## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations make provision in relation to the power of the Information Commissioner to impose monetary penalty notices on data controllers under section 55A of the Data Protection Act 1998.

Regulation 2 prescribes £500,000 as the maximum amount the Information Commissioner may impose as a monetary penalty.

Regulation 3 prescribes the information the Information Commissioner must include in a notice of intent, which he serves on a data controller when he intends to impose a monetary penalty.

Regulation 4 prescribes the information the Information Commissioner must include in a monetary penalty notice.

The full Impact Assessment is available at the Ministry of Justice website (www.justice.gov.uk). For more details please contact Belinda Lewis at 0203 334 4550 or to Belinda.Lewis@justice.gov.gsi.uk