STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2005 No. 574

The Official Feed and Food Controls Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2005

PART 1

PRELIMINARY

Interpretation

2.—(1) In these Regulations—

"the Agency" means the Food Standards Agency;

"authorised officer"-

- (a) in relation to a competent authority, means any person (whether or not an officer of the authority) who is authorised by them in writing for the purposes or regulation 14; and
- (b) in relation to a relevant enforcement authority, means any person (whether or not an officer of the authority) who is authorised by them in writing, either generally or specially, to act in matters arising under regulation 17;

"competent authority" means the authority which, by virtue of regulation 3, is designated for the purposes of any of the provisions of Regulation 882/2004;

"Directive 2004/41", "Regulation 178/2002", "Regulation 852/2004", "Regulation 853/2004", "Regulation 882/2004" and "Regulation 1688/2005" have the meanings respectively given to them in Schedule 1;

"the Department" means the Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety;

"feed authority" means the authority identified in section 86(3) of the Agriculture Act 1970(1) as having a duty to enforce that Act;

"the Imports Provisions" means Part 3 of these Regulations and Articles 15 to 24 of Regulation 882/2004;

"the Official Control Regulations" means these Regulations and Regulation 882/2004;

"the Order" means the Food Safety (Northern Ireland) Order 1991(2);

"premises" includes any establishment, any place, vehicle, stall or moveable structure and any ship or aircraft;

"primary production" has the meaning it bears in Regulation 852/2004;

"relevant enforcement authority" means a body which, by virtue of regulation 17, is made responsible for executing and enforcing any provision of Part 2 of these Regulations;

"relevant feed law" has the meaning given to it in Schedule 2; and

^{(1) 1970} c. 40

⁽²⁾ S.I.1991/762 (N.I.7) as amended by S.I.1996 /1633 (N.I. 12) and paragraphs 26 to 42 of Schedule 5 and Schedule 6 to the Food Standards Act 1999 c. 28, paragraph 2 of Article 2 (regarding the definition of "food") was substitued by S.R. 2004 No. 482

"relevant food law" has the meaning given to it in Schedule 3.

(2) Subject to paragraph (3), any expression other than one defined in paragraph (1) that is used both in these Regulations and in the Order has the meaning it bears in the Order.

(3) Unless the contrary intention appears, any expression used both in these Regulations and in Regulation 178/2002 or Regulation 882/2004 has the meaning it bears in Regulation 178/2002 or Regulation 882/2004, as the case may be.

(4) The Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954(**3**) shall apply to these Regulations as it applies to an Act of the Northern Ireland Assembly.