EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order applies in England and replaces the Tuberculosis (Deer) Order 1989 (S.I. 1989/878) so as to update the disease controls for deer. It introduces tuberculosis disease controls for camelids (llama, alpaca, vicuna and guanaco) for the first time.

Article 1(3) provides that the Order is to cease to have effect seven years after it comes into force.

Part 2 deals with deer:

- the notification requirements (articles 3 and 4);
- veterinary inquiry into the presence of the disease (article 5);
- testing of deer (article 6);
- slaughter of deer to prevent spread of tuberculosis (article 7);
- prohibitions (article 8);
- precautions against the spread of infection (article 9);
- identification and movement (article 10).

Part 3 deals with camelids:

- notification of suspected tuberculosis in a carcase (article 11);
- testing of camelids (article 12);
- prohibitions (article 13);
- precautions against the spread of infection (article 14);
- slaughter of camelids to prevent spread of tuberculosis (article 15);

Part 4 contains general provisions.

Article 18 provides for the ascertainment of market value for deer as specified in article 4(2)(b) of the Tuberculosis (Deer and Camelid) Slaughter and Compensation (England) Order 2014 (S.I. 2014/2338).

Article 19 revokes two Orders, and article 20 contains transitional provisions.

In addition article 21 requires the Secretary of State to review the operation and effect of this Order and publish a report within five years after it comes into force and within every five years after that. Following a review it will fall to the Secretary of State to consider whether the Order should remain as it is, or be revoked or be amended. A further instrument would be needed to revoke the Order or to amend it.

An impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as no impact on the costs of the private or voluntary sectors is foreseen. An Explanatory Memorandum covering this Order and the related Tuberculosis (Deer and Camelid) Slaughter and Compensation (England) Order 2014 is published alongside both instruments on www.legislation.gov.uk.