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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Regulations)*

These Regulations provide for the making of grants for insulation and energy efficiency works and to install, repair or replace central heating systems. They replace the Home Energy Efficiency Scheme Regulations 1997 (S.I. 1997/790), as amended. These Regulations extend the central heating programme to allow for the upgrading of partial or inefficient systems to persons entitled to claim the guarantee element of pension credit and they extend eligibility for insulation and energy efficiency measures to families with disabled children.

In Part 1, regulations 1–6 deal with interpretation, the appointment of agencies to administer the grant, general conditions of grant and the revocation of the Home Energy Efficiency Scheme Regulations 1997 (S.I. 1997/790), as amended, except for applications which have been approved on or before 31st December 2006.

In Part 2, which deals with insulation and energy efficiency works, regulation 7 makes provision for the persons who are eligible for a grant for such works. Regulation 8 lists the type of works for which grant may be made and regulation 9 provides for the calculation of the grant.

In Part 3, which deals with the central heating programme, regulation 10 deals with interpretation. Regulation 11 provides for persons who are eligible to apply for a grant and regulation 12 for dwellings which are eligible. Regulation 13 lists the works for which grant may be made. Regulations 14 and 15 deal with the limits of grant and the conditions of grant in respect of the central heating programme respectively.

Schedule 1 provides for the duties, powers and funding of the administering agencies who will receive the applications for grant and duties and powers of registered installers.

Schedule 2 lists the regulations which will be revoked on the coming into force of these Regulations and provides that those Regulations will continue to apply in the case of grants made under them.