EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations further amend the Social Fund Winter Fuel Payment Regulations 2000 (S.I.2000/729). Unregistered homes are excluded from the definition of "residential care" for the purposes of entitlement to a winter fuel payment; however, a person living in such a home who has a preserved right under regulation 19 (applicable amounts for persons in residential care and nursing homes) of the Income Support (General) Regulations 1987 (S.I. 1987/1967) is treated as living in a residential care home (regulation 2(a)). A person is not disentitled to a winter fuel payment even though he is a partner of a person entitled to such a payment where the two people do not live in the same household (regulation 2(b)).

These Regulations do not impose a charge on business.