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Amendment of the Coal Trade Regulations.

LIVERPOOL, Governor-General.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House at Wellington, this twenty-eighth day of August, 1917.

Present :

THE HONOURABLE W. H. HERRIES PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS on the fifth day of February, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, certain regulations known as the Coal Trade Regulations were made by the Governor-General in Council, in pursuance of the War Regulations Amendment Act, 1916: And whereas, having regard to the exigencies of the present war and the conditions created thereby, it is deemed advisable to amend those regulations in the manner hereinafter appearing :

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said Dominion, and in pursuance of the War Regulations Amendment Act, 1916, doth hereby revoke Part II of the said Coal Trade Regulations, and make the following regulations in lieu thereof.

REGULATIONS.

1. THE Governor may from time to time by Warrant gazetted declare that any portion of New Zealand is thereby constituted a coal trade district for the purposes of the Coal Trade Regulations, and may from time to time, by the same or any other Warrant gazetted, appoint for each such district a Coal Trade Committee consisting of such persons as the Governor thinks fit, who shall hold office during his pleasure.

2. The Chairman of each such Committee shall be such member thereof as the Governor from time to time appoints.

3. Meetings of each such Committee shall be held at such times and places as the Chairman may appoint, and a majority of the members of any such Committee shall form a quorum at any meeting thereof, and the decision of a majority of the members of a Committee present at any such meeting shall be the decision of the Committee.

4. The functions of each Coal Trade Committee shall be—

(a.) To inquire, at the request of the Minister in Charge, into all matters relative to the production, importation, exportation, supply, purchase, sale, distribution, carriage, storage, and use of coal, and into all matters arising out of the administration of the Coal Trade Regulations, and to advise the Minister as to all such matters as aforesaid;

(b.) To exercise, on behalf of the Minister in Charge, any powers vested in him by the Coal Trade Regulations, so far as any such powers may for the time being be delegated to any such Committee by the Minister;

(c.) To grant permits under these regulations.

5. (1.) Save in pursuance of a permit issued in that behalf by the Coal Trade Committee of a coal trade district, or by the Minister in Charge, it shall not be lawful for any person to deliver or be concerned in the delivery of any coal at any place within that district in pursuance of any contract of purchase whether made before or after the constitution of that district.

(2.) Nothing in this regulation shall apply to the delivery of coal for domestic or other uses in quantities not exceeding 1 ton at any one time and not exceeding 2 tons delivered to any one person in any one period of twenty-eight days.

6. In granting any such permit in respect of any coal the Coal Trade Committee or the Minister in Charge, as the case may be, may impose such terms and conditions as to the mode of dealing with that coal as the Committee or Minister thinks advisable for the regulation of the coal trade and the maintenance of industries essential for the public welfare.

7. Any such permit shall be revocable at the will of the Committee or Minister by whom it was granted.

8. When coal has been delivered under such a permit, no person shall thereafter, without the consent of the Committee or Minister by whom it was granted, deal with that coal or be concerned in dealing therewith otherwise than in accordance with the terms and conditions on which the permit was granted.

9. Any person who makes any false representation with intent thereby to obtain a permit under these regulations either for himself or for any other person, or who in any manner deceives or attempts to deceive a Coal Trade Committee or the Minister in Charge in the exercise of the powers conferred by these regulations, shall be guilty of an offence against these regulations, and shall be liable accordingly.

10. These regulations shall be read together with and shall be deemed part of the Coal Trade Regulations made on the 5th day of February, 1917.

J. F. ANDREWS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.