

sellers' works or at the nearest station or wharf into the purchasers' tank cars or barges, and sold according to the producers' weights and measurements. In cases where the seller supplies the tank cars an additional charge of 20s. for each 2,200 gallons capacity per week for the use of such cars is permitted.

In the case of Creosote Oil delivered from such Ocean installations as shall be approved by the Minister of Munitions, an additional charge of 3s. 8d. per gallon is permitted, which increase shall cover all charges for insurance, pumping and such other expenses as are usually defrayed by the purchaser.

The cost of analysis, measurement and sampling if required by the purchaser, may be charged in addition to the maximum prices above specified.

The cost of barrels (including coopering and filling) and the hire of barges used for transport may be charged for at current rates.

STATUTORY RULES AND ORDERS. 1918, No. 105.

DEFENCE OF THE REALM.

ORDER OF THE MINISTER OF MUNITIONS,
DATED 29TH JANUARY, 1918, UNDER REGULATION 2A (2) OF THE DEFENCE OF THE REALM REGULATIONS CONSTITUTING A SPECIAL AREA IN THE COUNTY OF LINCOLN FOR THE PURPOSES OF THAT SUB-SECTION.

The Minister of Munitions, being of opinion that as respects the area specified in the Schedule annexed hereto in which the work of manufacturing, producing, repairing, storing or transporting war material is being carried on, the ejection from their dwellings of workmen employed in that work is calculated to impede, delay or restrict that work, in pursuance of the powers conferred upon him by the Defence of the Realm Regulations, hereby orders and declares that the area specified in the Schedule annexed hereto is a special area for the purpose of sub-section 2 of Regulation 2A of the Defence of the Realm Regulations.

Winston S. Churchill.

Dated this 29th day of January, 1918.

SCHEDULE.

The Urban Districts of Scunthorpe, Brumby and Frodingham, and the Parishes of Crosby and Ashby, all in the county of Lincoln.

Ministry of Munitions.

1st February, 1918.

IRON AND STEEL.

NOTICE ALTERING MAXIMUM PRICE OF MARKED BARS, AND LIMITING EXTRAS CHARGEABLE ON SALES OF STEEL IN SHELL DISCARD QUALITY.

With reference to the General Permit of 1st November, 1916, issued by the Minister of Munitions as subsequently modified fixing maximum prices for (amongst other things) Bar Iron and Steel, the Minister of Munitions hereby gives notice as follows:—

1. As from the date hereof until further notice the said General Permit shall take effect as if under the heading "Maximum Basis Prices for Bar Iron" the following words, namely:—

"Marked Bars, £16 per ton, nett f.o.t. makers' works" were substituted for the words

"Marked Bars, £15 10s. per ton less 2½ per cent f.o.t. makers' works."

2. As from the date hereof until further notice the proviso in condition 2 of the said General Permit that such condition (relating to maximum prices) shall not apply to a sale or purchase of material the export of which has been duly sanctioned, shall not apply to any sale or purchase of Bar Iron.

3. As from the date hereof until further notice no extra for Tensile Quality contained in any list of authorised extras chargeable on steel material for the time being current and issued on behalf of the Minister of Munitions for the purposes of the said General Permit as subsequently modified shall be charged on any sale of steel in Shell Discard Quality in addition to the maximum basis prices set out in the said General Permit as subsequently modified.

NOTE.—In cases where Shell Discard Steel has been transferred to works other than those of the maker for rolling down into special small billet sizes in order to meet urgent requirements, permits for selling such billets at prices other than those authorised under the said General Permit may be granted if the proposed price is approved.

Application for such permits should be made to the Controller of Iron and Steel Production, Room 382, Ministry of Munitions of War, Whitehall Place, S.W. 1.

Ministry of Munitions,

31st January, 1918.

ORDER.

ROSIN AND ROSIN OIL.

The Minister of Munitions, in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by the Defence of the Realm Regulations and all other powers thereunto enabling him, hereby gives notice and orders as follows:—

1. Any person holding or having under his control any Rosin or Rosin Oil, whether in stock or transit, shall, within seven days of the date hereof furnish returns to the Controller, Non-Ferrous Materials Supply, M.S.-L.; at the address undermentioned, containing full particulars of such Rosin or Rosin Oil, the grade thereof, the purposes for which the same are intended, and the average monthly consumption of Rosin and Rosin Oil by such person for any purpose during the year 1917; provided that no such return is required from any person unless he has at some time since the 1st January, 1917, had in his possession or under his control an amount of Rosin exceeding three ordinary American barrels, or one cask of French, Spanish, or Portuguese Rosin, or an amount of Rosin Oil exceeding 7 cwts. net weight.

2. No person shall as from the date hereof until further notice, except for the purpose of carrying out a contract in writing for the sale or purchase of Rosin or Rosin Oil existing at the date hereof, purchase, sell, supply or deliver, or offer to purchase, sell, supply or deliver any Rosin or Rosin Oil, whether situate in or outside the United Kingdom, except under and in accordance with the terms of a licence issued under the authority of the Ministry of Munitions, provided that no licence shall be required by any person for the purchase of Rosin or Rosin Oil in quantities not exceeding an aggregate of three ordinary American barrels or one