

Trade Marks Amendment Regulations 1999 (No. 1) 1999 No. 153

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

STATUTORY RULES 1999 NO. 153

Issued by the Authority of the Minister for Industry, Science and Resources

Trade Marks Act 1995

Trade Marks Amendment Regulations 1999 (No. 1)

The Statutory Rules amend the Trade Marks Regulations (the Regulations) to alter the provision relating to voluntary removal of a person's name from the register. The change will ensure that the provisions in both the *Trade Marks Regulations 1995* and the *Patents Regulations 1991* are the same.

Details of the amendments made by these Statutory Rules are as follows:

Regulation 1 cites the Regulations as *the Trade Marks Amendment Regulations 1999*.

Regulation 2 provides that the Regulations will commence on gazettal.

Regulation 3 incorporates the provisions in Schedule 1 into the *Trade Marks Regulations 1995*.

Schedule 1

Item [1] amends Paragraph 20.29(1)(a) to remove reference to the three year time period.

Item [2] inserts into Paragraph 20.9(1)(b) reference to the Designated Manager restoring the name to the register prior to the expiration of the period for which the name was removed.

Item [3] inserts a new Paragraph 20.9(2) providing that the maximum period of removal from the register is 3 years.