

*These notes refer to the Environment (Wales) Act 2016
(c.3) which received Royal Assent on 21 March 2016*

ENVIRONMENT (WALES) ACT 2016

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Part 2 - Climate change

Section 38 – The baseline

166. This section defines the “baseline” for the purposes of this Part of the Act and enables the Welsh Ministers to make regulations to amend that baseline. This would enable the Welsh Ministers to specify the baseline year for a greenhouse gas which has been added by regulations under subsection 37(2) or modify the baseline year for a greenhouse gas that is already listed. The Welsh Ministers can only modify the baseline year for a greenhouse gas if they are satisfied that it would be appropriate to do so as a result of significant developments in EU or international law or policy relating to climate change.