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**The Smoke Control Areas (Authorised Fuels) (England)
(Amendment) Regulations 2007**

<i>Made</i> - - - -	<i>20th August 2007</i>
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<i>Coming into force</i> - -	<i>1st October 2007</i>

The Secretary of State makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by section 20(6) of the Clean Air Act 1993(a):

Citation, application and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Smoke Control Areas (Authorised Fuels) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2007; they apply in England and come into force on 1st October 2007.

Amendment of the Smoke Control Areas (Authorised Fuels) (England) Regulations 2001

2. Schedule 1 to the Smoke Control Areas (Authorised Fuels) (England) Regulations 2001(b) is amended as set out in the Schedule.

20th August 2007

Phil Woolas
Minister of State
Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs

SCHEDULE

Regulation 2

Amendments to Schedule 1 to the Smoke Control Areas (Authorised Fuels) (England) Regulations 2001

1. In paragraph 1, after “County Durham, ”, insert “or manufactured by Oxbow Carbon & Minerals UK Limited, Windsor House, Cornwall Road, Harrogate, North Yorkshire, ”.

2. In paragraph 2, after “North East Lincolnshire, ”, insert “or manufactured by Oxbow Carbon & Minerals UK Limited, Windsor House, Cornwall Road, Harrogate, North Yorkshire, ”.

3. After paragraph 3 insert—

(a) 1993 c.11.

(b) S.I. 2001/3745, as amended by S.I. 2002/3046, S.I. 2005/2895 and S.I. 2006/1869.

“3A. Big K Instant Lighting Fire Logs, manufactured by Allspan B.V. at Macroweg 4, 5804 CL Venray, the Netherlands, which—

- (a) comprise slack wax (as to approximately 58 to 59 per cent of the total weight) and hardwood sawdust (as to approximately 41 to 42 per cent of the total weight);
- (b) were manufactured from those constituents by a process of heat treatment and extrusion;
- (c) are firelogs approximately 235 millimetres in length and 80 millimetres in depth, with grooves along their faces;
- (d) have an average weight of 1.1 kilogrammes per firelog; and
- (e) have a sulphur content not exceeding 0.1 per cent of the total weight.”.

4. After paragraph 19 insert—

“19A. La Hacienda Easy Logs, manufactured by Allspan B.V. at Macroweg 4, 5804 Venray, the Netherlands, which meet the conditions specified for Big K Instant Lighting Fire Logs at paragraph 3A.”.

5. In paragraph 20, after “United States of America, ”, insert “or manufactured by Oxbow Carbon & Minerals LLC, 330 Golden Shore, Suite 210, Long Beach, California 90802, the United States of America, ”.

6. After paragraph 22 insert—

“22A. Optima Fire Logs, manufactured by Allspan B.V. at Macroweg 4, 5804 Venray, the Netherlands, which meet the conditions specified for Big K Instant Lighting Fire Logs at paragraph 3A.”.

7. After paragraph 23 insert—

“23A. Pyrobloc Fire Logs, manufactured by Allspan B.V. at Macroweg 4, 5804 CL Venray, the Netherlands, which—

- (a) comprise slack wax (as to approximately 58 to 59 per cent of the total weight) and hardwood sawdust (as to approximately 41 to 42 per cent of the total weight);
- (b) were manufactured from those constituents by a process of heat treatment and extrusion;
- (c) are firelogs approximately 265 millimetres in length and 80 millimetres in depth, with grooves along their faces;
- (d) have an average weight of 1.3 kilogrammes per firelog; and
- (e) have a sulphur content not exceeding 0.1 per cent of the total weight.”.

8. After paragraph 31 insert—

“31A. Unicite, manufactured by D.J.Davies Fuels Ltd at Blaenau Fuel Depot, Ammanford, Carmarthenshire, or manufactured by A.I.Simson at Cabby Latch, Logie by Kirriemuir, Angus, which—

- (a) is a mixture of the following separate fuels—
 - (i) anthracite large nuts, and
 - (ii) Union briquettes of the description in sub-paragraph (d) manufactured by RWE Power A.G. at Cologne, Germany (as to no more than approximately 40 to 42% of Unicite’s total weight);
- (b) has an overall sulphur content not exceeding 0.5 per cent of the total weight;
- (c) is declared to be an authorised fuel only in so far as the proportion of Union briquettes combusted in the use of Unicite does not exceed the percentage range specified in sub-paragraph (a)(ii); and

(d) in so far as it is constituted by the Union briquettes referred to in sub-paragraph (a)(ii), must consist of compressed lignite with each briquette measuring approximately 75 millimetres wide, 60 millimetres high and 55 millimetres thick.”.

9. After paragraph 33 insert—

“34. Zip Firelogs, manufactured by Allspan B.V. at Macroweg 4, 5804 Venray, the Netherlands, which meet the conditions specified for Big K Instant Lighting Fire Logs at paragraph 3A.”.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend Schedule 1 to the Smoke Control Areas (Authorised Fuels) (England) Regulations 2001. They insert new paragraphs in that Schedule, declaring fuels to be authorised by the Secretary of State for the purposes of section 20(6) of the Clean Air Act 1993 as follows: paragraphs 3A (Big K Instant Lighting Fire Logs), 19A (La Hacienda Easy Logs), 22A (Optima Fire Logs), 23A (Pyrobloc Fire Logs), 31A (Unicite) and 34 (which authorises a new category of Zip Firelogs). They also amend paragraphs 1 (Aimcor Excel briquettes), 2 (Aimcor Pureheat briquettes) and 20 (Long Beach Lump nuts) so that these list new manufacturers for the fuels in question. A full impact assessment has not been produced as no impact on the private or voluntary sectors is foreseen.

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