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TENDERS FOR TREASURY BILLS.

1. The Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury hereby give notice that Tenders will be received at the Chief Cashier's Office, at the Bank of England, on Friday, the 13th May, 1955, at 1 p.m. for Treasury Bills to be issued under the Treasury Bills Act, 1877, the National Debt Act, 1889, and the National Loans Act, 1939, to the amount of £230,000,000.

2. The Bills will be in amounts of £5,000, £10,000, £25,000, £50,000 or £100,000. They will be dated at the option of the tenderer on any business day from Monday, the 16th May, 1955, to Saturday, the 21st May, 1955, inclusive, and will be due 91 days after date.

3. The Bills will be issued and paid at the Bank of England.

4. Each Tender must be for an amount not less than £50,000, and must specify the date on which the Bills required are to be dated, and the net amount per cent. (being an even multiple of one penny) which will be given for the amount applied for. Separate Tenders must be lodged for Bills of different dates.

5. Tenders must be made through a London Banker, Discount House or Broker.

6. Notification will be sent by post on the same day as Tenders are received, to the persons whose Tenders are accepted in whole or in part, and payment in full of the amounts due in respect of such accepted Tenders must be made to the Bank of England by means of cash or a Banker's Draft on the Bank of England not later than 1.30 p.m. (Saturday, 11.30 a.m.) on the day on which the relative Bills are to be dated.

7. Members of the House of Commons are not precluded from tendering for these Bills.

8. Tenders must be made on the printed forms which may be obtained from the Chief Cashier's Office, Bank of England.

9. The Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury reserve the right of rejecting any Tenders.
Treasury Chambers,
6th May, 1955.

Treasury Chambers, S.W.1.

The Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury hereby give notice that They have made an Order under Section 10 of the Finance Act, 1926, exempting the following chemicals from Key Industry Duty for a period ending with the 18th August, 1955.

Ephedrine hydrochloride (an ephedrine salt) of a purity not exceeding 95 per cent.

Ethyl 4:4'-dichlorobenzilate (an ethyl ester).

The Order which comes into operation on the 9th May, 1955, is entitled the Safeguarding of Industries (Exemption) (No. 3) Order, 1955, and is published as Statutory Instruments, 1955 No. 663.

Copies of the Order may be obtained (price 2d. net) direct from H.M. Stationery Office at the follow-

ing addresses:—York House, Kingsway, London, W.C.2; 423, Oxford Street, London, W.1; P.O. Box 569, London, S.E.1, 13a, Castle Street, Edinburgh 2; 109, St. Mary Street, Cardiff; 39, King Street, Manchester 2; Tower Lane, Bristol 1; 2, Edmund Street, Birmingham 3; 80, Chichester Street, Belfast, or from any bookseller.

Treasury Chambers, S.W.1.

The Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury hereby give notice that They have made an Order under Sections 1 and 19 of the Import Duties Act, 1932, Section 10 of the Finance Act, 1934, Section 7 of the Finance Act, 1936, and Section 1 of the Import Duties (Emergency Provisions) Act, 1939, viz.:—

The Import Duties (Exemptions) (No. 3) Order, 1955, which exempts nickel and certain ferro-nickel alloys, imported in the forms described in the Schedule to the Order, from duty under the Import Duties Act, 1932, for a period of one year from the 13th May, 1955.

The Order comes into operation on the 13th May, 1955, and has been published as Statutory Instruments 1955, No. 676.

Copies may be purchased (price 2d. net) direct from Her Majesty's Stationery Office, at the following addresses:—York House, Kingsway, London, W.C.2; 423, Oxford Street, London, W.1; P.O. Box 569, London, S.E.1; 13a, Castle Street, Edinburgh 2; 109, St. Mary Street, Cardiff; 39, King Street, Manchester 2; Tower Lane, Bristol 1; 2, Edmund Street, Birmingham 3; 80, Chichester Street, Belfast; or from any Bookseller.

Treasury Chambers, S.W.1.

The Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury hereby give notice that They have made an Order under section 21 (1) of the Finance Act, 1948, and section 9 (3) of the Finance Act, 1952, entitled The Purchase Tax (No. 4) Order, 1955.

The Order removes the following goods from the scope of the Purchase Tax chargeable under Groups 5, 6 and 7 of Part I of the Eighth Schedule to the Finance Act, 1948:—

(i) domestic textile articles, and articles of soft furnishing, hitherto chargeable under Group 5 (a) (ii), i.e. articles other than cushions or woollen articles as defined in that Group;

(ii) tissues and fabrics, hitherto chargeable under Group 6 (a) (iii), i.e. tissues and fabrics other than those of woollen material as defined in Group 5;

(iii) plastic sheeting, hitherto chargeable under Group 7.

The Order makes all cushions (other than air-cushions) chargeable with Purchase Tax at 25 per cent. It also provides that domestic textile articles