No. 10 of 1949.

An Act to amend the Coal Act, 1947-1948.

[Assented to 20th October, 1949.]

BE IT ENACTED by the Governor of the State of South Australia, with the advice and consent of the Parliament thereof, as follows:

1. (1) This Act may be cited as the "Coal Act Amendment Act, 1949".

   (2) The Coal Act, 1947-1948, as amended by this Act, may be cited as the "Coal Act, 1947-1949".

   (3) The Coal Act, 1947-1948, is hereinafter referred to as "the principal Act".

2. This Act is incorporated with the principal Act and that Act and this Act shall be read as one Act.

3. Subsection (3) of section 12 of the principal Act is amended by striking out paragraph (c) and inserting in lieu thereof the following:—

   (c) come into operation at the hour and on the day specified therein, or if no such hour and day is specified therein, at the commencement of the day following the day on which it is first advertised in a newspaper.

4. The following sections are enacted and inserted in the principal Act after section 13 thereof:—

13a. Section 39 of the Acts Interpretation Act, 1915-1945, shall apply in relation to the power to make orders under this Act.

13b. (1) Notwithstanding any order made under this Act the Minister, or a person authorized by the Minister to grant permits under this section, may grant to any person a permit to use gas or electricity during any period specified in the permit.

(2) A permit granted under this section—
   (a) shall be in writing and signed by the person granting it:
   (b) may contain any limitations whether as to the period during which, or the place, locality or premises in respect of which, it shall operate, or as to any other circumstances:
   (c) may contain any conditions.

(3) A person holding a permit under this section shall be exempt from the obligation to comply with any orders in force under this Act, to the extent necessary to enable him to use gas or electricity in accordance with the permit.

(4) A person who contravenes or fails to observe a condition of a permit granted to him under this section shall be guilty of an offence.

(5) If a person contravenes or fails to observe a condition of a permit granted to him under this section the permit may be revoked by the person who granted it or by the Minister.

In the name and on behalf of His Majesty, I hereby assent to this Bill.

C. W. M. NORRIE, Governor.