

authorised under paragraph (a) with the following additions, namely:—

(i) In the case of sales for delivery ex vendor's store or shop or ex warehouse, the following extra distribution charges according to the quantity of Fertiliser included in the sale, namely:—

<i>Quantity sold.</i>	<i>Additional price authorised.</i>
4 tons and over	5/- per ton
1 ton and over, but less than 4 tons	10/- "
2 cwt. and over, but less than 1 ton	1/- per cwt.
1 cwt. and over, but less than 2 cwt.	1/6 "
Less than 1 cwt.	2/- "

(ii) In the case of sales for delivery ex railway goods yard or public wharf, an extra distribution charge at the rate of 2s. 6d. per ton of Fertiliser included in the sale.

(iii) In the case of all sales for delivery elsewhere than at maker's works all costs of transport of the Fertiliser from maker's works to place of delivery, any cartage or haulage to be charged at local rates.

3. On sales of two tons and upwards by makers to Agricultural Merchants and Dealers or to Co-operative Companies and Societies incorporated or registered under the Industrial and Provident Societies Acts or any other Act the maximum prices fixed by clause 2 of this Order shall be reduced by a discount or allowance to the purchaser, such discount to be 5s. per ton where the maximum price of the Fertiliser (after deduction of such discount) is less than £6 per ton, and 7s. 6d. per ton where the maximum price (after deduction of a 5s. discount) is £6 per ton or upwards.

4. The maximum prices fixed by this Order are net prompt cash prices for Compound Fertiliser in maker's or vendor's bags or other packages. Where credit is given to the purchaser a reasonable extra charge may be made, provided that the discount allowed for net prompt cash is quoted on the invoice, and is such as to bring the net prompt cash price within the maximum authorised. If purchaser's bags or other packages are used a reasonable allowance shall be made. Where one ton or upwards of Fertiliser is sold for delivery in bags containing not more than 1 cwt. each an extra charge of 5s. per ton may be made beyond the maximum price which would otherwise have been authorised.

5. The maximum prices fixed by the foregoing provisions of this Order are for sales of Fertilisers for delivery during December 1917. In the case of sales of Fertilisers for delivery during other months, the maximum prices are in each case to be reduced or increased 1s. per ton per month, according as the month for delivery precedes or is subsequent to December 1917, but with a maximum increase of 5s. per ton, e.g., the maximum prices for sales for October 1917 delivery will be 2s. less per ton, while the maximum prices for sales for May and June 1918 delivery will be 5s. more per ton than the maximum prices fixed as above for sales for December 1917 deliveries.

6. For the purpose of Clauses 2 and 7 of this Order the basis price for any Compound Fertiliser shall be the aggregate value of the Nitrogen Phosphates and Potash contained in the Fertiliser when valued at the respective unit rates specified in the First Schedule hereto, and distinguishing

in the case of Nitrogen between the two classes of Nitrogen, and in the case of Phosphates between the different descriptions of Phosphates, also specified in the First Schedule. In arriving at such basis price nothing shall be allowed or added for the value of any constituents other than Nitrogen, Phosphates and Potash contained in the Fertiliser.

7. As on and from the date on which this Order takes effect no person shall sell any Compound Fertiliser without giving to the purchaser on or before or as soon as possible after delivery an invoice stating—

(a) The percentage contained in such Compound Fertiliser of each of the following constituents contained therein, namely: (i.) Class I. Nitrogen, (ii.) Class II. Nitrogen, (iii.) Water soluble Phosphate, (iv.) Citric soluble Phosphate, (v.) Insoluble Phosphate, and (vi.) Soluble Potash, all as more particularly defined in the First Schedule hereto (such percentages to be stated accurately in the case of each constituent within the limits of error specified in the Second Schedule hereto);

(b) The maximum unit rates authorised to be charged for each of such constituents as specified in the First Schedule hereto;

(c) The basis price for such fertiliser, in which may, however, be included any charge made for credit;

(d) All additions made to such basis price in arriving at the actual price charged for such fertiliser (including the maker's charge, not exceeding 22s. 6d. per ton, for mixing and compounding, bags and bagging); and

(e) The price charged for the fertiliser, and where such price includes an extra charge for credit, the discount allowed for net prompt cash.

8. The foregoing provisions of this Order shall not apply to any sale of Compound Fertiliser for export from the United Kingdom, nor to any sale of any quantity of Compound Fertiliser not exceeding 28 lbs., nor to any sale of Compound Fertiliser in quantities exceeding 28 lbs. where such Fertiliser is sold for horticultural purposes packed in special bags, tins, boxes or cartons, each branded or marked with the maker's or vendor's name and address, and the words "Horticultural Fertiliser," and containing not more than 28 lbs. But save as aforesaid no person shall as on and from the date on which this Order takes effect sell or purchase or offer to sell or purchase any Compound Fertiliser at a price exceeding that prescribed by this Order as the maximum price (having regard to quantity, composition, packages, date for and terms of delivery) for such sale. Provided that no person shall be liable to conviction for:—

(a) Selling a Compound Fertiliser at a price in excess of the maximum price prescribed by this Order if the invoice given to the purchaser, as required by Clause 7 of this Order, states accurately within the limits of error allowed by that clause the percentages of the different constituents therein referred to contained in the Fertiliser sold, and the price charged and stated on such invoice does not exceed the correct maximum price on the basis that the percentages stated in such invoice are correct, or

(b) Purchasing any Compound Fertiliser at a price exceeding the maximum price, unless the price agreed to be paid by him is to his