

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order gives effect to proposals of the Construction Industry Training Board which were submitted to the Secretary of State. The proposals are for the imposition of a levy on employers in the construction industry for the purpose of raising money towards meeting the expenses of the Board.

A levy is to be imposed on employers limited to 0.5 per cent of payroll in respect of employees employed by them under contracts of service or apprenticeship and 1.5 per cent. of payments made by the employers to persons under labour-only agreements.

This levy is in respect of the levy period commencing with the date on which this Order comes into force and ending on 31st March 2005.

The levy will be assessed by the Board, and there is a right of appeal against an assessment to an employment tribunal.

A full regulatory impact assessment of the effect that this Order will have on the costs of business is available from the Department for Education and Skills, Library and Information Service, Moorfoot, Sheffield S1 4PQ or Sanctuary Buildings, Great Smith Street, London SW1P 3BT.