STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1994 No. 903

RATING AND VALUATION

The Telecommunications Industry (Rateable Values) (Amendment) Order 1994

Made - - - - 23rd March 1994
Coming into force - 1st April 1994

The Secretary of State for the Environment, as respects England, and the Secretary of State for Wales, as respects Wales, in exercise of the powers conferred on them by section 143(1) of, and paragraph 3(2) of Schedule 6 to, the Local Government Finance Act 1988(1), and all other powers enabling them in that behalf, hereby make the following Order, a draft of which has been laid before, and approved by, each House of Parliament:

- 1. This Order may be cited as the Telecommunications Industry (Rateable Values) (Amendment) Order 1994 and shall come into force on 1st April 1994.
- **2.** The Telecommunications Industry (Rateable Values) Order 1989(2) shall be amended, in article 5(3, in the definitions of k and K, by the substitution, for "or, as the case may be," of "and".

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for the Environment

David Curry
Minister of State,
Department of the Environment

22nd March 1994 Department of the Environment

John Redwood Secretary of State for Wales

23rd March 1994

^{(1) 1988} c. 41; paragraph 3(2) of Schedule 6 was amended by paragraph 38(13) of Schedule 5 to the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 (c. 42).

⁽²⁾ S.I.1989/2478.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order amends the Telecommunications Industry (Rateable Values) Order 1989, which provides for the determination of the rateable value of telecommunications hereditaments occupied (or, if unoccupied, owned) by British Telecommunications plc and Mercury Communications Limited and shown in a central rating list.

Article 2 of this Order changes the recalculation factor in respect of Mercury Communications Limited. The recalculation factor is based on the length of cable owned by Mercury and the amendment will allow the aggregate increase in cable length to be used in the calculation of the rateable value of the relevant hereditaments rather than treating the increases in length in England and Wales separately.