ST 2070 - SALES TAX : ROPE WICK HERBICIDE APPLICATORS

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PARAGRAPH 3(1)(b) FIRST SCHEDULE SUB-ITEM 5(2) THIRD SCHEDULE

FACTS

Rope wick applicators are designed for the selective application of herbicide to weeds and consist basically of rope wicks attached to lengths of P.V.C. piping.

- In operation, the piping is filled with herbicide which flows to the rope wick. The wick is physically placed upon the weeds thus applying the herbicide directly.
- Models available include small wand-like hand held units, larger units on wheels which may be pushed or pulled and tractor and vehicle mounted units.

RULING

- The hand held wand-type applicators are covered by sub-item 5(2) in the Third Schedule to the Sales Tax (Exemptions and Classifications) Act being hand tools of the kinds used for gardening, and are taxable at the 7.5% rate. The wheeled units and the tractor and vehicle mounted units are taxable at the general rate.
- All models qualify for conditional exemption under paragraph 3(1)(b), First Schedule, when sold for use in the agricultural industry in the checking or destruction of weeds, scrub or noxious plants.

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