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I, ALAN KELLY, Minister for the Environment, Community and Local Government, in exercise of the powers conferred on me by section 3 of the European Communities Act 1972 (No. 27 of 1972) and for the purpose of giving effect to Commission Delegated Directives 2015/573/EU and 2015/574/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 30 January 2015, amending, for the purposes of adapting to technical progress Annex IV to Directive 2011/65/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 8 June 2011 on the restriction of the use of certain hazardous substances in electrical and electronic equipment hereby make the following Regulations:

*Citation*

1. These Regulations may be cited as the European Union (Restriction of Certain Hazardous Substances in Electrical and Electronic Equipment) (Amendment) Regulations 2016.

*Purpose of Regulations*

2. The purposes for which these Regulations are made include the purpose of giving effect to the provisions of Commission Delegated Directives 2015/573/EU and 2015/574/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 30 January 2015, amending, for the purposes of adapting to technical progress Annex IV to Directive 2011/65/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 8 June 2011 on the restriction of the use of certain hazardous substances in electrical and electronic equipment.

*Amendment of Definition*

3. Regulation 3(1) of the European Union (Restriction of Certain Hazardous Substances in Electrical and Electronic Equipment) Regulations 2012 (S.I. No. 513 of 2012) is amended by substituting for the definition of “the Directive” the following:

“ “ the Directive” means European Parliament and Council Directive 2011/65/EU on the restriction of the use of certain hazardous substances in electrical and electronic equipment, as amended by Commission Delegated Directives 2012/50/EU and 2012/51/EU of 10 October 2012 and Commission Delegated Directives 2014/1/EU, 2014/2/EU, 2014/3/EU, 2014/4/EU, 2014/5/EU, 2014/6/EU, 2014/7/EU, 2014/8/EU, 2014/9/EU, 2014/10/EU, 2014/11/EU, 2014/12/EU, 2014/13/EU, 2014/14/EU, 2014/15/EU and 2014/16/EU of 18 October 2013 and Commission Delegated Directives 2014/69/EU, 2014/70/EU, 2014/71/EU, 2014/72/EU, 2014/73/EU, 2014/74/EU, 2014/75/EU and 2014/76/EU of 13 March 2014 and Commission Delegated

*Notice of the making of this Statutory Instrument was published in  
“Iris Oifigiúil” of 5th February, 2016.*

Directives 2015/573/EU and 2015/574/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 30 January 2015;”.



GIVEN under my Official Seal,  
1 February 2016.

ALAN KELLY,  
Minister for the Environment, Community and  
Local Government.

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Instrument and does not purport to be a legal interpretation.)*

These Regulations amend the European Union (Restriction of Certain Hazardous Substances in Electrical and Electronic Equipment) Regulations 2012 (S.I. No. 513 of 2012) in order to give effect to the provisions of the following Commission Delegated Directives:

- (a) Commission Delegated Directive (EU) 2015/573 of 30 January 2015 amending, for the purposes of adapting to technical progress, Annex IV to Directive 2011/65/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards an exemption for lead in polyvinyl chloride sensors in in-vitro diagnostic medical devices;
- (b) Commission Delegated Directive (EU) 2015/574 of 30 January 2015 amending, for the purposes of adapting to technical progress, Annex IV to Directive 2011/65/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards an exemption for mercury in intravascular ultrasound imaging systems.

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