STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2010 No. 362

NORTHERN IRELAND DEPARTMENTS

The Departments (Transfer of Functions) Order (Northern Ireland) 2010

Made - - - - 22nd October 2010

Coming into operation in accordance with Article 1(2)

Affirmed by resolution of the Assembly on 30th November 2010

The First Minister and deputy First Minister acting jointly, in exercise of the powers conferred by Article 8 of the Departments (Northern Ireland) Order 1999(**1**), make the following Order—

Citation and commencement

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Departments (Transfer of Functions) Order (Northern Ireland) 2010.

(2) This Order shall come into operation on the day after that on which it is affirmed by a resolution of the Assembly.

Interpretation

2. In this Order—

"instrument" includes any judgement, decree, order, award, deed, contract, regulation, byelaw, certificate or other document;

"the transfer date" means the day on which this Order comes into operation;

"transferor" and "transferee", in relation to any functions transferred by this Order, mean respectively the department from which the functions are transferred and the department to which the functions are transferred.

Transfer of certain functions of Department of the Environment

3. The functions which immediately before the transfer date are exercisable by the Department of the Environment in relation to the issuing of any strategy or guidance relating to sustainable development under or for the purposes of section 25(2)(a) of the Northern Ireland (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2006(**2**) are transferred as from that date to the Office of the First Minister and deputy First Minister.

(**1**) S.I. 1999/283 (N.I. 1)
(**2**) 2006 c. 33