STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2016 No. 422

WATER AND SEWERAGE SERVICES

The Water Meters Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2016

Laid before the Assembly in draft

Made - - - -	*6th December 2016*
Coming into operation	*7th December 2016*

The Department for Infrastructure (**1**) makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by section 3(1) and (2) of the Water and Sewerage Services Act (Northern Ireland) 2016 (**2**).

A consultation has been carried out in accordance with the requirements of section 3(7) of the Water and Sewerage Services Act (Northern Ireland) 2016.

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Water Meters Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2016 and shall come into operation on 7th December 2016.

(2) In these Regulations "the Order" means the Water and Sewerage Services (Northern Ireland) Order 2006(**3**).

(3) The Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954 (**4**) shall apply to these Regulations as it applies to an Act of the Assembly.

Amendments

2. The effect of Article 81(2)(a) of the Order is hereby suspended in relation to:-

(a) any connection notice served in respect of a private dwelling house on or after the date these Regulations come into operation; and

(b) any connection notice served before that date where a meter has not already been installed and connected pursuant to the conditions imposed by virtue of that provision.

(**1**) Formerly the Department for Regional Development; see section 1(6) and Schedule 1 of the Departments Act (Northern Ireland) 2016 (c.5)
(**2**) 2016 c.7 (N.I.)
(**3**) 2006/3336 (N.I.21)
(**4**) 1954 c.33 (N.I.)