

required so to do either by notice served on him or by a direction issued by the Ministry, keep such books, accounts and records relating to the undertaking as may be prescribed by the notice or direction.

(2) Every person carrying on or employed in connection with any undertaking involving the production, treatment, keeping, storage, movement, transport, distribution, disposal, acquisition, use, or consumption of coal shall, if requested so to do by or on behalf of the Ministry :

- (a) produce to such person, or to a person of such class or description, as may be mentioned in the request, such books, accounts or other documents relating to the undertaking as may be mentioned or described in the request ; and
- (b) furnish to such person, or to a person of such class or description, as may be mentioned in the request and within such period, and on and in such form (if any), as may be prescribed by the request, such estimates, returns or information relating to the undertaking, as may be mentioned or described in the request ; and
- (c) permit such person, or a person of such class or description, as may be authorised by the Ministry in that behalf, to enter and inspect any premises used for or in connection with the undertaking, with a view to securing compliance with this Order, and any person in possession of any such premises, and his agents and servants, shall furnish the means required for such entry and inspection.

(3) In this Article the expression " coal " includes bituminous coal, cannel coal, anthracite, coke, and any manufactured fuel of which coal, anthracite or coke is the principal constituent.

2.—In this Order the expression " Ministry " means the Ministry of Commerce for Northern Ireland.

3.—This Order shall come into force on the 29th day of December, 1941, and may be cited as the Coal (Records and Information) (Northern Ireland) Order, 1941.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Commerce for Northern Ireland this 29th day of December, 1941, in the presence of

(L.S.)

(Signed) *D. A. E. Harkness*,  
Assistant Secretary.

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### Supply.

THE COAL SUPPLY (NORTHERN IRELAND) ORDER, 1941, DATED 11TH NOVEMBER, 1941, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE FOR NORTHERN IRELAND UNDER REGULATION 55 OF THE DEFENCE (GENERAL) REGULATIONS, 1939.

1941. No. 189.

The Ministry of Commerce for Northern Ireland in pursuance of Regulation 55 of the Defence (General) Regulations, 1939, hereby orders, as follows :—

1.—(1) Every coal merchant :—

- (a) shall dispose of coal in accordance with any direction given by the Ministry ;
- (b) shall not dispose of coal in contravention of any direction given by the Ministry ;

and no person shall acquire coal from a coal merchant save in accordance with or in contravention of (as the case may be) any such direction.

(2) Without prejudice to the generality of the provisions contained in sub-paragraph (1) of this paragraph, any direction under this paragraph may be given in respect of coal generally or of any class, description or grade of coal or of any particular coal or quantity of coal mentioned in the direction specifying as regards coal merchants generally or any class or description of coal merchants or any coal merchant to whom such direction is addressed :—

- (a) the purposes for and the terms and conditions (other than as regards price) on which it shall or shall not be disposed of ;
- (b) the person or class or description of persons to whom it shall or shall not be disposed of ;
- (c) the method and manner in which it shall or shall not be transported.

(3) In this paragraph the expression “ coal merchant ” means any person carrying on the business of dealing in or disposing of coal other than an owner of a coal mine or other place at which coal is produced.

2.—(1) No undertaker or consumer shall acquire any coal in contravention of any direction given by the Ministry ; and no person shall dispose of any coal to any undertaker or consumer in contravention of any such direction.

(2) Without prejudice to the generality of the provisions contained in sub-paragraph (1) of this paragraph, any direction under this paragraph may be given in respect of coal generally or of any class, description or grade of coal, or of any particular coal or quantity of coal mentioned in the direction :—

- (a) prohibiting its acquisition by undertakers or consumers to whom the direction applies ; or
- (b) specifying as regards undertakers or consumers to whom the direction applies :—
  - (i) the purposes for and the terms and conditions (other than as regards price) on which it shall or shall not be acquired ;

- (ii) the person or class or description of persons from whom it shall or shall not be acquired ;
- (iii) the method and manner in which it shall or shall not be transported ;
- (iv) the source from or through and the periods of the year during which it shall or shall not be acquired.

3.—(1) Every undertaker or consumer in possession of coal shall if so directed by the Ministry store the whole of such coal or such part or quantity thereof as is mentioned in the direction and in accordance with any direction ; and no person shall acquire from any undertaker or consumer any coal which that undertaker or consumer has been directed to store save in accordance with any direction applicable thereto.

(2) In giving any direction under this paragraph the Ministry shall take into consideration the requirements of the undertaker or consumer and his facilities for storage.

4.—Without prejudice to the generality of the provisions contained in paragraphs 2 and 3 of this Order, any direction under either of those paragraphs may be given so as to apply to undertakers or consumers generally or to any class or description of undertakers or consumers or to any undertaker or consumer to whom the direction is addressed.

5.—The price (if any) at which coal shall be disposed of under any direction given in pursuance of the provisions of this Order shall be the price or shall not exceed the maximum price or be less than the minimum price (as the case may be) at which that coal may be disposed of in pursuance of and in accordance with the provisions of any Order made under the provisions of Regulation 55 of the Defence (General) Regulations, 1939, governing the disposal of such coal.

6.—Any person, or any person of such class or description, authorised by the Ministry in that behalf may, with a view to securing compliance with this Order, enter and inspect any premises on which he has reason to believe that any coal has been, is being or is likely to be produced, treated, kept, stored, moved, transported, distributed, disposed of, acquired, used or consumed and may inspect any coal found on any such premises ; and any person in possession of such premises, and his agents and servants, shall furnish the means required for such entry and inspection and shall give on demand to any such person samples of any coal on such premises.

7.—(1) In this Order, unless the context otherwise requires, the following expressions have the meanings hereby respectively assigned to them, that is to say :—

“ Coal ” includes bituminous coal, cannel coal, anthracite, coke and any manufactured fuel of which coal, anthracite or coke is the principal constituent.

"Consumer" means any person (whether or not an undertaker) requiring coal for the purposes of consumption in any premises not being premises used exclusively as a private dwelling house.

"Ministry" means Ministry of Commerce for Northern Ireland.

"Undertaker" means a person carrying on an undertaking (including a public utility undertaking) or business involving the disposal, acquisition, dealing in, use or consumption of coal; and "undertaking" shall be construed accordingly.

(2) For the purposes of this Order grades of coal may be determined according to any description indicating the size, quality, production, treatment, marketing or transport (or any two or more of them) of the coal.

(3) In this Order the expression "dispose of" and "acquire" shall be construed as including agreeing or offering to dispose of or acquire and, as so construed, shall include the disposal and acquisition of:—

(i) ownership or any proprietary interest; or

(ii) the right of possession; or

(iii) possession, whether or not accompanied by any disposal or acquisition or ownership or of any proprietary interest or of the right to possession.

8.—This Order shall come into force on the eleventh day of November, 1941, and may be cited as the Coal Supply (Northern Ireland) Order, 1941.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Commerce for Northern Ireland this eleventh day of November, 1941, in the presence of

(L.S.)

(Signed) *D. A. Harkness,*

Assistant Secretary.

## DEFENCE AREAS.

ORDER, DATED 18TH APRIL, 1941, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF PUBLIC SECURITY FOR NORTHERN IRELAND UNDER REGULATION 16B OF THE DEFENCE (GENERAL) REGULATIONS, 1939.

1941. No. 87.

In pursuance of the power conferred on it by Regulation 16B of the Defence (General) Regulations, 1939, the Ministry of Public Security for Northern Ireland hereby orders as follows:—