STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2022 No. 405

RATING AND VALUATION, ENGLAND

The Valuation for Rating (Plant and Machinery) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2022

Made - - - - 29th March 2022

Laid before Parliament 30th March 2022

Coming into force - 1st April 2022

The Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 143(2) of, and paragraph 2(8) of Schedule 6 to, the Local Government Finance Act 1988(1), makes the following Regulations.

Citation, commencement and extent

- 1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Valuation for Rating (Plant and Machinery) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2022 and come into force on 1st April 2022.
 - (2) These Regulations extend to England and Wales.

Amendment of the Valuation for Rating (Plant and Machinery) (England) Regulations 2000

- **2.** In Class 1 of the Schedule to the Valuation for Rating (Plant and Machinery) (England) Regulations 2000(**2**) (classes of plant and machinery to be assumed to be part of the hereditament)—
 - (a) in the opening words, after "other than excepted plant and machinery" insert "or, in relation to any day before 1st April 2035, excepted renewables plant and machinery or excepted EVCP plant and machinery";
 - (b) after paragraph (d) insert—
 - "(e) "excepted renewables plant and machinery" means plant and machinery used or intended to be used for the generation, storage, transformation or transmission of power where the sources of energy or technologies relied upon are mainly or exclusively—
 - (i) biomass;
 - (ii) biofuels;

^{(1) 1988} c. 41. Paragraph 2(8) of Schedule 6 was amended by paragraph 38 of Schedule 6 to the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 (c. 42).

⁽²⁾ S.I. 2000/540. Paragraph D of Class 1 in the Schedule was substituted by S.I. 2001/846. There are other amendments to S.I. 2000/540 which are not relevant to this instrument.

- (iii) biogas;
- (iv) fuel cells;
- (v) photovoltaics;
- (vi) water (including waves and tides);
- (vii) wind;
- (viii) solar power;
- (ix) geothermal;
- (x) heat from air, water or the ground;
- (f) "excepted EVCP plant and machinery" means plant and machinery which is
 - (i) used or intended to be used mainly or exclusively for storage, transformation or transmission of power for an electric vehicle charging point (within the meaning of section 45EA(5) of the Capital Allowances Act 2001(3)); and
 - (ii) within head (d) or (e) of Table 1 below".

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities

Kemi Badenoch
Minister of State
Department for Levelling Up, Housing and
Communities

29th March 2022

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the Valuation for Rating (Plant and Machinery) (England) Regulations 2000 ("the 2000 Regulations").

The 2000 Regulations specify assumptions which are to be made when applying the provisions of sub-paragraphs (1) to (7) of paragraph 2 of Schedule 6 to the Local Government Finance Act 1988 in respect of plant and machinery. The Schedule to the 2000 Regulations prescribes four "classes" of plant and machinery which are to be assumed to be part of a hereditament for rating valuation purposes, with exceptions for certain specified cases.

Regulation 2 amends Class 1 in the Schedule to insert two further exceptions to the assumption that specified plant and machinery is part of a hereditament. These exceptions have effect in relation to days before 1st April 2035.

A regulatory impact assessment has not been prepared as this instrument amends an existing local tax regime.