STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2004 No. 1203 (C.51)

ENERGY

The Sustainable Energy Act 2003 (Commencement No. 2) Order 2004

Made - - - - 24th April 2004

The Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred upon her by section 9(5) and (8) of the Sustainable Energy Act 2003(1), hereby makes the following Order:

Citation

1. This Order may be cited as the Sustainable Energy Act 2003 (Commencement No. 2) Order 2004.

Commencement

2. Section 2(**2**) of the Sustainable Energy Act 2003 shall come into force on the day after the day on which this Order is made.

Whitty
Parliamentary Under Secretary of State,
Department for Environment, Food and Rural
Affairs

24th April 2004

^{(1) 2003} c. 30.

⁽²⁾ Section 2 extends to England and Wales, but only relates to residential accommodation in England. Mirror provisions for Wales are contained in section 3 of the Act.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order brings into force on the 25th April 2004 all the provisions of section 2 of the Sustainable Energy Act 2003 ("the Act") for England and Wales. This section relates to residential accommodation in England (section 3 contains mirror provisions for residential accommodation in Wales).

Section 2 of the Act requires the Secretary of State to designate an energy efficiency aim relating to the energy efficiency of residential accommodation in England within 1 week of the section coming into force. Such aim must be compatible with Community and any other international obligations of the United Kingdom.

Once an aim is designated, the Secretary of State must take reasonable steps to achieve that aim. Steps to be considered should relate to the heating, cooling, ventilation, lighting and insulation of such residential accommodation.

The first energy efficiency aim is intended to be designated by the Secretary of State in Command Paper 6168, 'Energy Efficiency: The Government's Plan for Action' on the 26th April 2004. The energy efficiency aim will also be published in this Paper.

NOTE AS TO EARLIER COMMENCEMENT ORDERS

(This note is not part of the Order)

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