CLIMATE CHANGE ACT 2008

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Part 3: Trading Schemes

Trading schemes

Section 45: Activities to which trading schemes may apply

- 205. This section sets out what activities are regarded as indirectly causing or contributing to greenhouse gas emissions or reductions in greenhouse gas emissions. It also makes provision in relation to the location of activities and emissions covered by this Part.
- 206. Subsection (1) sets out the types of activity which are considered to be indirect causes of, or contributors to, greenhouse gas emissions, such as activities which involve the use of energy or those involving the supply of something the use of which would lead to greenhouse gas emissions. For example, the supply of a heating fuel would be regarded as indirectly causing emissions because it leads to emissions at the point of use by the consumer. Subsection (2) provides that reductions in the level of those activities are to be regarded as indirectly causing or contributing to reductions in greenhouse gas emissions.
- 207. Subsection (3) provides that Part 3 of the Act applies to activities carried out in the United Kingdom, regardless of where emissions, or reductions in emissions, actually occur.