EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend references to imperial units of measurement in Regulations having effect in England, Wales and Scotland under the Food Safety Act 1990, to give effect to Council Directive (EEC) No. 80/181 (OJ No. L39, 15.02.80, p.40), as amended by Council Directives (EEC) No. 85/1 (OJ No. L2, 03.01.85, p.11) and No. 89/617 (OJ No. L357, 07.12.89, p.28), insofar as that Directive affects those Regulations.

References in the Regulations amended to units of measurement listed in Chapters III and IV of the Annex to that Directive as amended, are amended to the corresponding units of measurement listed in Chapter 1 of that Annex with effect from the dates permitted by the Directive. The amended Regulations will not contain imperial units of measurement after 31st December 1994, except where permitted under the Directive, those units being converted to the metric measurements specified in the amendments.

The continued use of the supplementary indications in Skimmed Milk with Non-Milk Fat and Food Labelling Regulations is authorised, in accordance with Article 3 of the Directive, until 31st December 1994 and 31st December 1993 respectively.