STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2012 No. 2788

The Greenhouse Gas Emissions Trading Scheme (Amendment) (Charging Schemes) Regulations 2012

PART 1

General

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Greenhouse Gas Emissions Trading Scheme (Amendment) (Charging Schemes) Regulations 2012 and come into force on 3rd December 2012.

Duty to review these Regulations

2.—(1) The Secretary of State must from time to time—

- (a) carry out a review of these Regulations;
- (b) set out the conclusions of the review in a report; and
- (c) publish the report.

(2) In carrying out the review the Secretary of State must, so far as is reasonable, have regard to how the Directive is implemented in other member States.

(3) The report must in particular—

- (a) set out the objectives intended to be achieved by these Regulations;
- (b) assess the extent to which those objectives are achieved; and
- (c) assess whether those objectives remain appropriate and, if so, the extent to which they could be achieved with a system that imposes less regulation.

(4) The first report under this regulation must be published before the end of the period of five years beginning with the day on which these Regulations come into force.

(5) Reports under this regulation are afterwards to be published at intervals not exceeding five years.

(6) In this regulation, "the Directive" means Directive 2003/87/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing a scheme for greenhouse gas emissions allowance trading within the Community and amending Council Directive 96/61/EC(1), as amended from time to time.

⁽¹⁾ OJ No L 275, 25.10.03, p 32. The Directive was amended by European Parliament and Council Directives 2004/101/EC (OJ No L 338, 13.11.2004, p 18), 2008/101/EC (OJ No L 8, 13.1.2009, p 3) and 2009/29/EC (OJ No L 140, 5.6.2009, p 63), and by Regulation (EC) No 219/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ No L 87, 31.3.2009, p 109).