

they may think fit, and all or any of such offices, other than that of Auditor, may be held by one person.

50. The Manager or Executive Officer and Secretary shall be a person or persons independent of and having no financial interest in the coal industry or any branch thereof, whether within the Area or elsewhere. The Manager or Executive Officer, Secretary, and Treasurer for the Control Committee of the Lothians Area may be the Associated Lothian Coal Owners Limited.

*Proceedings of the Control Committees.*

51. The Control Committee of each Area shall meet at least once in each month and otherwise as often as may be necessary for the effective and expeditious performance of its functions under the Scheme.

52. The Secretary of the Control Committee shall convene a meeting of the Control Committee whenever requested to do so by the Chairman or Vice-Chairman or by any two members of such Committee.

53. A meeting called at the request of members of the Control Committee shall be held within seven days of the receipt of the request, and the notice convening the meeting shall state the general nature of the business for which the meeting has been convened.

54. Unless shorter notice shall be unavoidably necessary, at least three clear days' notice shall be given to the members of the Control Committee specifying the place, day, and hour of every meeting of such Committee.

55. The Control Committee shall appoint a Chairman and Vice-Chairman from their own number and determine the periods for which they are to hold office respectively. In the absence of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman, the Committee may appoint a Chairman of the meeting from the members present.

56. The quorum for a meeting of the Control Committee shall be one third of the members for the time being of such Committee. If a quorum be not present within half-an-hour after the time appointed for holding a meeting, the Chairman shall adjourn it until such reasonable time as he may decide being not less than three days or more than seven days later and, at the adjourned meeting, of which notice shall be given, the members of the Control Committee actually present shall form a quorum.

57. Each member shall have one vote and, in the case of an equality of votes, the Chairman shall have a casting vote as well as a deliberative vote.

58. In addition to their power to appoint a Sales Committee as hereinafter provided, the Control Committee shall subject to the authority and direction of the Co-ordinating Committee have power to appoint Sub-Committees of their own members or other persons qualified in terms of Clauses 46, 47, and 47A hereof for nomination as members or for election as members of the Control Committee and to delegate to such Sub-Committees such powers as they may think fit.

59. All decisions of Sub-Committees shall be reported to and, except in the case of

the Sales Committee, shall be subject to review by the Control Committee. The decisions of the Sales Committee shall not be subject to such review except on an appeal taken by an Owner as hereinafter provided unless in the opinion of the Control Committee any such decision, which has not been made the subject of such appeal is detrimental to the effective and equitable administration of the Scheme or to the proper co-ordination of the control of the sale or supply of coal in the District or in the Area and that such decision having regard to contractual obligations or other commitments entered into or made by Owners in terms of or on the faith of such decision should as a reasonable and practicable matter be made the subject of review.

*Sales Committees for the Areas.*

60. The Control Committee for each Area shall under the authority and direction of the Co-ordinating Committee from time to time appoint a Sales Committee for the Area consisting of not less than six of their members or of persons qualified to be members and, in addition, the Chairman, or, in his absence, the Vice-Chairman of the Control Committee shall be a member of the Sales Committee *ex officio*:

Provided that in the case of the Sales Committee for the Lanarkshire Area each group of Owners in the respective tonnage classes determined as aforesaid for purposes of election of members and substitutes to the Control Committee shall be entitled to be represented on the Sales Committee:

Provided further that in the case of the Sales Committee for the Lothians Area the respective groups of Owners referred to in Clause 47A (1) hereof shall be entitled to be represented on the Sales Committee for the Area in the same relative proportions, as near as may be, as for representation on the Control Committee for the Area.

61. In the absence of any member of the Sales Committee any person for the time being nominated as his substitute on the Control Committee shall be entitled to attend meetings of the Sales Committee and exercise thereat all the powers of such member, and such substitutes shall be members of the Control Committee or persons qualified to be members.

62. The Sales Committee shall meet as often as may be necessary for the efficient and expeditious performance of its functions under the Scheme.

63. Each member of the Sales Committee shall have one vote. The Chairman of the Sales Committee shall be appointed by the Control Committee and in the case of an equality of votes, the Chairman shall have a casting vote as well as a deliberative vote. In the absence of the Chairman at any meeting, the Sales Committee may appoint a Chairman for the meeting from the members present. The quorum for a meeting of the Sales Committee shall be three members.

64. The Sales Committee shall act subject to such instructions as may from time to time be given by the Control Committee.

65. Subject to the provisions of the Scheme, the Sales Committee shall have