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PLANT HEALTH

**Potatoes Originating in the Netherlands (Notification)
(Revocation) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2005**

Made - - - - - *14th June 2005*

Coming into operation *6th July 2005*

The Department of Agriculture and Rural Development(a), being a Department designated(b) for the purposes of section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972(c) in relation to the common agricultural policy of the European Community, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by the said section 2(2), and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Potatoes Originating in the Netherlands (Notification) (Revocation) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2005 and shall come into operation on 6th July 2005.

(2) The Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954(d) shall apply to these Regulations as it applies to an Act of the Assembly.

Revocation of Regulations

2. The Potatoes Originating in the Netherlands (Notification) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1999(e) are hereby revoked.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development on 14th June 2005.

(L.S.)

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(a) Formerly the Department of Agriculture for Northern Ireland; see S.I. 1999/283 (N.I. 1), Art. 3(4)
(b) See S.I. 2000/2812
(c) 1972 c. 68: section 2 is subject to Schedule 2 and to that Act and is to be read with S.I. 1984/703 (N.I. 3) and S.I. 1994/2795 (N.I. 15)
(d) 1954 c. 33 (N.I.)
(e) S.R. 1999 No. 1

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations revoke the Potatoes Originating in the Netherlands (Notification) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1999 (S.R. 1999 No. 1).

The 1999 Regulations required a person intending to land in Northern Ireland potatoes grown in 1998 in the Netherlands to give to an inspector, at least two days prior notification of that intention and to provide a specified information about those potatoes, and provided plant health inspectors with powers to check compliance with and enforce the Regulations. They also prescribed a fee where a sample of seed potatoes was taken in exercise of those powers for the purpose of ascertaining whether the potatoes were infected with *Pseudomonas solanacearum* (Smith) Smith. These Regulations are now of no practical effect as potatoes originating in the Netherlands and grown in 1998 are no longer traded.

No Regulatory Impact Assessment has been prepared for these Regulations.

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