ST 2223 - SALES TAX : SEASHELL - CUTTLEBONE

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PREAMBLE Sub-item 82(2) in the First Schedule to the Sales Tax (Exemptions and Classifications) Act exempts seashell from sales tax.

2. Consideration has recently been given whether cuttle-bone is seashell.

- FACTS 3. A seashell is generally defined as the shell of any marine mollusc. Cuttle-bone is the internal calcified shell of a cuttlefish which, in turn, is a marine mollusc.
- RULING 4. Cuttle-bone is a seashell and is therefore exempt from sales tax under sub-item 82(2).

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