## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the Plant Health (Fees) (Forestry) Regulations 2006 (S.I. 2006/2697) ("the principal Regulations") and implement Article 13d(2) of Council Directive 2000/29/EC of 8th May 2000 on protective measures against the introduction into the Community of organisms harmful to plants or plant products and against their spread within the Community (OJNo. L 169, 10.7.2000, p.1) ("the Directive"). Articles 13a(2), 13d(2) and 18(2) of the Directive provide for reduced plant health check fees to be charged for imports of certain consignments of wood, such fees being levied whether or not the consignments are subject to a plant health check. The fees, and the consignments to which they apply, are specified in Schedule 3A to the principal Regulations, as inserted by these Regulations.

A full impact assessment of the effect that this instrument will have on the costs of business and the voluntary sector is available from the Plant Health Service of the Forestry Commission, Silvan House, 231 Corstorphine Road, Edinburgh EH12 7AT and is annexed to the Explanatory Memorandum which is available alongside the instrument on the OPSI website (www.opsi.gov.uk).

## **Textual Amendments**

F1 Regulations revoked (E.S.) (6.4.2015) by The Plant Health (Fees) (Forestry) (England and Scotland)
Regulations 2015 (S.I. 2015/350), regs. 1(b), 4(b)
Regulations revoked (W.) (28.3.2019) by The Plant Health (Fees) (Forestry) (Wales) Regulations 2019
(S.I. 2019/497), regs. 1(3), 4(b)

Changes to legislation:
There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Plant Health (Fees) (Forestry) (Amendment) Regulations 2008 (revoked).