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**2003 No. 164**

**WATER RESOURCES, ENGLAND AND WALES**

**The Water Resources (Environmental Impact  
Assessment) (England and Wales) Regulations 2003**

<i>Made</i>	- - - -	<i>30th January 2003</i>
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The Secretary of State, being a Minister designated for the purposes of section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972<sup>(1)</sup> in relation to measures relating to the requirement for an assessment of the impact on the environment of projects likely to have significant effects on the environment<sup>(2)</sup>, in exercise of powers conferred on her by that subsection, and having taken into account the selection criteria specified in Annex III to Council Directive 85/337/EEC<sup>(3)</sup> (on the assessment of the effects of certain public and private projects on the environment) as inserted by Council Directive 97/11/EC amending Council Directive 85/337/EEC<sup>(4)</sup>, hereby makes the following Regulations:

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(1) 1972 c. 68. The enabling powers of section 2(2) of this Act were extended by virtue of the amendment of section 1(2) by section 1 of the European Economic Area Act 1993 (c. 51).  
(2) S.I.1988/785.  
(3) OJ L175, 5.7.1985, p.40.  
(4) OJ L73, 14.3.1997, p.5.