

CHAPTER 80E

MOTOR VEHICLE SALE AND DISTRIBUTION REGULATIONS

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Subdivision 1. **Requirements.** Upon the termination or cancellation of any franchise, the new motor vehicle dealer shall, in the time prescribed, be allowed fair and reasonable compensation by the manufacturer for the following items:

(a) New motor vehicle inventory which was originally acquired from the manufacturer, as limited in clause (f);

(b) Equipment and furnishings if the new motor vehicle dealer purchased them from the manufacturer;

(c) Special tools;

(d) Supplies, including accessories and parts, purchased from the manufacturer;

(e) A sum equal to the current fair rental value of the dealership facilities for a period of one year from the effective date of the termination or cancellation, or the remainder of the term of the lease, whichever is less. Payment under this clause shall not be required if the termination or cancellation was for good cause based on a conviction or plea of nolo contendere of the dealer or one of its principal owners for a crime which constitutes a felony as described in section 609.02, subdivision 2, or if it has been demonstrated that the dealer has exhibited a course of conduct constituting fraud with respect to the manufacturer or the general public;

(f) Fair and reasonable compensation as applied to paragraphs (a) and (d) means the manufacturer shall reimburse the dealer for 100 percent of the net cost to the dealer, including transportation, of all new current model year motor vehicle inventory acquired from the manufacturer which has not been materially altered or substantially damaged, and all new motor vehicle inventory not of the current model year which has not been materially altered or substantially damaged; provided the noncurrent model year vehicles were acquired from the manufacturer and drafted on the dealer's financing source or paid for within 120 days prior to the effective date of the termination or cancellation. The manufacturer shall reimburse the dealer for 100 percent of the current net prices on motor vehicle accessories and parts, including superseded parts listed in current price lists or catalogues plus five percent of the current net price of all accessories and parts returned to compensate the dealer for handling, packing, and loading the parts.

[For text of subds 2 and 3; see M.S.1982]

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