

Moira Beverages Ltd.

vice, but that the company would be guided by the announcement of the minister.

And diet Pepsi will have a new formula. The new formula will contain a small amount of pure sugar with saccharine as the basic sweetener.

Of course, the new formula will contain more than the present one calorie per bottle, but it should still be the choice of weight watchers and those who prefer low calorie beverages.

A value of \$1,000,000,000 annually has been placed on the cyclamate food and drink business in the United States. The industry value in Canada would be less than the \$100,000,000 suggested by a population comparison with the United States.

John J. Rosseel, president of Mead Johnson in Canada, told The Intelligencer this morning that his company manufactured products containing cyclamates.

Mr. Rosseel cited Metracal as one of their leading products containing the chemical.

The company has ceased production of those products

that contain cyclamates and it was looking for further guidelines from the government.

"Certainly we will be happy to go along with the government on this," he said. "But we are waiting as well for more specific information."

Use of cyclamates has been restricted in Canada to diet foods whereas they were permitted in foods generally in the United States.

Major producer of cyclamates is Abbott Laboratories Ltd. of Montreal.

Mr. Munro rejected any idea of government compensation to businesses hit by the ban.

Just before the health minister's announcement, Grace MacInnis NDP — Vancouver Kingsway issued a statement citing records of showing she had questioned Mr. Munro several times in Parliament since last December about reported dangers of cyclamates. She suggested any replies had been unsatisfactory.

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