EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations.)

These regulations further amend the Social Security (Industrial Injuries) (Prescribed Diseases) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1986 ("the principal regulations").

Regulation 2 inserts definitions of "knock out and shake out grid" and "skid transfer bank" into regulation 1(2) of the principal regulations as a consequence of the change made by regulation 4(6).

Regulation 3 modifies paragraph 11(1) of Schedule 7 to the Social Security Contributions and Benefits (Northern Ireland) Act 1992 by removing entitlement to reduced earnings allowance in relation to a disease prescribed on or after 10th October 1994 or in relation to an extension of an exist prescribed disease on or after that date.

Regulation 4 adds to the list of occupations set against prescribed disease A10 (occupational deafness) listed in Schedule 1 to the principal regulations and widens the definition of two of the listed occupations prescribed in relation to occupational deafness.