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Prices Regulation Acts.

PRICES REGULATION ORDER No. 583.

POTATOES.

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

Citation.

1. This Order may be cited as Prices Regulation Order No. 583.

Revocation.

2. Prices Regulation Order No. 558 is hereby revoked.

Definitions.

3. In this Order, unless the contrary intention appears—
 - “Primary wholesaler” in relation to the sale of potatoes means a person who purchases potatoes for the purpose of resale to another wholesaler whose normal business is to sell potatoes by wholesale.
 - “Secondary wholesaler” in relation to the sale of potatoes means a person who purchases potatoes from a primary wholesaler for the purpose of resale.
 - “Ton” means a long ton of 2,240 lb. or a quantity of fifteen bags of potatoes each containing not less than 149 lb. weight or 40 cases each containing not less than 56 lb. weight.
 - “Lb.” means pound avoirdupois or pounds avoirdupois as the case requires.
 - “Metropolitan area” means all that area comprised within a radius of twenty miles from the General Post Office, Melbourne.
 - “Point of delivery” means in relation to the sale of potatoes, the place at which liability for payment of transport charges in conveying such potatoes to his place of business passed to the seller from the person from whom he purchased them.

Sales by Growers.

4. I fix and declare the maximum prices at which potatoes may be sold by growers to be £67 per ton or £1 13s. 6d. per case.

Sales by Primary Wholesalers.

5. (1) I fix and declare the maximum prices at which potatoes may be sold by primary wholesalers to secondary wholesalers to be £68 per ton.

(2) Nothing in either clause 6 or 7 of this Order shall apply to sales by primary wholesalers to secondary wholesalers.

Sales by Wholesale—Metropolitan Area.

6. I fix and declare the maximum price at which potatoes may be sold by wholesale in the metropolitan area to be—

- (a) where the seller delivers the potatoes to the purchaser at the seller's store or at the Victoria Market, £70 per ton;
- (b) where the seller delivers the potatoes into the buyer's shop, £70 12s. 6d. per ton.

Sales by Wholesale Outside Metropolitan Area.

7. I fix and declare the maximum price at which potatoes may be sold by wholesale other than in the metropolitan area to be—

(1) Where such potatoes have been purchased in the metropolitan area the sum of the following:—

- (a) Purchase price paid or payable or an amount calculated at the rate of £68 per ton, whichever is the lesser;
- (b) Cost of rail transport from Cowper-street railway siding to the railway station or siding nearest the purchaser's premises or place of business;
- (c) A margin—

- (i) where the seller delivers the potatoes to the purchaser at the seller's store or at the railway station or siding nearest the seller's premises or place of business, of £2 per ton; or

- (ii) where the seller delivers the potatoes into the buyer's shop, of £2 12s. 6d. per ton.

(2) Where such potatoes have been purchased outside the metropolitan area, the sum of the following:—

- (a) An amount calculated at the rate of £68 per ton less the usual cost of transporting such potatoes by rail from the railway station or siding nearest the purchaser's premises to Cowper-street railway siding, plus the usual cost of transporting such potatoes by rail from the railway station or siding nearest the seller's premises to the railway station or siding nearest the purchaser's premises or place of business;

(b) A margin—

- (i) where the seller delivers the potatoes to the purchaser at the seller's store or at the railway station or siding nearest the seller's premises or place of business, of £2 per ton; or

- (ii) where the seller delivers the potatoes into the buyer's shop, of £2 12s. 6d. per ton.

Sales by the Case.

8. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Order, I fix and declare the maximum price at which potatoes may be sold by the case in Victoria to be the maximum price fixed by the foregoing provisions of this Order for the sale of 56 lb. of potatoes or the maximum price so fixed for the sale of the weight of potatoes actually contained in the case, whichever is the lesser.

Sales by the Bag.

9. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Order, I fix and declare the maximum price at which potatoes may be sold by the bag in Victoria to be the maximum price fixed by the foregoing provisions of this Order for the sale of 149 lb. of potatoes or the maximum price so fixed for the sale of the weight of potatoes actually contained in the bag, whichever is the lesser.

Maximum Price—Sales by Retail.

10. (1) I fix and declare the maximum price at which potatoes may be sold by retail in the metropolitan area to be Nine pence per lb.

(2) I fix and declare the maximum price at which potatoes may be sold by retail outside the metropolitan area to be the price fixed in the foregoing provisions of this Order for such sale in the metropolitan area, plus the charges properly incurred in transporting such potatoes from the point of purchase by the retailer to such retailer's shop or place of business, but in no case shall such maximum price exceed Nine pence half-penny per lb.

Exhibition of Price Tickets.

11. (1) Any person who sells, or has for sale by retail, potatoes shall attach to or display, with those potatoes, a ticket or label setting forth the maximum retail selling price fixed by or under the provisions of this Order for the sale by him of those potatoes.

(2) Any ticket or label required by sub-clause (1) of this clause to be attached to or displayed with any potatoes shall be in such a form as to be easily legible to any person inspecting or viewing those potatoes and so as to be properly associated with such potatoes.

Delivery of Invoices.

12. Any person who sells by wholesale potatoes shall deliver with such potatoes an invoice or docket containing the following particulars:—

- (a) Name and address of seller;
- (b) name and address of purchaser;
- (c) date of sale;
- (d) the point of delivery to the purchaser, the weight of the potatoes sold, number of bags or cases, as the case may be, and the price per unit of such potatoes; and
- (e) total price of such potatoes.

Records.

13. Any person who sells any potatoes shall keep and preserve any invoice or docket received by him in relation to such potatoes and shall keep a record in respect of the purchase of such potatoes showing—

- (a) the name and address of supplier;
- (b) the date of the invoice or docket received by him in relation to such potatoes;
- (c) the quantity purchased and the price thereof;
- (d) the point of delivery; and
- (e) transport costs properly attributable to the transport of such potatoes from the point of delivery to his place of business.

Fixation of Maximum Prices by Notice.

14. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Order, I declare the maximum price at which any potatoes specified in a notice given in pursuance of this clause may be sold by any person to whom such notice is given to be such price as is fixed by the Commissioner by notice in writing to that person.

Dated this 12th day of October, 1953.

J. F. WALDRON,
Prices Commissioner.

Prices Regulation Acts.
PRICES REGULATION ORDER No. 584.

ONIONS.

IN pursuance of the powers conferred upon me by the Prices Regulation Acts, I, William Douglas Smith, Acting Prices Commissioner, hereby make the following Order:—

Citation.

1. This Order may be cited as Prices Regulation Order No. 584.

Revocation.

2. Prices Regulation Order No. 513 is hereby revoked.

Definition.

3. In this Order, unless the contrary intention appears—
 - “One ton” means 2,240 lb. weight.
 - “Primary wholesaler” in relation to the sale of onions means a person who sells by wholesale onions which have been purchased in Victoria or elsewhere and which he resells to a secondary wholesaler.
 - “Secondary wholesaler” means, in relation to any sale of onions, a person who purchases onions from a primary wholesaler for the purpose of resale.
 - “Retail trader” means, in relation to the sale of onions, a person who purchases onions and sells such onions by retail.
 - “Metropolitan area” means all that area comprised within a radius of 20 miles from the General Post Office, Melbourne.
 - “Point of delivery” means, in relation to the sale of onions, the place at which liability for payment of transport charges in conveying such onions to his place of business passed to the seller from the person from whom he purchased them.

Maximum Prices—Sales by Wholesale Merchants.

4. I fix and declare the maximum price at which onions may be sold by wholesale to be—
 - (1) By primary wholesaler—
 - (a) In respect of brown onions, £45 per ton.
 - (b) In respect of white onions, £45 per ton.
 - (2) By secondary wholesaler—
 - (a) In respect of brown onions—
 - (i) where the seller delivers the onions to the purchaser at the seller's store or at the Victoria Market, £46 7s. 6d. per ton;
 - (ii) where the seller delivers the onions into the buyer's shop, £47 per ton.
 - (b) In respect of white onions—
 - (i) where the seller delivers the onions to the purchaser at the seller's store or at the Victoria Market, £46 7s. 6d. per ton;
 - (ii) where the seller delivers the onions into the buyer's shop, £47 per ton.

Maximum Prices—Sales by Retail.

5. (a) I fix and declare the maximum price at which onions may be sold by retail in the metropolitan area to be as follows:—
 - (a) in respect of brown onions, 6d. per lb.
 - (b) in respect of white onions, 6d. per lb.

(b) I fix and declare the maximum price at which onions may be sold by retail outside the metropolitan area to be the price fixed in the foregoing provisions of this Order for such sale in the metropolitan area, plus the charges properly incurred in transporting such onions from the point of delivery to the retailer to such retailer's shop or place of business, but in no case shall such maximum price exceed the following:—

- (a) in respect of brown onions, 6½d. per 1 lb.
- (b) in respect of white onions, 6½d. per 1 lb.

Exhibition of Price Tickets.

6. (1) Every person who has for sale by retail any onions, the maximum price of which is fixed by or under the provisions of this Order, shall attach to or display with those onions a ticket or label setting forth his selling price thereof.

(2) Any ticket or label required by sub-clause (1) of this clause to be attached to or displayed with any onions shall be in such a form as to be easily legible to any person inspecting or viewing those onions and so as to be properly associated with such onions.

Delivery of Invoices.

7. Any person who sells by wholesale any onions shall deliver with such onions an invoice or docket containing the following particulars:—

- (i) Name and address of seller;
- (ii) name and address of purchaser;
- (iii) the date of sale;
- (iv) the point of delivery to the purchaser, the weight of the onions sold, number of bags, and price per unit of such onions; and
- (v) total price of such onions.

Records.

8. Any person who sells any onions shall keep and preserve any invoice or docket received by him in relation to such onions and shall keep a record in respect of the purchase of such onions showing—

- (i) The name and address of supplier;
- (ii) the date of the invoice or docket received by him in relation to such onions;
- (iii) the quantity purchased and the price thereof;
- (iv) the point of delivery; and
- (v) transport costs properly attributable to the transport of such onions from the point of delivery to his place of business.

Fixation of Maximum Prices by Notice.

9. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Order, I declare the maximum price at which onions which are specified in a notice given in pursuance of this paragraph may be sold by any person to whom such notice is given to be such price as is fixed by the Commissioner by notice in writing to that person.

Dated this 13th day of October, 1953.

W. D. SMITH,
Acting Prices Commissioner.

