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TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT

The Working Time (Amendment) Regulations 2006

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The Secretary of State, who is a Minister designated for the purposes of section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972(a) in relation to measures relating to the organisation of working time(b), makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by section 2(2).

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Working Time (Amendment) Regulations 2006 and shall come into force on 6th April 2006.

Amendment to Regulations

2. Paragraph (2) of regulation 20 (unmeasured working time) of the Working Time Regulations 1998(c) shall be revoked.

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23rd January 2006

(a) 1972 c.68.

(b) See the European Communities (Designation) Order 1997 (S.I. 1997/1174).

(c) S.I. 1998/1833. Regulation 20(2) was inserted by regulation 4 of S.I. 1999/3372; there are other amending instruments but none is relevant.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations, which are made under section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972 (c.68), amend the Working Time Regulations 1998. The Working Time Regulations 1998 implement Council Directive 2003/88/EC (O.J. No L229 18.11.2003, p.9) (which consolidates Directive 93/104/EC (O.J. No. L307, 13.12.93, p18) as amended by Council Directive 2000/34/EC (O.J. No L195, 01.08.2000, p.41) as from 2 August 2004).

The Working Time Regulations 1998 impose (amongst other things) limits on the maximum weekly working time of workers and on the length of night work. Regulation 20(2) of those Regulations, which is revoked by regulation 2, provided an exemption from those limits in cases where a worker's working time was partly unmeasured or determined by the worker himself.

A full regulatory impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as it has only marginal, if any, impact on the costs of business, charities or voluntary bodies.

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