STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1973 No. 2118

COUNTER-INFLATION

The Counter-Inflation (Notification of Increases in Prices and Charges) (No. 4) Order 1973

Made - - -	13*th December* 1973
Laid before Parliament	14*th December* 1973
Coming into operation	15*th December* 1973

The Secretary of State, in exercise of powers conferred on him by section 5 of, and paragraph 1(1), (4) and (6) of Schedule 3 to, the Counter-Inflation Act 1973(a) and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order: —

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.–(1) This Order may be cited as the Counter-Inflation (Notification of Increases in Prices and Charges)(No. 4) Order 1973 and shall come into operation on 15th December 1973.

(2) The Interpretation Act 1889(b) shall apply for the interpretation of this Order as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament and as if this Order and the order hereby amended were Acts of Parliament.

Special provisions relating to petroleum and substances derived from petroleum

2.–(1) Where—

(*a*) a person specified in paragraph (2)(*a*)(*i*) or 2(*b*)(*i*) of article 5 of the Counter-Inflation (Notification of Increases in Prices and Charges)(No. 3) Order 1973(c) has before the date when this Order is made given notice to the Price Commission in accordance with that article of an increased price for the sale of petroleum oil or of petroleum oil and other related products derived from petroleum; and

(*b*) the period of 28 days or of 14 days (as may be appropriate) referred to in paragraph (5) of that article has not expired before the date when this Order comes into operation;

that period shall, in relation to any increase specified in the notice, be taken to expire immediately before that date.

(2) In this article, "petroleum oil" means petroleum oil of a kind intended for use as fuel for propelling a vehicle intended or adapted for use on roads.

13th December 1973.

Geoffrey Howe,
Minister for Trade and Consumer Affairs,
Department of Trade and Industry.

(a) 1973 c. 9. (b) 1889 c. 63. (c) S.I. 1973/1786 (1973 III, p 5488)

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

This Order amends the Counter-Inflation (Notification of Increases in Prices and Charges) (No 3) Order 1973.

Manufacturers who notified the Price Commission before 13th December 1973 of increases in the price of petroleum oil (or petroleum oil together with other related products) are released on 15th December 1973 from the restriction on implementation of the increase for 28 or 14 days beginning with the service of the notice on the Price Commission. Notifications served on or after 13th December remain subject to the 28 or 14 day restriction.

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