EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order amends the CRC Energy Efficiency Scheme Order 2013 (S.I. 2013/1119) ("the principal Order"). This Order comes into force on 1st April 2014 so that the changes made operate from the beginning of the initial phase of the Scheme as defined in the principal Order.

Article 3 corrects the cross reference to exceptions to the date by which applications for registration must generally be made and extends the ability for undertakings which are part of a group to be a participant separate from the other members of the group.

Article 4 corrects cross references to the closing date for application for registration.

Article 5 amends the date (from 1st September to the last working day in October) on which certain penalties for failure to submit an annual return can apply.

Article 6 amends Schedule 1 to the principal Order including citing the relevant Northern Ireland Electricity Order. The amendments to paragraphs 14 to 16 of that Schedule apply to landlords of premises let to tenants who use those premises in the operation of an EUETS installation, a CCA facility, a metallurgical process or a mineralogical process. The electricity or gas supplied by the landlord to the tenant for the operation of the installation, facility or process is not to be treated as a supply of energy to the landlord. Article 6 also inserts a new paragraph 29A such that a person may not be treated as supplied with electricity or gas where the supply is used to operate certain metallurgical or mineralogical processes as defined in that paragraph.

By article 7 an English local authority is not a public body for the purposes of the principal Order in respect of the schools which it maintains.

A regulatory impact assessment of the effect that this Order will have on the costs of business and the voluntary sector is available from the Climate Change Team, Department of Energy and Climate Change, 3 Whitehall Place, London, SW1A 2HH and is annexed to the Explanatory Memorandum which is available alongside this Order on the legislation.gov.uk website.