Ireland), 1949, shall be read as one with the Acquisition of Land (Assessment of Compensation) Fees Rules (Northern Ireland), 1928 (hereinafter referred to as the "principal rules"), and shall come into operation on the 7th day of September, 1949.

- 2. The principal rules shall have effect as if for rule three there were substituted the following:—
 - 3. On every Award the following fees shall be charged in respect of proceedings before the Arbitrator, namely a fee calculated at the rate of £7 7s. in respect of each day spent by the Arbitrator in hearing any matter or claim referred to him, and at the rate of £1 9s. per hour or part of an hour in respect of each period shorter than one day. For the purposes of this rule
 - (a) a day shall be taken to be a working period of five hours;
 - (b) any time spent by the Arbitrator in viewing any land which is the subject-matter of the proceedings before him shall be treated as part of the hearing;
 - (c) the minimum fee shall be £7 7s.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Finance for Northern Ireland this 24th day of August, 1949, in the presence of

(L.S.)

John I. Cook,

Second Secretary.

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REGULATIONS, DATED 24TH FEBRUARY, 1949, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNDER SECTIONS FOUR AND THIRTEEN OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (FINANCE) ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1948.

1949. No. 33

The Ministry of Health and Local Government for Northern Ireland, in pursuance of the powers conferred upon it by sections four and thirteen of the Local Government (Finance) Act (Northern Ireland), 1948, (in these Regulations referred to as "the Act") and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations:—

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Local Government (Finance) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1949.

- (2) The Interpretation Act, 1921, shall apply to the interpretation of these Regulations as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of the Parliament of Northern Ireland.
- 2. The produce of the standard poor rate levied under sub-section one of section eight and the General Exchequer Contribution payable under section three of the Act in respect of each rural district to a county council in respect of the initial financial year shall be placed to the credit of a suspense account for that rural district and from this account there shall be transferred—
 - (1) to the account for that district in the rural districts account in the county fund sufficient monies to meet the approved net expenditure of the county council on district charges in respect of that district in that year; and
 - (2) to the account in the county fund from which county-atlarge charges applicable to rural districts are met the balance remaining in the suspense account.
- 3. In any financial year after the initial financial year so much of the portion of the General Exchequer Contribution payable under section three of the Act in respect of a rural district as is represented by the amount obtained by deducting from the county-at-large charges attributable to that district the product of—
 - (a) the difference between the General Exchequer Contribution and the aggregate of the total district expenditure for each rural district in the county of which that rural district is a part;
 - (b) the fraction obtained by dividing the county-at-large charges attributable to the rural districts in that county by the aggregate of the total district expenditure for each rural district in that county; and
 - (c) the fraction obtained by dividing the rateable value of the said rural district by the rateable value of all the rural districts in that county

shall be apportioned to county-at-large charges and the balance of the General Exchequer Contribution shall be apportioned to district charges.

4. No adjustment shall be made to the standard poor rate applicable to reckonable hereditaments in a rural district or to the standard rate for the area of a county or other borough or urban district in consequence of an alteration in the boundary of any such district or area. On the constitution of a new local authority, the standard poor rate or standard rate, as the case may be, shall be that which is applicable to the hereditaments in the area forming the area of the new local authority, unless the area of the new local authority formerly comprised parts of more than one local authority area, in which case the standard poor rate or standard rate shall be such as the

Ministry may determine to be appropriate, having regard to the standard poor rates or standard rates, as the case may be, applicable to the hereditaments in the areas forming the area of the new local authority.

5. Adjustments shall be made to the basic rural contribution for a rural district or to the basic urban contribution for the area of a county or other borough or urban district and to the amount of the approved net expenditure in respect of the initial financial year of the council of that district or area in consequence of an alteration in the boundary of any such district or area in such manner as the Ministry may determine to be appropriate on a net annual value basis. On the constitution of a new local authority, the basic urban or rural contribution for the area of that authority and the approved net expenditure in the initial financial year of that authority shall be such amounts as the Ministry may determine to be appropriate on a net annual value basis.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Health and Local Government for Northern Ireland this twenty-fourth day of February, One thousand nine hundred and fortynine, in the presence of

J. R. Walker,
Assistant Secretary.

Procedure of Councils

Order dated 8th March, 1949, made by the Ministry of Commerce under Section 3 of the Local Government (Roads) Act (Northern Ireland), 1923.

1949. No. 39

The Ministry of Commerce in exercise of the powers vested in it by the Local Government (Roads) Act (Northern Ireland), 1923, the Ministries Act (Northern Ireland), 1944, and the Ministries (Transfer of Functions) (No. 3) Order, 1944, and all other powers thereunto enabling it to make regulations respecting the procedure of county and district councils in connection with their business under the Local Government (Ireland) Act, 1898, and any other enactments in relation to roads and other public works, or in connection with any similar business transferred by law to those councils from presentment sessions and grand juries, and by such regulations to annul and vary the Local Government (Procedure of Councils) Order, 1899, or any provision thereof, hereby makes the following Order:—