STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The National Emission Ceilings Regulations 2002

National programme

- **4.**—(1) The Secretary of State shall as soon as practicable prepare a programme for the progressive reduction in emissions within the United Kingdom of the relevant pollutants in accordance with Article 6(1) and (2) and having regard to Article 5 of European Parliament and Council Directive 2001/81/EC relating to national emission ceilings for certain atmospheric pollutants(1).
- (2) The Secretary of State may review the programme from time to time and shall update and revise it as necessary by 1st October 2006.
- (3) Public authorities shall have regard to the programme when exercising any functions which significantly affect the level of emissions within the United Kingdom of the relevant pollutants.
- (4) The Secretary of State shall take appropriate steps to ensure that the programme is made available to the public and is clear, comprehensible and easily accessible.