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SOCIAL SECURITY

The Social Fund (Application for Review) (Amendment) Regulations 2006

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The Secretary of State for Work and Pensions makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by section 38(1) and (3) of the Social Security Act 1998(1).

The Social Security Advisory Committee has agreed that proposals in respect of these Regulations should not be referred to it(2).

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Social Fund (Application for Review) (Amendment) Regulations 2006 and shall come into force on 24th April 2006.

Amendment of the Social Fund (Application for Review) Regulations 1988

2.—(1) Regulation 2(1) of the Social Fund (Application for Review) Regulations 1988(**3**) (manner of making application for review or further review and time limits) is amended as follows.

(2) For "delivering it to an office of the Department of Health and Social Security"(4), substitute—

"delivering it-

- (i) in a case to which (a) applies, to an office of the Department for Work and Pensions; and
- (ii) in a case to which (b) applies—
 - (aa) for the period up to 2nd April 2007 to the office of the Independent Review Service or to an office of the Department for Work and Pensions, and
 - (bb) on and after 2nd April 2007 to the office of the Independent Review Service only.".

⁽**1**) 1998 c. 14.

⁽²⁾ See sections 170 and 173(1)(b) of the Social Security Administration Act 1992 (c. 5).

⁽³⁾ S.I.1988/34 as amended by S.I. 1999/3178.

⁽⁴⁾ This is construed as a reference to an office of the Department of Social Security by virtue of S.I. 1988/1843 and to an office of the Department for Work and Pensions by virtue of S.I. 2002/1397.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions.

29th March 2006

James Plaskitt Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State, Department for Work and Pensions

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the Social Fund (Application for Review) Regulations 1988 by providing that an application for review by a social fund inspector may be made to the Independent Review Service or, until 2nd April 2007, to an office of the Department for Work and Pensions.

(Applications for review by an appropriate officer will continue to be sent or delivered to an office of the Department for Work and Pensions.)

A regulatory impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as it has no impact on the costs of business, charities or voluntary bodies.