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FUEL EMERGENCY ACT 1977

PROCLAMATION OF STATE OF EMERGENCY

By His Excellency Rear Admiral Sir Brian Stewart Murray the Governor of the State of Victoria and its Dependencies in the Commonwealth of Australia, &c., &c., &c.

Whereas it is provided by section 3 (1) of the *Fuel Emergency Act 1977* that where at any time it appears to the Governor in Council that any action has been taken or is immediately threatened by any person or body of persons whereby any kind of fuel is or is likely to become unavailable to meet the reasonable requirements of the community and that a state of emergency exists or is likely to exist in relation to that fuel the Governor in Council may by proclamation published in the *Government Gazette* declare that a state of emergency exists in relation to that fuel:

And whereas it appears to the Governor in Council that the supplies of certain fuels, that is to say petroleum and petroleum products, are likely to become unavailable to meet the reasonable requirements of the community and that a state of emergency is likely to exist in relation to that fuel:

Now therefore I, Governor of the said State of Victoria, by and with the advice of the Executive Council thereof do by this Proclamation declare that a state of emergency exists in relation to petroleum and petroleum products and I further declare that unless sooner revoked this Proclamation shall remain in force for the period of seven days from the date hereof.

For the purposes of this Proclamation—

“petroleum” means—

- (a) any naturally occurring hydrocarbon, whether in a gaseous, liquid or solid state;
- (b) any naturally occurring mixture of hydrocarbons, whether in a gaseous, liquid or solid state; or
- (c) any naturally occurring mixture of one or more hydrocarbons, whether in a gaseous, liquid or solid state, and one or more of the following, that is to say, hydrogen sulphide, nitrogen, helium and carbon dioxide;

and includes any petroleum as defined by paragraph (a), (b) or (c) of this definition that has been returned to a natural reservoir; and

“petroleum product” means any derivative of petroleum obtained by distillation, catalytic cracking or other refining process and includes motor spirit (petrol), aviation turbine fuel, heating

oil, kerosine, lubricating oil, diesel fuel and liquefied petroleum gases.

Given under my Hand and the Seal of the State of Victoria aforesaid, at Melbourne, this first day of August in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred and eighty-five and in the thirty-fourth year of the reign of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth the Second, Queen of Australia.

(L.S.)

B. S. MURRAY

By His Excellency's Command

JOHN CAIN
Premier

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Direction No. 1

Fuel Emergency Act 1977

DIRECTION UNDER SECTION 4

To the owners, operators and employees of each service station in the areas specified in Schedule 1 hereto.

I, John Cain, Premier, pursuant to section 4 of the *Fuel Emergency Act 1977*, hereby direct the owner and operator and all employees of each service station in the areas specified in Schedule 1 hereto to comply with the terms and conditions specified in Schedule 2 hereto relating to the sale and supply of motor spirit.

This direction operates as from 4.00 p.m. on 1 August 1985 and ends at 4.00 p.m. on 8 August 1985.

Dated 1 August 1985

JOHN CAIN
Premier

Schedule 1

The Municipal districts of the following Municipalities:

(a) Melbourne Area

The Cities of:

Altona	Kew
Berwick	Knox
Box Hill	Malvern
Brighton	Melbourne
Broadmeadows	Moorabbin
Brunswick	Mordialloc
Camberwell	Northcote
Caulfield	Nunawading

Chelsea	Oakleigh
Coburg	Port Melbourne
Collingwood	Prahran
Croydon	Preston
Dandenong	Richmond
Doncaster and Templestowe	Ringwood
Essendon	St. Kilda
Fitzroy	Sandringham
Footscray	South Melbourne
Frankston	Springvale
Hawthorn	Sunshine
Heidelberg	Waverley
Keilor	Williamstown
And the Shires of:	
Bacchus Marsh	Lillydale
Bass	Melton
Bulla	Mornington
Cranbourne	Pakenham
Diamond Valley	Phillip Island
Eltham	Sherbrooke
Flinders	Upper Yarra
Gisborne	Werribee
Hastings	Whittlesea
Healesville	
And the Borough of Wonthaggi	
	(b) <i>Geelong Area</i>
The Cities of:	
Geelong	Newtown
Geelong West	South Barwon
The Borough of Queenscliffe	
And the Shires of:	
Bannockburn	Bellarine
Barrabool	Corio

Schedule 2

Schedule of Terms and Conditions relating to the sale and supply of motor spirit.

Motor Spirit shall not be sold or supplied from any service station on or after 4.00 p.m. on 1 August 1985 unless the following conditions are complied with:

- (a) The sale or supply of motor spirit to any person at any time shall not exceed in value \$10.
- (b) Motor spirit shall only be sold or supplied on even-numbered days of the month to motor vehicles on which the last numeral on the number plate is an even number.
- (c) Motor spirit shall only be sold or supplied on odd-numbered days of the month to motor vehicles on which the last numeral on the number plate is an odd number.
- (d) Motor spirit shall only be supplied into the tank fitted to a registered road vehicle.
- (e) The sale and supply of motor spirit is exempted from the restrictions of paragraphs (a), (b), (c) and (d) above where the person seeking supply—produces to you or to any uniformed member of the police force, present at the service station, a written statement signed by a member of the police force for the time being in charge of a police station to the effect that the person concerned has satisfied that member of the police force that in connection with essential uses, he has a special, immediate and urgent need justifying the supply to him, if available, of motor spirit during the period in respect of which this direction operates.
- (f) The sale or supply of motor spirit to motor cycles, motor scooters, mopeds or other like two-wheeled vehicles shall be exempt from the restrictions of paragraphs (b) and (c) above.
- (g) Subject to the above conditions motor spirit shall be available for sale or supply to any person without discrimination.