

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

Chapter I of Part I of the Environment Act 1995 provides for the establishment of the Environment Agency for England and Wales. That Chapter further provides for the transfer to the Agency on the transfer date of the functions, property, rights and liabilities of the National Rivers Authority, Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Pollution and the waste regulation authorities, and certain functions, property, rights and liabilities of the Secretary of State. This Order sets 1st April 1996 as the transfer date.