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**THE GAS INDUSTRY REGULATIONS 1960,
AMENDMENT NO. 2**

DENIS BLUNDELL, Governor-General

ORDER IN COUNCIL

At the Government Buildings at Wellington this 26th day of March 1973

Present:

THE HON. N. E. KIRK PRESIDING IN COUNCIL

PURSUANT to the Gas Industry Act 1958, His Excellency the Governor-General, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, hereby makes the following regulations.

REGULATIONS

1. Title and commencement—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Gas Industry Regulations 1960, Amendment No. 2, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Gas Industry Regulations 1960* (hereinafter referred to as the principal regulations).

(2) These regulations shall come into force on the day after the date of their notification in the *Gazette*.

2. Interpretation—Regulation 2 of the principal regulations is hereby amended by inserting, after the definition of the term “Department”, the following definitions:

“‘Liquefied petroleum gas’ has the same meaning as in the Natural Gas Corporation Act 1967:

“‘Natural Gas’ means any naturally occurring hydrocarbon in a gaseous state, or any mixture of any such hydrocarbons, together with any naturally occurring non-hydrocarbon; and includes any such substance both before and after it has been subjected to any treatment or process for purification, separation of constituents, or liquefaction, or other purpose; but does not include liquefied petroleum gas:

“‘Manufactured gas’ includes water gas, coal gas, Lurgi gas, reformed natural gas, or gas produced by processing or blending liquid or gaseous petroleum products other than natural gas:”

*S.R. 1960/24
Amendment No. 1: S.R. 1970/36

3. Purity and suitability of gas—The principal regulations are hereby further amended by revoking regulation 5, and substituting the following regulation:

“5. Each owner of a gas undertaking shall supply gas—

- “(a) Having a calorific value not less than the value declared under regulation 4 of these regulations having regard to the method of testing referred to in paragraph (c) of subclause (1) of regulation 16 of these regulations; and
- “(b) At such a pressure to the meter inlet, unless prevented by causes beyond the control of the owner, as will balance a column of water not less than 2 inches in height in the case of manufactured gas and 4 inches in the case of natural gas; and
- “(c) Not containing a greater proportion of hydrogen sulphide or total sulphur than is prescribed by the Gas Referees in respect of any one or all undertakings; and
- “(d) Having a distinctive odour so that the presence of gas is readily detectable when the concentration of gas in the atmosphere does not exceed 1% by volume, or in the cases of reticulated liquefied petroleum gas and reticulated liquefied petroleum gas/air mixtures does not exceed 0.5% by volume.”

P. G. MILLEN,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This note is not part of the regulations, but is intended to indicate their general effect.

The effect of these regulations is to take account of the flame and odourant characteristics of natural gas in being supplied to consumers in place of manufactured gas.

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These regulations are administered in the Ministry of Energy Resources.