EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the Medicines (Medicated Animal Feeding Stuffs)(No. 2) Regulations 1992 ("the principal Regulations").

The main changes made by the Regulations are that they alter the fees payable in respect of the entry or retention in, or restoration to, the Register of Manufacturers of Animal Feeding Stuffs ("the Register") (regulation 2(3) and the Schedule). The new fees are annual. These replace the previous fees which were specially adjusted last year to take into account the change in the commencement of the registration year.

Other changes are made to regulation 3(11) of the principal Regulations. These change the latest date by which a certified copy of the Register has to be supplied to the Minister and the latest certification date of such copy. A copy of the Register must now be supplied to the Minister on or before 1st July in every year (previously 1st October), and must be certified as being a true copy of the Register as at a date not later than 1st June (previously 1st September) in the year in question (regulation 2(2)).

A Compliance Cost Assessment has been prepared and a copy has been placed in the library of each House of Parliament and copies can be obtained from the Veterinary Medicines Directorate, Woodham Lane, Addlestone, Surrey, KT15 3NB.