FOREWORD

General

This publication is a guide to Canada's export controls and has been prepared for the information and guidance of exporters. It does not have the force of law, nor does it cover all goods which may be subject to export control.

Basis for Export Controls

The Export and Import Permits Act (EIPA), the Export Control List (ECL) and the Area Control List (ACL) are the vehicles by which Canada controls exports. The Act authorizes the Government to exercise export controls over natural resources to encourage further processing in Canada, to limit the export of goods in circumstances of surplus supply or depressed prices, to restrict the export of softwood lumber products, to ensure that there is an adequate supply and distribution of any article, to enact intergovernmental arrangements or commitments and to ensure that military or strategic goods are not exported to destinations representing a strategic threat to Canada.

Exports to the United States

Under a bilateral agreement with the United States, the requirement for an export permit to the United States is waived for all goods included in the Export Control List except for all goods included in Groups 3 and 4 as well as some goods in Group 5.

Re-export of United States Origin Goods

United States origin goods are controlled for re-export from Canada under Item 5400 of Group 5. Although this means all non-strategic U.S. origin goods require an export permit, exporters may benefit, in most cases, from the provisions of General Export Permit No. Ex. 12. Canadian exporters of U.S. origin goods should be aware that depending upon the nature of the goods and the country of destination, exporters may be required to provide a copy of a U.S. export license or verification that such goods may be exported to the specified country without the U.S. license, prior to issuance of a Canadian export permit. Contact the Export Controls Division for more information.

HOW TO USE THE GUIDE TO CANADA'S EXPORT CONTROLS

This Guide identifies goods and technologies subject to Canadian export controls. Goods and technologies listed herein will require export permits under the EIPA upon approval by the Governor in Council of the appropriate regulation.

This Guide is divided into eight (8) Groups of goods and technologies. A non-exhaustive but helpful Index listing goods in all eight groups follows Group 8. A list of Definitions of terms used in Groups 1, 2, and 3 follows Group 3 and Definitions used in Group 6 follow that Group.

Group 1 - Industrial Goods. This Group comprises dual-purpose goods and technologies: that is, goods and technologies that have both civilian and military applications. All controls under this Group are drawn from Canada's commitment to COCOM.

Group 2 - Munitions. This Group comprises goods and technologies that are specially designed or modified for military purposes. All controls under this Group form part of Canada's commitment to COCOM.

Group 3 - Atomic Energy. This Group includes goods that are nuclear-related. Like Groups 1 and 2, the controls under this Group also come from Canada's commitment to COCOM.