EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations bring into force provisions of the Environment Act 2021 (c. 30) ("the Act"). These are the fourth commencement regulations made by the Secretary of State under the Act.

Regulation 2 brings into force on 29th September 2022 specified sections of the Act.

Section 94 amends section 37 of the Land Drainage Act 1991 (c. 59) to provide the Secretary of State with the power to make regulations that establish the valuation calculation for the value of other land in an internal drainage district in England.

Section 96 is commenced so far as it relates to internal drainage districts which are wholly or mainly in England. As such, it inserts new section 41A into the Land Drainage Act 1991, which enables the Secretary of State in respect of internal drainage districts in England to make regulations that establish the valuation calculation for the value of chargeable property (agricultural land and buildings) in an internal drainage district.

An impact assessment has not been published for these Regulations as they have no impact on cost to business, the public or voluntary sectors independent of the provisions these Regulations bring into force. A full impact assessment has been published in relation to the Act and copies can be obtained from the website of the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs at www.gov.uk/defra or from the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs at 2 Marsham Steet, London, SW1P 4DF, United Kingdom.