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RE: Draft regulations under the Motor Vehicle Dealers Act, 2002

As you are aware, the new Motor Vehicle Dealers Act 2002 was passed in the legislature on December 10, 2002 and will come into effect once regulations to accompany it have been finalized. OMVIC is issuing this bulletin to advise you that the Ministry of Consumer and Business Services has now prepared draft regulations and is welcoming public feedback on them.

The Act and draft regulations will replace decades-old legislation that no longer speaks to the needs of Ontario's consumers and businesses. "These draft regulations," stated Minister of Consumer and Business Services, Jim Watson, "are another step towards our goal of implementing comprehensive consumer protection laws that are responsive to changes in the marketplace and enhance Ontario's reputation as a place of investment, business growth and consumer confidence."

The proposed regulations will offer significant changes to the way our industry operates. Highlights of the draft regulations include: stronger advertising requirements for motor vehicle dealers, enhancing consumer remedies if motor vehicle dealers do not deliver on their agreements, strengthening consumer information disclosure requirements by registrants, and instituting an industry Code of Ethics to raise the professionalism of motor vehicle dealers and salespersons.

The draft regulations are available online at www.cbs.gov.on.ca. Given these proposed regulations will directly affect the operations of your business and the industry as a whole, you are strongly encouraged to review them and forward your input and suggestions directly to the Ministry of Consumer and Business Services via email, mail or fax by July 30, 2004.

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