STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1968 No. 935

ATOMIC ENERGY AND RADIOACTIVE SUBSTANCES

The Radioactive Substances (Tokens for Vending Machines) Exemption Order 1968

Made - - -	17*th June* 1968
Laid before Parliament	25*th June* 1968
Coming into Operation	27*th June* 1968

The Minister of Housing and Local Government, in exercise of his powers under sections 2(6) and (7), 6(5) and 7(4) of the Radioactive Substances Act 1960(**a**) and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby orders as follows:—

Citation and commencement

1. This order may be cited as the Radioactive Substances (Tokens for Vending Machines) Exemption Order 1968, and shall come into operation on 27th June 1968.

Interpretation

2.—(1) In this order—

" the Act " means the Radioactive Substances Act 1960;

" premises of a manufacturer " means premises used for or in connection with the manufacture of radioactive material falling within Article 5 of this order, or for the storage of such material by the manufacturer, or for the reception, storage or repair of waste tokens or parts of such tokens by the manufacturer, or partly for one of those purposes and partly for another or others; and

" waste tokens " means tokens which, immediately before they became waste, were radioactive material falling within Article 5 of this order.

(2) The Interpretation Act 1889(**b**) applies to the interpretation of this order as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

Exemption from registration under section 1 *of the Act*

3. Any person who, on any premises to which this Article applies which are used for the purposes of any undertaking carried on by him, keeps or uses or causes or permits to be kept or used any radioactive material to which this Article applies is hereby granted exemption from registration under section 1 of the Act (which provides for the registration of persons who keep or use radioactive material) in respect of those premises and the keeping and use thereon of that radioactive material, without any limitation or condition.

(**a**) 1960 c. 34. (**b**) 1889 c. 63.

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Classes of premises to which exemption relates

4. The last preceding Article does not apply to premises of a manufacturer, but save as aforesaid, applies to premises of any class.

Description of radioactive material to which exemption relates

5. Article 3 of this order applies to radioactive material in the form of one or more articles of the following description, that is to say, tokens which are designed for use for actuating automatic vending machines and which are made of coherent, inert and tough laminated material and are free from patent defects, each of which is radioactive material solely because it incorporates carbon 14 in its surface layers, those layers together containing not more than 0.5 microcurie of that radionuclide.

Exclusion of radioactive waste from sections 6 *and* 7 *of the Act*

6. Radioactive waste consisting of one or more waste tokens or parts of such tokens and not situated on premises of a manufacturer is hereby excluded from the provisions of section 6(1) and (3) of the Act (which relates to the disposal of radioactive waste) and section 7(1) of the Act (which relates to the accumulation of radioactive waste) absolutely.

Given under the official seal of the Minister of Housing and Local Government on 17th June 1968.

(L.S.)

Anthony Greenwood

Minister of Housing and Local Government.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

This Order, which has been made by the Minister of Housing and Local Government in consultation with the Secretary of State for Wales, exempts persons (unconditionally) from registration under section 1 of the Radioactive Substances Act 1960 in respect of the keeping and use, except on the manufacturer's premises, of " radioactive material " within the meaning of section 18(1) of that Act consisting of tokens possessing limited radioactivity which are used for actuating automatic vending machines.

The Order also provides for the exclusion (unconditionally) from sections 6(1) and (3) and 7(1) of that Act (which prohibit the disposal and accumulation of radioactive waste without authorisation) of " radioactive waste " within the meaning of section 18(4) of that Act consisting of waste tokens of the kind exempted by the Order and situated elsewhere than on the manufacturer's premises.

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