EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations further amend the Artificial Insemination of Cattle (Animal Health) (England and Wales) Regulations 1985 as follows—

- (1) the Regulations will not apply to artificial insemination carried out by a permitted person if, in addition to the conditions already prescribed in respect of the recipient cow, the donor bull is not subject to any Order made under Part II (Disease) of the Animal Health Act 1981 or its semen is especially authorised (regulation 4);
- (2) a new licence is added to the list of licences: a special farm storage movement licence permitting the licensee to collect or deliver semen in accordance with the conditions of such a licence (regulations 5 and 8);
- (3) the export of bovine semen to a member State must comply with the conditions set out in article 3 of Council Directive 88/407/EEC (OJNo. L194, 22.7.88, p. 10) and the animal health certificate must be completed by an official veterinarian (regulations 3 and 6);
- (4) the Regulations require semen to be kept in quarantine for 28 days before it can be moved. In giving effect to paragraph 3(i) of Annex C of the above-mentioned Directive, the Regulations require that semen intended for export to a member State must, for a further two days, remain in quarantine or be moved to the main store (regulation 7).