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1. [redacted] the following daily coal consumption quotas were fixed, effective 8 September 1953:

Railroad District	Coal for Locomotives (in tons)	Shop Coal
Berlin	2,650	245
Greifswald	965	25
Schwerin	1,200	35
Magdeburg	2,370	130
Halle	3,800	405
Erfurt	3,185	140
Dresden	3,450	310
Cottbus	1,580	40
<b>Total</b>	<b>19,200</b>	<b>1,330</b>

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2. [redacted] the following coal stocks were available between 1 and 16 September:

Date in September	Ruhr Coal (in tons)	Other-Type Hard Coal (in tons)	Brown Coal Briquettes (in tons)	Shop Coal (in tons)
1	637	81,500	49,500	22,600
4	419	87,000	41,900	23,200
8	152	86,800	30,700	24,900
12	152	79,700	22,200	26,700
16	152	83,700	18,700	27,400

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3. At a conference held at the Wittenberge railroad sub-district office on 4 September. It was announced that, effective immediately, all locomotives were to be fired with Upper Silesian hard coal. The conversion of dead-fire boxes to hard coal-firing has been started. Stocks of brown coal briquettes will be used up.

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4.  the following coal stocks were available in the various railroad districts between 1 and 18 September expressed in terms of daily requirements. 50X1-HUM

Railroad District	Date in September							
	1	2	3	4	5/6	7	8	9
Berlin	12.3	12.3	11.9	11.6	11.1	12.0	11.7	11.8
Greifswald	13.0	14.3	14.2	14.0	14.0	14.4	13.5	14.1
Schwerin	9.8	9.4	9.0	8.0	8.9	8.9	8.2	8.9
Magdeburg	7.9	7.3	7.1	6.3	5.6	6.1	5.6	5.5
Halle	8.6	9.1	9.5	9.4	8.3	8.0	7.1	6.4
Erfurt	10.0	10.0	10.0	9.6	9.1	8.8	8.3	8.0
Dresden	9.0	9.6	9.7	10.1	9.7	9.6	9.1	9.1
Cottbus	7.5	7.9	8.0	8.3	6.8	6.6	5.8	5.0

Total Coal Stocks	9.6	9.7	9.7	9.5	8.9	9.0	8.4	8.2
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Railroad District	10	11	12/13	14	15	16	17	18
Berlin	11.4	11.1	11.0	11.3	10.8	11.0	10.7	10.1
Greifswald	14.3	13.7	13.5	13.5	12.7	13.6	12.9	12.1
Schwarin	9.6	9.3	8.9	9.8	10.0	9.9	10.4	10.3
Magdeburg	4.9	4.6	4.1	4.4	4.5	4.4	4.3	4.0
Halle	6.0	5.9	6.0	6.4	6.6	6.8	6.7	6.4
Erfurt	7.8	7.6	6.8	6.7	6.4	6.9	5.5	4.9
Dresden	9.0	8.6	8.0	8.3	8.3	8.1	8.1	8.0
Cottbus	5.0	5.1	4.7	4.4	4.3	4.1	4.5	4.3

Total Coal Stocks	8.0	7.8	7.4	7.6	7.5	7.5	7.4	7.0	4
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1.  Comment. As compared with August 1953, the daily coal consumption quota for locomotives and railroad repair and maintenance shops were raised by 1,000 tons and 480 tons respectively.  This increase is due to seasonal reasons. 50X1-HUM
2.  Comment. On 16 September, a total of 102,552 tons of coal for use by locomotives and 27,400 tons for railroad repair and maintenance shops were available. According to the daily coal consumption quota fixed for September, coal stocks for use by locomotives represented 5.3 days' requirements. As compared with the last reported status of 29 August, hard coal stocks increased by 12,000 tons, while brown coal briquette stocks decreased by 23,900 tons.  The increase of hard coal stocks is connected with the conversion of locomotives to hard coal firing. 50X1-HUM

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- 3.  Comment.  accord-  
 ding to which the planned conversion of locomotives to hard coal firing  
 want into effect in September.  50X1-HUM  
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- 4.  Comment. This information is received for the first time. The break-  
 down of coal stocks according to railroad districts is valuable. The coal  
 stocks recorded include hard and brown coal. The figures are at variance  
 with those listed in paragraph 1 of the present report. 50X1-HUM

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