EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order designates a number of directives of the Council of the European Union that include measures relating to the limitation of emissions of certain pollutants as relevant directives for the purposes of paragraph 20(1)(b) of Schedule 1 to the Pollution Prevention and Control Act 1999 (c. 24) ("the 1999 Act") to apply in respect of the areas set out in article 1(2) and 1(3).

The effect of designation is that regulations may be made under section 2 of the 1999 Act (to regulate, prevent and control activities which are capable of causing environmental pollution) which make provision which corresponds or is similar to any provision made, or capable of being made, under section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972 (c. 68) in connection with the directives designated by this order.

An impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as no, or no significant, impact on the private, voluntary or public sectors is foreseen.