1960 No. 398

The Agriculture (Poisonous Substances) (Extension) Order, 1960

Made - - - -	10*th March*, 1960
Laid before Parliament	15*th March*, 1960
Coming into Operation	18*th March*, 1960

Whereas the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and the Secretary of State (hereinafter referred to as "the Ministers") are satisfied as to the substances mentioned in the First Schedule hereto—

(*a*) in the case of those substances mentioned in Part I of the said Schedule, not being substances to which the Agriculture (Poisonous Substances) Act, 1952(**a**), (hereinafter referred to as "the Act") now applies; and

(*b*) in the case of those substances mentioned in Part II of the said Schedule, being substances to which the Act already applies by virtue of the orders revoked in Article 2 of this Order,

that if used in agriculture their use therein would be likely to involve (or, as the case may be, their continued use therein involves) substantial risk of poisoning to workers employed to work as mentioned in subsection (1) of section 1 of the Act:

Now, therefore, the Ministers, in exercise of the powers conferred on them by subsections (2) and (3) of section 9 of the Act, and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, hereby order as follows:—

Citation, extent, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) This Order, which may be cited as the Agriculture (Poisonous Substances) (Extension) Order, 1960, applies to Great Britain, and shall come into operation on the 18th day of March, 1960.

(2) The Interpretation Act, 1889(**b**), shall apply to the interpretation of this Order as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament, and as if this Order and the orders hereby revoked were Acts of Parliament.

Revocation

2. The orders mentioned in the Second Schedule to this Order are hereby revoked.

Direction

3. The Ministers hereby direct that the Act shall apply to the substances mentioned in the First Schedule to this Order.

In Witness whereof the Official Seal of the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food is hereunto affixed this ninth day of March, nineteen hundred and sixty.

(L.S.)

John Hare,
Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

Given under the Seal of the Secretary of State for Scotland this tenth day of March, nineteen hundred and sixty.

(L.S.)

John S. Maclay,
Secretary of State for Scotland.

(**a**) 15 & 16 Geo. 6 & 1 Eliz. 2. c. 60. (**b**) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63.

FIRST SCHEDULE

PART I

Substances the molecular structure of which consists of a bridged six-membered ring with substituents in the ring.

PART II

Organo-mercury compounds.

Arsenical compounds.

Fluoroacetic acid and its derivatives.

SECOND SCHEDULE

The Agriculture (Poisonous Substances) (Organo-mercury Compounds) Order, 1956(a);

The Agriculture (Poisonous Substances) (Arsenical Compounds) Order, 1957(b);

The Agriculture (Poisonous Substances) (Endrin and Fluoroacetic Acid) Order, 1957(c).

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order, but is intended to indicate its general purport.)

This Order consolidates with one amendment all previous orders made under section 9 (2) of the Agriculture (Poisonous Substances) Act, 1952, extending the application of the Act to substances in respect of which the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and the Secretary of State for Scotland are satisfied that their use in agriculture involves substantial risk of poisoning to agricultural workers.

The amendment consists of an addition to the list of substances to which the Act is extended of all substances the molecular structure of which consists of a bridged six-membered ring with substituents in the ring—thus (inter alia) including the substance having the common name of endrin, which was the subject of a previous order.

The Order is a pre-requisite to the making of amendment regulations under the Act so as to protect workers against risks of poisoning in connection with the use in agriculture of the substances to which the Act is now, for the first time, extended.

(a) S.I. 1956/376 (1956 I, p. 53). (b) S.I. 1957/320 (1957 I, p. 81).
(c) S.I. 1957/2215 (1957 I, p. 82).