EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations.)

The Contaminants in Food Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2002 (S.R. 2002 No. 219) make provision for the execution and enforcement of Commission Regulation (EC) No. 466/2001 setting maximum levels for certain contaminants in foodstuffs (O.J. No. L77, 16.3.2001, p. 1, as amended). There is therefore a definition of that Commission Regulation in regulation 2(1) of S.R. 2002 No. 219, which was intended to take account of the amendments to it. That defines the Commission Regulation as Commission Regulation (EC) No. 466/2001 as amended by several further Commission Regulations.

The amendments to Commission Regulation (EC) No. 466/2001 include those effected by Commission Regulation (EC) No. 563/2002 (O.J. No. L86, 3.4.2002, p. 5).

An error in Commission Regulation (EC) No. 563/2002 necessitated the issue of a corrigendum to it, which was published on 14th June 2002 (O.J. No. L155, 14.6.2002, p. 63). These Regulations give effect to that corrigendum by amending the definition of the Commission Regulation in regulation 2(1) of the Contaminants in Food Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2002.