regulation 6 makes provision as respects the form that the order should take.

Regulation 3 makes provision for consultation including detailing the persons and organisations who have to be consulted about the proposed charging scheme and the information they have to be provided with. It also makes provision for the publication of a report following consultation and for the availability of that report in accordance with Schedule 3.

Regulation 4 makes provision for publishing a notice of proposals containing the particulars specified in Part I of Schedule 1 and for the display of notices as specified in Schedule 2. It also enables the charging authority to carry out any other step it considers appropriate to ensure that the charging scheme is adequately publicised and provides for documents to be made available for public inspection as detailed in Schedule 3.

Regulation 5 makes provision for objections to the charging scheme and for the publication of a report by the charging authority on the objections received. The report prepared is to be available for public inspection in accordance with Schedule 3.

Regulation 7 outlines the procedure to be followed when the charging scheme has been made including the particulars to be provided as detailed in Part II of Schedule 1 and the requirements as to the availability of documents detailed in Schedule 3.

Regulation 8 sets out the procedure to be followed when an order making a charging scheme is to be varied or revoked.