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Prices Regulation Acts.

PRICES REGULATION ORDER No. 267.

IN pursuance of the powers conferred upon me by the Prices Regulation Acts, I, John Francis Waldron, Prices Decontrol Commissioner, hereby make the following Order:—

Citation.

1. This Order may be cited as Prices Regulation Order No. 267.

Definitions.

2. In this Order, unless the contrary intention appears:—

“Ceiling date,” in relation to any goods or services sold or supplied by any person on any terms and conditions, means that—

(a) where that person, upon the 18th day of July, 1951, sold or supplied substantially identical goods or services, as the case may be, upon terms and conditions substantially identical with the first-mentioned terms and conditions—the 18th day of July, 1951; or

(b) where that person did not, upon the 18th day of July, 1951, sell or supply substantially identical goods or services, as the case may be, upon terms and conditions substantially identical with the first-mentioned terms and conditions—the last date prior to the 18th day of July, 1951, upon which that person sold or supplied substantially identical goods or services, as the case may be, upon terms and conditions so substantially identical;

“Goods” means any goods declared to be declared goods for the purposes of Part II. of the *Prices Regulation Act 1948*.

“Services” means any services declared to be declared services for the purposes of Part II. of the *Prices Regulation Act 1948*.

“Cost” means, in relation to the sale of any goods, by any person, the sum of money or other valuable consideration paid or furnished or agreed to be paid or furnished for in respect of those goods by that person.

Ceiling Prices and Rates for Goods and Services of a Kind Previously Sold or Supplied.

3. I fix and declare the maximum price or rate, as the case may be, at which any person may sell or supply any goods or services on any terms and conditions to be the price or rate at which that person sold or supplied substantially identical goods or services on the ceiling date on terms and conditions substantially identical with the first-mentioned terms and conditions or, if any lower maximum price or rate is fixed by or under any Order made under the Prices Regulation Acts, and in force immediately prior to the commencement of this Order, that lower price or rate.

Maximum Prices and Rates for Goods not Previously Sold or Supplied.

4. I fix and declare the maximum price at which any person may sell any goods which are not substantially identical with any goods which he sold prior to the 18th day of July, 1951, to be the cost of the goods to that person: Provided that on application by any person the maximum price at which those goods may be sold by that person shall be such price as is fixed by the Commissioner by Notice in Writing to that person.

Application for Maximum Prices in Certain Cases.

5. Notwithstanding the provisions of the last preceding paragraph, any person who manufactures any goods or supplies any service, as the case may be, which are not substantially identical with any goods or services which he sold or supplied prior to the 18th day of July, 1951, shall not sell those goods or supply that service unless and until he has made a written request to the Commissioner to fix the maximum price at which those goods may be sold or maximum rate at which that service may be supplied and the Commissioner has fixed the maximum price or maximum rate accordingly.

Price or Rate Differences to be Observed.

6. Notwithstanding anything contained in the foregoing provisions of this Order, where a seller or supplier of any goods or services has customarily allowed any difference in price or rate—

- (a) to any person or to persons included in any class of persons;
- (b) in respect of sales or supplies of certain quantities of goods or services; or
- (c) in respect of sales or supplies of goods or services under certain conditions of sale or supply,

the maximum price or rate fixed by or under this Order in respect of those goods or services shall, in the case of sales or supplies to any such person or persons or of such quantities or under such conditions, be reduced by the allowance of that difference.

Fixation of Maximum Prices by Notice.

7. Notwithstanding anything contained in this Order, I declare the maximum price or rate at which any goods or services specified in a Notice in pursuance of this paragraph may be sold or supplied by any person to be such price or rate as is fixed by the Commissioner by Notice in Writing to that person.

Saving of Effect of Previous Orders.

8. Nothing in this Order except the last preceding clause shall prevent any other Prices Regulation Orders operating to fix a lower maximum price or rate for any goods or services than the maximum price or rate fixed by or under this Order for those goods or services.

Prescribed Date.

9. I declare—

- (a) the 18th day of July, 1951; or
- (b) where, in relation to the sale or supply of any goods or services, the seller did not on the 18th day of July, 1951, sell or supply substantially identical goods or services—the last date prior to the 18th day of July, 1951, upon which that person sold or supplied substantially identical goods or services—

to be the "prescribed date" for the purposes of paragraph (b) of sub-section (1) of section 25 of the *Prices Regulation Act 1948*.

Dated this 19th day of July, 1951.

J. F. WALDRON,
Prices Decontrol Commissioner.