(*b*) for the words "Minister of Food" where they occur in paragraph (1) of Regulation five, there shall be substituted the words "Board of Trade".

Consequential Provisions

3.—(1) In the construction and for the purposes of any judgment, decree, order, award, deed, contract, regulation, byelaw, certificate, authorisation or other document made before the coming into operation of this Order, any reference to, or which is to be construed as a reference to, the Minister of Food or his officers or department shall, so far only as may be necessary for the purpose or in consequence of the transfer of functions effected by this Order, be construed as a reference to the Board of Trade or the Board's officers or department.

(2) The transfer of functions effected by this Order shall not prejudice the operation of any order, regulation, rule, appointment, direction, instruction, approval, requirement or authorisation made or given or other thing done by the Minister of Food in relation to the functions transferred by this Order and before the coming into operation thereof but any such matter shall, if then in force, continue in force to the like extent and subject to the like provisions as if it had been duly made, given or done by the Board of Trade.

(3) Anything commenced before the coming into operation of this Order by or under the authority of the Minister of Food may, so far as it relates to any function transferred by this Order, be carried on or completed by or under the authority of the Board of Trade.

(4) Where at the coming into operation of this Order any legal proceeding is pending to which the Minister of Food is a party, and the proceeding has reference to any of the functions transferred by this Order, the Board of Trade shall be substituted in the proceeding for the Minister of Food and the proceeding shall not abate by reason of the substitution.

(5) Anything required or authorised by virtue of this Order to be done by, to or before the Board of Trade may be done by, to or before the President of the Board, any secretary, under-secretary or assistant secretary of the Board or any person authorised in that behalf by the President.

E. C. E. Leadbitter.

MOTOR SPIRIT

The Motor Spirit (Regulation) Act, 1948 (Expiry) Order, 1950

1950 No. 870

Made - - - - 26th May, 1950

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 26th day of May, 1950.

Present,

The King's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

His Majesty, in pursuance of subsection (2) of section sixteen of the Motor Spirit (Regulation) Act, 1948(a), and of all other powers enabling him in

(a) 11 & 12 Geo. 6. c. 34.

that behalf, is pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered as follows :—

1. Subject to the provisions of this Order, the Motor Spirit (Regulation) Act, 1948, shall expire on the 27th day of May, nineteen hundred and fifty.

2. The expiry of the Motor Spirit (Regulation) Act, 1948, shall not—

(*a*) affect the previous operation of that Act or anything duly done or suffered thereunder; or

(*b*) affect any liability, penalty, forfeiture or punishment incurred in respect of any offence under the said Act; or

(*c*) affect any legal proceedings in respect of any such liability, penalty, forfeiture or punishment;

and any such legal proceedings may be instituted or continued and any such penalty, forfeiture or punishment may be imposed or enforced as if the said Act had not expired:

Provided that—

(i) no disability, disqualification, or forfeiture shall be imposed after the expiry of the said Act by any provision of section four or section five thereof; and

(ii) any disability or disqualification previously imposed by any such provision shall cease to have effect on the expiry of the said Act; and

(iii) any licence under Part I of the Road Traffic Act, 1930(**a**), or Part I of the Motor Vehicles (Traffic and Regulation) Act (Northern Ireland), 1926 (as amended by any other Act of the Parliament of Northern Ireland), which has ceased to have effect by virtue of subsection (4) of the said section five shall, on a demand in writing by the holder of the licence, be returned to him by the council to whom it was forwarded under the said subsection (4), and if any part of the period for which the licence was issued remains unexpired, it shall have effect for that part of the period; and

(iv) nothing in subsection (3) or subsection (4) of the said section five shall have effect after the expiry of the said Act in relation to any proceedings.

3. This Order may be cited as the Motor Spirit (Regulation) Act, 1948 (Expiry) Order, 1950.

E. C. E. Leadbitter.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

By virtue of this Order the operation of the Motor Spirit (Regulation) Act, 1948 (which prohibits the use of commercial petrol in private motor vehicles) is brought to an end. Article 2 provides that the expiry of the Act shall not affect its previous operation or any proceedings in respect of any previous offence under the Act, but where persons are prohibited from selling motor spirit, licensing private motor vehicles or holding driving licences, those disabilities and disqualifications cease to have effect; and any driving licence held under the Act by the issuing authority is to be returned on demand.

(a) 20 & 21 Geo. 5. c. 43.