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**The Stratified Ironstone, Shale and Fireclay
Mines (Explosives) Regulations 1956**

PART III

Storage, issue and conveyance of explosive and detonators

Conveyance of explosives in bulk

11.—(1) Subject to the following provisions of this regulation the manager of any mine may as respects that mine or any part thereof make a scheme for the conveyance of explosives in bulk (herein referred to as “a scheme of transit”) whereby explosives packed at an explosives store in securely locked canisters of any size may be conveyed in a special carriage to one or more reserve stations in that mine or part of the mine or to the working face.

(2) Every scheme of transit shall contain provisions for securing safety with respect to each of the following matters—

- (a) the location, construction and marking of each reserve station and the custody of the keys thereof;
- (b) the design and construction of the special carriage;
- (c) supervision of and precautions to be taken during the transit of the carriage;
- (d) supervision of any explosives at a reserve station;
- (e) if explosives are to be taken in bulk to any working face, the manner of so doing;
- (f) the maximum quantity of explosives to be at any reserve station at any time;
- (g) the control of the issue of explosives from any reserve station;
- (h) the return of explosives to a reserve station or other place appointed by the manager.

(3) Every scheme of transit shall contain provisions to ensure that—

- (a) the quantity of explosives conveyed into the mine in pursuance thereof at any time together with any quantity so conveyed already in the mine does not exceed the quantity estimated to be required for use during the period of twenty-four hours next following;
- (b) except in pursuance of a provision of the scheme, no explosive shall while being conveyed in bulk be taken nearer to a working face (not being only a place in a road at which ripping or work of repair is in progress) than the reserve station nearest to that face.

(4) A scheme of transit may impose duties and prohibitions on persons employed at the mine and those persons shall comply therewith. It shall be the duty of the manager of the mine to secure that the provisions of any scheme of transit for that mine are executed and enforced.

(5) If an inspector is of opinion with respect to a scheme of transit that the provisions contained therein in pursuance of paragraph (2) of this regulation are not adequate to secure safety, he may serve on the manager of the mine a notice stating that he is of that opinion, specifying the nature of

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the provision which in his opinion ought to be made and requiring the manager to amend the scheme accordingly, and any such notice shall, if it is so specified therein, become operative forthwith.

(6) The provisions of Part XV of the Act with respect to references upon notices served by inspectors shall apply to a notice served under the last preceding paragraph, and the relevant ground of objection shall be that the provisions contained in the scheme of transit in pursuance of paragraph (2) of this regulation are adequate to secure safety.

(7) The person in charge of the explosives at any reserve station shall ensure that any explosives remaining thereat at the end of his period of duty are either delivered by him to a person appointed to have charge of them during the immediately following shift or are returned to the explosives store.

(8) The manager of every mine at which a scheme of transit is in operation shall ensure that a copy thereof is provided in the covered accommodation provided in pursuance of section one hundred and thirty-five of the Act and that a copy thereof is supplied to each deputy, shot firer and person appointed to fire shots by fuse employed at the mine.