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ustainability in your office, small changes can make a big difference. However, encouraging buy-in from your employees can sometimes prove difficult. e the switch to sustainability much more seamless.

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New Legislation



Pressure Vessels, Electrical Equipment and Pressure Equipment (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2018

amend the Simple Pressure Vessels (Safety) Regulations 2016, the Electrical Equipment (Safety) Regulations 2016 and the Pressure Equipment (Safety) Regulations 2016. The Regulations are made in relation to enforcement by the Health and Safety Executive for Northern Ireland (HSENI) with enforcement by the Health and Safety Executive (HSE) in Great Britain, following errors in these Regulations.

The Regulations will come into force on 01 October 2018.

text of the Regulations here:

[Vessels, Electrical Equipment and Pressure Equipment \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Northern Ireland\) Regulations 2018](#)

Consultation



Fluorinated Greenhouse Gases (Amendment) Regulations (NI) 2018

Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs is currently consulting on proposed draft new legislation on fluorinated greenhouse gases (“F-gases”). In the context of climate change, F-gases have a high Global Warming Potential (“GWP”), contributing to the rising global temperatures. EU legislation therefore requires that the use of F-gases is restricted and that measures are taken to reduce their use. Regulations have therefore been compiled for Northern Ireland (including on offshore installations in NI waters), as F-gases are used in a number of sectors of industry in NI.

Some of the key provisions of these amending Regulations are the introduction of new requirements for businesses on labelling of equipment containing F-gases, the inclusion of new offences relating to refrigerated trucks and trailers in several F-gas offences, and a new requirement for businesses transferring F-gas work to another organisation.

The Regulations also contain a new certification requirement for work with F-gases in stationary refrigeration, air conditioning, heat pumps and refrigeration units of trucks and trailers, and amend existing provisions on certification for work with F-gases in electrical switchgear.

Comments are due on **26 October at 23:59**.

View the consultation and draft regulations here:

[Fluorinated Greenhouse Gases \(Amendment\) Regulations \(NI\) 2018](#)

Consultation on draft Industry Noise Action Plan – Round 3s

Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs (DAERA) is seeking your comments on the proposed Round 3 Industry Noise Action Plan, which sets out how DAERA, in conjunction with the Environment Agency (NIEA), as the competent Authority for industrial noise, will deliver their obligations under the Environmental Noise Directive (END).

The Environmental Noise Directive 92/02/49/EC (END) aims to avoid, prevent and reduce, on a prioritised basis, the harmful effects, including annoyance, resulting from noise. This Directive was transposed in Northern Ireland by the Environmental Noise Regulations (NI) 2006 which require noise mapping to be undertaken in certain areas. Noise Action Plans, to deal with priority areas on noise pollution, are then drafted based on the Noise MAPS. This consultation deals with the third round of

Noise Action Plan follows the approach set out in the Department's Technical Guidance on Noise Mapping and Action Planning issued in 2013, and which DAERA/NIEA can comply with the requirements of the END. The Action Plan analyses the results of the noise mapping in terms of the area, number of people exposed to various levels of noise. The plan identifies the numbers of people affected by the highest levels of industrial noise in the Belfast agglomeration investigation.

ends on **05 November 2018 at 23:59**.

consultation documents and the process for providing comments on the Round 3 Industrial Noise Action Plan here:
[Industry Noise Action Plan – Round 3s](#)

Updates



Importing Material Import Requirements into Northern Ireland

of all kinds with wood packaging material which includes solid wood pallets and wood to support goods during transport need to be aware that there are strict requirements because wood packaging material is a known pathway for the introduction of harmful tree and forestry pests and diseases.

requirements and use the flowchart to determine import requirements for the wood packaging used in the transport of goods from the EU or third countries.

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UK food industry commits to new roadmap to halve food waste

retailers, food producers and manufacturers, and service companies have committed to a new industry Food Waste Reduction Roadmap in conjunction with IGD and WRAP to tackle



. To accompany the roadmap and toolkit
guidance and templates to help you 'Target,
food waste.

[links to a landmark roadmap to halve food](#)

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