

special addition or a revision under Clause 48 or an adjustment under Clause 49 of the Scheme should be made, as the case may be, shall with such statement furnish to the Board a notice in writing stating the addition or revised or adjusted annual basic tonnage which he claims, together with any evidence required to substantiate the claim.

51.—(1) Within seven days of the date of the notice of any determination of the annual basic tonnage of his coal mine the owner may give notice in writing to the Board specifying the proportion of such tonnage which he desires to be allocated to each quarter and subject to the approval of the Board such allocations shall be the quarterly basic tonnages of that coal mine. In default of such notice or if the Board do not approve the proportions specified in such notice the Board may divide such annual tonnage into quarterly tonnages in such proportions as may be fair and equitable. The Board may from time to time revise such quarterly tonnages where it is fair and equitable to do so.

(2) Notice of any quarterly basic tonnage determined under this Clause shall forthwith be given to the Owner.

Purchase of Coal by the Board.

52.—(1) Unless such supply is not reasonably practicable by reason of any strike, lock-out or accident at his coal mine or any other cause beyond the control of the Owner, each Owner shall load and despatch coal from his coal mine for supply to the Board in accordance with the directions of the Selling Committee. Any Owner who is unable so to load and despatch coal shall give immediate notice to the Selling Committee.

(2) The Board shall in each quarter so far as possible take coal from each Owner in proportion to the quarterly basic tonnage of his coal mine for that quarter and the Selling Committee shall from time to time and as early as possible in each quarter inform each Owner of the tonnage of coal which the Board expect to take from him during that quarter.

(3) Forthwith after the end of each quarter the Selling Committee shall determine the total tonnage of coal supplied to the Board despatched from all the coal mines in that quarter. Such total tonnage shall be divided in the proportions of the quarterly basic tonnages of all the coal mines for that quarter and the tonnage thus calculated for each coal mine shall (subject to any addition under the following provisions) be the trade share of that coal mine for that quarter.

(4) Unless otherwise agreed by the Owner thereof the Board shall take in each quarter from each coal mine a tonnage of coal at least equal to 90 per cent. of the trade share of that coal mine. The Board shall not in any event take from any coal mine in any quarter a tonnage of coal more than 20 per cent. greater than the trade share of that coal mine.

(5) If in any quarter the total tonnage of coal supplied to the Board from any coal mine is less than the trade share for that quarter the Board shall credit the Owner

with compensation in respect of such deficiency at the rate of 2s. 6d. (two shillings and sixpence) per ton, and if in any quarter the total tonnage of coal supplied to the Board from any coal mine is less than 90 per cent. of the trade share of coal for that quarter the Board shall in addition credit the Owner with supplementary compensation in respect of that deficiency at the rate of 2s. 6d. (two shillings and sixpence) per ton:

Provided that no compensation shall be payable in any case in respect of any deficiency or any part thereof which is due to the inability of the Owner to supply coal in accordance with the directions of the Selling Committee or where the Selling Committee have at the request of the Owner not directed supply;

Provided further that any tonnage in respect of which no compensation is payable under the provisions of this sub-clause shall be divided in the proportions of the basic tonnages of the other coal mines for that quarter and the tonnage thus determined for each coal mine shall be added to the trade share thereof calculated under sub-clause (3) hereof for that quarter.

(6) If in any quarter the total tonnage of coal supplied to the Board from any coal mine is greater than the trade share of coal for that quarter the Board shall debit the Owner with a contribution in respect of such excess at the rate of 2s. 6d. (two shillings and sixpence) per ton.

Adjustments of Output Quotas.

53. In order to enable the owners to carry out the directions of the Board as to the supply of coal the Board may where they are satisfied that the output of coal or of any class of coal from any coal mine in any period is likely to be lower than the quota fixed in respect thereof by notice in writing require the Owner of that coal mine to limit such output to a tonnage below that permitted by the quota by a tonnage not exceeding the estimated deficiency.

Thereupon the Board may authorise an output of coal or that class of coal from any other coal mine in excess of that permitted by the quota in respect thereof by a tonnage not exceeding that by which the output permitted from the first mentioned coal mine has been reduced.

Distribution of Allocations.

54.—(1) The Board shall not in any period for which an allocation is fixed take from the Owners or supply a tonnage of coal or any class of coal such that the tonnage of coal or that class of coal produced in the District and supplied by the Board together with the tonnage of coal or that class of coal supplied by owners from their respective coal mines to their excluded works during that period exceeds any allocation in respect thereof.

(2) The Board may at their discretion in distributing amongst the Owners any allocation of output of coal or any class of coal withhold such percentage of the allocation as they may decide for the whole or any part of the period of allocation.