EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations are made in exercise of the powers in paragraph 1(1) and (3) of schedule 2, and paragraph 21(b) of schedule 7, of the European Union (Withdrawal Act 2018 (c.16) to address failures of retained EU law to operate effectively and other deficiencies (in particular under section 8(2)(d) and (g) of that Act) arising from the withdrawal of the United Kingdom from the European Union.

These Regulations make amendments to legislation in the fields of environmental protection, water, water industry, waste and bathing waters. Part 2 amends legislation concerning the water environment, and revokes the Water Environment and Water Services (Scotland) Act 2003 (Modification of Part 1) Regulations 2015. Part 3 amends legislation concerning the water industry. Part 4 amends legislation concerning waste. Part 5 amends legislation concerning environmental protection. Part 6 amends legislation concerning bathing waters.

No Business and Regulatory Impact Assessment has been prepared in relation to these Regulations, as no impact upon business, charities or voluntary bodies is foreseen.