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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2016 No. 790**

**The Pubs Code etc. Regulations 2016**

**PART 5**

**Market rent only option: MRO notice**

**The MRO notice**

**23.**—(1) A tied pub tenant may give a notice (an “MRO notice”) to the pub-owning business where—

- (a) the event specified in regulation 24 or 25 occurs; or
  - (b) the event specified in regulation 26 or 27 occurs and the investment exception does not apply (see regulation 56).
- (2) The MRO notice must be—
- (a) in writing; and
  - (b) received by the pub-owning business within the period of 21 days beginning with the day on which the event mentioned in paragraph (1) occurred.
- (3) The MRO notice must include—
- (a) the tenant’s name, postal address, email address (if any) and telephone number;
  - (b) the date on which the notice is being sent;
  - (c) the name of the tied pub in relation to which the request for an offer of a market rent only option is being made and its address;
  - (d) the date on which the event mentioned in paragraph (1) occurred; and
  - (e) a description of that event which, in the tenant’s opinion, demonstrates that it is an event specified in regulation 24, 25, 26 or 27.
- (4) A tied pub tenant may not give an MRO notice to the pub-owning business where—
- (a) the tenant has already given an MRO notice under paragraph (1); and
  - (b) the MRO procedure<sup>(1)</sup> which relates to that notice has not ended.

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<sup>(1)</sup> Section 44(1)(a) of SBEEA 2015 defines “MRO procedure”.