power enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order, that is to say :—

1. The Board shall, in respect of the period 1st March, 1944, to 28th February, 1945, pay the sum of £300 to the Trustees of the Agricultural Research Institute of Northern Ireland, Hillsborough, County Down, in respect of research in pig nutrition, and such payment shall be made within two months from the date of commencement of this Order.

2. This Order may be cited as the Bacon Industry (Pig Nutrition Research Grant) Order (Northern Ireland), 1944, and shall come into operation on the date hereof.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Agriculture for Northern Ireland this sixth day of November, nineteen hundred and forty-four, in the presence of

(L.S.) (Signed) *J. McAllan*,
Assistant Secretary.

CIVIL DEFENCE.

References to Official Arbitrator.

RULES, DATED 29TH NOVEMBER, 1944, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE UNDER SECTION SIXTY OF THE CIVIL DEFENCE ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1939.

1944. No. 105.

1.—(1) The Rules may be cited as the Civil Defence (References to Official Arbitrator) (Northern Ireland) Rules, 1944.

(2) In these Rules unless the context otherwise requires the expression " the Act " means the Civil Defence Act (Northern Ireland), 1939 ; the expression " the Ministry " means the Ministry of Finance for Northern Ireland ; the expression " Arbitrator " means an official arbitrator appointed by the Minister of Finance under section one of the Administrative Provisions Act (Northern Ireland), 1928 ; the expression " question " means any question whether any, and if so what, compensation is payable under any of the provisions of the Act providing for payment of compensation ; or as to what is the net ascertained cost of works for the purposes of the provisions of Part II of the Act relating to factory premises occupied on short leases ; or whether any, and if so what, increases or decreases of rent are to be made under the provisions of Part II of the Act relating to increases and decreases of

rent; or whether any, and if so what, contributions are payable in respect of works commenced before the passing of the Act, but shall not include any question whether compensation is payable in respect of the compulsory acquisition of any land or in respect of personal injuries.

(3) The Interpretation Act, 1889, as applied to Northern Ireland by the Interpretation Act, 1921, shall apply for the purpose of the interpretation of these Rules as it applies for the purpose of the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

2. Where any question has arisen, any person with an interest in the determination of such question (in these Rules called " the applicant ") may prepare (in duplicate) a reference to the arbitrator for hearing in the form set forth in the First Schedule to these Rules, or in a form to the like effect, and shall in the reference specify all persons whom he knows to have an interest in the determination of such question, one copy of which reference shall be sent to the Ministry together with the fee prescribed in that behalf by Rules made by the Ministry under sub-section (2) of the said section sixty of the Act, and the other copy shall be sent to the arbitrator.

3. On receipt of the reference under Rule 2 the Ministry shall cause the amount of the fee payable to be impressed thereon and shall forward it to the arbitrator, who shall upon its receipt proceed with the determination of the question.

4. The arbitrator shall direct notices to be given to the persons specified in the reference for hearing as having an interest in the determination of the question and shall further consider and determine whether any, and if so what, further notices are to be given, and whether by way of advertisement or otherwise, to persons who appear to have an interest in the determination of the question, and for that purpose may require the applicant to furnish him with any documents or other information which he has in his power to furnish.

5.—(1) The applicant shall, on being directed to do so by the arbitrator, give such notices by way of advertisement or otherwise as the arbitrator may direct and shall send to the arbitrator a certificate in the form set out in the Second Schedule hereto that such directions have been complied with.

(2) The notices shall require persons having an interest in the determination of the question to send to the arbitrator and to the applicant within such time, not being less than twenty-one days from the giving of the notices, as may be fixed by the arbitrator, any objections that they may have in connection with the reference for hearing, and the grounds thereof.

6. On the request of the arbitrator the applicant and any other person having an interest in the determination of the question, who has duly lodged an objection, shall furnish to the arbitrator particulars of

the claim or the objection in such form as the arbitrator may require or any other document or any information which it is in his power to furnish and which the arbitrator may require for the purpose of considering and determining the question.

7. The arbitrator shall, as soon as practicable after the expiration of the time, if any, specified for the lodging of objections by persons other than the applicant, and the furnishing of any further particulars, documents, or information which he may require as aforesaid, proceed with the determination of the question and shall fix a time and place for the hearing of the reference and objections, and give notice thereof to the applicant and to every person who has duly lodged an objection.

8.—(1) There shall be charged in respect of a reference for hearing and in respect of a certificate under Rule 5 (1) of these Rules and in respect of the determination of a question by the arbitrator such fees as are prescribed in that behalf by Rules made by the Ministry under sub-section (2) of section sixty of the Act, and such fees shall be paid by means of stamps impressed on the reference for hearing, certificate and arbitrator's award or order respectively in the manner directed thereby.

(2) Any reference for hearing under these Rules which is not properly stamped in accordance with the foregoing provisions shall be treated as invalid, and the award or order of the arbitrator shall not be issued by him unless and until there shall have been paid in respect of the proceedings the fees prescribed by the Ministry in that behalf.

9.—(1) If the parties to the arbitration or any of them desire the proceedings to be recorded by a shorthand writer they may arrange for this being done at their own charges and in that event they shall furnish the arbitrator with a copy of the transcript free of charge.

(2) Where a local authority is interested in the determination of the question they shall, if required by the arbitrator, provide accommodation for the hearing in their buildings free of charge.

10.—(1) Any person having an interest in the determination of two or more questions may, upon giving notice to each person whom he knows to have an interest in the determination of such questions and to the arbitrator at least fourteen days before the date arranged for the hearing, apply to the arbitrator for an order that all or any of the questions shall be heard together.

(2) The arbitrator shall thereupon fix a date and place for the hearing of any objections to the granting of such order and notice of the application shall be sent by the person applying for the order to every person interested and the notice shall specify the date and place of hearing fixed by the arbitrator as aforesaid.

(3) If any applicant objects to have his claim heard with the other claims he shall within seven days after the receipt of the notice aforesaid send notice of his objection to the arbitrator and the person applying for such order.

(4) The arbitrator, after taking into consideration any such objections, shall make such order in the matter as he shall think proper having regard to all the circumstances, and may make such order, if he thinks fit, with respect to some only of the claims, and subject to such special direction as to expenses, witnesses, methods or procedure and otherwise as he may think proper.

11. Any notice or other document required or authorised to be sent to any person for the purpose of these Rules shall be deemed to have been duly sent if sent by registered post addressed to that person at his ordinary address, and the address of the arbitrator shall for this purpose be the place where he carries on his private practice as set out in the minute of appointment made by the Minister of Finance.

12. Any failure on the part of any person to comply with the provisions of these Rules shall not render the proceedings or anything done in pursuance thereof invalid unless the arbitrator so directs.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Finance for Northern Ireland this 29th day of November, 1944, in the presence of

H. Ashton,

(L.S.) Assistant Secretary.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

CIVIL DEFENCE ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1939.

REFERENCE TO OFFICIAL ARBITRATOR.

To the Official Arbitrator appointed by the Minister of Finance under the provisions of section one of the Administrative Provisions Act, (Northern Ireland) 1928.

I (We) hereby refer to your arbitration the hearing and determination of the questions of which particulars are annexed.

A copy of this reference together with the amount of the fee payable thereon has been forwarded to the Ministry of Finance.

* Signed.....

Date.....

Particulars.

Name and address of Applicant(s).....

Name and address of Applicant's solicitor or agent (if any) .....

† Nature of question to be determined.

(*a*) Liability for (and amount of) compensation for interference with the use of premises, buildings or land.

(*b*) Liability for (and amount of) compensation for the impairment of the usefulness of premises, buildings or land.

(*c*) Liability for (and amount of) compensation in respect of the diminution in value of premises, buildings or land arising on premises ceasing to be designated premises.

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* If the reference is signed by an agent, add " by..... his (or their) solicitor or agent."

† Strike out paragraphs or words which are inapplicable.

(*d*) Liability for (and amount of) compensation in respect of the depreciation of property caused by the construction of works on a road.

(*e*) The amount of the net ascertained cos of works.

(*f*) Increases or decreases of rent.

(*g*) Liability for (and amount of) contributions payable in respect of works commenced before the passing of the Act, viz., the 7th September, 1939.

Situation and description of premises, building or land affected .....

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Date of completion of works .....

Nature of interest of applicant(s) .....

Particulars of all persons interested or likely to be interested in the determination of the question, stating :—

Names and addresses	Names and addresses of Solicitors or Agents (if any).	Nature of Interests.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

CIVIL DEFENCE ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1939.

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE WITH DIRECTIONS OF ARBITRATOR.

Situation and description of premises, building or land in respect of which a reference for hearing has been sent to an Official Arbitrator.....

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To the Official Arbitrator :

I (We), the applicant(s) in this matter, hereby certify pursuant to Rule 5 (1) of the Civil Defence (References to Official Arbitrator) (Northern Ireland) Rules, 1944, that all directions of the Official Arbitrator as to the giving of notices under the said Rules have been duly complied with in all respects.

* Signed.....

Address.....

Date.....

* If the Certificate is signed by an agent, add " by.....his (or their) solicitor or agent ".