STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2000 No. 3346

TELECOMMUNICATIONS

The Public Telecommunication System Designation (Atlas Communications (UK) Ltd) Order 2000

Made - - - - 20th December 2000

Laid before Parliament 21st December 2000

Coming into force - - 19th January 2001

Whereas the Secretary of State has granted to Atlas Communications (UK) Ltd on 21st August 2000 a licence ("the Licence") under section 7 of the Telecommunications Act 1984(1) ("the Act"), to which section 8 of the Act applies, for the running of the telecommunication systems specified in the Licence ("the Applicable Systems"):

Now, therefore, the Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by section 9 of the Act, hereby makes the following Order:—

- **1.** This Order may be cited as the Public Telecommunication System Designation (Atlas Communications (UK) Ltd) Order 2000 and shall come into force on 19th January 2001.
 - **2.** Each of the Applicable Systems is hereby designated as a public telecommunication system.

Patricia Hewitt,
Minister of State for Small Business and
ECommerce,
Department of Trade and Industry

20th December 2000

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

The Secretary of State granted to Atlas Communications (UK) Ltd a licence on 21st August 2000 under section 7 of the Telecommunications Act 1984 to run the telecommunication systems specified in the licence. A copy of the licence was laid before Parliament on 21st December 2000. This Order designates those telecommunication systems as public telecommunication systems. Consequently, by virtue of section 9(3) of that Act, Atlas Communications (UK) Ltd will be a public telecommunications operator when the Order comes into force on 19th January 2001.

A copy of the licence may be obtained from the Office of Telecommunications, 50 Ludgate Hill, London EC4M 7JJ.