

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 knowledge in excess of the maximum price authorized for such purchase.

9. All persons engaged in producing, making, selling, distributing or storing Compound Fertilisers shall make such returns with regard to their businesses, and shall verify the same in such manner (including production of their books to any accredited representatives of the Minister of Munitions) as shall from time to time be required by or under the authority of the Minister of Munitions.

10. For the purpose of this Order and the Schedules hereto, the following expressions shall have the following meanings:—

The Act shall mean the Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act, 1906.

The Regulations shall mean the Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs (Methods of Analysis) Regulations, 1908.

Potash shall mean compounds of Potassium calculated as Potassium Oxide soluble in water or acid as provided by the Regulations.

Unit shall mean 1 per cent. by weight in one ton of Compound Fertiliser.

Compound Fertiliser shall mean any Fertiliser or substance sold for use as a Fertiliser of which the ingredients are or contain Nitrogen, Phosphates and Potash or any two of these constituents, and in which either such constituents have been brought together or the percentage

of any one or more of them has been increased or reduced by artificial mixing, but shall not include any substance containing in the natural state two or all of the said constituents, or any Fertiliser made by dissolving or treating any such natural substance without any such artificial mixing as aforesaid.

Maker shall mean a Mixer or Compounder of Compound Fertilisers.

11. The provisions of this Order shall not apply to a sale by a maker to a consumer of two or more Fertilisers or substances neither of which is by itself a Compound Fertiliser as above defined, notwithstanding that it is one of the terms of the purchase that the Fertilisers or substances purchased are to be artificially mixed or compounded by the maker before delivery, provided that an invoice is given to the consumer on or before or as soon as possible after delivery which states the quantity and price of each of the Fertilisers or substances included in the mixture or compound as delivered, and the charge made for mixing or compounding, bags and bagging.

12. Nothing contained in this Order shall be held to vary or supersede any of the provisions of the Act or any Regulations made thereunder or to exempt any person from compliance with any of the provisions or requirements of such Act or Regulations applicable to sales or purchases of Compound Fertilisers.

Note.—All applications in reference to this Order should be addressed to the Director of Acid Supplies, Ministry of Munitions, Department of Explosives Supply, Storey's Gate Westminster, S.W. 1, and marked "Fertilisers."

THE FIRST SCHEDULE.

Unit rates of Nitrogen, Phosphates and Potash for the purpose of Clauses 2 and 6 of the above Order.

PART 1.—NITROGEN.

Class 1. *Unit rate.*

Derived from Sulphate of Ammonia, Salts of Ammonia, Nitrate of Soda, or other Salts of Nitric Acid, Cyanamide, meat, blood, bone, slaughter house refuse, horn, hoof, guano, fish offal, fish meal, fish guano, oil seed, cakes or meals, or dissolved shoddy, dissolved wool waste or dissolved silk waste as below defined 17/6

Note.—The expressions "dissolved shoddy," "dissolved wool waste," and "dissolved silk waste" shall mean shoddy wool waste and silk waste treated with sulphuric acid or nitre cake in such a way that at least 80 per cent. of the fibre is destroyed.

Class 2. *Unit rate.*

Derived from other sources 7/6

PART 2.—PHOSPHATES.

Description. *Unit rate.*

"Water Soluble," i.e., rendered soluble in water... .. 4/3

"Citric Soluble," i.e., insoluble in water, but soluble in a 2 per cent. solution of Citric Acid in