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Measuring Equipment (Liquid Fuel and Lubricants) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2005

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No abre el plazo - Nezahajuje odklady - Fristerne indledes ikke - Kein Fristbeginn - Viivituste perioodi ei avata - Καμμία έναρξη προθεσμίας - Does not open the delays - N'ouvre pas de délais - Non fa decorrere la mora - Neietekmē atlikšanu - Atidėjimai nepradedami - Nem nyitja meg a késéseket - Ma' jiftaħx il-perijodi ta' dawmien - Geen termijnbegin - Nie otwiera opóźnień - Nao inicia o prazo - Neotvorí oneskorenia - Ne uvaja zamud - Määräaika ei ala tästä - Inleder ingen frist.

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1. Structured Information Line

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2. Member State

United Kingdom

3. Department Responsible

Department of Trade and Industry: Standards and Technical Regulations Directorate

3. Originating Department

Department of Enterprise, Trade and Investment

4. Notification Number

2005/0037/UK - I10

5. Title

Measuring Equipment (Liquid Fuel and Lubricants) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2005

6. Products Concerned

Equipment used for trade to measure liquid fuel (other than liquefied petroleum gas and liquefied natural gas) in a quantity of 100 litres or less (excluding equipment for automatic measuring of constant nominal quantities).

7. Notification Under Another Act

8. Main Content

The proposed Regulations amend the Measuring Equipment (Liquid Fuel and Lubricants) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1998 (as amended). The 1998 Regulations apply to equipment used for trade to measure liquid fuel (other than liquefied petroleum gas and liquefied natural gas) in a quantity of 100 litres or less (excluding equipment for automatic measuring of constant nominal quantities). The 1998 Regulations effectively make it unlawful to use such measuring equipment for trade unless it has been tested, passed as fit for such use and stamped by an inspector of weights or measures. The proposed Amendment Regulations will: require that zero readings are maintained until fuel is delivered; require that instruments bear an indication of the product that they deliver; remove the requirement for the 20 litre test at minimum flow rate; correct the provision on price computation errors; require that a test report be attached if factory testing is carried out; remove an outdated provision that related to conversion to metric; and make some minor textual amendments. The placing on the market and putting into service of new petrol pumps are covered by the Measuring Instruments Directive and the further necessary amendments to NI legislation on new petrol pumps to ensure conformity with that Directive will be made before April 2006.

9. Brief Statement of Grounds

The proposed Regulations stem from a review that was carried out of the Measuring Equipment (Liquid Fuel and Lubricants) Regulations 1995 (the GB equivalent of the 1998 Regulations). They carry forward the recommendations of those with an interest in these Regulations who responded to the review; and relate to technical and practical need.

10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

a) Measuring Equipment (Liquid Fuel and Lubricants) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1998 (S.R. 1998 No.113) [Submitted in respect of Notification 97/0833/UK below]. These regulations can be found on link http://www.northernireland-legislation.hmso.gov.uk/sr/sr1998/19980113.htm.

Measuring Equipment (Liquid Fuel and Lubricants) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2003 (S.R. 2003 No.422). These regulations can be found on link

http://www.northernireland-legislation.hmso.gov.uk/sr/sr2003/20030422.htm.

Weights and Measures (Metrication Amendments) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2002 - S.R.2002 No.71. These regulations can be found on link

http://www.northernireland-legislation.hmso.gov.uk/sr/sr2002/20020071.htm.

b) 97/0833/UK

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11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure No
12. Grounds for the Emergency
13. Confidentiality No
14. Fiscal measures No
15. Impact assessment No RIA is available for the following reason:
In light of an RIA carried out in Great Britain for their equivalent Regulations, it was concluded that there would likely to be insignificant or negligible additional costs arising from the draft Regulations for business or the voluntary sector in Northern Ireland.
An RIA was not therefore considered to be required.
16. TBT and SPS aspects TBT Aspect No
The draft is in conformity with an international standard.
SPS Aspect
No The draft is not a sanitary or phytosanitary measure in the sense of Annex A of the SPS Agreement.
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