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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1988 No. 336**

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**The Sugar Beet (Research and Education) Order 1988**

*Made* - - - - - *26th February 1988*  
*Laid before Parliament* *8th March 1988*  
*Coming into force* - - *1st April 1988*

Whereas in accordance with subsection (1) of section 68 of the Food Act 1984<sup>(1)</sup> the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and the Secretary of State acting jointly (“the Ministers”), after consultation with British Sugar p.l.c. (“the Company”) and such other bodies as in their opinion are substantially representative of growers of home-grown beet, have prepared for the year beginning 1st April 1988 (“the year 1988—9”) the programme set out in the Schedule below (“the programme”) for carrying out research and education in matters affecting the growing of home-grown beet;

Now, therefore, the Ministers in exercise of the powers conferred on them by the said section and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, hereby make the following Order:

**Title, commencement and interpretation**

1.—(1) This Order, which extends to England and Wales only, may be cited as the Sugar Beet (Research and Education) Order 1988 and shall come into force on 1st April 1988.

(2) In this Order “adjusted beet tonne” has the same meaning as in the inter-professional agreement made on 3rd October 1983, as amended on 1st March 1984 and on 1st November 1987, between British Sugar p.l.c. of the one part and the National Farmers' Union of the other part.

**Carrying into effect of the programme of research and education for 1988—9**

2. For the purpose of carrying the programme into effect, contributions towards defraying the amount of expenditure, estimated in the programme to be incurred in carrying it out, to be made by the Company and by every grower of home-grown beet who delivers beet to the Company in the year 1988—89, shall be assessed and shall be collected and recovered as respectively provided in articles 3 and 4 below.

### **Assessment of contributions**

3. The contributions from the Company and from every grower of home-grown beet who delivers beet to the Company during the year 1988—9, towards defraying the expenditure to be incurred in carrying out the programme for that year shall be assessed as follows—

- (a) in the case of any grower of home-grown beet, the contribution shall be at the rate of 10.0p for every adjusted beet tonne of home-grown beet sold by him for delivery to the Company in that year;
- (b) in the case of the Company, the contribution shall be at the rate of 10.0p for every adjusted beet tonne of home-grown beet purchased by the Company in that year.

### **Collection and recovery of contributions**

4.—(1) All contracts made between the Company and any grower for the sale of home-grown beet for delivery to the Company during the year 1988—9 shall provide that the amount of the grower's contribution assessed in accordance with paragraph (a) of article 3 of this Order shall be payable by the grower to the Company out of any sums standing to the credit of that grower in account with the Company and be deducted by the Company from the amount payable to the grower.

(2) The Company shall pay the proceeds, together with the amount of the Company's contribution assessed in accordance with paragraph (b) of article 3 of this Order, to the Ministers on or before 30th April 1989.

(3) The amount of any contribution which has not been paid to the Ministers by the date on which it has become due for payment shall be recoverable by them summarily as a civil debt.

In Witness whereof the Official seal of the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food is hereunto affixed on 25th February 1988.

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*John MacGregor*  
Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food

26th February 1988

*Peter Walker*  
Secretary of State for Wales

SCHEDULE

PROGRAMME FOR THE YEAR 1988—9 OF RESEARCH AND EDUCATION  
IN MATTERS AFFECTING THE GROWING OF HOME-GROWN BEET

PART I

projects to be carried out by the persons or bodies described in relation thereto and estimates of expenditure to be incurred in carrying them out

	£	£	£
<b>A. RESEARCH</b>			
<b>1. Variety trials:</b>		77,097	
National Institute of Agricultural Botany, Cambridge			
Less income from National Institute of Agricultural Botany		1,200	
			75,897
<b>2. Agronomy, physiology, nutrition, pest and disease control: Broom's Barn Experimental Station</b>		1,084,200	
Less income from Broom's Barn Experimental Station		93,800	
			990,400
<b>3. Crop husbandry: Norfolk Agricultural Station</b>		98,908	
<b>4. Physiology and aphid resistance: Rothamsted Experimental Station</b>			62,969
<b>5. Rhizomania disease and aphid resistance: MAFF Harpenden Laboratory</b>			54,497
<b>6. Beet Yellow Virus: John Innes Institute</b>			2,447
<b>7. Water erosion of soil: MAFF (ADAS), Cambridge</b>			7,188

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8. Wind erosion of soil: MAFF Arthur Rickwood Experimental Husbandry Farm			11,436
			1,303,742
<b>B. EDUCATION</b>			
British Sugar plc:			
1. Publicity			
(a) (a) British Sugar Beet Review	30,750		
(b) (b) Film Unit	1,179		
(c) (c) Warning Schemes	8,200		
(d) (d) Weed beet eradication campaign	10,235	50,364	
2. Demonstrations:			
(e) (e) Salaries and programme	204,559		
(f) (f) Hire and maintenance of equipment	23,184		
(g) (g) Silsoe College/ British Sugar Soil Management project	57,500		
		285,243	
3. Audit Fee		1,121	
			336,728
			c/f 1,640,470

## PART II

## estimate of general expenses

	£	£	£
			b/f 1,640,470
1. Travelling and subsistence expenses of members and officers of the Sugar Beet Research and Education Committee and its sub-committees			4,500
2. Administrative charges			
(a) (a) Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food		19,934	
(b) (b) National Audit Office		2,600	
			22,534
3. Institut International de Recherches Betteravières:			
(a) (a) Subscriptions	11,845		
less recoverable subscriptions	1,952		
		9,893	
(b) (b) Expenses and visits		11,670	
			21,563
(c) (c) Contingencies			
(i) General		50,000	
(ii) Rhizomania disease		37,000	
			93,060
Estimate of amount of expenditure to be incurred in carrying out the programme			1,782,127

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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

This Order provides for the carrying into effect for the year 1988—9 of the programme, as set out in the Schedule, of research and education in matters affecting the growing of home-grown beet.

It also provides for the assessment of contributions towards the expenditure on this programme and for their collection from British Sugar p.l.c. and growers of sugar beet in England and Wales. The contributions at 10.0p per adjusted tonne, are unchanged from the Sugar Beet (Research and Education) Order 1987 ([S.I. 1987/310](#)).

“Adjusted beet tonne” is defined by reference to the interprofessional agreement of 3rd October 1983, as amended on 1st March 1984 and on 1st November 1987, made between British Sugar p.l.c. and the National Farmers' Union. A copy of the agreement incorporating the amendments made to it on 1st March 1984 and on 1st November 1987 may be inspected during usual office hours at the offices of British Sugar p.l.c., Oundle Road, Peterborough PE2 9QU, the National Farmers' Union, Agriculture House, Knightsbridge, London SW1X 7NJ or the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, Whitehall Place, London SW1A 2HH.