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Availability of Motor Vehicle Replacement Parts

Sec. 14-67a-1. Procedure governed

These rules govern the requirements established by the commissioner of motor vehicles relating to the fitness of an applicant to engage in business as a manufacturer of motor vehicles for sale in this state as authorized by section 14-67a (g) Connecticut general statutes.

(Effective February 24, 1977)

Sec. 14-67a-2. Definition

As used in these rules, except as otherwise required by the context:

(a) "Commissioner" means "Commissioner" as defined in subsection (8) of section 14-1 of the Connecticut general statutes.

(b) "Manufacturer" means "Manufacturer" as defined in subsection (22) of section 14-1 of the Connecticut general statutes.

(c) "Replacement part" means any device or accessory which forms any part of a motor vehicle or its equipment.

(d) "Reasonable anticipated demand" shall mean a demand based upon the marketing experience of a manufacturer of motor vehicles per one hundred vehicles with the request per year for replacement parts for such motor vehicles.

(e) "Timely basis" shall mean ordinary and usual delivery of replacement parts exclusive of acts of God, strikes, breakdown of delivery facilities and other acts of similar import.

(Effective February 24, 1977)

Sec. 14-67a-3. Applicant's written statement

An applicant for a motor vehicle manufacturer's license to engage in the business of manufacturing motor vehicles for sale in this state shall assure the commissioner in writing that a supply of all replacement parts for such motor vehicles as are sold in this state will be available in such quantities as to meet the reasonable anticipated demand for such replacement parts from the purchasers of such motor vehicles and that delivery of such replacement parts to be made on a timely basis.

(Effective February 24, 1977)

Notice Required from Manufacturer upon Termination of Franchise

Sec. 14-67a-4. Application for manufacturer's license

(a) In addition to any other notice requirements contained in chapter 739 of the general statutes, a manufacturer as defined in section 14-1 of the general statutes, upon making application for a license to engage in the business of manufacturing motor vehicles for sale in this state as provided in section 14-67a of the general statutes, shall consent to file with the commissioner of motor vehicles a notice as provided in subsection (b).

(b) Each licensed manufacturer shall notify the commissioner, in writing, on a form or in a format as prescribed by the commissioner, within three (3) business days after first obtaining knowledge with respect to any of the following:

(1) Its intent not to renew a franchise;

(2) The institution of an action to cancel or terminate a franchisee or distributor of the manufacturer;

(3) The abandonment of a franchise by a franchisee or distributor of the manufacturer; or

(4) The filing of a petition in bankruptcy, or for dissolution or other termination of business, of a franchisee or distributor.

Such notice shall include, if known, the dates of any such actions or impending actions, and any other relevant information required by the commissioner.

(c) Such notification shall be made in writing by a person having authority to act for the manufacturer.

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