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ENERGY CONSERVATION

The Home Energy Efficiency Scheme (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2008

Made - - - - 13th February 2008

Laid before the Scottish Parliament 15th February 2008

Coming into force - - 6th April 2008

The Scottish Ministers make the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by section 15 of the Social Security Act 1990(a) and all other powers enabling them to do so.

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Home Energy Efficiency Scheme (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2008 and come into force on 6th April 2008.

Amendment of the Home Energy Efficiency Scheme (Scotland) Regulations 2006

2. Regulation 7(2)(c) of the Home Energy Efficiency Scheme (Scotland) Regulations 2006(**b**) is amended by substituting "£16,642" for "£16,017".

Revocation

3. The Home Energy Efficiency Scheme (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2007(c) are revoked.

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Authorised to sign by the Scottish Ministers

St Andrew's House, Edinburgh 13th February 2008

⁽a) 1990 c.27; section 15 was amended by the Housing Grants, Construction and Regeneration Act 1996 (c.53), section 142. The functions of the Secretary of State were transferred to the Scottish Ministers by virtue of section 53 of the Scotland Act 1998 (c.46). The requirement to obtain Treasury consent was removed by section 55 of that Act.

⁽b) S.S.I. 2006/570. The original figure of £15,460 was replaced with the figure of £16,017 by S.S.I. 2007/85, which these Regulations revoke.

⁽c) S.S.I. 2007/85.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the Home Energy Efficiency Scheme (Scotland) Regulations 2006 ("the 2006 Regulations") which provide for the making of grants for insulation and energy efficiency works and for the installation, repair or replacement of central heating systems. The 2006 Regulations also allow for the upgrading of partial or inefficient systems to persons entitled to claim the guarantee element of pension credit, and extend eligibility for insulation and energy efficiency measures to families with disabled children.

Regulation 2 amends the financial limit in regulation 7(2)(c) of the 2006 Regulations in relation to the income threshold for eligibility for grant for persons in receipt of child tax credit and working tax credit in line with increases to these credits effective from 6th April 2008.

Regulation 3 makes a consequential revocation of the Home Energy Efficiency Scheme (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2007 which were concerned with amending the financial limit in relation to the income threshold for the financial year 2007-2008.