power enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order, that is to say :—

1. The Board shall, in respect of the period 1st March, 1944, to 28th February, 1945, pay the sum of £300 to the Trustees of the Agricultural Research Institute of Northern Ireland, Hillsborough, County Down, in respect of research in pig nutrition, and such payment shall be made within two months from the date of commencement of this Order.

2. This Order may be cited as the Bacon Industry (Pig Nutrition Research Grant) Order (Northern Ireland), 1944, and shall come into operation on the date hereof.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Agriculture for Northern Ireland this sixth day of November, nineteen hundred and forty-four, in the presence of

(L.S.) (Signed) *J. McAllan*,
Assistant Secretary.

CIVIL DEFENCE.

References to Official Arbitrator.

RULES, DATED 29TH NOVEMBER, 1944, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE UNDER SECTION SIXTY OF THE CIVIL DEFENCE ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1939.

1944. No. 105.

1.—(1) The Rules may be cited as the Civil Defence (References to Official Arbitrator) (Northern Ireland) Rules, 1944.

(2) In these Rules unless the context otherwise requires the expression " the Act " means the Civil Defence Act (Northern Ireland), 1939 ; the expression " the Ministry " means the Ministry of Finance for Northern Ireland ; the expression " Arbitrator " means an official arbitrator appointed by the Minister of Finance under section one of the Administrative Provisions Act (Northern Ireland), 1928 ; the expression " question " means any question whether any, and if so what, compensation is payable under any of the provisions of the Act providing for payment of compensation ; or as to what is the net ascertained cost of works for the purposes of the provisions of Part II of the Act relating to factory premises occupied on short leases ; or whether any, and if so what, increases or decreases of rent are to be made under the provisions of Part II of the Act relating to increases and decreases of

rent; or whether any, and if so what, contributions are payable in respect of works commenced before the passing of the Act, but shall not include any question whether compensation is payable in respect of the compulsory acquisition of any land or in respect of personal injuries.

(3) The Interpretation Act, 1889, as applied to Northern Ireland by the Interpretation Act, 1921, shall apply for the purpose of the interpretation of these Rules as it applies for the purpose of the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

2. Where any question has arisen, any person with an interest in the determination of such question (in these Rules called " the applicant ") may prepare (in duplicate) a reference to the arbitrator for hearing in the form set forth in the First Schedule to these Rules, or in a form to the like effect, and shall in the reference specify all persons whom he knows to have an interest in the determination of such question, one copy of which reference shall be sent to the Ministry together with the fee prescribed in that behalf by Rules made by the Ministry under sub-section (2) of the said section sixty of the Act, and the other copy shall be sent to the arbitrator.

3. On receipt of the reference under Rule 2 the Ministry shall cause the amount of the fee payable to be impressed thereon and shall forward it to the arbitrator, who shall upon its receipt proceed with the determination of the question.

4. The arbitrator shall direct notices to be given to the persons specified in the reference for hearing as having an interest in the determination of the question and shall further consider and determine whether any, and if so what, further notices are to be given, and whether by way of advertisement or otherwise, to persons who appear to have an interest in the determination of the question, and for that purpose may require the applicant to furnish him with any documents or other information which he has in his power to furnish.

5.—(1) The applicant shall, on being directed to do so by the arbitrator, give such notices by way of advertisement or otherwise as the arbitrator may direct and shall send to the arbitrator a certificate in the form set out in the Second Schedule hereto that such directions have been complied with.

(2) The notices shall require persons having an interest in the determination of the question to send to the arbitrator and to the applicant within such time, not being less than twenty-one days from the giving of the notices, as may be fixed by the arbitrator, any objections that they may have in connection with the reference for hearing, and the grounds thereof.

6. On the request of the arbitrator the applicant and any other person having an interest in the determination of the question, who has duly lodged an objection, shall furnish to the arbitrator particulars of