STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2003 No. 95

RADIOACTIVE SUBSTANCES

The Radioactive Substances (Natural Gas) Exemption Order (Northern Ireland) 2003

Made - - - -	*25th February 2003*
Coming into operation	*28th March 2003*

The Department of the Environment in exercise of the powers conferred on it by sections 8(6) and 15(2) of the Radioactive Substances Act 1993(**1**) and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order:

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Radioactive Substances (Natural Gas) Exemption Order (Northern Ireland) 2003, and shall come into operation on 28th March 2003.

Interpretation

2.—(1) In this Order: –

"decay products" means, in relation to any radionuclide, the radionuclides succeeding it in the same radioactive series;

"natural gas" includes liquified petroleum gas;

"specified natural gas" means natural gas which contains radon-222, polonium 210, lead 210, and their decay products in concentrations which do not exceed 10 becquerels per gram for each radionuclide.

(2) The Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954(**2**) shall apply to this Order as it applies to a Measure of the Northern Ireland Assembly.

Exemption from registration

3. A person who on any premises which is used for the undertaking carried on by him keeps or uses, or causes to be used or permits to be kept or used, specified natural gas or a natural gas product

(**1**) 1993 c. 12; *see* sections 8(8) and 15(3) which provide that in those sections the reference to the Secretary of State shall have effect as a reference to the Department of the Environment

(**2**) 1954 c. 33 (N.I.)