STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS.

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I, EAMON RYAN, Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications, 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 further effect to Directive (EU) 2019/904/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 5 June 2019 on the reduction of the impact of certain plastics on the environment1 hereby make the following Regulations:

1. These Regulations may be cited as the European Union (Single Use Plastics) (Amendment) Regulations 2022.

2. In these Regulations “Principal Regulations” means the European Union (Single Use Plastics) (No.2) Regulations 2021 (No. 516 of 2021)

3. Regulation 2(1) of the Principal Regulations is amended by inserting the following:

“‘Minister’ means the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications.”

4. Regulation 10(2) of the Principal Regulations is amended by inserting after paragraph (2)(a)(i)(II) the following:

“(III) data on fishing gear containing plastic placed on the market and on waste fishing gear collected in the State each year”.

GIVEN under my Official Seal,
22 March 2022.

EAMON RYAN
Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications.

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1 OJ No. L 155, 12.6.2019, p. 1

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

This Statutory Instrument amends the European Union (Single Use Plastics) (No. 2) Regulations 2021 (S.I. No. 516 of 2021) to clarify the Minister with responsibility for the functions set out therein and to give further effect to Directive (EU) 2019/904/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 5 June 2019 on the reduction of the impact of certain plastics on the environment as regards data collection on fishing gear containing plastic and waste fishing gear.