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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2004 No. 3391**

**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION  
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION**

**The Environmental Information Regulations 2004**

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**THE ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION REGULATIONS 2004**

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**Changes to legislation:** There are currently no known outstanding effects for the  
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