These notes refer to the Financial Services Act 2010 (c.28) which received Royal Assent on 8 April 2010

FINANCIAL SERVICES ACT 2010

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS AND SCHEDULES

Banking Act 2009

Section 20: Services forming part of recognised inter-bank payment systems

228. This section inserts a new section 206A into Part 5 of the Banking Act 2009 (the Act) (inter-bank payment systems).

New section 206A: Services forming part of recognised inter-bank payment systems

- 229. Subsection (1) confers a power on the Treasury to make order(s) applying (and modifying (subsection (7)) any sections under Part 5 of the Act to "service providers". "Service providers" are defined in subsection (2) as persons who supply services (such as telecommunication and IT systems) that form part of the arrangements of an interbank payment system that is specified by the Treasury as a recognised system under section 184(1) of the Act. The Bank of England may not be regarded as a service provider (subsection (5)).
- 230. An order under *subsection* (1) may be made only after consultation (*subsection* (6)) and only if a draft has been approved by each House of Parliament (*subsection* (8)).
- 231. It is envisaged that any order made applying Part 5 to service providers would make provision for the role of the FSA and the Bank of England in relation to persons who are subject to the oversight of the FSA, either as a person who has a permission under Part 4 of FSMA, or is a recognised persons under Part 18 of that Act.
- 232. In the event an order is made applying provisions of Part 5 to service providers, the Treasury must specify in any recognition orders made under section 184 of the Act the service providers who are to be subject to the Bank of England's oversight under Part 5 of the Act (as applied) (*subsection* (2(b))). Before specifying any person as a service provider, the Treasury must consult with various parties, including the person whom the Treasury proposes to specify (*subsection* (4)).