

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

These Regulations contain repeals and modifications of provisions of the Petroleum (Regulation) Acts 1928 and 1936 and instruments thereunder. They are made in consequence of the establishment on 1st January 1975 of the Health and Safety Executive and the coming into operation on that date of provisions of the Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974 which supersede or affect the said provisions.

The Regulations therefore—

- (a) repeal powers to make regulations and other instruments and provisions relating to inquiries, and the powers of inspectors which are superseded by powers and other provisions contained in the 1974 Act;
- (b) modify provisions relating to the granting of licences on appeal and the transfer of licences so granted so as to enable the Health and Safety Executive, instead of the Secretary of State, to grant, modify and transfer such licences; and
- (c) apply to offences committed on or after 1st January 1975 the penalties contained in the 1974 Act.