EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order provides for fees to be payable for the carrying out of certain functions under the Water Industry Act 1991 ("the 1991 Act") by an inspector appointed under that Act. The functions are related to the following investigations and reporting requirements—

- (a) checking water sampling and analysis arrangements;
- (b) checking water supply management arrangements;
- (c) investigating an event, incident, emergency or other matter arising from the quality or sufficiency of water;
- (d) checking the handling and reporting of consumer complaints about water quality; and
- (e) checking compliance with requirements to furnish information to, or to notify, the Secretary of State concerning these arrangements and matters.

This Order sets out the circumstances and manner in which fees are payable, approved, published and reviewed (article 4 and the Schedule).

A full impact assessment of the effect that this instrument will have on the costs to business and the voluntary sector has been prepared. A copy of this document has been placed in the library of each House of Parliament and is available on the Impact Assessment Library website: www.ialibrary.bis.gov.uk . A copy of the impact assessment is also annexed to the Explanatory Memorandum to this Order and is available alongside the instrument on the legislation website (http://www.legislation.gov.uk).