

C O K E .

Supply.

ORDER, DATED 21ST DECEMBER, 1944, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE UNDER REGULATIONS 55 AND 55AA OF THE DEFENCE (GENERAL) REGULATIONS, 1939.

1944. No. 110.

The Ministry of Commerce for Northern Ireland (in this Order referred to as "the Ministry") by virtue and in exercise of the powers under Regulations 55 and 55AA of the Defence (General) Regulations, 1939, delegated to it by the Minister of Fuel and Power hereby orders as follows :—

1. In any calendar month commencing 1st January, 1945, no producer of coke or merchant may sell or otherwise dispose of coke except in accordance with the following directions :—

- (a) Firstly to bakeries and industrial concerns on the basis of the average monthly quantity used or consumed but excluding any coke used for the heating of premises in the four months commenced on the 1st December, 1943 ;
- (b) Secondly to hospitals, schools and institutions for the sick, infirm or aged, wartime nurseries provided or approved by a Government Department or Local Authority for evacuated children or children of war workers on the basis of 90% (ninety per centum) of the average monthly quantity used or consumed in the four months commenced on the 1st December, 1943 ;
- (c) Thirdly to all other consumers (except domestic householders) on the basis of 75% (seventy-five per centum) of the average monthly quantity used or consumed for heating purposes in the four months commenced on the 1st December, 1943 ;
- (d) Fourthly to domestic householders on the basis of not more than one quarter ton per month per household ;

provided however that :—

- (1) No coke may be supplied to any consumer other than a domestic householder until he has certified to his supplier in writing that the quantity of coke in stock at the premises to which delivery is to be made is less than one-half of the monthly supply permitted under this Order ;
- (2) Where supplies are obtained by a consumer other than a domestic householder from two or more suppliers such consumer may not obtain from each of his suppliers a greater

proportion of the monthly supply permitted under the terms of this Order than is shown in the statement furnished under Paragraph 3 (c) of this Order ;

- (3) No coke may be supplied to a domestic householder unless he certifies to his supplier in writing that he has not more than one quarter ton in stock and no domestic householder may purchase or acquire coke from more than one supplier.

2. On or before the 28th December, 1944, each producer and merchant shall furnish to the Ministry a certified list of :—

- (a) consumers (other than domestic householders) ;
 (b) other producers or merchants supplied with quantities for resale ;

stating the names and addresses and the average monthly quantity supplied in the four months commenced on the 1st December, 1943.

3. On or before the 28th December, 1944, every consumer other than a domestic householder shall furnish a statement in writing to his suppliers and to the Ministry containing the following information :—

- (a) the purposes for which coke is used or consumed and the average monthly quantity used or consumed for each purpose in the four months commenced on the 1st December, 1943 ;
 (b) the total quantity in stock at the date of such statement ; and
 (c) the names and addresses of each of the suppliers from whom the coke was obtained and the average monthly quantity obtained from each in the four months commenced on the 1st December, 1943.

4. Each producer and each merchant shall keep records of all coke produced, imported, sold, purchased or acquired by him and such other Records as the Ministry may direct.

5. The Ministry may having regard to the existence of any exceptional circumstances authorise such exceptions or exemptions from the terms of this Order as it may deem necessary or expedient. Any producer or merchant as the case may be shall notify to the Ministry forthwith any matter which renders inaccurate or incomplete any entry in the lists submitted by them to the Ministry or any case of a consumer ceasing to draw supplies.

6. In this Order, unless the context otherwise requires, the following expressions have the meanings hereby assigned to them, that is to say :—

“Coke” includes any manufactured fuel of which coke is a constituent part.

“Producer” means any person or undertaking producing coke and includes a gasworks.

“ Merchant ” means any person engaged in any business involving the importation, purchase, distribution or sale of coke or products made from coke.

“ Existing consumers ” means any person drawing supplies at the date of this Order.

7. The expressions “ dispose of ” and “ acquire ” shall be construed as including, agreeing or offering to dispose of or acquire and as so construed shall include :—

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

8. This Order may be cited as the Coke Supply (Northern Ireland) Order, 1944.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Commerce for Northern Ireland this twenty-first day of December, 1944, in the presence of

(L.S.)

(Signed) *John I. Cook*,
Assistant Secretary.

EXERCISE OF POWERS.

Appropriate Department.

ORDER, DATED THE 31ST DAY OF MAY, 1944, MADE BY THE GOVERNOR OF NORTHERN IRELAND UNDER THE DEFENCE (GENERAL) REGULATIONS, 1939.

1944. No. 56.

BY THE GOVERNOR OF NORTHERN IRELAND.

ABERCORN.

WHEREAS under Regulations twenty-three AA and eighty-four AB of the Defence (General) Regulations, 1939, as modified in their application to Northern Ireland by paragraph (9B) of Regulation one hundred and two of the said Regulations, certain powers conferred upon a Regional Commissioner by the said Regulations twenty-three AA and eighty-four AB are, as respects Northern Ireland, exercisable by such department of the Government of Northern Ireland as the Governor of Northern Ireland may by order specify ;