EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations provide for the fees to be payable to the registrar of companies in respect of his functions relating to the registration of documents relating to European Economic Interest Groupings ("EEIGs") and European Public Limited-Liability Companies ("SEs"), and the inspection or provision of copies of documents kept by him relating to EEIGs.

The Regulations come into force on 1st October 2012. They replace the Registrar of Companies (Fees) (European Economic Interest Grouping and European Public Limited Liability Company) Regulations 2009 (S.I. 2009/2403).

The amounts of the fees in these Regulations remain the same as the corresponding fees in the replaced Regulations except for a reduced fee in respect of an EEIG—

- (a) for the inspection and provision of a copy document by means of Companies House Direct or Extranet; and
- (b) for the inspection of a document via a searchroom terminal at a Companies House Information Centre.

Regulation 3 and Schedule 1 provide the fees to be payable in respect of the registration of documents relating to EEIGs and SEs.

Regulation 4 and Schedule 2 provide the fees to be payable in respect of the inspection or provision of copies of documents kept by the registrar relating to EEIGs.

A full regulatory impact assessment of the effect that this instrument will have on the costs of business and the voluntary sector is available from the Strategy and Policy Section, Companies House, Crown Way, Maindy, Cardiff CF14 3UZ or on www.companieshouse.gov.uk and is annexed to the Explanatory Memorandum which is available alongside the instrument on www.legislation.go.uk.