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The Notices setting out the variations which have been made are dated 11th March, 1918, from which date such variations take effect as provided by the Trade Boards Act.

Further particulars in regard to the notices issued by the Trade Board will be furnished to any person affected on application to the Secretary of the Trade Board at the address given below.

> G. T. Reid, Secretary.

Office of Trade Boards, 5, Chancery Lane, London, W.C. 2.

> Ministry of Munitions of War, 12th March, 1918.

### ORDER.

## BISMUTH ORES, BISMUTH METAL AND PRODUCTS THEREFROM.

1. In exercise of the powers conferred upon him by Regulation 30A of the Defence of the Realm Regulations, the Minister of Munitions hereby orders that the war material to which that Regulation applies shall include war material of the following classes and descriptions, namely:—

All Bismuth-bearing ores and Bismuth metal and alloys and salts derived or produced therefrom.

2. In exercise of the powers conferred on him by the Defence of the Realm Regulations and all other powers thereunto enabling him, the Minister of Munitions hereby orders as follows:—

(1) Every person holding any stock of any of the material specified in Clause 1 of this Order shall within fourteen days from the date hereof furnish full particulars of any such stock to the Controller of Non-Ferrous Materials Supply, Ministry of Munitions, 8, Northumberland Avenue, London, W.C. 2 (hereinafter referred to as the Controller).

(2) Every owner, lessee or licensee of a mine or mines producing Bismuth-bearing ores situate in the United Kingdom shall, within fourteen days from the date hereof and once in every month thereafter, make to the Controller, on and in accordance with the form prescribed by the Controller, a return showing particulars of his monthly output and deliveries of Bismuth ore, concentrates and stocks on hand at the end of each month.

(3) Every merchant, importer or broker who receives consignments from outside the United Kingdom of Bismuth ores shall, within fourteen days from the date hereof and once in every month thereafter, make to the Controller on and in accordance with the form prescribed by the Controller, a return showing all shipments afloat and all parcels landed or in warehouse during the month preceding the day of the return.

(4) Every person who treats any ore to which this Order applies or manufactures any material or article therefrom shall, within fourteen days from the date hereor and once in every month thereafter, make to the Controller on and in accordance with the form prescribed by the Controller, a return showing stock in hand, receipts and consumption of such ore and stock in hand, output and deliveries of manufactures from such ore.

(5) Every person who in any manufacture uses Bismuth metal or any alloy thereof shall, on the 1st day of April, 1918, and thereafter on the first day of every calendar month, make to the Controller a return on and in accordance with the form prescribed by the Controller, showing the quantity of Bismuth metal or any alloy thereof received by him from the producer, the quantity consumed by him in such manufacture during the preceding month, and the stock in hand at the end of the said month.

(6) Notwithstanding the above, no return is required from any person whose total stock in hand and not intended to be used in connection with the manufacture or alloy of steel or other metal has not during the period for which a return would but for this exception have been required exceeded in the case of

> Bismuth salts ... 56 lbs. Bismuth metal or alloy thereof ... 14 lbs.

3. Every return made by any person for the purpose of this Order shall be signed by such person, or, if the return is made on behalf of a firm or company, shall be signed by a partner, director, manager or other responsible official, and every statement contained therein shall be true and accurate.

4. Applications for permits under this Order should be made to the Controller of Non-Ferrous Materials Supply, M.S./P. Ministry of Munitions, 8, Northumberland Avenue, W.C. 2.

5. This Order may be cited as the Bismuth Order, 1918.

## NOTICE.

OF GENERAL PERMIT UNDER THE ABOVE ORDER.

The Minister of Munitions gives notice, that he hereby until further notice permits any person to purchase Bismuth metal and Bismuth salts not exceeding in any one calendar month in the case of Bismuth metal a total quantity of 10 lbs. and in the case of Bismuth salts a total quantity of 56 lbs., provided that the same are purchased and in fact used for pharmaceutical or medical purposes only, and further permits a sale to any person purchasing as hereinbefore authorised.

March 12, 1918.

Ministry of Munitions of War, 12th March, 1918.

# ORDER.

#### SHELLAC.

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 orders as follows:—-

1. Every person holding or having under his control, whether in stock or transit, any Shellac as hereinafter defined, shall within seven days of the date hereof furnish a return to the Controller, Non-Ferrous Materials Supply M.S./L. at the address undermentioned, containing full particulars of such Shellac, the respective grades thereof, the purposes for which the same is intended, and the average monthly consump-