

writing to the Board of Trade within seven days of the passing of an effective Resolution hereunder, any Owner may so submit the same; and

(d) The alteration or new Scheme (as the case may be) shall not come into force unless and until approved by the Board of Trade and shall then be operative from such date as may be prescribed by them.

#### *Classification of Coal.*

21. The Board shall allocate the coal produced at each coal mine into classes such classification being made at the discretion of the Board according to the nature of the coal or of the trade, industry or other category of consumer supplied, or according to whether the coal be supplied for use in Great Britain or for export to any other country.

22. Any classification made by the Board under the Scheme shall immediately be communicated to all the Owners.

23. If any Owner is dissatisfied with any classification made by the Board in respect of his coal mine or mines, he may give notice of objection to the Board at any time within fourteen days after such classification being communicated to him as aforesaid, and the Board shall thereupon reconsider the matter and deliver their decision thereon without delay.

#### *Determination of Standard Tonnage.*

24. The Board shall determine an annual standard tonnage for each coal mine or undertaking, and may, if they think fit, further distribute the standard tonnage fixed for any such mine or undertaking among the various classes of coal produced therefrom:

Provided that such distribution of the standard tonnages among classes of coal shall be effected for all coal mines or undertakings producing those classes of coal or any of them.

25. In every determination of standard tonnages the Board shall have regard to the special circumstances of every coal mine including the efficiency and economy of the working of the coal mine, the extent to which it has been developed or is being developed for economic working, and the extent to which its output has been increasing or decreasing.

26. For the purpose of assisting the Board in determination of standard tonnages, each Owner shall furnish to the Board upon notice given to him by the Board, a statement in writing giving any information which the Board may require for the purpose of fixing standard tonnages and specifying the name and situation of every coal mine owned by him within the District and the output of each mine or undertaking during the twelve months ended 31st December, 1929, and the tonnage of such output, save in so far as any variation or adjustment thereof may be called for under the provisions of the last preceding Clause of the Scheme, shall be the annual standard tonnage of his coal mine or undertaking.

27. Every Owner may also include in the aforesaid statement, particulars of any seasonal fluctuations in trade and the respective quantities of each class of coal comprised in the output, besides particulars in writing of any claim (together with the evidence necessary to substantiate the same) for special

consideration to be given to his mine or undertaking in view of the special circumstances pertaining thereto, and upon such an application being submitted, the Board shall consider the same and fix the standard tonnage having regard to such application.

28. In any case where the annual standard tonnage cannot be ascertained by means of the above provisions, the Board may decide the basis of the standard tonnage and shall fix the same having regard to the special circumstances of the mine.

29. Notice of the annual standard tonnages so determined by the Board and of the results of any such revision thereof as is hereafter mentioned in Clause 30 of the Scheme, shall immediately be given by the Board to all the Owners.

30. Subject to the provisions of Clause 31 of the Scheme, the standard tonnage determined by the Board upon the first determination thereof, shall, save in so far as the Board's determination may be varied by an arbitrator, remain unchanged unless and until a general revision of all the standard tonnages for the District shall be decided upon by the Board.

31. Where after the commencement of the Scheme an Owner purchases or otherwise acquires any coal mine or undertaking, the standard tonnage of the coal mine or undertaking so acquired added to the standard tonnage of any other coal mine or undertaking belonging to such Owner shall, if the Owner so desires constitute the standard tonnage of the combined undertaking and on any subsequent determination of standard tonnages, such combined undertaking shall be treated in the same way as if the standard tonnages so constituted were the standard tonnage of the combined undertaking under the last previous determination of standard tonnages for the District:

Provided that where an Owner purchases or otherwise acquires part only of an undertaking in respect of which a standard tonnage has been determined under the Scheme, the proportion of that standard tonnage to be added to the standard tonnage of any other coal mine or undertaking belonging to such Owner shall be determined by the Board, and that amount shall be deducted from the standard tonnage of the undertaking of which the part has been so acquired.

32. If any Owner is dissatisfied with any standard tonnage so determined and communicated to him as aforesaid, or with any special condition attaching thereto, or with the omission of any special condition desired by the Owner, he may give notice of objection to the Board at any time within fourteen days of such communication and the Board shall thereupon reconsider the matter and deliver their decision thereon without delay.

#### *Determination of Quotas.*

33.—(1) The Board shall as soon as the first District Allocation has been settled and thereafter from time to time, determine the proportion (hereafter in the Scheme referred to as "the quota") of the standard tonnage that may be produced from each coal mine or undertaking, having regard among other matters to the estimated demand for the coal of the District during the period covered by