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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2006 No. 2954**

**The Rates (Amendment) (Northern Ireland) Order 2006**

**PART VI**

**MISCELLANEOUS AND SUPPLEMENTARY**

*Powers of entry*

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**38.**—(1) In Article 26A of the principal Order (powers of entry of persons authorised by Department)—

- (a) paragraph (2) (power of entry not exercisable in relation to dwelling-houses, etc.) shall cease to have effect;
- (b) for paragraph (3) there shall be substituted the following paragraph—

“(3) The occupier or, if the land is not occupied, the person entitled to possession of it shall give such assistance as the person mentioned in paragraph (1) may reasonably require to enter the land or for the purpose mentioned in that paragraph.”.

(2) In Article 58 of the principal Order (powers of entry of valuers), for paragraphs (2) to (4) there shall be substituted the following paragraph—

“(2) The occupier or, if the land is not occupied, the person entitled to possession of it shall give such assistance as the Commissioner or the person authorised by him may reasonably require to enter the land or for the purpose mentioned in paragraph (1).”.

(3) In Article 60 of the principal Order (offences)—

- (a) in paragraph (4) (obstruction etc. of authorised person), the words “, other than the occupier or owner of land,” shall cease to have effect;
- (b) for paragraph (5) there shall be substituted the following paragraph—

“(5) If any person fails without reasonable excuse to give any assistance which he is reasonably required to give under Article 26A or 58, he shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 3 on the standard scale.”.