EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations (except Part 2) are made in exercise of the powers in section 8(1) of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018 (c. 16) in order to address failures of retained EU law to operate effectively and other deficiencies (in particular under section 8(2)(a), (b), (d) and (g)) arising from the withdrawal of the United Kingdom from the European Union.

These Regulations make amendments to legislation in the field of waste and, in particular, amend legislation relating to waste batteries and accumulators, end of waste criteria, packaging waste, end-of-life vehicle destruction certification, landfill acceptance criteria, the management of waste from extractive industries, and calculation methods for verifying recycling target compliance. Part 3 amends primary legislation, and Part 4 amends and revokes retained direct EU legislation.

Part 2 of these Regulations is made in exercise of the powers in section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972 (c. 68), and updates references to Directive 2008/98/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council on waste (OJ No L 312, 22.11.2008, p 3) in Part 2 of the Environmental Protection Act 1990 (c. 43) and in section 37(2) of the Waste and Emissions Trading Act 2003 (c. 33).

An impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as no, or no significant, impact on the private or voluntary sector is foreseen.