Statement of Information Concerning Practices of Multistate Tax Commission and Signatory States Under Public Law 86-272

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INTRODUCTION

In this Statement, "Supporting State" means a State that adopts or otherwise indicates support for this Statement by legislation. regulation or other administrative action.

This Statement addresses the application of Public Law 86-272, 15 U.S.C. §§381-384, (hereafter (which is set forth in Appendix I). P.L. 86-272) restricts, which Congress adopted in 1959, prohibits a state from imposing a net income tax on the income of a person derived within its bordersthe state from interstate commerce if the only business activity of the companyactivities within the state consists conducted by or on behalf of the person consist of the solicitation of orders for sales of tangible personal property, which provided that the orders are to be sent outside the state for acceptance or rejection, and, if accepted, are filled by shipment or delivery from a point outside the state. The term "net income tax" includes a franchise tax measured by net income. If any sales are made into a state which is precluded by P.L. 86-272 from taxing the income of the seller, such sales remain subject to throwback to the appropriate state which does have jurisdiction to impose its net income tax upon the income derived from those sales.

It is As the policy of the state signatories hereto to impose their net income tax, subject to State and Federal legislative limitations, to the fullest extent constitutionally permissible. Interpretation of the solicitation of orders standard in P.L. 86-272 requires a determination of the fair meaning of that term in the first instance. The United States Supreme Court has recently established a standard for interpreting the term "solicitation" and this Statement has been revised to conform to such standard.expressed, the precise meaning of P.L. 86-272's language is "somewhat less than entirely clear." Wisconsin Department of Revenue v. William Wrigley, Jr., Co., 505 U.S. 214, 112 S. 223 (1992). Moreover, in the decades since the statute was enacted, the way in which interstate business is conducted has changed significantly. Congress, however, has neither created a federal mechanism to provide administrative guidance to taxpayers nor has it updated the statute to indicate how it applies to new business activities. The contents of this Statement are intended to serve as general guidance to taxpayers and to provide notice as to how Supporting States will apply the statute. Article IV.C of this Statement indicates that certain business activities conducted via Ct. 2447, 120 L.Ed.2d 174 (1992). In those cases where there may be reasonable differences of opinion as to whether the disputed activity exceeds what is Internet are protected by P.L. 86-272; the signatory States will apply the Supporting States recognize, however, that an alternative interpretation indicating that these activities are unprotected would not be unreasonable.

This Statement is guided by the principle that the preemption of state taxation that is required by P.L. 86 272 no sovereign authority of states to impose tax will be limited to those activities that fall withinpreempted unless it is the "clear and manifest purpose of Congress". "to do so. See Department of Revenue of Oregon v. ACF Industries, Inc., et al., 510 U.S. 332, 114 S.Ct. 843, 127 L. Ed.2d 165 (1994),: Cipollone v. Liggett Group, Inc., 505 U.S. 504, 112 S.Ct.

2608, 120 L. Ed.2d 407, 422 (1992); Heublein, Inc. v. South Carolina Tax Com., 409 U.S. 275, 281-282 (1972).

It is notable that while P.L. 86-272 does not explain when a seller's activities are "within" a state, it is the Supreme Court's long-accepted view that activities directed at customers in a state are sufficient contact to give rise to jurisdiction. See Quill Corp. v. North Dakota, 504 U.S. 298, 308 (1992). It is also relevant that Congress considered multiple alternative proposals before enacting P.L. 86-272. Two of those proposals, Sen. Res. 113 and H.J.Res. 450, would have explicitly required a seller to have a physical presence in the taxing state (i.e., a stock of goods, an office, warehouse, or other place of business or an officer, agent, or representative who has maintained an office or other place of business) in order to subject that seller to tax. These proposals ultimately were rejected by Congress. Finally, although the Supreme Court did not interpret P.L. 86-272 in South Dakota v. Wayfair, Inc., 138 S. Ct. The following information reflects the signatory states' current practices with regard to: (1) whether a particular factual circumstance is considered under P.L. 86-272 or permitted under this Statement as either protected or not protected from taxation by reason of P.L. 86-272; and (2) the jurisdictional standards which will apply to sales made in another state for purposes of applying a throwback rule (if applicable) with respect to such sales. It is the intent of the signatory states to apply this Statement uniformly to factual circumstances, irrespective of whether such application involves an analysis for jurisdictional purposes in the state into which such tangible personal property has been shipped or delivered or for throwback purposes in the state from which such property has been shipped or delivered.

2080 (2018), the Supporting States consider the Court's analysis in that opinion to be relevant to the question of whether a seller is engaged in business activities in states where its customers are located for purposes of the statute.

This Statement does not attempt to take into account limitations on the application of business income taxes other than P.L. 86-272, including those limitations that may be provided under state law. For example, the Multistate Tax Commission has adopted a model factor presence nexus statute and recommends that states adopt that statute to shield from taxation small businesses or businesses that have minimal contacts with the state. *See* Factor Presence Nexus Standard for Business Activity Taxes, adopted by the Multistate Tax Commission on October 12, 2002 (which is set forth in Appendix II).

Finally, application of P.L. 86-272 under this Statement affects the determination of whether a state into which tangible personal property is delivered (the "destination state") may tax the income of the seller, but it also affects the determination of whether the state from which tangible personal property is shipped (the "origin state") may subject the related receipts to that state's throwback rule. It is the intent of the Supporting States to apply this Statement uniformly, irrespective of whether the state is determining its ability to tax the income of the seller as the destination state, or whether it is to determine if the state, as the origin state, may properly subject the related receipts to its throwback rule.

I NATURE OF PROPERTY BEING SOLD

Only the solicitation to sell <u>tangible</u> personal property is afforded immunity under P.L. <u>8627286-272</u>; therefore, the leasing, renting, licensing or other disposition of tangible personal property, or transactions involving intangibles <u>property</u>, such as franchises, patents, copyrights, <u>trade markstrademarks</u>, service marks and the like, or any other type of property are not protected activities under P.L. 86-272.

The sale or delivery and the solicitation for the sale or delivery of any type of service that is not either (1) <u>entirely</u> ancillary to solicitation or (2) otherwise set forth as a protected activity under <u>the</u> Section IV.B. <u>hereof</u> is also not protected under <u>Public LawP. L.</u> 86-272 or this Statement.

II SOLICITATION OF ORDERS AND ACTIVITIES ANCILLARY TO SOLICITATION

For-the in-state activity to be a protected activity under P.L. 86-272, it must be limited solely to *solicitation* (except for *de minimis* activities described in Article III- and those activities conducted by independent contractors described in -Article V. below)...). Solicitation means (1) speech or conduct that explicitly or implicitly invites an order; and (2) activities that neither explicitly nor implicitly invite an order, but are entirely ancillary to requests for an order. *See Wisconsin Department of Revenue v. William Wrigley, Jr., Co.*, 505 U.S. 214 (1992).

Ancillary activities are those activities that serve no independent business function for the seller apart from their connection to the solicitation of orders. -Activities that a seller would engage in apart from soliciting orders-shall are not be considered as ancillary to the solicitation of orders. The mere assignment of activities to sales personnel does not, merely by such assignment, make such those activities ancillary to the solicitation of orders. - Additionally, activities that seek to promote sales are not ancillary, because P.L. 86-272 does not protect activity that facilitates sales; it only protects ancillary activities that facilitate the request for an order. The conducting of activities not falling within the foregoing definition of solicitation will cause the company to lose its protection from a net income tax afforded by P.L. 86-272, unless the disqualifying activities, taken together, are either de minimis or are otherwise permitted under this Statement.

Activities that are neither solicitation nor ancillary to solicitation, and that are not *de minimis* or otherwise protected by this Statement, are not protected.

III DE MINIMIS ACTIVITIES

De minimis activities are those <u>activities</u> that, when taken together, establish only a trivial connection with the taxing <u>State. state</u>. An activity conducted within a taxing State on a regular or systematic basis or pursuant to a company policy (whether <u>suchthe</u> policy is in writing or not) <u>shall</u> normally <u>will</u> not be considered trivial. -Whether or not an activity consists of a trivial or nontrivial connection with <u>the State</u> state is <u>to be</u> measured on both a qualitative and quantitative

basis. -If-such an activity either qualitatively or quantitatively creates a non-trivial connection with the taxing Statestate, and is otherwise not protected, then-such the activity exceeds the protection of P.L. 86-272. Establishing that the disqualifying unprotected activities only account for a relatively small part of the business conducted within the taxing Statestate is not determinative of whether a the activities are de minimis level of activity exists. -The relative economic importance of the disqualifying unprotected in-state activities, as compared to the protected activities, does not determine whether the conduct of the disqualifying unprotected activities within the taxing Statestate is inconsistent with the limited protection afforded by P.L. 86-272.

IV SPECIFIC LISTING OF UNPROTECTED AND PROTECTED ACTIVITIES

The following two listings — IV.A. and IV.B. — set forth the in-state activities that are presently treated by the signatory states Supporting States as "Unprotected Activities" or "Protected Activities". — Such These listings, as well as the contents of IV.C., may be subject to an amendment by addition or deletion that appears on the individual signatory state's Signature Page attached to this Statement. [Note: a list of states that have adopted this Statement, together with a compilation of such additions and deletions, is available from the MTC].] amended by each Supporting State.

Each Supporting State may choose, in its discretion, to treat any in-state activity as protected, even if P.L. 86-272 does not require protection, provided that the state would treat such activity consistently for purposes of imposing tax and applying the state's throwback rule. The signatory state has included on the list of "Protected Activities" those in-state activities that are either required protection under P.L. 86-272; or, if not so required, that the signatory state, in its discretion, has permitted protection. The mere inclusion of an activity on the listing of -"Protected Activities"," by a state, therefore, is not a statement or admission by the signatory that state that said the activity is required any protection under the Public Law.

A.—_UNPROTECTED ACTIVITIES:

The following in-state activities (assuming they are not—of a de minimis level) are not considered—as either solicitation of orders,—or entirely ancillary thereto, or otherwise protected under P.L. 86-272—and will cause otherwise protected sales to lose their protection under the Public Law::

- 1. Making repairs or providing maintenance or service to the property sold or to be sold.
- 2. Collecting current or delinquent accounts, whether directly or by third parties, through assignment or otherwise.
- 3. Investigating credit worthiness.
- 4. Installation or supervision of installation at or after shipment or delivery.

- 5. Conducting training courses, seminars or lectures for personnel other than personnel involved only in solicitation.
- 6. Providing any kind of technical assistance or service including, but not limited to, engineering assistance or design service, when one of the purposes thereof is other than the facilitation of the solicitation of orders.
- 7. Investigating, handling, or otherwise assisting in resolving customer complaints, other than mediating direct customer complaints when the sole purpose of such mediation is to ingratiate the sales personnel with the customer.
- 8. Approving or accepting orders.
- 9. Repossessing property.
- 10. Securing deposits on sales.
- 11. Picking up or replacing damaged or returned property.
- 12. Hiring, training, or supervising personnel, other than personnel involved only in solicitation.
- 13. Using agency stock checks or any other instrument or process by which sales are made within this state by sales personnel.
- 14. Maintaining a sample or display room in excess of two weeks (14 days) at any one location within the state during the tax year.
- 15. Carrying samples for sale, exchange or distribution in any manner for consideration or other value.
- 16. Owning, leasing, using or maintaining any of the following facilities or property in-state:
 - a. Repair shop.
 - b. Parts department.
 - c. Any kind of office other than an in-home office as described as permitted under IV.A.18 and IV.B.2.
 - d. Warehouse.
 - e. Meeting place for directors, officers, or employees.
 - f. Stock of goods other than samples for sales personnel or that are used entirely ancillary to solicitation.
 - g. Telephone answering service that is publicly attributed to the <u>companybusiness</u> or to employees or agent(s) of the <u>companybusiness</u> in their representative status.

- h. Mobile stores, *i.e.*, vehicles with drivers who are sales personnel making sales from the vehicles.
- i. Real property or fixtures to real property of any kind.
- 17. Consigning stock of goods or other tangible personal property to any person, including an independent contractor, for sale.
- 18. Maintaining, by any employee or other representative, an office or place of business of any kind (other than an in-home office located within the residence of the employee or representative that (i) is not publicly attributed to the companybusiness or to the employee or representative of the company in an employee or representative capacity-, and (ii) so long as the use of such office is limited to soliciting and receiving orders from customers; for transmitting such orders outside the state for acceptance or rejection by the companybusiness; or for such other activities that are protected under Public Law P.L. 86-272 or under paragraph IV.B. of this Statement)...).

A telephone listing or other public listing within the state for the companybusiness or for an employee or representative of the companybusiness in such capacity or other indications through advertising or business literature that the companybusiness or its employee or representative can be contacted at a specific address -within the state-shall normally will be determined as the companybusiness maintaining within this state an office or place of business attributable to the companybusiness or to its employee or representative in a representative capacity—. However, the normal distribution and use of business cards and stationery identifying the employee's or representative's name, street address, email address, telephone and fax numbers and affiliation with the companybusiness shall not, by itself, be considered as advertising or otherwise publicly attributing an office to the companybusiness or its employee or -representative.

The maintenance of any office or other place of business in <u>thisthe</u> state that does not strictly qualify as an "in-home" office as described above-<u>shall will</u>, by itself, cause the loss of protection under this Statement.

For the purpose of this subsection it is not relevant whether the <u>companybusiness</u> pays directly, indirectly, or not at all for the cost of maintaining such inhome in-home office.

- 19. Entering into franchising or licensing agreements; selling or otherwise disposing of franchises and licenses; or selling or otherwise transferring tangible personal property pursuant to such franchise or license by the franchisor or licensor to its franchisee or licensee within the state.
 - 20. [RESERVED.]
- 20. Activities performed by an employee who telecommutes on a regular basis from within the state unless the activities constitute the solicitation of orders for tangible personal property or are entirely ancillary to such solicitation.

21. Conducting any activity not listed in paragraph IV.B. below which is not entirely ancillary to requests for orders, even if such the activity helps to increase purchases.

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B. PROTECTED -ACTIVITIES:

The following in-state activities will not cause the loss of protection for otherwise are protected sales::

- 1. Soliciting orders for sales by any type of advertising.
- 2. Soliciting of orders by an in-state resident employee or representative of the companybusiness, so long as such person the employee or representative does not maintain or use any office or other place of business in the state other than an "in-home" office as described in IV.A.18, above.
- 3. Carrying samples and promotional materials only for display or distribution without charge or other consideration.
- 4. Furnishing and setting up display racks and advising customers on the display of the company's business's products without charge or other consideration.
- 5. Providing automobiles to sales personnel for their use in conducting protected activities.
- 6. Passing orders, inquiries and complaints on to the home office.
- 7. Missionary sales activities; i.e., the solicitation of indirect customers for the company's business's goods. For example, a manufacturer's solicitation of retailers to buy the manufacturer's goods from the manufacturer's wholesale customers—would be are protected if suchthese solicitation activities are otherwise immune.
- 8. Coordinating shipment or delivery without payment or other consideration and providing information relating thereto either prior or subsequent to the placement of an order.
- 9. Checking of customers' inventories without a charge therefor (for re-order, but not for other purposes such as quality control).
- 10. Maintaining a sample or display room for two weeks (14 days) or less at any one location within the state during the tax year.
- 11. Recruiting, training or evaluating sales personnel, including occasionally using homes, hotels or similar places for meetings with sales personnel.

<u>12.</u> Mediating direct customer complaints when the purpose thereof is solely for ingratiating the sales personnel with the customer and facilitating requests for orders.

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13. Owning, leasing, using or maintaining personal property for use in the employee or representative's "in-home" office or automobile that is solely limited to the conducting of protected activities. –Therefore, the use of personal property such as a cellular telephone, facsimile machine, duplicating equipment, personal computer and computer software that is limited to the carrying on of protected solicitation and activity entirely ancillary to such solicitation or permitted by this Statement under paragraph-IV.B.-shall-will not, by itself, remove the protection under this Statement.

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C. ACTIVITIES CONDUCTED VIA THE INTERNET:

To determine whether a person that sells tangible personal property via the Internet is shielded from taxation by P.L. 86-272 requires the same analysis as with respect to persons that sell tangible personal property by other means. Thus, an Internet seller is shielded from taxation in the customer's state if the only business activity in which it engages in that state is the solicitation of orders for sales of tangible personal property, which orders are sent outside that state for approval or rejection, and if approved, are shipped from a point outside of that state.

If the activities of such a seller within a state extends beyond solicitation of orders for sales of tangible personal property and is neither entirely ancillary to solicitation nor de minimis, P.L. 86-272 does not shield the seller from taxation by the customer's state.

As a general rule, when a business interacts with a customer via the business's website or app, the business engages in an activity within the customer's state. Presenting static text or photos on a website does not in itself constitute an activity within those states where customers are located.

Following are examples of activities conducted by a business that operates a website offering for sale only items of tangible personal property, unless otherwise indicated. In each case, customer orders are approved or rejected, and the products are shipped from a location outside of the customer's state. The business has no contacts with the customer's state other than what is indicated. [Examples should not be interpreted to mean that other scenarios either are protected or not protected, since every scenario requires a separate assessment of all relevant facts.]

- 1. The business provides post-sale assistance to in-state customers by posting a list of static FAQs with answers on the business's website. This business activity does not defeat the business's P.L. 86-272 immunity because it does not constitute an activity within the customers' state.
- 2. The business regularly provides post-sale assistance to in-state customers via either electronic chat or email that customers initiate by clicking on an icon on the business's website. This activity defeats the business's P.L. 86-272 immunity in states where the customers are located because this activity does not constitute, and is not entirely ancillary to, the in-state solicitation of orders for tangible personal property.

- 3. The business solicits and receives on-line applications for its branded credit cards via the business's website. Issued cards will generate interest income and fees for the business. This in-state business activity defeats the business's P.L. 86-272 immunity in states where the applications for cards are available to customers because it does not constitute, and is not entirely ancillary to, the in-state solicitation of orders for tangible personal property.
- 4. The business offers and sells extended warranty plans via its website to in-state customers who purchase business products. Selling, or offering to sell, a service that is not entirely ancillary to the solicitation of orders for tangible personal property, such as an extended warranty plan, defeats the business's P.L. 86-272 immunity—see Article I.
- 5. The business's website invites viewers in a customer's state to apply for non-sales positions with the business. The website enables viewers to fill out and submit an electronic application, as well as to upload a cover letter and resume. This in-state business activity defeats the business's P.L. 86-272 immunity in the customer's state because it does not constitute, and is not entirely ancillary to, the in-state solicitation of orders for tangible personal property.
- 6. The business places Internet "cookies" onto the computers or other electronic devices of in-state customers. These cookies gather customer search information which will be used to adjust production schedules and inventory amounts, develop new products, or identify new items to offer for sale. This in-state business activity defeats the business's P.L. 86-272 immunity because it does not constitute, and is not entirely ancillary to, the in-state solicitation of orders for tangible personal property.
- 7. The business places Internet "cookies" onto the computers or other devices of in-state customers. These cookies gather customer information that is only used for purposes entirely ancillary to the solicitation of orders for tangible personal property, such as: to remember items that customers have placed in their shopping cart during a current web session, to store personal information customers have provided to avoid the need for the customers to re-input the information when they return to the seller's website, and to remind customers what products they have considered during previous sessions. This in-state business activity does not defeat the business's P.L. 86-272 immunity because it is entirely ancillary to the in-state solicitation of orders for tangible personal property.
- 8. The business remotely fixes products previously purchased by in-state customers from the business by transmitting code or other electronic instructions to those products via the Internet. This in-state business activity defeats the business's P.L. 86-272 immunity because it does not constitute, and is not entirely ancillary to, the in-state solicitation of orders for tangible personal property.
- 9. The business contracts with a marketplace facilitator that facilitates the sale of the business's products on an on-line marketplace. The marketplace facilitator maintains inventory, including some of the business's products, at fulfillment centers in various states where the business's customers are located. This maintenance of the business's products defeats the business's P.L. 86-272 immunity in those states where the fulfillment centers are located—see Article V.

- 10. The business contracts with in-state customers to stream videos and music to electronic devices for a charge. This in-state business activity defeats the business's P.L. 86-272 immunity because streaming does not constitute the sale of tangible personal property for purposes of P.L. 86-272.
- 11. The business offers for sale only items of tangible personal property on its website. The website enables customers to search for items, read product descriptions, select items for purchase, choose among delivery options, and pay for the items. (The business does not engage in any in-state business activities that are not described in this example, such as the activities described in examples 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, and 10 above). This business activity does not defeat the business's P.L. 86-272 immunity because the business engages exclusively in in-state activities that either constitute solicitation of orders for tangible personal property or are entirely ancillary to solicitation.

V INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS

- P.L. 86-272 provides protection— to certain in-state activities if conducted by an independent contractor that would not be afforded if performed by the <u>companybusiness</u> or its employees or other representatives. -Independent contractors may engage in the following limited activities in the state without the <u>company'sbusiness's</u> loss of immunity:
 - 1. Soliciting sales.
 - 2. Making sales.
 - 3. Maintaining an office.

Sales representatives who represent a single principal are not considered to be independent contractors and are subject to the same limitations as those provided under P.L. 86-272 and this Statement—.

Maintenance of a stock of goods in the state by the independent contractor under consignment or any other type of arrangement with the <u>companybusiness</u>, except for purposes of display and solicitation, <u>shall removeremoves</u> the protection.

Performance of unprotected activities by an independent contractor on behalf of a seller, such as performing warranty work or accepting returns of products, also removes the statutory protection.

VI APPLICATION OF DESTINATION STATE LAW IN CASE OF CONFLICT

When it appears that two or more <u>signatory statess</u> Supporting States have included or will include the same receipts from a sale in their respective <u>sales receipts</u> factor numerators, at the written request of the <u>companybusiness</u>, <u>said these</u> states will <u>in good faith</u> confer with one another <u>in good faith</u> to determine which state should be assigned <u>said the</u> receipts. Such conference <u>shall will</u> identify what law, regulation or written guideline, if any, has been adopted in the <u>destination</u> state <u>of destination</u> with respect to the issue. The <u>state of destination state is the state in shall be that location at</u> which the purchaser or its designee actually receives the property, regardless of f.o.b. point or other conditions of sale.

In determining which state is to receive the assignment of the receipts at issue, preference shall be is given to any clearly applicable law, regulation or written guideline that has been adopted in by the state of destination—state. However, except in the case of the definition of what constitutes "tangible personal property", "this states—a Supporting State is not required by this Statement to follow any other state's (including the destination state's) law, regulation or written guideline should this state determine if it determines that to do so (i) would conflict with its own laws, regulations, or written guidelines and (ii) would not clearly reflect the income-producing activity of the companybusiness within this state. its borders.

Notwithstanding any provision set forth in this Statement to the contrary, as between this state and any other signatory state, this state agrees to each Supporting Sstate will apply the destination state's definition of "tangible personal property" that exists in the state of destination to determine the application of P.L. 86-272 and issues of as it relates to the origin state's throwback rule, if any. Should If the destination state of destination not have any applicable lacks a definition that would enable a determination of whether the sale in question is a sale of such term so that it could be reasonably determined whether the property at issue constitutes "tangible personal property" the sale in any manner that would clearly reflect the income-producing activity of the companybusiness within said state. its borders.

VII MISCELLANEOUS PRACTICES

A. APPLICATION OF STATEMENT TO FOREIGN COMMERCE.

Public Law 86-272 specifically applies, by its terms, to "interstate commerce" and does not directly apply to foreign commerce. The states are free, however, to apply the same standards set forth in the Public Law and in this Statement to business activities in foreign commerce to ensure that foreign and interstate commerce are treated on the same basis. Such an application also avoids the necessity of expensive and difficult efforts in the identification and application of the varied jurisdictional laws and rules existing in foreign countries.

Congress explicitly applied P.L. 86-272 only to "interstate commerce." Therefore, by its terms, the statute does not apply to foreign commerce. See Border Pipe Line Co. v. Fed. Power Commission, 171 F.2d 149 (D.C. Cir. 1948) (explaining that Congress may choose to protect or regulate interstate but not foreign commerce). States, however, may elect to apply P.L. 86-272 in the context of foreign commerce. If a Supporting State applies P.L. 86-272 in the context of foreign commerce, it will do so consistently whether it is determining if activities of a foreign

seller are protected or whether it is determining if sales into the foreign jurisdiction will be thrown back. Those state that have adopted Reg. IV.3.(c) of the Multistate Tax Commission's Allocation and Apportionment Regulators ("Taxable in Another State: When a State Has Jurisdiction to Subject a Taxpayer to a Net Income Tax") apply P.L. 86-272 in the context of foreign commerce.

This state will apply the provisions of Public Law 86 272 and of this Statement to business activities conducted in foreign commerce. Therefore, whether business activities are conducted by (i) a foreign or domestic company selling tangible personal property into a country outside of the United States from a point within this state or by (ii) either company selling such property into this state from a point outside of the United States, the principles under this Statement apply equally to determine whether the sales transactions are protected and the company immune from taxation in either this state or in the foreign country, as the case might be, and whether, if applicable, this state will apply its throwback provisions.

B. APPLICATION TO CORPORATION INCORPORATED IN STATE OR TO PERSON RESIDENT OR DOMICILED IN STATE.

The protection afforded by P.L. 86-272 and the provisions of this Statement do not apply to any corporation incorporated within this under the laws of the taxing state or to any person who is a resident of or domiciled in this the taxing state.

C. REGISTRATION OR QUALIFICATION TO DO BUSINESS.

A company that registers

Registering or otherwise formally qualifies qualifying to do business within this a state does will not, by that fact alone, lose its forfeit the protection that may otherwise apply under P.L. 86-272. Where, separate from or ancillary to such registration or qualification, the company receives and seeks in that state. Seeking to use or protect any additional benefit or protection from this under state law through engaging in other activity not otherwise protected under P.L. 86-272 or this Statement, (such as protecting a trade secret or corporate name), such will forfeit the protection shall be removed.

D. Loss of Protection for Conducting Unprotected Activity During Part of Tax Year.

The protection afforded underby P.L. 86-272 and the provisions of this Statement shall be are determined on a tax year by tax year basis. -Therefore, if at any time during a tax year the company a business [HH2] conducts activities that are not protected under P.L 86-272 or this Statement, no sales in this state or income earned by the company attributed to this state during any part of said tax year shall be protected from taxation under said Public Law or this Statement. the business will [HH3]not be considered protected under P.L. 86-272 for the entirety of that year.

E. APPLICATION OF THE JOYCE RULE.

In determining whether the activities of any company have been conducted within this state beyond the protection of P.L. 86-272 or paragraph IV.B. of this Statement, the principle established in *Appeal of Joyce, Inc.*, Cal. St. Bd. of Equal. (11/23/66), commonly known as the "Joyce Rule", shall apply. Therefore, only those in state activities that are conducted by or on behalf of said company shall be considered for this purpose. Activities that are conducted by any other person or business entity, whether or not said person or business entity is affiliated with said company, shall not be considered attributable to said company, unless such other person or business entity was acting in a representative capacity on behalf of said company.

Addendum<u>* I:</u> Public Law 86-272

••• §381. Imposition of net income tax.

(a) Minimum Standards.

No state or political subdivision thereof, shall have power to impose, for any taxable year ending after September 14, 1959, a net income tax on the income derived within such State by any person from interstate commerce if the only business activities within such State by or on behalf of such person during such taxable year are either, or both, of the following:

- (1) the solicitation of orders by such person, or his representative, in such Statefor State for sales of tangible personal property, which orders are sent outside the State for approval or rejection and, if approved, are filled by shipment or delivery from a point outside the State; and
- (2) the solicitation of orders by such person, or his representative, in such State <u>inthein the</u> name of or for the benefit of a prospective customer of such person, if orders by such customer to such person to enable such customer to fill orders resulting from such solicitation are orders described in paragraph (1).

(b) Domestic corporations; persons domiciled in or residents of a State.

The provisions of subsection (a) of this section shall not apply to the imposition of a net income tax by any State, or political subdivision thereof, with respect to ----

- (1) any corporation which is incorporated under the laws of such State; or
- (2) any individual who, under the laws of such State, is domiciled in, or a resident, of such State.
- (c) Sales or solicitation of orders for sales by independent contractors.

For purposes of subsection (a) of this section, a person shall not be considered to have engaged in business activities within a State during any taxable year merely by reason of sales in such State, or the solicitation of orders for sales in such State, of tangible personal property on behalf of such person by one or more independent contractors, or by reason of the maintenance of an office in such State by one or more independent contractors whose activities on behalf of such person in such State consist solely of making sales, or soliciting orders for sales, of tangible personal property.

(d) Definitions.

For purposes of this section ----

- (1) the term "independent contractor" means a commission agent, broker, or otherindependent other independent contractor who is engaged in selling, or soliciting orders for the sale of, tangible personal property for more than one principle and who holds himself out as such in the regular course of his business activities; and
- (2) the term "representative" does not include an independent contractor.

••• §382. Assessment of net income taxes; limitations; collection.

- (a) No State, or political subdivision thereof, shall have power to assess, afterSeptemberafter September 14, 1959, any net income tax which was imposed by such State or political subdivision, as the case may be, for any taxable year ending on or before such date, on the income derived within such State by any person from interstate commerce, if the imposition of such tax for a taxable year ending after such date is prohibited by section 381 of this title.
- (b) the provisions of subsection (a) of this section shall not be construed ----
- (1) to invalidate the collection, on or before September 14, 1959, of any netincoment income tax imposed for a taxable year ending on or before such date, or
- (2) to prohibit the collection, after September 14, 1959, of any net income taxwhich which was assessed on or before such date for a taxable year ending on or before such date.

••• <u>§</u> ••• §383. -Definition.

For purpose of this chapter, the term "net income tax" means any tax imposed on, or measured by net income.

••• §384. Separability of provisions.

If any provision of this chapter or the application of such provision to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of this chapter or the application of such provision to persons or circumstances other than those to which it is held invalid, shall not be affected thereby.

Addendum II

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