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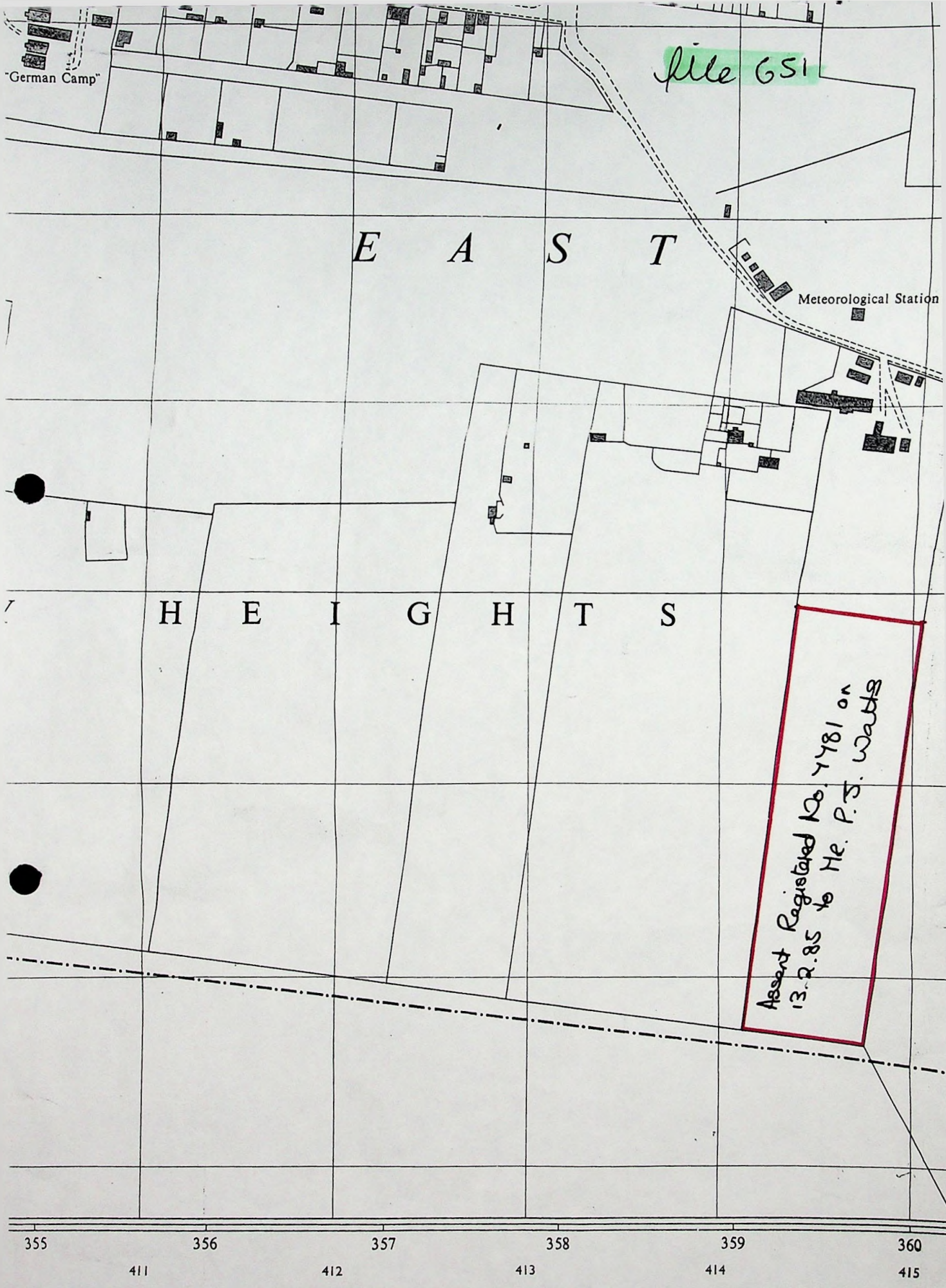
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PW/651

Feat - Solid Fuels

OPEN:- 09 Sept 86

Closed:- 06 July 93



to 1 Mile P Watts land - Peat being cut for R Short
Told Nick C. in 1985 it was his land
solution - cut his own peat on his land? told M Clarke to do
this next session 06 Oct 87

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GRID REFERENCE

Reference CST 12

It is requested that this number and date should be quoted on your reply.

MEMORANDUM

Date 9 September 1986

From: Supplies Officer

11. SEPT

To All Heads Of Departments


PW651

Subject:-

Peat Supplies 1986/87

Will Departmental Heads please submit by the 15 September 1986 and in accordance with Section 6 of General Orders, peat requirements, for the 1986/87 season. In submitting their returns Heads of Departments should advise which account code charges should be debited to.

In recent years Government has had difficulty in recruiting reliable peat cutters and it is therefore requested that requirements are kept to a minimum.


M Luxton
Supplies Officer.

Reference CST 12.....

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PW/651

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MEMORANDUM

Your Ref.

Our Ref. PW/651

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Date: 13 October 1986

To: FINANCIAL SECRETARY
FOR GOVT STORES OFFICER

From: DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS

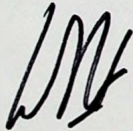
Copy: CE, MK
CM (Housing Meeting)

GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS - PEAT SUPPLIES

New residents to the Islands require a peat supply when they arrive, they cannot go out and cut and burn. There have been too many cases of hardship and unnecessary expense in the last year.

There are plenty of recently erected peat sheds and some will not be used because tenants burn oil. These sheds could be used by permission of the tenants or excluded from the tenancy agreements where new occupants will use oil. The peat contents could be sold to new arrivals. Obviously it would be simpler if you could use one of your existing stores.

Would you please consider the cutting and maintenance of a peat stock.



W S Hills
DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS

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MK

File

PW/651

29 OCT 86

MEMORANDUM

Ref: 14/IX

27 October 1986

From: Financial Secretary

To: The Director of Public Works

Government Contracts - Peat Supply

I refer to your memorandum PE/651 of 13th October 1986.

Mr David Clarke is being encouraged by Government to develop a pioneer enterprise for the supply of peat in Stanley. I hope that the enterprise proves to be a success and that Mr Clarke will be able to supply peat throughout the year.

Grateful if you would ask the Peat Officer to assess whether Mr Clarke will be able to cope with demand and supply peat to new residents as they require it.

If Government decided to establish a central peat supply for new Government Officers it may prove to be very expensive in handling charges.

Answer discussed with FS

D Clark

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[Signature]
Financial Secretary

c.c The Chief Executive
The Building Superintendent

- proper answers*
- 1 No machinery in time last year
 2. Couldn't supply *1. Dofie in Aug*
Gave them no *2. Merton - in Dec*
3. Watcra in Oct
 3. Peat Officer thinks he is cutting
large qty this year (with Mr. Connell
an).

*Suggest to FS ask D Clark whether he does
aim to supply anybody who needs. or*

Reference ...CST...12.....

MEMORANDUM

It is requested that this number and date should be quoted on your reply.

Date 31st July 1987

From: Supplies Officer

To All Heads of Departments

Subject:-

PEAT SUPPLIES 1987/88

Will all Departments Heads please submit by 7th August 1987 and in accordance with Section 6 of General Orders , peat requirements for the 1987/88 season . In submitting their returns Heads of Departments should advise which account code charges should be debited to .

J. Stephenson

J. Stephenson

• Supplies Officer .



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F.A.O KARIN WEBB
DEPT BB7

CAN YOU PLEASE OBTAIN QUOTES FOR THE SUPPLY OF 6 NO. HALF HOUR
FIRE RESISTANT DOORS AND FRAMS, COMPLETE WITH ALL IRON MONGERY
INCLUDING DOOR CLOSERS AND MORTICE LOCKS WITH THREE KEYS (UNION
WITH REPLACEABLE CYLINDER TYPE).
DOORS TO BE 760MM WIDE X 1980MM HIGH WITH SUPELE VENEER FINISH
AND SMALL VISION PANEL. ALL TO BE LEFT HAND OPENING.

REGARDS
C.G.CARTER
D.P.W.
STANLEY.

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Our Ref: PW/651

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
STANLEY, FALKLAND ISLANDS
TELEX: 2421 PWD FIG FK
FAX: 010 500 27212

See list of Companies at end of letter

26th June 1990

Dear Sirs,

Installation of Oil-Burning Heating Appliances with Rated Output
up to 45kw - The Building Regulations 1985

The provisions of the 1990 edition of Approved Document J to the above Regulations allows for reduced requirements in respect of hearths below appliances and the shielding of them where the surface temperature of (a) the floor below the appliance and (b) the sides and back of the appliance is unlikely to exceed 100 deg. C.

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Yours faithfully,

C G Carter
DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS

Sent to: Packaway Perrymatics, Harwood Ind. Est. West Sussex
Trianco Redfyre Ltd, Thorncliffe, Sheffield
Fosse Warmair Ltd, "Deville" App. Div. Kidderminster
Smith and Wellstood Esse (1984) Ltd, Bonnybridge
Hoval Farrar Ltd, Newark-on-Trent, Notts
Aga-Rayburn Div. Glynwed Appl. Ltd., Ketley
Franco Belge Heating Ltd., Unit T 344, Weybridge

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Our ref: PW/651

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
STANLEY, FALKLAND ISLANDS
TELEX: 2421 PWD FIG FK
FAX: 010 500 27212

18 December 1990

M/S G C Stevens & Son
2 Canterbury Road
Sittingbourne
Kent ME10 4SD

Dear Sirs

FRANCO BELGE Heat Producing Appliances

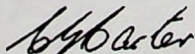
It is understood from the local supplier that your Company are the United Kingdom distributors for the above and I am therefore writing to seek your assistance on the matter of compliance with the requirements of the England & Wales Building Regulations 1985, which the Building Committee would wish to be assured are met when reviewing proposals to install these appliances.

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18 December 1990

Colfire (Chirk) Ltd
Unit One
Acorn Industrial Estate
Holyhead Road
CHIRK
Clwyd LL14 5NA

Dear Sirs

"STANLEY SUPER STAR" CENTRAL HEATING COOKER

We have received indications that a number of these appliances, for which it is understood that you are the United Kingdom distributors, will be installed in houses shortly to be erected within and outside of Stanley.

The Building Committee when reviewing proposals for a Building Permit take into account the requirements of the England and Wales Building Regulations 1985, as amended, and would wish to be assured that the installation of these heat producing appliances would comply with the Regulations. It is expected that both oil and peat-burning models would be installed.

It would therefore be appreciated if you could supply the following information at your earliest convenience for both types of appliance:-

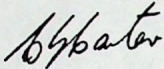
1. Requirements to ensure provision of sufficient air for the proper combustion of the fuel and operation of the flue.
2. Requirements for chimney and/or flue pipe material, size, direction and outlet (it may be noted that factory-made insulated chimneys are frequently used here and are likely to be preferred by the installer).
3. Requirements for hearths and the walls adjacent to hearths also the location of the appliance where burning solid fuel.
4. In the case of oil burning appliances, the surface temperature of the floor below the appliance and of the sides and back of the appliance (see paragraphs 4.10 and 4.11 of Section 4 to Approved Documents J).

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I look forward to receiving your response as soon as possible.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "C G Carter".

C G Carter
DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS

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F A L K L A N D I S L A N D S G O V E R N M E N T

Our Ref: PW/651/GF

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
STANLEY, FALKLAND ISLANDS
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Fosse Warmair
"Old Farm"
Norton Road
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18th January 1991

Dear Sirs,

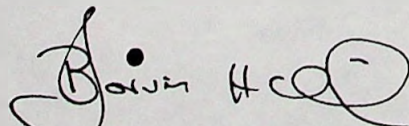
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B. Jarvis Hill
DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS

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Our Ref: PW/651/GF
Your Ref: PG/MM

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
STANLEY, FALKLAND ISLANDS
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FAX: 010 500 27212

Packaway Perrymatics
Harwood Industrial Estate
Harwood Road
LITTLEHAMPTON
West Sussex
BN17 7BA

21st January 1991

For Attention of Mr Peter Graham

Dear Mr Graham,

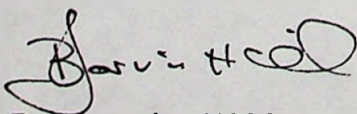
Installation of Perrymatics Mark III Jetstreme Oil-Burning Heating Appliance with Rated Output up to 45kw - The Building Regulations 1985.

I am grateful to you for your letter of 1st June 1990 and thank you for forwarding technical literature on your products.

The provisions of the 1990 edition of Approved Document J to the above Regulations allows for reduced requirements in respect of hearths below appliances and the shielding of them where the surface temperature of (a) the floor below the appliance and (b) the sides and back of the appliance is unlikely to exceed 100 deg. C.

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Yours sincerely,



B. Jarvis Hill
DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS

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Our Ref: PW/651/GF
Your Ref: MGP/MM

Mr M G Pomroy
Sales & Marketing Director
Pakaway Perryomatics
Harwood Industrial Estate
Harwood Road
LITTLEHAMPTON
West Sussex
BN17 7BA

12th February 1991

Dear Mr Pomroy,

Installation of Perryomatic Mark III Jetstreme Oil Burning Heating Appliances - The Building Regulations 1985

Thank you for your letter dated 30th January 1991 with the helpful information upon surface temperatures which has been duly noted.

With regard to the third paragraph of your letter, I have distributed copies of this to four companies operating in the home-heating market in these Islands and trust you will receive a satisfactory response to your request for information on the market situation for domestic oil-fired boilers.

Yours sincerely,

B. Jarvis Hill
DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS



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Our Ref: PW/651/GF

Mr J Moffat
"Lifestyles"
5 Davis Street East
STANLEY

12th February 1991

Dear Sir,

Perrymatic Mark III Jetstreme Domestic Oil Fired Boilers -
Outputs from 14.7 kW to 41 kW

I enclose copy of a letter received from Messrs Pakaway Perrymatics, the third paragraph of which may be of interest. This office has duly noted the comments made upon surface temperature which will be of assistance to intending installers as well as persons submitting applications to the Building Committee for a Building Permit.

Yours faithfully

B. Jarvis Hill
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The Marketing Manager
Falkland Islands Company
Crozier Place
STANLEY

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Our Ref: PW/651/GF

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Our Ref: PW/651/GF

Mr R Howells
35 Callaghan Road
STANLEY

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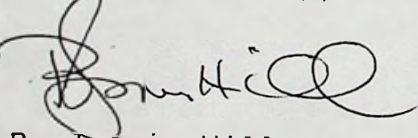
26th April 1991

Dear Sirs,

Installation of Oil-Burning Heating Appliances with Rated Output
up to 45kw - the Building Regulations 1985

I refer to my letter of 18th January 1991 which concerned the above and enquired about surface temperatures of your appliances. No reply having been received from you, it is possible that my letter may have gone astray and I am therefore enclosing a copy and should be pleased to hear from you at your earliest convenience.

Yours faithfully,


B. Jarvis Hill
DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS

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FALKLAND ISLANDS GOVERNMENT

Our Ref: PW/651/GF

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STANLEY, FALKLAND ISLANDS
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HNJ 71705

18th January 1991

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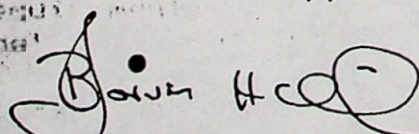
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Mr Alex Smith.
Islands Construction Ltd.,
Crozier Place,
Stanley,

16 September 1991

Dear

Alex

INSTALLATION OF SOLID FUEL (PEAT-BURNING) HEATING APPLIANCE IN
DWELLING UNDER CONSTRUCTION AT 3 BEAVER ROAD, STANLEY. PLAN NO.
77/90

I refer to the discussions between yourself and my Building Adviser subsequent to his visits to the site of the above, latterly with the Chief Fire Officer when the provision of suitable material to isolate the appliance from combustible materials was considered.

As you know, the Rayburn appliance was sited on a constructional hearth by your sub-contracting plumber, Mr Roger Howells, but without him ensuring that there was the necessary isolating distances of 150mm from the appliance to back and both sides of the hearth and 225mm to the front of the hearth. These measurements were clearly illustrated on our Preferred Construction Detail No 5 which was issued by the Department in January of this year to provide assistance to the construction industry, and based upon known and accepted standards of safety used elsewhere and in the United Kingdom.

In the absence of this, the industry was expected to conform to more onerous and perhaps outdated standards as set out in the Board of Health By-Laws which require the floor below a solid-fuel burning appliance and around it for a space of one foot three inches to be formed of materials of an incombustible and non-heating conducting nature.

I welcome your decision to resolve part of the difficulty, by the reconstruction of the external timber framed wall behind the appliance in 100mm concrete blockwork with retention of the external timber cladding on battens. The blockwork to extend to a height of not less than 300mm above the appliance. Since it is now understood that both larder vents are enclosed and are not therefore available for the free entry of air for combustion purposes into the kitchen, you will, I understand, be including a suitably sized void in the blockwork which will be covered on the external face of the wall cladding with a metal grill.

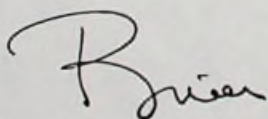
With regard to the remaining difficulty, the shortfall in isolating distances from the appliance to the hearth edges at both sides and at the front, in consultation with the Chief Fire Officer it has been decided to accept a compromise solution which does not entail the otherwise-necessary considerable floor reconstruction to extend the solid hearth.

There is agreement that you shall lay Supalux boarding on the hearth and surrounding floor to minimum distance from the Rayburn of 150mm at both sides and 225mm at the front, all dimensions being taken at right angles from the appliance. It is understood that this boarding is to be capped with non-combustible floor tiling such as quarry tiles.

It must be emphasised that this compromise solution has been arrived at with the intention of relieving you of some difficulty and in an endeavour to show willingness to understand there can be problems, although there seems no apparent reason why Mr Howells did not follow either the appliance manufacturer's instructions for installation on a concrete hearth having sufficient size, nor our Preferred Construction Detail.

I would like it to be clearly understood, particularly by Mr Howells to whom this letter is also copied, that the solution is not one which can be repeated nor relied upon in any future situation that may arise where there is a shortfall in hearth dimensions. In matters of fire safety there is a responsibility upon all who are involved to ensure that minimum standards are met, and I am particularly appreciative of the way in which you and your Company have addressed this matter both on site and elsewhere.

Yours sincerely



B. Jarvis Hill
Director of Public Works

cc Chief Fire Officer

Mr Roger Howells
35 Callaghan Road.

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**Falkland Islands
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The Public Works Department Stanley Falkland Islands

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Our Ref: PW/651/GF

Fosse Warmair,
Deville Appliances Division,
"Old Farm",
Norton Road,
Stour Bridge,
West Midlands,
DY8 2RU,

24 September 1991

Dear Sirs,

Installation of Deville Oil- Burning Heating Appliances with
Rated Output up to 45kW - the Building Regulations 1985

It is understood that your Company are the United Kingdom agents for the above and I write to seek your assistance on matters concerning the installation of these appliances.

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An early response to my enquiry would be appreciated.

Yours faithfully,

B. Jarvis Hill
DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS

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MEMORANDUM

From: Director of Public Works

Date: 8 February 1993

To: Assistant General Manager - FIDC

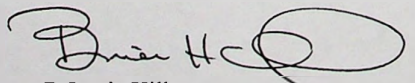
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DOMESTIC HEATING AND COOKING

In order to compare peat v oil as a domestic fuel, the following figures are offered:-

	OIL	PEAT
<u>Capital Costs</u>		
Balanced flue boiler	£ 700	Cooker £2,000
Electric Cooker	£ 500	Chimney £ 500
Oil Tank and Fittings	£ 500	Additional Building Repts £ 200
		Peat Shed £ 600
	<u>£1,700</u>	<u>£3,300</u>
<u>Annual Costs</u>		
Chimney cleaning once pa	£ 16	Chimney cleaning 6 pa £ 96
Maintenance (incl painting oil tanks every 3 years)	£ 40	Six loads of peat: £ 420
Fuel (2,000 litres)	£ 420	
Electricity for cooking @ 400 units/month	£ 650	
	<u>£1,126</u>	<u>£ 516</u>


 B Jarvis Hill
 DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS
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FALKLANDS CONSERVATION

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24 June 1993.

Mr. J. Hill
D.P.W.
Public Works Dept
Stanley.



Dear Mr. Hill,

During a recent meeting of Falkland Conservation members of the committee expressed concern at various methods of peat cutting taking place on the Common.

The law states that all top sods, after being removed from the top of the bank, must be properly laid under foot, so as to form the top sod of the next cut or the top soil of a hard bottom.

In the case of McConnell arms and JCB's which are used for peat cutting the top sod is not being returned to the bottom of the bog. This is almost certainly going to cause erosion.

I would be grateful if you would look into this matter, and express our concern to the Peat Officer.

Yours sincerely,

Carol Miller

Carol Miller.

MK visited with M. Clarke on 29 June



Falkland Islands Government

The Public Works Department Stanley Falkland Islands

Telephone: 27197

Facsimile: (500) 27191

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Date: 6 July 1993

Ref: PW/651

Falklands Conservation
PO Box 31
Stanley

Dear Mrs Miller

MECHANICAL PEAT EXTRACTION

A visit was recently made to several areas where peat is being cut or has been cut mechanically, the following summarises the findings:-

1. Peat Banks at Canopus have grown back fully where topsod was loosely replaced by machine, except in part of one trench where water is flowing.
2. Peat Banks more recently cut north of Mullet Creek indicate that recovery is taking place although not yet complete.
3. Peat Banks cut very recently on the south side of Mullet Creek are showing slow recovery, but this appears to be due to abrasion of the plants prior to topsod removal rather than to the method of replacement of the sod itself.

There is however indication of a variety of plant types re-establishing in the centre of these trenches.

4. In all cases the topsod had been replaced in the bottom of the trenches. The situation will continue to be monitored but it is not believed that, in view of the complete recovery which has taken place at the Canopus area that the more random replacement of topsod by machine as opposed to hand cutting methods is a cause for concern.

B Jarvis Hill
DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS

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