#### STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

### 2008 No. 1276

#### TRADE DESCRIPTIONS

# The Business Protection from Misleading Marketing Regulations 2008

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## THE BUSINESS PROTECTION FROM MISLEADING MARKETING REGULATIONS 2008

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