STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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CONTROL OF FUEL AND ELECTRICITY

Petroleum Stocks (Amendment) Order 1980

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The Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by section 6(6)(*b*) of the Energy Act 1976(**a**) and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby orders as follows:—

1. This Order may be cited as the Petroleum Stocks (Amendment) Order 1980 and shall come into operation on 1st January 1981.

2. Article 4 of the Petroleum Stocks Order 1976(**b**) shall be amended by the substitution, for the words from "direction" where it secondly appears to the end, of the following words:—

> "(but only as regards not more than 47 per cent. by weight of any stocks of light oil within the meaning of section 1(3) of the Hydrocarbon Oil Duties Act 1979(**c**) specified in the direction) as if each 100 tonnes of crude liquid petroleum was 88 tonnes of petroleum products."

Hamish Gray,
Minister of State.
Department of Energy.

23rd October 1980.

(**a**) 1976 c. 76. (**b**) S.I. 1976/2162. (**c**) 1979 c. 5.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(*This Note is not part of the Order.*)

This Order amends Article 4 of the Petroleum Stocks Order 1976 (counting of stocks of a kind not subject to directions) by providing that stocks of crude shall only count as stocks of light oil specified in a direction under section 6 of the Energy Act 1976 in respect of 47 per cent. by weight of these stocks.

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