EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order sets a limit of the net amount of carbon units that may be credited to the net UK carbon account for the 2018-2022 budgetary period of 55,000,000 carbon units. Article 3(2) sets out certain carbon units which are excluded from the level of the limit. They are carbon units credited to and debited from the net UK carbon account as a result of the operation of the EU emissions trading scheme during the 2018-2022 budgetary period in accordance with regulations made under section 27(3) of the Climate Change Act 2008. Carbon units are defined in regulation 3 of the Carbon Accounting Regulations 2009 (S.I. 2009/1257).

A full impact assessment of the effect that this instrument will have on the costs of business and the voluntary sector is available from the Department of Energy and Climate Change at 3 Whitehall Place, London, SW1A 2AW and published with its Explanatory Memorandum alongside this instrument on www.legislation.gov.uk.