STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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CLEAN AIR

The Smoke Control Areas (Authorised Fuels) Regulations 1978

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The Secretary of State for the Environment, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 34(1) of the Clean Air Act 1956(a) and now vested in him(b) and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following regulations: —

Title and commencement

1. These regulations may be cited as the Smoke Control Areas (Authorised Fuels) Regulations and shall come into operation on 24th February 1978.

Interpretation

2. The Interpretation Act 1889(c) shall apply for the interpretation of these regulations as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

Authorised fuels for the purposes of the Clean Air Act 1956

3. The following fuel is hereby declared to be an authorised fuel for the purposes of the Clean Air Act 1956, that is to say: —

"Palmalite" ovoid briquettes which have been manufactured by G J Palmer Direct Haulage Limited and which—

(i) comprise Welsh anthracite duff (as to approximately 97 per cent of total weight), starch (as to 1.5 per cent of total weight) and resin and an agglomerating agent (as to the remaining weight) and,

(ii) have been subjected to a mild heat treatment process.

Peter Shore,
Secretary of State for the Environment.

25th January 1978.

(a) 1956 c. 52. (b) S.I. 1970/1681. (c) 1889 c. 63.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Regulations.)

Section 11 of the Clean Air Act 1956 makes it an offence to emit smoke from a chimney of a building within a smoke control area unless it can be shown that the emission of smoke arose solely from use of an authorised fuel. These Regulations declare "Palmalite" ovoid briquettes as described in regulation 3 to be an authorised fuel.

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