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The Coal and Other Mines (Abandonment Plans) Rules, 1956

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The Minister of Fuel and Power, in pursuance of the powers conferred upon him by subsection (2) of section twenty of the Mines and Quarries Act, 1954(a) (hereinafter referred to as "the Act"), hereby makes the following rules:—

1. Any copy of a plan sent to an inspector by virtue of regulation twelve of the Coal and Other Mines (Surveyors and Plans) Regulations, 1956(b), shall be on a scale not less than the plan of which it is a copy.

2. Any plan or copy of a plan sent to an inspector by virtue of that regulation shall show (so far as they can be ascertained) as regards the mine or seam abandoned or disused—

(*a*) the position of any pump in use below ground immediately before the mine or that seam was abandoned or was last worked for the purpose of getting minerals or products of minerals and the quantity of water being pumped by each such pump;

(*b*) any variations in level on the boundaries of the workings from Ordnance Datum or from the datum below Ordnance Datum used for the purposes of the plan;

(*c*) the position and extent of any area known to be water-logged; and

(*d*) the position and, so far as practicable, the dimensions and method of construction of any water dam and the pressure of water being retained by it immediately before the mine or that seam was abandoned or was last worked for the purpose of getting minerals or products of minerals.

3. The Interpretation Act, 1889(c), shall apply to the interpretation of these rules as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

4. These rules shall come into operation at the commencement of the Act and may be cited as the Coal and Other Mines (Abandonment Plans) Rules, 1956.

Dated this seventh day of November, nineteen hundred and fifty-six.

Aubrey Jones,
Minister of Fuel and Power.

(a) 2 & 3 Eliz. 2. c. 70. (b) S.I. 1956/1760 (p. 1231 above). (c) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the rules, but is intended to indicate their general purport.)

These rules, made under the Mines and Quarries Act, 1954, s. 20 (2), provide in rule 1 that any copy of a plan sent to an inspector by virtue of reg. 12 of the Coal and Other Mines (Surveyors and Plans) Regulations, 1956 (under which certain abandonment plans, or copies thereof, must be sent by the owner of the mine to the district inspector in the event of the abandonment, or the expiration of twelve months from the last working, of a mine or seam of coal, stratified ironstone, shale or fireclay) shall be on a scale not less than the plan of which it is a copy. Rule 2 provides that any plan or copy of a plan so sent shall show, as regards the mine or seam abandoned or disused, the particulars specified in that rule.

4. SAFETY, HEALTH AND WELFARE (MINES)

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(1) MISCELLANEOUS MINES

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(2) GENERAL DUTIES AND TRAINING

(a) GENERAL DUTIES

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The Coal and Other Mines (General Duties and Conduct) Order, 1956

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Whereas by subsection (1) of section one hundred and ninety of the Mines and Quarries Act, 1954(a) (hereinafter referred to as "the Act"), the Minister of Fuel and Power (hereinafter referred to as "the Minister") is empowered to re-enact (to the extent to which they could by virtue of the Act be enacted in regulations made under section one hundred and forty-one thereof)—

(*a*) provisions of any regulation having effect by virtue of section eighty-six of the Coal Mines Act, 1911(b);

(*b*) provisions of any enactment repealed by section one hundred and eighty-nine of the Act in so far as that enactment is not re-enacted in the Act;

subject to such modifications (if any) as appear to him to be consequential on the passing of the Act or requisite for the purpose either of bringing

(a) 2 & 3 Eliz. 2. c. 70. (b) 1 & 2 Geo. 5. c. 50.