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IRON AND STEEL

The Iron and Steel (Control of Provision of Production Facilities) Order 1967

Made - - - - -	20*th July* 1967
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Coming into Operation - -	28*th July* 1967

The Minister of Power (hereinafter referred to as "the Minister"), in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by section 15 of the Iron and Steel Act 1967(a) (hereinafter referred to as "the Act"), hereby makes the following Order:—

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Iron and Steel (Control of Provision of Production Facilities) Order 1967 and shall come into operation on 28th July 1967.

(2) In this Order—

"alloy steel" means any steel containing, by weight, not less than (i) 0.1 per cent. of molybdenum or tungsten or vanadium, or (ii) 0.4 per cent. of chromium or nickel or (iii) 10 per cent. of manganese;

"annual effective capacity" means the estimated maximum annual production under normal working conditions including allowances for maintenance and holidays;

"production facilities" means premises, plant or machinery used or proposed to be used for the carrying on of any activities included in paragraphs 2 and 3 of Schedule 3 to the Iron and Steel Act 1953(b);

"publicly-owned company" has the meaning assigned thereto by the Act.

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

2. Any person, other than the National Steel Corporation or a publicly-owned company, proposing to provide or procure the provision of additional production facilities in Great Britain having an annual effective capacity—

(1) in relation to the smelting of iron ore in a blast furnace with or without other metalliferous materials or the production of iron by any other process, of 100,000 tons;

(2) in relation to the production of steel (other than alloy steel) by any process, of 100,000 tons;

(3) in relation to the production of alloy steel by any process, of 20,000 tons;

shall give particulars in writing of the proposal to the Minister and shall not proceed therewith without the consent in writing of the Minister.

3. References in this Order to the provision of additional production facilities shall be construed as references to the provision of new production facilities and to the reconstruction of, or making of additions to, existing production facilities.

Dated 20th July 1967.

Richard Marsh,
Minister of Power.

(a) 1967 c. 17. (b) 1953 c. 15. (c) 1889 c. 63.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

This Order applies only to the private sector of the iron and steel industry. It requires proposals to increase facilities for the production of iron or steel exceeding specified limits to be submitted for the Minister's approval. The limits are 100,000 tons of annual capacity in the case of iron; 100,000 tons of annual capacity in the case of steel, other than alloy steel; and 20,000 tons of annual capacity in the case of alloy steel.

Proposals to reconstruct or add to existing facilities as well as to provide new facilities fall within the scope of the Order.