STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1973 No. 2137

CONTROL OF FUEL AND ELECTRICITY

The Electricity (Industrial and Commercial Use) (Control) (Amendment) Order 1973

Made - - -	*17th December* 1973
Laid before Parliament	*18th December* 1973
Coming into Operation	*19th December* 1973

The Secretary of State, in exercise of his powers under section 2(1) of the Fuel and Electricity (Control) Act 1973(a) and section 7 of the Emergency Laws (Re-enactments and Repeals) Act 1964(b) as having effect by virtue of section 5(1) of the Fuel and Electricity (Control) Act 1973, hereby orders as follows: —

1. This Order may be cited as the Electricity (Industrial and Commercial Use) (Control) (Amendment) Order 1973 and shall come into operation on 19th December 1973.

2. The Electricity (Industrial and Commercial) (Control) Order 1973(c) shall be varied so that, in the application of that Order to Scotland, paragraph (1) of Article 3 thereof shall cease to have effect and the following paragraph shall be substituted therefor: —

"(1) Subject to paragraph (2) of this Article, and except under a licence granted by the Secretary of State under this Order, no person shall for the purpose of his trade or business use or permit the use of electricity on any industrial premises or commercial premises on more than six days falling within the period of 19 days commencing on 19th December 1973 and ending on 6th January 1974; and on any of those six days no person shall use or permit the use of electricity on such premises for such a purpose (other than for a purpose permitted under paragraph (2) of the Article) for more than the greatest number of hours during which electricity was used for such purposes of that trade or business on any day in the week commencing 10th December 1973."

Tom Boardman,
Minister for Industry,
Department of Trade and Industry.

17th December 1973

(a) 1973 c. 67. (b) 1964 c. 60. (c) S.I. 1973/2120 (1973 III, p. 7291)

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

The Electricity (Industrial and Commercial Use) (Control) Order 1973 prohibits the use of electricity, subject to certain exceptions, on certain industrial and commercial premises on more than five days during the two weeks commencing on Monday 17th December 1973.

This Order varies that Order so as to provide that, in relation to Scotland, the period during which the use of electricity is not prohibited shall be six days falling within the period of 19 days from Wednesday 19th December 1973 (when this Order comes into operation) to Sunday 6th January 1974.

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