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EPC assists in reform of environmental inspections in Eastern Europe

Besides briefing you on recent EPC projects and EPC services on a quarterly basis, the EPC Flash is aimed at alerting you for new EHS Regulatory developments of interest to industry as they occur in over 50 countries around the globe.

If you are not aware of what these new developments require from you and how they impact you, please contact EPC for additional support.

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- How often has your company been faced with environmental regulatory requirements that seem impossible to comply with? Or one regulatory provision that conflicts with another? Not to mention obsolete references. For practitioners in many countries this is a common situation. With its in-depth knowledge of environmental legislation, EPC not only serves its multinational clients but also assists public authorities to develop and implement efficient environmental regulations.
- A recent example of this is the Regional Environmental Accession Project (REAP) with a European Union (EU) funded budget of 5.65 million Euro. The REAP is being implemented by a consortium, in which EPC provides the main regulatory expertise. REAP is a new instrument for co-operation between the EU and ten candidate countries from central and eastern Europe to assist them in bringing their environmental legislation in line with the EU. The REAP project aims to assist the Environment Ministries of these countries to implement and enforce key environmental Directives which are likely to be a stumbling block to accession.
- As a first task under REAP, EPC is assisting in the organization of three workshops for the network of environmental inspection/enforcement agencies in central and eastern Europe, called the AC-IMPEL network.
- The first workshop was held in Budapest on 8-10 February 2001, and focused on the environmental implementation and enforcement procedures used in general. EPC carried out a thorough review of the existing implementation and enforcement procedures in Hungary. The results were presented at the workshop as a practical case study of the difficulties certain countries may encounter and ways to deal with them. Recommendations were made to rationalize the structure of public authorities so as to improve the efficiency of the system in the short and longer term. Other recommendations included a revision of coordination functions between the various Ministries involved and the strengthening

of the role of local authorities, etc. With regard to permitting, it was stressed that this had to be seen mainly as an instrument to control and direct activity instead of just restricting it. Restrictive systems are likely to prove inefficient. A key finding was that governments should consider what measures they can take to reduce the burden the present permitting system often imposes.

- A second workshop will cover three key Directives: 96/61/EC on integrated pollution prevention and control (IPPC), 85/337/EEC on Environmental Impact Assessment, and 96/82/EC ("Seveso II") on the control of major-accident hazards involving dangerous substances. It will also cover the Eco-Management and Audit Scheme (EMAS) Regulation EEC/1836/93. Again, EPC will present case studies on how these issues are regulated, implemented and enforced in Central and Eastern Europe. A third workshop will be held in Greece and will focus on the enforcement of the IPPC Directive in specific industrial sectors.
- EPC Consultant Cécile Baudon* points out that this public sector work not only provides Central and Eastern European (CEE) governments with expertise on the most efficient ways to implement EU Directives, but also allows EPC to enhance its knowledge and expertise on how environmental issues are being regulated in the region. This is reflected in the EHS Country Profiles developed by EPC for its industrial clients.

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For more information on the EHS Country Profiles developed by EPC for its corporate clients, go to page 7

During the fourth quarter of 2000, several new environmental, health and safety Regulations were adopted that could directly impact your business.

Asia Pacific



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Australia

- NSW: Protection of the Operations Amendment (Tradeable Emission Schemes) Act adopted - 08-Dec-2000 [4203]
- Victoria: Dangerous Goods (Storage and Handling) Regulations 2000 adopted - 08-Dec-2001 [3936]

Taiwan

- Circular on General Solid Waste Reuse Classification and Management - 12-Dec-2000 [4209]
- List of Stationary Air Pollution Sources that Should Apply for a Permit for Installation, Change and Operation - 02-Nov-2000 [4208]
- Marine Pollution Control Act adopted - 01-Nov-2000 [2666]
- Identification of Development Projects that Require EIA - 01-Nov-2000 [4207]

Singapore

- Compliance with H&S Standards and Codes of Practice made obligatory - 28-Dec-2000 [4178]
- Order specifies factories requiring Safety Management System Order - 19-Oct-2000 [4123]
- New air emission standards for industries - 22-Dec-2000 [4147]
- Ozone Depleting Regulations 2000 adopted - 28-Dec-2000 [4148]

China

- Shangdong: Province Regulation on Water Pollution Prevention and Control - 26-Oct-2000 [4206]

Japan

- Stricter and additional regulations on waste water emissions - 19-Oct-2000 [4210]

South Korea

- Updated list of chemical products to be considered non-toxic - 08-Dec-2000 [2278]
- Amendment to Regulation on Air Quality Preservation Act - 30-Oct-2000 [2276]

Philippines

- Geohazard assessment requirement added to ECC Applications - [4240]
- Act prohibits the use of laundry detergents containing hard surfactants - 31-Oct-2000 [2861]
- Adopted implementing Rules for the Clean Air Act - 10-Nov-2000 [3950]

Thailand

- Groundwater Discharge Standards adopted - 15-Sep-2000 [4241]
- List of Type 4 Hazardous Substances under Ministry of Public Health - 20-Sep-2000 [4242]

Africa

Egypt

- Decree on the control of ozone depleting substances adopted - 07-Sep-2000 [4250]
- Adopted Decree on control of the import and export of goods - 29-Aug-2000 [4249]

Do you know where you still use ozone depleting substances (ODS) in your installations and by when and how you have to dispose of them? In the past months, a dozen countries have changed their legislation with regard to the use of ozone depleting substances. Most of the changes restrict the marketing of ozone depleting substances, but some also regulate the maintenance and disposal of refrigeration and fire fighting equipment.



Latin America

Argentina

- Adopted safety standards for electromagnetic emissions from telecommunication installations - [4194]
- Buenos Aires - Additional requirements for the management and disposal of special waste - [2023]
- Changes to the structure of the Occupational Risk Authority (S.R.T.) - 29-Dec-1999 [2259]
- Adopted ban on the placing on the market and use of asbestos and asbestos containing products - [4193]
- Adopted Renewable Energy legislation - 21-Dec-2000 [4157]

Brazil

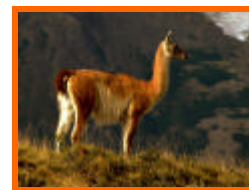
- Legislation on special retirement due to exposure to chemical, physical and biological agents adopted - 26-Oct-2000 [4257]
- Legislation on Environment Tax for polluting activities adopted - 27-Dec-2000 [4151]
- Resolution to further restrict ozone-depleting substances adopted - 14-Sep-2000 [3701]

Colombia

- Adopted new requirements for the management and disposal of medical and other similar waste - 01-Dec-2000 [4189]
- Entry into force of the new structure of the Ministry of the Environment - [4191]
- New environmental related restrictions for diesel engine vehicles - [4188]

Peru

- Changes in the role and responsibilities of the Ministry of Industry (MITINCI) - [4177]
- Adopted new standard formats for the Environmental Impact Assessment Declarations - [4181]
- Created the registry of quality and environmental management system auditors and related documentation - [4184]
- Published and guidelines for the development of environmental impact studies, programmes and notification - [4185]



North America

Canada

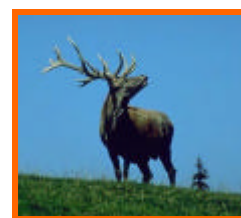
- Ontario: Amendment to Regulation 347 regarding hazardous waste management adopted - 10-Oct-2000 [3822]
- Ontario: Legislation to increase fines for environmental offenses adopted - 21-Nov-2000 [3949]
- Amendments to the Ozone-depleting Substances Regulations, 1998 adopted - 13-Dec-2000 [3952]

Mexico

- Adopted new system for the assessment and communication of risks arising from dangerous chemicals at the workplace - 03-Oct-2000 [4121]
- Adopted new standard on minimum safety requirements for electrical products - 23-Nov-2000 [3368]
- Adopted official mark for the identification of product compliance with applicable standards - 11-Sep-2000 [3366]

United States

- Adopted, ban on mixing zones for wastewater discharges to the Great Lakes - 02-Nov-2000 [4224]
- Adopted, modified industrial stormwater discharge general permit - 30-Oct-2000 [4223]
- Passed, final ergonomics rule - 14-Nov-2000 [3308]
- Adopted final rule on effluent limitations and guidelines for centralised waste treatment facilities - 22-Dec-2000 [4180]
- Issued, final rule on new source performance standards (NSPS) and emission guidelines for solid waste incineration - 01-Dec-2000 [4161]



European Union



- Fees and standard contracts for revised EU eco-label scheme adopted - 17-Jul-2000 [1065]
- Water Framework Directive adopted - 23-Oct-2000 [285]
- Rules on transport of dangerous goods by road amended - 10-Oct-2000 [1087]
- New requirements on export and import of certain dangerous chemicals - 16-Oct-2000 [1119]
- Fourth list of priority substances under risk evaluation and control scheme of existing substances published - 25-Oct-2000 [1118]
- Adopted Directive on end-of-life vehicles - 18-Sep-2000 [1812]
- Directive on biological agents adapted to technical progress - 18-Sep-2000 [1508]
- EU Commission approves a three month extension of the ban on toys containing phthalates - 06-Dec-2000 [2116]
- Regulation on waste shipments to non-OECD countries amended - 29-Apr-1999 [1760]
- Adopted Directive on incineration of waste - 04-Dec-2000 [2464]
- Adopted Directive on air quality standards for carbon monoxide and benzene - 16-Nov-2000 [2392]
- EU approves third amendment to the Montreal protocol on ozone-depleting

Western Europe

Belgium

- Royal Decision on marketing dangerous preparations amended - 28-Sep-2000 [2562]
- Royal Decision on marketing and use restrictions for carcinogenic substances - 28-Sep-2000 [2083]
- Royal Decision on marketing dangerous substances amended - 28-Sep-2000 [2561]

Finland

- New requirements on packaging and packaging waste adopted - 30-Nov-2000 [4171]
- New requirements on dangerous substances adopted - 18-Dec-2000 [4172]
- Decision on carcinogenic agents amended - 18-Dec-2000 [4238]
- Adopted restrictions on imported wooden packaging and packaging material - 14-Apr-2000 [4173]

France

- Monitoring of electrical installations: frequency and scope defined - 10-Oct-2000 [4138]
- Order details the scope and content of the environmental report - 17-Jul-2000 [4137]
- Order on Safety Advisers for transport of dangerous goods modified for the second time - 11-Dec-2000 [2825]
- Order on combustion installations modified - 15-Aug-2000 [1459]

Germany

- Amendments to Technical Rule on occupational exposure limits (TRGS 900) - 01-Oct-2000 [3897]
- Technical Rule on laboratories issued (TRGS 526) - 01-Dec-2000 [4150]

Italy

- Published framework Act on implementation of Community Law for the year 2000 - 29-Dec-2000 [2627]
- Delayed deadline for the notification of existing water wells - 23-Dec-2000 [2794]
- Adopted amendments to the Decree on the safe use of video display units - 02-Oct-2000 [4049]
- Adaptation to technical progress of the annexes to DM 28 April 1997 on dangerous substances - 15-Sep-2000 [3028]
- Additional requirements on the classification, packaging and labeling of dangerous preparations - 19-Apr-2000 [2343]

Portugal

- Legislation on battery recycling targets approved - 06-Dec-2000 [4222]

Spain

- Old regulations on machinery safety officially revoked - 10-Nov-2000 [4162]

Do you want to be fully informed?

- This Round-up highlights some of the over 250 regulatory EHS developments that occurred in the fourth quarter of 2000. For details, you could consult the EPC Update which provides you with a one paragraph summary for each development and the possibility to obtain further relevant details. The EPC update is available for 1000 USD per year.
- If you want to ensure that you get all the information you need, the EPC monitoring reports could be the perfect solution for you. They provide you with a summary of all regulatory EHS developments for each new development (policy, law, regulation, proposal, etc.) of interest to your operations and/or products and for the countries you specify. For each development, a tailored business impact analysis is made for your company's operations.
- The report is accompanied by an Executive Summary and a compliance calendar. These reports are delivered in paper and electronic format and tailored to your individual needs. EPC can also take care of distribution within the company or develop a dedicated Web-site connected to your intranet.

According to a survey carried out in 34 countries on six continents, people want more environmental legislation and better efforts from industry. Public pressure is expected to force governments to change regulations. Most multinational companies are perceived as inactive when it comes to reducing their environmental impact. Products that prove to be better from an environmental viewpoint are increasingly desired and as a result have greater opportunities on the market.

Netherlands

- Battery Removal Decision amended - 08-Nov-2000 [3216]
- Decision on compulsory soil investigation for company sites amended - 17-Nov-2000 [3710]
- Decision identifying hazardous waste amended - 12-Dec-2000 [4163]
- New list of small chemical waste (KCA-list) - 30-Jan-2001 [4118]
- Decision on energy efficiency labeling of personal vehicles - 03-Nov-2000 [4116]
- Rules on disposal of CFC containing cooling equipment - 23-Oct-2000 [2638]

United Kingdom

- Adopted new amending Regulations on dangerous substances and CHIP - 20-Oct-2000 [4104]
- Adopted Regulations on drinking water quality - 08-Dec-2000 [3689]
- Adopted amendments to the 1994 Regulations on batteries and accumulators - 20-Nov-2000 [3970]

Norway

- Fee for special waste - 13-Dec-2000 [4236]
- Voluntary registration of expansion of sewage systems - 27-Nov-2000 [4235]
- Additional amendments to the Regulations on special waste - 10-Aug-2000 [3910]

Sweden

- Adopted new requirements on Environmental Reporting - 21-Nov-2000 [4170]
- Completed the reorganization of H&S authorities - 07-Dec-2000 [3900]
- Ordinance on the protection of the environment in case of major accidents - 21-Nov-2000 [4253]
- Ordinance on environmental sampling and measurements - 14-Dec-2000 [4254]
- Ordinance on notification of environmentally dangerous activities - 14-Dec-2000 [4255]

Denmark

- Act on occupational health fees adopted - 20-Dec-2000 [4168]
- Subsidies for environmentally friendly trucks - 20-Dec-2000 [4237]



Eastern Europe



Hungary

- Government Decree on the application of chemical fines - 08-Nov-2000 [4220]
- Decree on the protection against carcinogens at work and prevention from related health damage - 30-Sep-2000 [4219]
- Decree on chemical safety at work - 30-Sep-2000 [4217]

Czech Republic

- Act No. 133/1985 Coll. on fire prevention amended - 28-Jun-2000 [4167]
- Adopted technical requirements for simple pressure vessels - 03-Jul-2001 [4248]
- Act on energy management adopted - 25-Oct-2000 [4146]
- Adopted technical requirements for personal protective equipment - 03-Jul-2000 [4246]
- Adopted technical requirements for low voltage electrical equipment - 03-Jul-2000 [4245]
- Modification of the list of chemical substances and preparations which production, placing on the market and use is restricted - 24-Oct-2000 [4165]
- Decree 302/1998 on import, export, records and notification of selected hazardous substances amended - 24-Oct-2000 [4166]
- Adopted technical requirements for pressure equipment - 03-Jul-2001 [4247]
- Adoption of Decree implementing Act on prevention of major industrial accidents - 25-Oct-2000 [3172]

Russia

- Additional requirements on the industrial safety declaration for hazardous industrial installations - 27-Oct-2000 [2972]
- New rules on the assessment of the handicaps resulting from occupational illnesses or accidents - 16-Oct-2000 [4262]
- Adopted new procedures on occupational illnesses investigation and reporting - 15-Dec-2000 [4263]

Poland

- Adopted minimum requirements for the safe manual handling of loads - 18-Sep-2000 [4136]
- Adopted improved requirements on public access to environmental information and new procedures for EIA - 09-Nov-2000 [4133]
- Adopted quality standards for bathing waters and water for human consumption - 04-Sep-2000 [4135]
- Adopted new procedures for assessing the costs of environmental compliance controls - 07-Nov-2000 [4134]
- Replaced the 1998 Ordinance on the re-use of certain types of waste in the production processes - 02-Nov-2000 [1716]

Ukraine

- New developments on the Divisions of Labor and Social protection of the population - 29-Sep-2000 [3967]
- New rules on the control of transboundary movement and treatment/disposal of hazardous wastes - 13-Jul-2000 [3969]
- List of occupational illnesses due to exposure to hazardous substances published - 08-Dec-2000 [2447]
- Competencies of the Ministry of Labor defined - 30-Aug-2000 [4266]
- Water Code amended - 21-Sep-2000 [4267]
- Order sets air emission limits - 10-Oct-2000 [4268]
- Licensing the operations on burial of radioactive wastes - 02-Oct-2000 [4269]
- Reorganization of local environmental administrations - 05-Sep-2000 [4271]
- Permit for transport of radioactive material - 26-Jun-2000 [4270]
- Development in the new system of compulsory national insurance for occupational health & safety risks - 13-Sep-2000 [3213]



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Country Profiles of EHS Requirements and Administrations Regulating Industrial Operations and Products

Where can I find concise information on the regulatory programmes and governmental authorities in the countries where I have operations?

How can I learn about the controls and restrictions that might apply to my products in new markets?

Whether opening a new facility in a new country or planning to expand into new markets, EHS managers with global responsibilities need to be kept up to date and well informed on the laws and government agencies that regulate their interests. Questions such as what authorities promulgate and enforce EHS regulations, who issues the required permits (and what permits are required?), whether and how new products and chemicals must be notified and registered, what laws and regulations govern facility operations, etc. frequently tax the capabilities of corporate EHS managers who need a concise understanding and appreciation of the situation their company faces in new locations.

EPC prepares Country EHS Profiles, focusing on the policy, regulatory and industry practices generally or specifically impacting client's overall business activities in a particular country or group of countries. Such profiles are typically aimed at corporate EHS managers and directors with regional or global responsibilities, and are used to keep them informed on how EHS laws are administered in the countries of concern to them.

Country EHS Profiles for Industrial Activities

EPC's Country EHS Profiles for industrial and manufacturing activities equip international EHS managers with the information they need to understand how their facilities are regulated and by whom. Armed with such information, they know not only the basics of how EHS laws and regulations are formulated, but also how they work in theory and in practice.



This in turn allows them to pose the right questions when dealing with local facility management and helps to better appreciate the regulatory regime under which such managers work. It also helps, in many instances, to facilitate dialogue between corporate and facility management, particularly by avoiding indiscriminate use of terms and acronyms specific to regulatory programmes in the home country but wholly unfamiliar to host country managers.

EHS's profiles typically cover the following topics:

- Overview of relevant administrations and regulatory drivers, including how EHS policy and laws are made, implemented and enforced, and which authorities are responsible for which programmes
- Directory of relevant administrations and agencies, at national, regional and local levels (including, as appropriate, permitting authorities, enforcement authorities, and others both for environmental programmes and for occupational safety and health matters)
- Full listings of applicable laws, regulations and, where appropriate, codes of practice, including full citations in original language and with English translations
- Detailed summaries of key laws, regulations, standards and codes of practice, grouped under appropriate headings for ease of use, or organised to complement the clients' own EHS programme manuals
- Forecasts and alerts on pending and anticipated laws and regulations

Profiles can be prepared in English and in the local language to serve as guidance for facility management. Specialised profiles can be prepared for specific purposes, such as site selection and acquisition due diligence.

Experience

EPC has prepared hundreds of country profiles focused on either manufacturing-related issues or product-related issues for EHS managers concerned with keeping up-to-date on current and emerging EHS regulatory matters in the countries where they operate and sell their products. Our profiles frequently serve as a companion document for EHS audit checklists, as briefings and primers for international EHS managers, and as background documents used during acquisition and divestiture due diligence investigations. Certain clients also commission special profiles relative to the laws and administrations regulating the products they sell in these markets.

Profiles are typically tailored to the specific nature of the operations or products concerned, and have been developed and maintained up to date for such clients in such diverse fields as computers and information technology, telecommunications equipment, automobiles and automotive components, paper and office products, aerospace manufacturers, specialty chemicals, pharmaceuticals, food and beverages, etc. EPC has also prepared such profiles on behalf of industry organisations, such as the World Environment Center.

Typical Issues Covered in Country EHS Profiles for Manufacturing Activities

Environmental Requirements	Health & Safety Requirements
<p>Permit Requirements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • planning/construction • operating <p>Air Pollution Control</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • emission limitations/controls • permits <p>Water Pollution Control</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • wastewater/effluent discharges • stormwater runoff • water abstraction <p>Waste Management</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • solid waste • hazardous waste • packaging waste <p>Hazardous Materials</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • dangerous chemicals notification • classification, packaging & labelling • storage (USTs & ASTs) • pesticides • asbestos • PCBs/PCTs <p>Liability and Management Practices</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • civil & criminal liability • contaminated land liability • management standards/duty of care 	<p>Hazardous Substances</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • handling • safety data sheets • classification, packaging & labelling <p>Disaster Prevention</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • fire safety • emergency planning & response <p>Hazard Communication</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • safety committees / training and advice • warning signs <p>Occupational Health Surveillance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • occupational exposure protection (including chemical, physical, and biological agents such as asbestos and noise) • medical surveillance • pregnant workers/breastfeeding mothers, etc. <p>Process Safety</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • machine safety • lifting equipment (including forklifts and cranes) • confined space entry / work permits/access control • pressure systems <p>Electrical Safety</p> <p>Ergonomics</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • office work • manual handling of loads <p>First Aid</p> <p>On-Site Construction/Contractors</p>

Country EHS Profiles for Product Markets

EPC's Country EHS Profiles for Products and Product Markets focus on the information clients need to better understand what governs the introduction of products to a new market and how they are regulated and by whom. As with our profiles for manufacturing activities, our product EHS profiles explain the processes by which laws and regulations are made, implemented and enforced, and by whom, as well as summarise, in a concise but thorough manner, what the laws and regulations require for the particular products of concern.

In addition, our product EHS profiles often include "benchmarking" information on initiatives and activities undertaken by the concerned industry overall as well as by key competitors.

Following similar formats as our profiles for manufacturing activities, EPC's Country EHS Profiles for Products can also be prepared in local language as required by clients, and always include alerts on pending and anticipated new requirements.

Typical Issues Covered in Country EHS Profiles for Products

Products related issues	Packaging related issues	Health and Safety related issues
<p>Design for Environment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • materials / substance selection • batteries • assembly / disassembly <p>Chemicals / Products Registration / Notification</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • new substances • High volume existing substances (HEDsets) <p>Product Waste Minimisation</p> <p>Source reduction</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • end-of-life take-back • reuse • recycling • residual product waste management <p>Energy Efficiency Standards / Labels</p> <p>Product Eco-labels</p> <p>Etc.</p>	<p>Materials Selection</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • material types • constituents / ingredients <p>Packaging Recovery "Valorisation"</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Source reduction, • reuse • recycle • incineration with energy recovery <p>Packaging / Disposal Taxes</p> <p>Etc.</p>	<p>Product Emissions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • radiation • other: solvents, ozone, dust, etc. • noise <p>User Information and Safety Labels</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • classification, packaging and labelling • safety data sheets (MSDS) • user instructions <p>Use / Application Bans / Restrictions</p> <p>Ergonomics</p> <p>Etc.</p>

Clients use EPC's Country Profiles with facility and product market responsibilities to inform themselves on how EHS matters are regulated in particular countries with respect to their physical operations and/or the products they market in those countries.

These profiles also serve as an excellent primer for local facility or marketing managers on the key EHS measures they should understand with respect to their activities.

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