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CLEAN AIR

Smoke Control Areas—Authorised Fuels

REGULATIONS, DATED 18TH FEBRUARY 1972, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES UNDER SECTION 43 OF THE CLEAN AIR ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1964.

The Ministry of Health and Social Services in exercise of the powers conferred upon it by Section 43 of the Clean Air Act (Northern Ireland) 1964(a) and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following regulations:—

Citation and commencement

1. These regulations may be cited as the Smoke Control Areas (Authorised Fuels) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1972 and shall come into operation on 1st March 1972.

Authorised fuels

2. The following fuels are hereby declared to be authorised fuels for the purposes of the Clean Air Act (Northern Ireland) 1964:—

(*a*) "Ancit" briquettes which have been manufactured by Aachener Kohlen Verkauf GmbH, Aachen, and which—
  (i) comprise anthracite (as to approximately 75 per cent of total weight) and coking coal (as to the remaining weight) and
  (ii) after carbonisation of the constituents and conversion into briquettes are subjected to further heat treatment;

(*b*) "Extracite" ovoids which have been manufactured by Sophia-Jacoba Handelsgesellschaft mbH, Huckelhaven, and which—
  (i) comprise anthracite (as to approximately 88 per cent of total weight) and sulphite lye (as to the remaining weight) and
  (ii) have been subjected to heat treatment;

(*c*) "Syntraciet" ovoids which have been manufactured by the Dutch State Mines and which—
  (i) comprise washed anthracite coal (as to approximately 93 per cent of total weight) and pitch (as to the remaining weight) and
  (ii) have been subjected to a mild heat treatment process;

(*d*) "XL" briquettes which have been manufactured by Taylor Brothers (Dundee) Limited and which—
  (i) comprise "Coalite" breeze (or "Homefire" char) and Welsh anthracite duff (as to approximately 97 per cent of total weight) and borax and starch (as to the remaining weight) and
  (ii) have been subjected to a mild heat treatment process;

(*e*) "Anthracine" ovoids which have been manufactured by Les Houilleries du Nord-Pas-de-Calais and which—
  (i) comprise French anthracite (as to approximately 92 per cent of total weight) and pitch (as to the remaining weight) and
  (ii) have been subjected to a mild heat treatment process;

(a) 1964. c. 16 (N.I.).

(*f*) "Anthrite" ovoids which have been manufactured by Thyssen Engineering Limited and which—

(i) comprise anthracite washed duff (as to approximately 97 per cent of total weight) and starch and resin (as to the remaining weight) and

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

(*g*) "Fireglo" briquettes which have been manufactured by Société Charentaise de Défumage, Tonnay-Charente, La Société Rouennaise de Défumage, Les Combustibles de Normandie, Le Comptoir Breton de Manutention et de Combustibles of Les Combustibles de l'Ouest and which—

(i) comprise anthracite duff (as to approximately 93 per cent of total weight) and pitch (as to the remaining weight) and

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

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland this 18th day of February 1972.

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

Section 11 of the Clean Air Act (Northern Ireland) 1964 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 "Ancit" briquettes, "Extracite" ovoids, "Syntraciet" ovoids, "XL" briquettes, "Anthracine" ovoids, "Anthrite" ovoids and "Fireglo" briquettes to be authorised fuels.

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