EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the Animal By-Products and Pet Passport Fees (England) Regulations 2018 (S.I. 2018/666) ("the Animal By-Products Regulations") and the Animal Health (Miscellaneous Fees) (England) Regulations 2018 (S.I. 2018/664) ("the Animal Health Regulations") (together, "the 2018 Regulations"). The amendments modify the fees payable to the Secretary of State under the 2018 Regulations for services provided in the field of animal health by the Animal and Plant Health Agency, an executive agency of the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs so as to reflect full cost recovery of those services.

Regulation 2(3) amends the Animal By-Products Regulations to revoke the fees payable to the Secretary of State for services carried out in relation to pet passport identification documents.

Regulation 2(4) amends the Animal By-Products Regulations to modify the fees payable to the Secretary of State for services carried out in relation to animal by-products. The fees, where increased, are increased by the medium average uplift of 41% from the current fees in two steps: the first increase applies on or after 1st July 2023, the second increase applies on or after 1st July 2024.

Regulation 3(6) amends the Animal Health Regulations to modify the fees payable to the Secretary of State for services carried out in relation to salmonella controls. The fees, where increased, are increased by the medium average uplift of 53% from the current fees in two steps: the first increase applies on or after 1st July 2023, the second increase applies on or after 1st July 2024.

Regulation 3(7) amends the Animal Health Regulations to modify the fees payable to the Secretary of State for services carried out in relation to the poultry health scheme. The fees are increased by the medium average uplift of 21% from the current fees. Regulation 3(6)(a) increases certain poultry health scheme fees in two steps: the first increase applies on or after 1st July 2023, the second increase applies on or after 1st July 2024. Regulation 3(6)(b) increases the remainder of the specified poultry health scheme fees in a single step, the increase applies on or after 1st July 2023.

Regulations 3(8) to (10) amend the Animal Health Regulations to modify the fees payable to the Secretary of State for services carried out in relation to artificial breeding controls. The fees are increased by the medium average uplift of 65% from the current fees in two steps: the first increase applies on or after 1st July 2023, the second increase applies on or after 1st July 2024.

Regulation 3(11) amends the Animal Health Regulations to modify the fees payable to the Secretary of State for services carried out in relation to border control posts. The fees are increased by the medium average uplift of 34% from the current fees in a single step, the increase applies on or after 1st July 2023.

These Regulations also make minor and consequential amendments to the 2018 Regulations.

Further detail as to the fee increases is contained in the Explanatory Memorandum published at www.legislation.gov.uk alongside this instrument.

A full impact assessment has not been produced for these regulations as no, or no significant, impact on the private, voluntary or public sector is foreseen.