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MINES AND QUARRIES

The Ironstone Restoration Fund (Rates of Contribution) (Amendment) Order 1976

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The Secretary of State for the Environment after consultation with such persons and bodies of persons appearing to him to be representative of ironstone operators and of owners of interests in land from which ironstone is extracted, in exercise of his powers under sections 1(2) and (3) and 2 of the Mineral Workings Act 1971**(a)** and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf hereby makes the following order:—

1.—(1) This order may be cited as the Ironstone Restoration Fund (Rates of Contribution) (Amendment) Order 1976 and the Ironstone Restoration Fund (Rates of Contribution) Order 1972**(b)** and this order may be cited together as the Ironstone Restoration Fund (Rates of Contribution) Orders 1972 and 1976.

(2) This order shall come into operation on 1st April 1976.

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

2. For articles 2 and 3 of the Ironstone Restoration Fund (Rates of Contribution) Order 1972 there shall be substituted the following articles:—

"2. The full rate of contribution payable to the Secretary of State under the provisions of section 1(2) of the 1971 Act shall be—

(*a*) in respect of ironstone extracted on or after 1st April 1971 but before 1st April 1975, 3p per ton; and

(*b*) in respect of ironstone extracted on or after 1st April 1975, 4p per ton.

3. The reduced rate of contribution payable to the Secretary of State in respect of ironstone extracted in the circumstances specified in section 1(3) of the 1971 Act shall be—

(*a*) in respect of ironstone so extracted on or after 1st April 1971 but before 1st April 1975, 1·5p per ton; and

(*b*) in respect of ironstone so extracted on or after 1st April 1975, 2p per ton.".

Anthony Crosland,
Secretary of State for the Environment.

27th January 1976.

(a) 1971 c. 71. (b) S.I. 1972/210 (1972 I, p. 698). (c) 1889 c. 63.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

This Order varies the rates of contribution, as set out in the Ironstone Restoration Fund (Rates of Contribution) Order 1972, to be paid by ironstone operators towards the Ironstone Restoration Fund under section 1 of the Mineral Workings Act 1971. Under the provisions of the Order of 1972, the full rate of contribution (in respect of ironstone extracted on or after 1st April 1971) is 3p per ton and the reduced rate (payable in respect of ironstone extracted in the circumstances set out in section 1(3) of the Act of 1971) is 1·5p per ton. This order provides that, in respect of ironstone extracted on and after 1st April 1975, the full rate is to be 4p per ton and the reduced rate 2p per ton.

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