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PERMANENT BAN ORDER PROHIBITING THE SUPPLY OF DANGEROUS GOODS

I, Tony Robinson, Minister for Consumer Affairs, pursuant to the powers conferred on me by Part 3 Division 1 of the **Fair Trading Act 1999** hereby make an order prohibiting the supply in Victoria of the following goods:

Toothpaste containing more than 0.25% by weight of diethylene glycol (DEG), as specified in the Commonwealth's Consumer Protection Notice No. 9 of 2007, made for the purposes of sub-section 65C(5) of the **Trade Practices Act 1974**.

I make this order noting the requirements imposed by the Commonwealth on toothpaste containing more than 0.25% by weight of diethylene glycol (DEG), thereby satisfying the requirement of sections 40(1) and 40(2)(b) of the **Fair Trading Act 1999**.

Dated 11 August 2007

TONY ROBINSON MP
Minister for Consumer Affairs

Explanatory Note

This permanent ban order prohibits the supply of toothpaste containing more than 0.25% of diethylene glycol (DEG). DEG is a toxic substance. Medium to long-term exposure to DEG at significant levels in toothpaste may create unacceptable health risks, particularly to children and individuals with kidney or liver disease and may cause death or serious injury.

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