## SUPPLEMENTAL CHARGE TO OFFENSES SET FORTH IN N.J.S.A. 2C:35-5.3a and N.J.S.A. 2C:35-10.3a (BATH SALTS)

(To be utilized in cases in which the quantity of the CDS-Bath Salts is an element of the offense)<sup>1</sup>

If you have found the defendant guilty of [possession] [distribution] [dispensing] [manufacturing] [possession with intent to distribute, or dispense, or manufacture] of [insert appropriate CDS (bath salt)], you then must determine the quantity of [insert appropriate CDS (bath salt)] involved. It is the State's burden to prove beyond a reasonable doubt the quantity of [insert appropriate CDS (bath salt)] that is involved. The State need not prove defendant's knowledge of the quantity of the drugs, so long as it proves beyond a reasonable doubt that defendant knowingly possessed the controlled dangerous substance. <sup>2</sup>

Specifically, you must determine which one of the following quantities have been proven:

- One (1) ounce or more of [insert appropriate CDS (bath salt)];
   or
- 2. Less than one (1) ounce of [insert appropriate CDS (bath salt)].

After determining which one of these quantities the State has proven beyond a reasonable doubt, you should mark the appropriate section of the verdict sheet which will be supplied to you.

This supplemental charge should only be given when the quantity makes the offense a second degree crime under N.J.S.A. 2C:35-5.3a.b. for offenses involving distribution, manufacturing, or possession with intent to distribute, of CDS-Bath Salts. In cases in which only a third degree offense is charged (N.J.S.A. 2C:35-5.3a.c.), the supplemental charge should not be given. The same applies when the charge is unlawful possession of CDS-Bath Salts (N.J.S.A. 2C:35-10.3a). If the quantity possessed is one ounce or more, it is a third degree offense (N.J.S.A. 2C:35-10.3a.b.) and both choices should be provided to the jury. In cases where only a fourth degree offense is charged (N.J.S.A. 2C:35-10.3a.c.), the supplemental charge should not be used.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> State v. Torres, 236 N.J. Super. 6 (App. Div. 1989).