1970. No. 63 **[C]**

AGRICULTURE

Milk

SCHEME, DATED 25TH MARCH 1970, MADE BY THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE UNDER SECTION 1 OF THE AGRICULTURE (TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE) ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1954 AS AMENDED BY THE AGRICULTURE (TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE) (AMENDMENT) ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1957.

The Minister of Agriculture, with the approval of the Minister of Finance and in exercise of the powers conferred on him by the Agriculture (Temporary Assistance) Acts (Northern Ireland) 1954(a) and 1957(b) and of all other powers him thereunto enabling, hereby makes the following Scheme:—

Short title and duration

1. This Scheme, which may be cited as the Milk (Superior Hygienic Quality) Scheme (Northern Ireland) 1970, shall come into operation on the 1st day of April 1970 and shall cease to have effect on the 31st day of March 1971.

Interpretation

2. In this Scheme:—

"Board" means the Milk Marketing Board for Northern Ireland.

"Certificate" means the Certificate of Superior Hygienic Quality issued by the Ministry in accordance with the Milk Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1963(c).

"Ministry" means Ministry of Agriculture for Northern Ireland.

"Premium" means the amount, expressed as pence or new pence per gallon, paid by the Board to each holder of a Certificate by virtue of the fact that the said person was the holder of the said Certificate.

Object

3. With the object of improving the hygienic quality of mik produced in Northern Ireland, the Ministry may pay to the Board grants, towards expenditure incurred by the Board in the payment of premiums, of such amounts and subject to such conditions as are prescribed in this Scheme.

Application for the grant

4. Application for the payment of the grant in respect of the period 1st April 1970 to 31st March 1971 may be made by the Board to the Ministry in writing and shall be accompanied by a statement of the premium which the Board intend to pay in the said period.

Approval of grant

5. If the Ministry is satisfied that the premium which the Board intend to pay can reasonably be expected to achieve the object of this Scheme, the Ministry may approve the payment of the grant in respect of the period referred to in the application and shall convey such approval to the Board in writing and shall inform the Board of the amount of the grant so approved.

(a) 1954. c. 31.
(b) 1957. c. 3.
(c) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1963, No. 44.

Amount of grant

6. The amount of the grant shall be calculated at such rate as the Ministry may determine but not exceeding one-fifth of a penny (one-twelfth of a new penny) for every gallon of milk supplied to the Board by each holder of a Certificate and on which the Board has paid the premium.

Payment of grant

7. The Ministry shall pay the grant to the Board monthly during the period in respect of which approval has been given on receipt from the Board of a certificate in the form prescribed in the Schedule.

Dated this 25th day of March 1970.

Phelim R. H. O'Neill,
Minister of Agriculture for Northern Ireland.

I approve the foregoing Scheme.

Dated this 25th day of March 1970.

H. V. Kirk,
Minister of Finance for Northern Ireland.

SCHEDULE

I hereby certify that during the month ended the Board paid a premium of pence/new pence per gallon on gallons of milk supplied to the Board by the holders of Certificates of Superior Hygienic Quality.

Signed on behalf of the Milk Marketing Board for Northern Ireland

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Accountant

Date: .....

I hereby certify that the above is a true statement of the facts contained therein.

Signed: .....
Auditor to the Board

Date: .....

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

This Scheme provides for financial assistance to the Milk Marketing Board for Northern Ireland by way of grant to assist towards the cost of the payment of premiums to milk producers in respect of milk of Superior Hygienic Quality.