EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations are made in exercise of the powers conferred by the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018 (c. 16) in order to address failures of retained EU law to operate effectively and other deficiencies (in particular under section 8(2)(a) to (d) and (g)) arising from the withdrawal of the United Kingdom from the European Union.

Part 2 makes amendments to the Plant Health Act 1967 (c. 8) and the Plant Health (Northern Ireland) Act 1967 (c. 28).

Part 3 amends the Plant Health (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (S.I. 2019/787) and Part 4 amends the Animal Health, Plant Health, Seeds and Seed Potatoes (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (S.I. 2019/809).

An impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as no, or no significant, impact on the private or voluntary sector is foreseen.