EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order provides for fees to be payable by a relevant water supplier for the carrying out of certain functions under the Water Industry Act 1991 by an inspector appointed by the Welsh Ministers under that Act. The functions are related to the following investigations and reporting requirements—

- (a) checking water sampling and analysis arrangements;
- (b) checking water supply management arrangements;
- (c) investigating an event, incident, emergency or other matter arising from the quality or sufficiency of water;
- (d) checking the handling and reporting of consumer complaints about water quality; and
- (e) checking compliance with requirements to furnish information to, or to notify, the Welsh Ministers concerning these arrangements and matters.

This Order sets out the circumstances and manner in which fees are payable, approved, published and reviewed (article 4 and the Schedule).

The Welsh Ministers' Code of Practice on the carrying out of Regulatory Impact Assessments was considered in relation to this Order. As a result, a regulatory impact assessment has been prepared as to the likely costs and benefits of complying with this Order. A copy can be obtained from the Welsh Government, Cathays Park, Cardiff, CF10 3NQ.