## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

This instrument amends the Domestic Renewable Heat Incentive Scheme Regulations 2014 ("the 2014 Regulations") and the Renewable Heat Incentive Scheme Regulations 2018 ("the 2018 Regulations"). The 2014 Regulations established the domestic renewable heat incentive scheme, under which owners of plants which generate heat from specified renewable sources in domestic properties may receive payments at prescribed rates ("tariffs"). The 2018 Regulations revoked and replaced the Renewable Heat Incentive Scheme Regulations 2011, which established the non-domestic renewable heat incentive scheme, under which owners of non-domestic plants which generate heat from specified renewable sources, and producers of biomethane for injection, receive payments for heat used for eligible purposes.

## Amendments to the 2014 Regulations

Part 2 of these Regulations adjusts the expenditure thresholds in the tables in Schedule 6 in order to align the triggers to the latest deployment assumptions. Deployment assumptions means the level of applicants anticipated to apply to the scheme for each technology or group of technologies.

## Amendments to the 2018 Regulations

Part 3 of these Regulations amends the 2018 Regulations.

Regulation 5 amends regulation 35 in order to extend the availability of tariff guarantees to 31January 2021 where an application is made on or after 17 July 2019.

Regulation 6 amends the expenditure thresholds in Schedule 7 in order to align the triggers to the latest deployment assumptions.

A full impact assessment of the effect that this instrument will have on the costs of business and the voluntary sector will be published during summer 2019, and will be available from the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, 1 Victoria Street, London, SW1H 0ET.

The Explanatory Memorandum will be published alongside the instrument on www.legislation.gov.uk.