

**PLANNING AMENDMENT
(NORTHERN IRELAND) ORDER 2003**

S.I. 2003 No. 430 (N.I. 8)

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

COMMENTARY ON ARTICLES

Other changes relating to enforcement

Article 15 - Hazardous substances

This Article provides that a person found guilty of an offence relating to hazardous substances shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding £30,000 or, on conviction on indictment, to a fine. The courts when determining either level of fine shall, in particular, have regard to any financial benefit, which has accrued or appears likely to be accrued, in consequence of the offence. It also allows for hazardous substances contravention notices to require only a partial remedy, if this is considered appropriate.