

 Regulatory Policy Committee	Opinion	
Impact Assessment (IA)	Construction (Design and Management) Regulations 2015 (CDM 2015)	
Lead Department/Agency	Health and Safety Executive	
Stage	Final	
IA number	HSE0079	
Origin	European	
Expected date of implementation	April 2015 (SNR 9)	
Date submitted to RPC	22 September 2014	
RPC Opinion date and reference	24 October 2014	RPC13-HSE-1824(4)
Departmental Assessment		
One-in, Two-out status	OUT	
Estimate of the Equivalent Annual Net Cost to Business (EANCB)	-£19.6 million (OUT) £7.2 million (Out of Scope – EU)	
RPC Overall Assessment	GREEN	
RPC comments		
<p>The IA is fit for purpose. The IA covers two specific components. The first, of domestic origin, simplifies the regulatory framework. This is a deregulatory proposal (an 'OUT') with an estimated equivalent annual net cost to business of -£19.6 million.</p> <p>The second aims to improve the implementation of the EU Directive. It imposes equivalent annual net cost on business of £7.2 million. As this component would not go beyond minimum EU requirements, in terms of its impact on the UK economy, it is out of scope of One-in, Two-out.</p> <p>On this basis, the Committee can validate both estimates of the impact on business.</p>		
Background (extracts from IA)		
What is the problem under consideration? Why is government intervention necessary?		
<p><i>"Construction, Design and Management (CDM) regulations 2015 will replace an existing set of Regulations (CDM 2007) while maintaining or improving implementation of a European Directive. An evaluation of the existing Regulations revealed a number of shortcomings, including some which disproportionately affect smaller businesses. Small sites are currently responsible for an increasingly large proportion of serious and</i></p>		