Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Labour and National Insurance for Northern Ireland this fifteenth day of October, 1946, in the presence of

(L.S.) *J. W. McConnell,*
Assistant Secretary to Ministry of Labour and National Insurance for Northern Ireland.

EXPLANATORY NOTE.

(This note is not part of the Order, but is intended to indicate its general purport)

The Control of Employment (Agriculture) (Northern Ireland) Orders, 1942, provide *inter alia* for the casual employment of agricultural workers in threshing work only, and the purpose of this Order is to extend the provision to the casual employment of agricultural workers in other types of farm work.

Fertilisers : Control

ORDER, DATED OCTOBER 21ST, 1946, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE FOR NORTHERN IRELAND UNDER REGULATIONS 55 AND 55AA OF THE DEFENCE (GENERAL) REGULATIONS, 1939, AS HAVING EFFECT BY VIRTUE OF THE SUPPLIES AND SERVICES (TRANSITIONAL POWERS) ACT, 1945.

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The Ministry of Agriculture for Northern Ireland by virtue and in exercise of the powers under Regulations 55 and 55AA of the Defence (General) Regulations, 1939, delegated to it by an instrument of delegation dated the 2nd day of July, 1946, made by the Board of Trade under the said Regulations, as having effect by virtue of the Supplies and Services (Transitional Powers) Act, 1945, (a) hereby orders as follows :—

1. No person shall produce for disposal or distribute wholesale any fertiliser except under the authority of a licence granted to him by the Ministry of Agriculture for Northern Ireland (hereinafter called " the Ministry ").

2. No person described in a licence granted under Article 1 of this Order as (and hereinafter called) " a licensed wholesaler " shall dispose of or agree or offer to dispose of any fertiliser except to—

(*a*) another licensed wholesaler,

(*b*) a person described in a licence granted under Article 1 of this Order as (and hereinafter called) " a licensed secondary wholesaler ", or

(*c*) a person licensed under Article 5 of this Order.

(a) 9 and 10 Geo. 6, Ch. 10 ; and S. R. & O. 1945, Nos. 1618 and 1625.

3. No licensed secondary wholesaler shall dispose of or agree or offer to dispose of any fertiliser except to—

(*a*) a person licensed under Article 5 of this Order, or

(*b*) the licensed wholesaler from whom he acquired that fertiliser.

4. No licensed secondary wholesaler shall acquire or agree or offer to acquire any fertiliser except from a licensed wholesaler or a person who has previously acquired that fertiliser from him.

5. No person shall distribute retail any fertiliser except under the authority of a licence granted to him by the Ministry.

6. No person described in a licence granted under Article 5 of this Order as (and hereinafter called) a "licensed retailer" shall dispose of or agree or offer to dispose of any fertiliser except to—

(*a*) a person who he has reasonable cause to believe proposes to use the fertiliser for application to land in his possession or ownership or under his control and situate in Northern Ireland, or

(*b*) a licensed wholesaler or licensed secondary wholesaler from whom he acquired that fertiliser.

7. No licensed retailer shall acquire or agree or offer to acquire any fertiliser except from—

(*a*) a licensed wholesaler, or

(*b*) a licensed secondary wholesaler, or

(*c*) a person who being neither a licensed wholesaler nor a licensed secondary wholesaler has previously acquired that fertiliser from him.

8.—(1) The holder of any licence granted under this Order shall comply with any conditions contained or incorporated in that licence.

(2) If any licence granted under this Order is revoked by the Ministry the holder of the licence shall deliver up forthwith the licence as directed by the Ministry and shall dispose of any fertiliser in his possession in such manner as the Ministry may direct.

9. No person shall use any fertiliser :

(1) otherwise than for application to land in his possession or ownership or under his control and situate in Northern Ireland, or

(2) in excess of the quantity applied to land in the course of good husbandry for the cultivation of like crops in the district in which the land is situate.

10. Every licensed supplier shall keep or cause to be kept such records, in such form as the Ministry may require, of his dealings in fertilisers as are necessary to show that the provisions of this Order are