EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations provide for the amendment of various Regulations and Orders and make savings and transitional provisions.

Part I (regulations 1 and 2) makes provision for citation, commencement and interpretation.

Part II (regulations 3 to 9) contains amendments to various provisions. Regulations 4 to 7 amend the Social Security and Child Support (Decisions and Appeals) Regulations 1999, the Social Security (Guardian's Allowances) Regulations 1975, the Income Support (General) Regulations 1987, the Jobseeker's Allowance Regulations 1996 and the Social Security Benefits (Maintenance Payments and Consequential Amendments) Regulations 1996. The amendments in regulations 4 to 8 reflect changes in terminology in the Child Support Act 1991 (c. 48) ("the Act") in consequence of the amendment of the Act by the Child Support, Pensions and Social Security Act 2000 (c. 19) ("the 2000 Act").

Regulations 3 and 9 amend the Community Action (Miscellaneous Provisions) Order 1993, the New Deal (25 plus) (Miscellaneous Provisions) Order 1999, the New Deal (Miscellaneous Provisions) Order 1998, the North Norfolk Action (Miscellaneous Provisions) Order 1993, the Project Work (Miscellaneous Provisions) Order 1996 and the Training for Work (Miscellaneous Provisions) Order 1995. Amendments are made to these Orders to include within the Schedules to the Orders references to the Child Support (Maintenance Calculations and Special Cases) Regulations 2000 and, where appropriate, the Child Support (Maintenance Calculation Procedure) Regulations 2000, to reflect the making of these new Regulations.

Part IV (regulation 10) contains savings provisions.

Part V (regulation 11) contains transitional provision for the redetermination of appeals under section 23A(4)(b) of the Act.

The impact on business of these Regulations was covered in the Regulatory Impact Assessment (RIA) for the 2000 Act, in accordance with which, and in consequence of which, these Regulations are made. A copy of that RIA has been placed in the libraries of both Houses of Parliament and can be obtained from the Department of Social Security, Regulatory Impact Unit, Adelphi, 1–11 John Adam Street, London WC2N 6HT.