STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1979 No. 222

SUGAR

The Sugar Beet (Research and Education) Order 1979

Made - - - -	*2nd March* 1979
Laid before Parliament	*9th March* 1979
Coming into Operation	*1st April* 1979

The Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and the Secretary of State for Wales, acting jointly, in exercise of the powers conferred upon them by section 18(1) and (2) of the Sugar Act 1956(a) and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, after consultation with the British Sugar Corporation Limited and with such bodies as in their opinion are substantially representative of growers of home-grown beet and having prepared a programme for carrying out research and education in matters affecting the growing of home-grown beet, hereby make the following order:—

1. This order, which applies in England and Wales only, may be cited as the Sugar Beet (Research and Education) Order 1979, and shall come into operation on 1st April 1979.

2. The programme of research and education set out in the Schedule to this order together with the expenditure estimated to be incurred in carrying it out shall be the programme for the year beginning on 1st April 1979.

3. The contributions from the British Sugar Corporation Limited (hereinafter referred to as "the Corporation") and every grower of home-grown beet who delivers beet to the Corporation during the year beginning on 1st April 1979 towards defraying the expenditure to be incurred in carrying out the aforesaid programme shall be assessed as follows:—

(*a*) in the case of any grower of home-grown beet, the contribution shall be at the rate of 6.5p for every tonne of home-grown beet sold by him for delivery to the Corporation in that year;

(*b*) in the case of the Corporation, the contribution shall be at the rate of 6.5p for every tonne of home-grown beet purchased by them for delivery in that year.

4.—(1) All contracts made between the Corporation and any grower for the sale of home-grown beet for delivery to the Corporation during the year beginning on 1st April 1979 shall provide that the total amount of the grower's contribution assessed in accordance with the foregoing provisions of this order shall be payable by the grower to the Corporation out of any sums standing to the credit of that grower in account with the Corporation and be deducted by the Corporation from the amount payable to the grower.

(a) 1956 c. 48; section 18 is to be read with the Transfer of Functions (Wales) (No. 1) Order 1978 (S.I. 1978/272).

(2) The Corporation shall pay the proceeds, together with the amount of the contribution from the Corporation assessed in accordance with sub-paragraph (*b*) of Article 3 of this order, to the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food by 30th April 1980.

5. The amount of any contribution which has not been paid to the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food by the date when it is due shall become a debt due to that Minister.

In Witness whereof the Official Seal of the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food is hereunto affixed on 28th February 1979.

(L.S.)

John Silkin,
Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

2nd March 1979.

John Morris,
Secretary of State for Wales.

SCHEDULE

Projects of research and education in matters affecting the growing of home-grown beet to be carried out by the persons or bodies described in relation thereto and estimates of expenditure to be incurred in carrying them out.

	£	£
A. RESEARCH		
1. Plant Breeding: Plant Breeding Institute, Cambridge	168,085	
2. Variety Trials: National Institute of Agricultural Botany, Cambridge	41,540	
3. Disease Investigations, Fertiliser and Seed Production Experiments: Broom's Barn Experimental Station	397,660	
4. Crop Husbandry: Norfolk Agricultural Station	50,470	
5. Machinery Experiments: National Institute of Agricultural Engineering	38,700	
6. Physiology: Rothamsted Experimental Station	35,550	
7. Weed Beet Investigations: Weed Research Organisation	4,409	
		736,414
B. EDUCATION		
8. British Sugar Corporation Ltd.:—		
Publicity:		
(*a*) British Sugar Beet Review	12,500	
(*b*) Films	270	
(*c*) Virus Yellows and Weed Beet Warnings	4,374	
(*d*) Growers Handbook	11,500	
		28,644
Demonstrations:		
(*e*) Cultivation	103,339	
(*f*) Spring Demonstration	12,960	
(*g*) Autumn Demonstration	15,120	
		131,419
Audit Fee		540

	£	£
C. GENERAL		
9. Travelling and Subsistence Expenses of Members and Officers of the Sugar Beet Research and Education Committee and its sub-committees		1,700
10. Administrative Charges:		
(*a*) Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food	6,800	
(*b*) Exchequer and Audit Department ...	530	
		7,330
11. Institut International de Recherches Betteravières:		
(*a*) Subscriptions	7,500	
(*b*) Expenses and Visits	6,000	
		13,500
12. Other Items:		
(*a*) Weed Beet Survey	850	
(*b*) Visits Abroad	1,750	
(*c*) Contingencies	1,500	
		4,100
TOTAL		£923,647

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

This Order, which applies in England and Wales only, provides for the assessment and collection of contributions for the year beginning on 1st April 1979 from the British Sugar Corporation Limited and from growers of home-grown beet towards the programme of research and education set out in the schedule to the Order. The contributions will remain at 6.5p per tonne.

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