STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1979 No. 839

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING, ENGLAND AND WALES TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING, SCOTLAND

The Town and Country Planning (Industrial Development Certificates: Exemption) Order 1979

Made	16 July 1979
Laid before Parliament	17 July 1979
Coming into Operation	7 August 1979

The Secretary of State, in exercise of his powers under sections 69 and 287 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1971(**a**) and sections 67 and 273 of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1972(**b**), hereby directs as follows:–

1. —(1) This Order may be cited as the Town and Country Planning (Industrial Development Certificates: Exemption) Order 1979 and shall come into operation on 7th August 1979.

(2) The Town and Country Planning (Industrial Development Certificates: Exemption) Order 1976(**c**) and the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) (Industrial Development Certificates: Exemption) Order 1978(**d**) are hereby revoked.

2. The provisions of section 68(1) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1971 and section 66(1) of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1972 shall have effect as if the number of square feet specified in each of those subsections were 50,000.

Keith Joseph
Secretary of State
Department of Industry

16th July 1979.

(**a**) 1971 c.78.
(**b**) 1972 c.52.
(**c**) S.I. 1976/565.
(**d**) S.I. 1978/327.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

This Order amends section 68(1) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1971 and revokes the Town and Country Planning (Industrial Development Certificates: Exemption) Order 1976. It also amends section 66(1) of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1972 and revokes the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) (Industrial Development Certificates: Exemption) Order 1978.

Under the Order industrial development in England, Wales and Scotland will now require an industrial development certificate only if the industrial floor space to be created by the development together with the industrial floor space created by any related development exceeds 50,000 square feet. The exemption limit previously in force was 12,500 square feet in certain areas of England and 15,000 square feet in the rest of England, and in Scotland and Wales. The Order does not affect the existing exemption whereby no industrial development certificate is required in respect of any industrial development of land in the development and intermediate areas.

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