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GOODS AND SERVICES TAX ACT (CHAPTER 117A)

GOODS AND SERVICES TAX (GENERAL) (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 2017

In exercise of the powers conferred by sections 38A(7), 41 and 86(1) of the Goods and Services Tax Act, the Minister for Finance makes the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

- 1.—(1) These Regulations are the Goods and Services Tax (General) (Amendment) Regulations 2017 and, except for regulation 7(a), come into operation on 2017.
- (2) Regulation 7(a) comes into operation on [specify date of Gazette].

Amendment of regulation 11

- **2.** Regulation 11 of the Goods and Services Tax (General) Regulations (Rg 1) (called in these Regulations the principal Regulations) is amended by inserting, immediately after paragraph (3), the following paragraph:
 - "(4) Without affecting paragraphs (1), (2) and (3), for the purpose of section 38A of the Act, the tax invoice must also include
 - (a) the registration number of the customer; and
 - (b) a statement sufficient to inform the customer of the relevant supply of goods or services that it is for the customer to account for and pay tax on the relevant supply.".

New regulation 13B

3. The principal Regulations are amended by inserting, immediately after regulation 13A, the following regulation:

"Inclusion of certain details in invoices

- **13B.**—(1) The Comptroller may, for the protection of revenue, direct a taxable person in writing to include statements of one or more of the following particulars in any tax invoice, simplified invoice or invoice that the taxable person issues for a taxable supply of goods made by the taxable person to any person in Singapore:
 - (a) the model of the goods supplied;
 - (b) the serial number of the goods supplied;
 - (c) any other particulars specified by the Comptroller in the direction.
- (2) A taxable person to whom the Comptroller has given a direction under paragraph (1) must comply with the direction in the manner and within the time specified in the direction.
 - (3) In this regulation
 - "invoice" means any invoice issued by a taxable person to a person that is not a taxable person, in relation to a supply that the taxable person makes to that person;
 - "simplified invoice" means the tax invoice mentioned in regulation 13.
 - "tax invoice" means the tax invoice mentioned in regulations 10 and 11.".

New regulation 57

4. The principal Regulations are amended by inserting, immediately after regulation 56, the following regulation:

"Power to direct the keeping and preserving of records in electronic form

57. The Comptroller may direct a taxable person in writing to maintain in electronic form an inventory record containing the model and serial numbers of any goods purchased or sold by the taxable person.".

Amendment to regulation 104A

- 5. Regulation 104A of the principal Regulations is amended
 - (a) by inserting, immediately after paragraph (1), the following paragraph:
 - "(1A) A taxable supply of furniture, furnishings, fittings, appliances or effects (or 2 or more of these), that is made together with a taxable supply of immovable property mentioned in paragraph (1), is a prescribed supply for the purpose of section 38(5) of the Act."; and
 - (b) by inserting, immediately after the words "a company" in sub-paragraph (a) of the definition of "special purpose vehicle" in paragraph (2), the words "or limited liability partnership".

New regulation 104B

6. The principal Regulations are amended by inserting, immediately after regulation 104A, the following regulation:

"Customers to account for tax on relevant supplies of goods or services

- **104B.**—(1) The supply of any of the following is prescribed for the purpose of the definition of "relevant supply of goods or services" in section 38A(10) of the Act:
 - (a) any mobile phone;
 - (b) any memory card;
 - (c) any off-the-shelf software.
- (2) The following are prescribed as excepted supplies for the purpose of the definition of "excepted supplies" in section 38A(10) of the Act:
 - (a) any transfer or disposal of goods for no consideration that is treated as a supply of goods by virtue of paragraph 5(1) of the Second Schedule to the Act;

- (b) any supply of goods for which regulations are made under section 23 of the Act for the reduction of tax chargeable on it.
- (3) The threshold for the purpose of the definition of "relevant supply of goods or services" in section 38A(10) of the Act, is \$5,000.
 - (4) In this regulation —

"memory card" means any electronic flash memory data storage device which is used for storing digital information (but excludes any flash drive with integrated USB interface);

"off-the-shelf software" means any software which —

- (a) is not customised; and
- (b) is distributed
 - (i) in the form of a compact disc or similar storage medium; or
 - (ii) in any other form of storage media,

but does not include any software that is provided with any computer (whether a minicomputer, microcomputer, laptop or desktop), as part of the supply of the computer.".

Amendment of regulation 108

- 7. Regulation 108 of the principal Regulations is amended
 - (a) by inserting, immediately after "13", ", 13A"; and
 - (b) by inserting, immediately after "13A", ", 13B".

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