STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1983 No. 294

SUGAR

The Sugar Beet (Research and Education) Order 1983

Made - - - -	*2nd March* 1983
Laid before Parliament	*11th March* 1983
Coming into Operation	*1st April* 1983

The Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and the Secretary of State for Wales, acting jointly, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 18(1) and (2) of the Sugar Act 1956 (**a**), and now vested in them (**b**), and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, after consultation in accordance with subsection (1) of the said section with British Sugar p.l.c. 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 as required by the said subsection, hereby make the following order:—

Title, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) This order, which extends to England and Wales only, may be cited as the Sugar Beet (Research and Education) Order 1983, and shall come into operation on 1st April 1983.

(2) In this order—

"the company" means British Sugar p.l.c.;

"the Minister" means the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food;

"the year 1983–4" means the year beginning on 1st April 1983.

Programme of research and education for 1983–4

2. The programme of research and education set out in the Schedule to this order, together with the estimate therein contained of the amount of the expenditure to be incurred in carrying it out, shall be the programme for the year 1983–4.

Assessment of contributions

3. The contributions from the company, and from every grower of home-grown beet who delivers beet to the company during the year 1983–4, towards defraying the expenditure to be incurred in carrying out the programme for that year shall be assessed as follows:—

(a) in the case of any grower of home-grown beet the contribution shall be at the rate of 9.0p for every tonne of home-grown beet sold by him for delivery to the company in that year;

(b) in the case of the company, the contribution shall be at the rate of 9.0p. for every tonne of home-grown beet purchased by the company in that year.

(**a**) 1956 c.48.
(**b**) In the case of the Secretary of State for Wales, by virtue of S.I. 1978/272.

Provision to be made in contracts, and recovery of contributions by the Minister

4.—(1) All contracts made between the company and any grower for the sale of home-grown beet for delivery to the company during the year 1983–4 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 company out of any sums standing to the credit of that grower in account with the company and be deducted by the company from the amount payable to the grower.

(2) The company shall pay the proceeds, together with the amount of the contribution from the company assessed in accordance with paragraph *(b)* of article 3 of this order, to the Minister on or before 30th April 1984.

(3) The amount of any contribution which has not been paid to the Minister by the date on which it has become due for payment shall be recoverable by him summarily as a civil debt.

In witness whereof the Official Seal of the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food is hereunto affixed on 25th February 1983.

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Peter Walker,
Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

2nd March 1983.

Nicholas Edwards,
Secretary of State for Wales.

SCHEDULE

PART I

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	276,250	
2.	Variety trials: National Institute of Agricultural Botany, Cambridge	76,555	
3.	Agronomy, physiology, nutrition, pest and disease control: Broom's Barn Experimental Station	756,426	
4.	Crop husbandry: Norfolk Agricultural Station	81,322	
5.	Machinery experiments: National Institute of Agricultural Engineering	15,000	
6.	Physiology and aphid work: Rothamsted Experimental Station	64,326	
7.	Weed beet investigations: Weed Research Organisation	9,829	
			1,279,708
B. EDUCATION			
8.	British Sugar p.l.c.:—		
	Publicity:		
	(a) British Sugar Beet Review	20,000	
	(b) Films and photography	287	
	(c) Virus yellows and weed beet warnings	9,344	
			29,631
	Demonstrations:		
	(d) Salaries, programme and equipment	224,615	
	(e) Spring demonstration	28,750	
	(f) Autumn demonstration	33,350	
			286,715
	Audit Fee		920
	c/f		£1,596,974

	b/f		1,596,974

PART II

General expenses relating to the programme of research and education.

		£	£
1.	Travelling and subsistence expenses of members and officers of the Sugar Beet Research and Education Committee and its sub-committees		6,300
2.	Administrative charges:		
	(a) Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food	12,373	
	(b) Exchequer and Audit Department	1,255	
			13,628
3.	Institut International de Recherches Betteravières:		
	(a) Subscriptions	6,000	
	(b) Expenses and visits	9,885	
			15,885
4.	Other items:		
	(a) Visits	550	
	(b) Contingencies	50,000	
			50,550
	Total ...		£1,683,337

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

This order provides for the assessment of contributions for the year 1983–4 (as is required to be done annually by section 18 of the Sugar Act 1956) and their collection from British Sugar p.l.c. (formerly the British Sugar Corporation) and growers of sugar beet in England and Wales during that year, towards the cost of the programme of research and education set out in the Schedule to the order. The contributions are increased from 8.5p per tonne of beet bought and sold to 9p per tonne.

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