EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of these Regulations)

These Regulations are made in exercise of the powers conferred by section 8(1) of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018 (c. 16) in order to address failures of retained EU law to operate effectively and other deficiencies (in particular under paragraphs (a), (d), (f) and (g) of section 8(2) of the 2018 Act) arising from the withdrawal of the UK from the European Union, and under section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972.

These Regulations make amendments to legislation in the field of ecodesign and energy labelling for energy-related products. Schedule 1 amends the Ecodesign for Energy-Related Products Regulations 2010, including conferring a power for the Secretary of State to set ecodesign requirements in paragraph 12; Schedule 2 amends product-specific ecodesign-related regulations; Schedule 3 amends the Energy Information Regulations 2011; Schedule 4 amends Regulation (EU) 2017/1369 setting a framework for energy labelling including conferring a power for the Secretary of State to introduce and rescale energy labels in paragraph 11; and Schedule 5 amends product-specific energy labelling-related regulations.

The net costs imposed on business, the voluntary sector and the public sector by these Regulations have been assessed as being less than £5m in any year and therefore a full impact assessment has not been prepared.