COKE.

Supply.

ORDER, DATED 21ST DECEMBER, 1944, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE UNDER REGULATIONS 55 AND 55AA OF THE DEFENCE (GENERAL) REGULATIONS, 1939.

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The Ministry of Commerce for Northern Ireland (in this Order referred to as "the Ministry") by virtue and in exercise of the powers under Regulations 55 and 55AA of the Defence (General) Regulations, 1939, delegated to it by the Minister of Fuel and Power hereby orders as follows :—

1. In any calendar month commencing 1st January, 1945, no producer of coke or merchant may sell or otherwise dispose of coke except in accordance with the following directions :—

(*a*) Firstly to bakeries and industrial concerns on the basis of the average monthly quantity used or consumed but excluding any coke used for the heating of premises in the four months commenced on the 1st December, 1943 ;

(*b*) Secondly to hospitals, schools and institutions for the sick, infirm or aged, wartime nurseries provided or approved by a Government Department or Local Authority for evacuated children or children of war workers on the basis of 90% (ninety per centum) of the average monthly quantity used or consumed in the four months commenced on the 1st December, 1943 ;

(*c*) Thirdly to all other consumers (except domestic householders) on the basis of 75% (seventy-five per centum) of the average monthly quantity used or consumed for heating purposes in the four months commenced on the 1st December, 1943 ;

(*d*) Fourthly to domestic householders on the basis of not more than one quarter ton per month per household ;

provided however that :—

(1) No coke may be supplied to any consumer other than a domestic householder until he has certified to his supplier in writing that the quantity of coke in stock at the premises to which delivery is to be made is less than one-half of the monthly supply permitted under this Order ;

(2) Where supplies are obtained by a consumer other than a domestic householder from two or more suppliers such consumer may not obtain from each of his suppliers a greater