

**DECISION OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION
NO. 239 OF MARCH 7, 1995 ON MEASURES TO STREAMLINE THE
STATE REGULATION OF PRICES (TARIFFS) (with the Additions and
Amendments of February 8, April 15, July 31, 1996, June 30, 1997,
July 30, December 28, 1998, February 6, May 7, June 16, August 20,
2001, April 2, 2002, December 12, 2004, July 12, 2005, April 7,
December 28, 2007, February 9, April 23, 2008)**

In pursuance of the Decree of the President of the Russian Federation No. 221 of February 28, 1995 on measures to Streamline the State Regulation of Prices (Tariffs) the Government of the Russian Federation resolves:

1. To endorse the following appended lists:

the List of engineering products, consumer goods and services whose prices on the home market are controlled by the Government of the Russian Federation and the federal executive bodies;

the List of engineering products, consumer goods and services whose prices (tariffs) on the home market are controlled by the executive bodies of the subjects of the Russian Federation;

the List of services rendered by transport, supply and marketing and trade organizations, on which the executive bodies of the subjects of the Russian Federation have been given the right to introduce state control over tariffs and premium prices.

2. By agreement with the Ministry of Economic of the Russian Federation the Ministry of Atomic Energy of the Russian Federation shall be obliged to determine concrete products of the nuclear fuel cycle whose prices are controlled by the State.

3. By agreement with the Ministry of Finance of the Russian Federation, the Ministry of Communications of the Russian Federation and the Ministry of the Russian Federation of Social Protection for the Population the Ministry of Economics of the Russian Federation shall be obliged to submit within two weeks for the approval by the Government of the Russian Federation its proposals on the lists of communication services, which are subject to the state control of prices (tariffs) for all the categories of consumers by the federal executive bodies and the executive bodies of the subjects of the Russian Federation.

4. The Ministry of Economics, the Ministry of Finance, the State Committee for Antimonopoly Policy and Support for New Economic Structures, the Ministry of Fuel and Power Engineering, the Ministry of Railways, the Ministry of Transport, the Trade Committee, the State Committee of the Russian Federation for Defence-related Industries, and other interested federal executive bodies shall be obliged to submit to the Government of the Russian Federation their proposals on the improvement of the mechanism of controlling prices (tariffs) for the products, goods and

services of the natural monopolies at the federal and regional levels, and also for the products of the defence complex.

5. To lay down that the executive bodies of the subjects of the Russian Federation, for which the federal budget provides for financial support, shall control prices (tariffs) for engineering products, consumer goods and services whose prices (tariffs) on the home market of the Russian Federation are controlled by the executive bodies of the subjects of the Russian Federation, and also tariffs and extra charges on the services of transport, supply marketing and trade organizations, for which the executive bodies of the subjects of the Russian Federation are granted the right to introduce state control of tariffs and extra charges by agreement with the respective federal executive bodies.

The Ministry of Finance, the Ministry of Economic and the Ministry of the Russian Federation for the Affairs of Nationalities and Regional Policy shall be obliged to determine the procedure for such agreement.

6. The Ministry of Economic and the Ministry of Finance of the Russian Federation shall be obliged to submit within two months to the Government of the Russian Federation their proposals on the application of sanctions to enterprises and organizations for the violation of the legislative norms of state control of prices (tariffs).

7. State control of prices (tariffs) and extra charges shall not be applied to all the transactor units, regardless of their organizational structures, legal status and departmental subordination. The state control shall be exercised by fixing prices, price limits, extra charges, marginal coefficients of changing prices, maximum level of profitability, declared rise in prices for engineering products of all types, consumer goods and services, except for products, goods and services, provided for by Item 1 of the Decision.

The Ministry of Economics, the Ministry of Finance and the Ministry of Justice of the Russian Federation, with the participation of other interested federal executive bodies, shall be obliged to submit within a month to the Government of the Russian Federation their proposals on the recognition as invalid the Government decisions on price formation in connection with the present Decision.

8. This Decision shall enter into force from the day of its publication.

Chairman of the Government
of the Russian Federation

Viktor Chernomyrdin

List of Engineering Products, Consumer Goods and Services Whose Prices (Tariffs) on the Home Market of the Russian Federation Are Controlled by the Government of the Russian Federation and the Federal Executive Bodies (with the Additions and Amendments of February 8, July 31, 1996, June 30, 1997, July 30, 1998, February 6,

June 16, August 20, 2001, April 2, 2002, December 12, 2004, December 28, 2007, February 9, 2008, April 23, 2008)

Natural gas, petroleum (associated) gas and stripped dry gas (except gas realised by gas producing organisations that are not affiliated persons of the public joint-stock company Gasprom or the joint-stock companies Yakutgasprom, Norilskgasprom, Kamchatgazprom and Rosneft-Sakhalinmorneftegas, and also gas realised to the population and to housing construction cooperatives), liquefied gas for household needs (except gas realised to the population)

Products of the nuclear fuel cycle

Electric and thermal energy, produced by organizations, supplying energy to the wholesale market, the services involved in the transmission of electric energy by the networks, the services involved in the operational-monitoring management and the other services, rendered on the electric energy (power) markets, the tariffs (the prices) on which are regulated by the Federal Energy Commission of the Russian Federation, in accordance with the List approved by the Government of the Russian Federation

The transportation of crude oil and petroleum products via main pipelines

Products for defence purposes

raw diamonds, and precious stones

Prosthetic and orthopedic appliances

Freight traffic, loading and unloading operations on the railway transport

Transportation of passengers, baggage, cargoes and mail by rail (except for suburban traffic)

The services at transport terminals, ports and services of using the infrastructure of internal water ways

The services of the ice-breaking fleet on the routes of the Northern Sea Way

Aeronavigation service of aircraft, passengers and cargoes in airports

Services at airports

Particular postal and electric communication services, TV communication services for broadcasting programmes of Russian state TV and radio organizations according to the list, endorsed by the Government of the Russian Federation

Vodka, Liquor Products and Other Alcohol Products With an Alcohol Content Higher Than 28 Per Cent Distilled in the Territory of the Russian Federation or Imported to the Territory of the Russian Federation.

Ethyl alcohol from edible raw materials, produced on the territory of the Russian Federation.

List of Engineering Products, Consumer Goods and Services Whose Prices on the Home Market of the Russian Federation Are Controlled

**by the Executive Bodies of the Subjects of the Russian Federation
(with the Additions and Amendments of April 15, 1996, December 28,
1998, April 2, 2002, December 12, 2004, July 12, 2005, April 7, 2007)**

Solid fuel, domestic stove fuel and kerosene realised to persons, managing organisations, condominiums, housing, housing-construction or other specialised consumers' cooperatives created for the purpose of satisfying the needs of people in housing

Transportation of passengers and baggage by public transport of all types, including urban, subway and suburban transport (except for railway transport)

Services of Water supply and sewage systems

Trade allowances to the prices of medicaments and medical articles, except for the trade allowances to the prices of medicaments provided to certain categories of citizens entitled to state social aid in the form of a set of social services.

**List of Services of Transport, Supply, Marketing and Trade
Organizations, on Which the Executive Bodies of the Subjects of the
Russian Federation Are Given the Right to Introduce State Control
over Tariffs and Price Additions**

The supply and marketing and mercantile additions to prices for products and goods sold in the Far North areas and the localities equated therewith with organization periods of delivery of cargoes

Increased prices of products (goods), sold at public catering enterprises in general education schools, vocational schools, specialized secondary and higher educational establishments

Mercantile additions to prices for baby food (including food concentrates)

Transportation of passengers and baggage by rail in suburban traffic by agreement with the Ministry of Railways of the Russian Federation, subject to the compensation of losses arising due to the regulation of tariffs from the budget resources of the subjects of the Russian Federation

Transportation of passengers and baggage by motor transport along intra-regional and inter-regional routes (inter-republican routes within the Russian Federation), including taxi routes

Carriage of passengers and baggage by local air and river transport and in crossing places

Haulage of cargoes, passengers and baggage by sea, river and air transport in the Far North areas and the localities equated therewith

The transportation services rendered on the approach railway lines by organizations of the industrial railway transport and by the other economic subjects regardless of their legal organizational form, with the exception of organizations of the federal railway transport.

* Prices (tariffs) are set in accordance with the Decision of the Council of Ministers (Government) of the Russian Federation No. 935 of September 22, 1993 (Collected Acts of the President and the Government of the Russian Federation, No. 39, 1993, item 3620; No. 17, 1994, item 1422) and the Decision of the Council of Ministers (Government) of the Russian Federation No. 1329 of December 23, 1993 (Collected Acts of the President and the Government of the Russian Federation, No. 52, 1993, item 5092).