EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations make amendments to the Equality Act 2010 ("the 2010 Act") and the Equality Act 2010 (Specific Duties) (Scotland) Regulations 2012 ("the 2012 Regulations").

Regulation 2 adds Scottish National Investment Bank p.l.c. and South of Scotland Enterprise to section 1(3) of the 2010 Act which lists authorities which are subject to the public sector duty regarding socio-economic inequalities.

Regulation 3 adds Scottish National Investment Bank p.l.c. to the list of public authorities in the 2012 Regulations. Regulation 3 also modifies the 2012 Regulations in their application to Scottish National Investment Bank p.l.c. so as to provide different dates by which certain duties have to be complied with, and amends regulation 8A of the 2012 Regulations to provide different dates by which publication is to take place by Scottish National Investment Bank p.l.c. under regulations 7(1) and 8(1) of the 2012 Regulations. Regulation 3 also adds a further category of "relevant period" for the purposes of regulation 8A(3) of the 2012 Regulations.