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PRIVATE SECURITY INDUSTRY ACT (CHAPTER 250A)

PRIVATE SECURITY INDUSTRY (CENTRAL ALARM MONITORING STATION OPERATOR) (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 2014

In exercise of the powers conferred by sections 20 and 39 of the Private Security Industry Act, the Minister for Home Affairs hereby makes the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Private Security Industry (Central Alarm Monitoring Station Operator) (Amendment) Regulations 2014 and shall come into operation on 1st June 2014.

Deletion and substitution of regulation 4

2. Regulation 4 of the Private Security Industry (Central Alarm Monitoring Station Operator) Regulations 2009 (G.N. No. S 169/2009) (referred to in these Regulations as the principal Regulations) is deleted and the following regulation substituted therefor:

"Prescribed charges for false alarm

4.—(1) Subject to paragraphs (2) and (3), where a police officer attends at any premises in response to an alarm that is afterwards discovered to have been a false alarm (referred to in these Regulations as a false alarm) at those premises, a charge of \$170 shall be payable.

(2) However, subject to paragraph (4), where a false alarm has been raised at the same premises on 2 or more occasions during a period of 12 months, the following charges shall be payable on each occasion where a police officer so attends at those same premises:

Occasion	Charge payable
(a) 2nd occasion	\$220
(b) 3rd occasion	\$270
(c) 4th or subsequent occasion	\$320.

(3) The charge specified in paragraph (1) for attendance at any premises in response to a false alarm shall not be payable if —

- (a) the premises are not high-risk premises; and
- (b) the licensing officer issues a cautionary waiver of charge to the prescribed licensed security service provider who made or caused to be made the call requiring a police officer to respond at those premises to the false alarm.

(4) The charges specified in paragraph (2) in respect of the second or any subsequent occasion of attendance at the same premises by a police officer in response to a false alarm shall apply —

- (*a*) even if the police officer attending is not the same police officer as on any previous occasion;
- (b) even if the false alarm does not emanate from the same security device as on any previous occasion; and
- (c) even if a cautionary waiver of charge is issued under paragraph (3)(b) with respect to those premises on the first occasion where a police officer so attends at those same premises.

(5) Where, in the case of any premises, a period of 12 months has elapsed during which no police officer has attended at those premises in response to a false alarm, all previous occasions on which a police officer attended at those premises shall be disregarded for the purposes of paragraph (2).

(6) Every charge referred to in paragraph (1) or (2) for attendance at any premises in response to a false alarm is payable to the Accountant-General —

- (*a*) by the prescribed licensed security service provider who made or caused to be made the call requiring a police officer to respond to the false alarm; and
- (b) not later than 14 days after the date on which the prescribed licensed security service provider receives a notice under regulation 5.".

Amendment of regulation 5

3. Regulation 5 of the principal Regulations is amended by deleting paragraph (1) and substituting the following paragraph:

"(1) The licensing officer may, in respect of any single occasion on which a police officer attends at any premises in response to a false alarm, issue a notice to the prescribed licensed security service provider who made or caused to be made the call requiring a police officer to respond to the false alarm.".

Deletion of regulation 6

4. Regulation 6 of the principal Regulations is deleted.

Made this 29th day of May 2014.

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