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EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

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OUTLINE

Under sub-sections 7(1) and 7(2) of the *Door-to-Door Trading Act 1991* traders making contracts subject to a ten (10) day "cooling-off" period are required to give consumers two (2) notices "in the prescribed form". The first notice explains the consumer's right to rescind the contract and must be read aloud and then handed to the consumer at the time the contract is made. The second notice is a cancellation form which the consumer may use to rescind the contract. These two notices, in their prescribed form, are contained in the Schedule to these regulations.

CLAUSE NOTES

<u>Clause 1</u> provides that these regulations may be cited as the Door-to-Door Trading Regulations.

Clause 2 provides that these regulations commence on 1 January 1992. The formal commencement of the regulations was delayed until 1 January 1992 to provide both traders and consumers an opportunity to become familiar with the new forms.

<u>Clause 3</u> provides that in these regulations, unless a contrary intention appears, "Act" means the *Door-to-Door Trading Act 1991*.

Clause 4 provides that the form prescribed by sub-paragraph 7(1)(g)(i) of the Act, which explains the right of the consumer to rescind the contract, is Form 1 in the Schedule to these regulations. Clause 4 also provides that the form prescribed by sub-paragraph 7(1)(g)(ii) of the Act, which may be used by the consumer to rescind the contract, is Form 2 in the Schedule to these regulations.