STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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TAXES

The Stamp Duty Land Tax (Amendment of Part 4 of the Finance Act 2003) Regulations 2004

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The Treasury, in exercise of the powers conferred upon them by section 50(2) and (3) of the Finance Act 2003(1) make the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Stamp Duty Land Tax (Amendment of Part 4 of the Finance Act 2003) Regulations 2004 and shall come into force 7th April 2004.

Amendment of the Finance Act 2003

- 2. Part 4 of the Finance Act 2003 is amended as follows.
- **3.** In section 47(3)—
 - (a) at the end of the entry relating to paragraph 5 and 6 of Schedule 4 (exchanges, partition, etc) omit "and"; and
 - (b) after that entry insert the following entry—
 - "paragraph 17 of that Schedule (arrangements involving public or educational bodies), and".
- **4.**—(1) Amend Schedule 4 (stamp duty land tax: chargeable consideration) as follows.
- (2) In paragraph 5 (consideration in the cases of exchanges)—
 - (a) in sub-paragraph (6) omit the entry relating to paragraph 17; and
 - (b) after that sub-paragraph add—
 - "(7) This paragraph does not apply in a case to which paragraph 17 applies.".

- (3) In paragraph 17 (determining the chargeable consideration arrangements for land transactions involving public or educational bodies)(2)—
 - (a) in sub-paragraph (1)—
 - (i) for paragraphs (a) and (b) substitute—
 - "(a) there is a transfer, or the grant or assignment of a lease, of land by a qualifying body ("A") to a non-qualifying body ("B") ("the main transfer"),
 - (b) in consideration (whether in whole or in part) of the main transfer there is a grant by A to B of a lease or under-lease of the whole, or substantially the whole, of that land ("the leaseback"),";
 - (ii) for the words from "whether or not" to the end substitute—

"whether or not there is also a transfer, or the grant or assignment of a lease, of any other land by A to B (a "transfer of surplus land").";

- (b) for sub-paragraphs (3) and (4) substitute—
 - "(3) The following shall not count as chargeable consideration for the main transfer or any transfer of surplus land—
 - (a) the lease-back;
 - (b) the carrying out of building works by B for A; or
 - (c) the provision of services by B to A.
 - (4) The chargeable consideration for the lease back does not include—
 - (a) the main transfer;
 - (b) any transfer of surplus land; or
 - (c) the consideration in money paid by A to B for the building works or other services referred to in sub-paragraph (3).";
- (c) for sub-paragraph (5)(b) substitute—
 - "(b) references in sub-paragraph (1) to assignment were references to assignation.".

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6th April 2004

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend Part 4 of the Finance Act 2003 (c. 14: "the Act") to make further provision in respect of the computation of chargeable consideration in respect of land transactions involving public or educational bodies.

Regulation 1 provides for the citation and commencement of the instrument.

Regulation 2 introduces the amendments.

Regulation 3 makes an amendment to section 47 of the Act consequential upon the changes to Schedule 4 which are contained in regulation 4.

Regulation 4 amends Schedule 4 to the Act. The amendments disapply paragraph 5 in the case of a land transaction to which paragraph 17 applies, and amend the manner in which chargeable consideration is computed in a case to which that paragraph applies.

These Regulations do not impose any new costs on business.