### 2002 No. 2175

# HEALTH AND SAFETY

## The Offshore Safety (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2002

| Made                   | 17th August 2002    |
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The Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by sections 15(1) and (3)(a) and 82(3)(a) of the Health and Safety at Work etc. Act  $1974(\mathbf{a})$  and section 1(2)(a) of the Offshore Safety Act  $1992(\mathbf{b})$  and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, and for the purpose of giving effect without modifications to proposals submitted to him by the Health and Safety Commission under section 11(2)(d) of the said Act of 1974 after the carrying out by the Health and Safety Commission of consultations in accordance with section 50(3) of the said Act of 1974, hereby makes the following Regulations:

#### Citation, commencement and interpretation

**1.**—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Offshore Safety (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2002 and shall come into force on 17th September 2002.

(2) References in these Regulations to the "Management Regulations" are to the Offshore Installations and Pipeline Works (Management and Administration) Regulations 1995(c).

#### Amendment of the Management Regulations

2.—(1) Regulation 2(1) of the Management Regulations shall be amended—

- (a) by deleting the word "and" at the end of sub-paragraph (b) of the definition of "relevant waters"; and
- (b) by inserting after the definition of "relevant waters" the following definition—

" "supplementary unit" means a fixed or floating structure, other than a vessel, for providing energy, information or substances to an offshore installation; and".

(2) Regulation 3 of the Management Regulations shall be amended—

- (a) in paragraph (1), by substituting the words "together with any supplementary unit which is ordinarily connected to it or any part of it (including those parts described in paragraph (3) below) and all of the connections" for the words "and which is not an excepted structure";
- (b) in paragraph (2), by substituting the words "Any reference in paragraph (1) to a structure or unit does not include" for the words "For the purposes of paragraph (1), the excepted structures are"; and

<sup>(</sup>a) 1974 c. 37; sections 15 and 50 were amended by paragraphs 6 and 16 of Schedule 15 of the Employment Protection Act 1975 (c. 71) respectively; the general purposes of Part I referred to in section 15(1) were extended by section 1(1) of the Offshore Safety Act 1992 (c. 15).

**<sup>(</sup>b)** 1992 c. 15.

<sup>(</sup>c) S.I. 1995/738.

(c) in sub-paragraph (e) of paragraph (2), by substituting the words "yet being moved with a view to its being" for the words "for the time being intended to be".

#### Amendment of other enactments

3. The reference to regulation 3 of the Management Regulations in—

- (a) the definition of "installation" in—
  - (i) paragraph (1) of regulation 2 of the Offshore Installations (Safety Case) Regulations 1992(a);
  - (ii) paragraph (1) of regulation 2 of the Offshore Installations (Prevention of Fire and Explosion, and Emergency Response) Regulations 1995(b); and
  - (iii) paragraph (1) of regulation 2 of the Offshore Installations and Wells (Design and Construction, etc.) Regulations 1996(c); and
- (b) the definition of "offshore installation" in-
  - (i) section 12(1) of the Mineral Workings (Offshore Installations) Act 1971(d); and
  - (ii) regulation 2 of the Offshore Installations and Pipeline Works (First-Aid) Regulations 1989(e),

shall be construed as a reference to regulation 3 of the Management Regulations as amended by these Regulations.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State

17th August 2002

*Ian McCartney* Minister of State, Department for Work and Pensions

### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(*This note is not part of the Regulations*)

1. These Regulations amend the definition of "offshore installation" in regulation 3 of the Offshore Installations and Pipeline Works (Management and Administration) Regulations 1995 by extending it to include a supplementary unit (as defined) and by modifying the reference in regulation 3(2) (excepted structures) to a mobile structure which has been taken out of use (*regulation 2*).

2. Regulation 3 makes consequential amendments to referential definitions in other enactments.

**3.** A copy of the regulatory impact assessment prepared in respect of these Regulations may be obtained from the Economic and Statistical Advice Unit, Safety Policy Directorate C4, Health and Safety Executive, Rose Court, 2 Southwark Bridge, London SE1 9HS. A copy has been placed in the library of each House of Parliament.

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<sup>(</sup>a) S.I. 1992/2885; the relevant amending instrument is S.I. 1995/738.

**<sup>(</sup>b)** S.I. 1995/743.

<sup>(</sup>c) S.I. 1996/913.

<sup>(</sup>d) 1971 c. 61; section 12(1) was amended by S.I. 1995/738.

<sup>(</sup>e) S.I. 1989/1671; the relevant amending instrument is S.I. 1995/738.