Draft Regulations laid before the Assembly under sections 6(2)(a) and 53(3) of the Climate Change Act (Northern Ireland) 2022 for approval

DRAFT STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2024 No. 0000

CLIMATE CHANGE

The Climate Change (2040 Emissions Target) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2024

Made - - - - xx xxxx 2024

Coming into operation in accordance with regulation 1(2)

The Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs makes these Regulations in exercise of the power conferred by section 5(2) of the Climate Change Act (Northern Ireland) 2022(**a**).

Before being laid before the Assembly, the Department requested, and took into account, advice from the Committee on Climate Change, in accordance with section 56(2) of the Act.

Citation and commencement

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Climate Change (2040 Emissions Target) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2024.

(2) These Regulations come into operation on the day after the day on which they are made.

Setting of the target for 2040

2. In section 3 of the Climate Change Act (Northern Ireland) 2022, for "in line with the target for the year 2050" substitute "at least 77% lower than the baseline".

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs on xx xxxx 2024.

A senior officer of the
Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs

(**a**) 2022 c. 31 (N.I.)

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend Part 1 of the Climate Change Act (Northern Ireland) 2022 to set the emissions reduction target for 2040 as a percentage. This implements a recommendation from the UK Committee on Climate Change.

The Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs has carried out the required impact assessments and conducted a 16-week public consultation.

A regulatory impact assessment has been produced for this Statutory Rule. Copies can be obtained from Climate Change and Green Growth Policy Division, Clare House, 303 Airport Road West, Belfast, BT3 9ED or by emailing GreenGrowthFeedback@daera-ni.gov.uk.

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