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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

MEDICINES AND RELATED SUBSTANCES ACT, 1965

REGULATIONS RELATING TO THE TRANSPARENT PRICING SYSTEM FOR MEDICINES AND SCHEDULED SUBSTANCES: AMENDMENT

The Minister of Health intends, in terms of section 22G of the Medicines and Related Substances Act, 1965 (Act No. 101 of 1965), to make the regulations in the Schedule.

Interested persons are requested to submit comments on the proposed regulations within six weeks of publication of this notice to the Director-General: Health (for the attention of the Director: Pharmaceutical Economics Evaluations, Private Bag X828 Pretoria 0001).

SCHEDULE

1. In these regulations "the Regulations" means the Regulations Relating to the Transparent Pricing System for Medicines and Scheduled Substances published under government Notice No R1102 of 11 November 2005.

Amendment of Regulation 12

2. The following subregulations are hereby substituted for subregulations (1) and (2) of regulation 12 of the regulations:

- "(1) Where the single exit price of a medicine or Scheduled substance is less than one hundred and twenty five rands, the dispensing fee must not exceed 16% of the single exit price in respect of that medicine or Scheduled substance.
- (2) Where the single exit price of a medicine or Scheduled substance is one hundred and twenty five rands or more, the dispensing fee must not exceed twenty rands in respect of that medicine or Scheduled substance.

DR ME TSHABALALA-MSIMANG MINISTER OF HEALTH