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1. Structured Information Line

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4. Notification Number

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5 Title

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6. Products Concerned

Products which have an impact on the heating characteristics of the building

7. Notification Under Another Act

8. Main Content

The legislation on heating sets out the requirements to be met by new buildings. Compliance with the legislation requires each developer to optimise the choice of building materials for their project in order to limit energy

consumption.

The aim of the amendment made is to respond to the request of the European Commission made in its communication of 17 December 2001, a copy of which is annexed hereto, which noted that the wording of Articles 6 and 7 of the published version of the Order of 29 November 2000 differed from that of the version notified pursuant to the procedure laid down by Directive 98/34/EC.

The amendment consists mainly of removing the reference to certification from the Order.

The principle of mutual recognition appears in Article 7 of the Order.

9. Brief Statement of Grounds

The aim of the heating legislation is to fulfil the commitments that France undertook when it signed the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), in particular the Kyoto Agreement of November 1997, setting objectives for the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions by the different signatory States.

10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

? Law No 96-1236 of 30 December 1996 on air and the rational use of energy - Articles 21 and 22. ? Housing and Construction Code - Articles L.111-1, L.111-9, R.111-6, R.111-7, R.111-20 to 23, R.131-3 and R.131-20.

? Decree No 2000-1153 of 29 November 2000, amending Articles R.111-6, R.111-7, R.111-20 to R.111-23 of the Construction and Housing Code on heating characteristics and equipment in new buildings and implementing Articles 21 and 22 of Law No 96-1236 of 30 December 1996 on air and the rational use of energy. ? Order of 29 November 2000 on the heating characteristics of new buildings and new parts of buildings.

The drafts of the aforementioned Decree and Order have been the subject of a Notification received on 3 April 2000 by the Commission and registered under Notification No 2000/0143/F.

11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure

No

12. Grounds for the Emergency

13. Confidentiality

No

14. Fiscal measures

No

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