

## LIST OF RECOMMENDATIONS

1. The federal government establish a comprehensive program to educate consumers about the proposed Goods and Services Tax (GST) and that this program be carried out in part by the GST Consumer Information Office.
2. Outstanding technical issues which are of concern to businesses as they plan for the implementation of the GST be resolved promptly.
3. Information on the impact of the GST be provided to businesses as they plan for GST implementation, and well before implementation of the tax.
4. The Department of National Revenue urge businesses to register without delay for GST collection, in order to receive basic information.
5. A message be sent to the Senate by the House of Commons detailing the costs to consumers, business and government of delaying the passage of Bill C-62.
6. The GST Consumer Information Office provide general information on the price impact of the GST for broad categories of products and services, well in advance of the implementation of the tax.
7. The GST Consumer Information Office work closely with trade associations, businesses and consumer groups to educate consumers about the anticipated impact of the GST and, where appropriate, undertake GST education and information programs jointly with these groups.
8. The GST Consumer Information Office actively encourage trade associations and businesses to provide consumers with information on the anticipated price effects of the GST, and deal promptly with consumer inquiries.
9. The GST Consumer Information Office not attempt to monitor all prices or to regulate prices in the marketplace after the implementation of the GST.