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## Purchasing commercial property? How to avoid liability for soil contamination caused by others

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The United States and many other countries regulate the identification and remediation of contaminated sites. Liability for the clean up of these sites usually falls on the polluter and if they cannot be found or held liable, on the current owner or occupier of the site. To protect innocent owners, countries are starting to introduce and regulate the transfer of contaminated and potentially contaminated sites. Therefore, when acquiring commercial property, due diligence to avoid future environmental liability is an important consideration.

In November 2005, the United States made changes to the Final Rule on All Appropriate Inquiries (AAI) in relation to looking into the past uses, ownership and potential contamination of the commercial property being acquired. As of 1 November 2006, the previously accepted standard ASTM E1527-2000, may no longer be used to make AAI, impacting the procedures companies and professionals use to assess the potential contamination of land they acquire. In addition to including all the main activities of ASTM E1527-2000, the Final Rule extends the scope of certain activities including:

- making interviewing the subject property's current owner or occupants mandatory as opposed to only requiring that the environmental professional make a reasonable attempt to conduct such interviews;
- requiring an interview with an owner of a neighboring property if the subject property is abandoned, as opposed to this being at the environmental professional's discretion;
- requiring the examination of tribal and local government records;
- requiring that significant data gaps or uncertainties be documented; and
- specifying documentation requirements for where the subject property cannot be visually inspected.

In the United States, contaminated site liability is covered by the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability

Act (CERCLA). This allows for persons to be held strictly liable for cleaning up hazardous substances at properties they either currently own or operate or did so at the time of disposal. The Final Rule on All Appropriate Inquiries codifies the requirements for conducting appropriate inquiries into the previous ownership uses and environmental conditions of the property to qualify for landowner liability protections for innocent landowners, bona fide prospective purchasers and contiguous property owners under CERCLA.

Section 101(35)(B)(iii) of CERCLA sets out the statutory requirement to make all appropriate inquiries and the Rule clearly explains what is required for each activity. While the Rule does not change or add to the statutory requirements, certain specifications are different from the previous accepted standard used - ASTM E1527-2000 Standard Practice for Environmental Site Assessments: Phase 1 (previous standards). This Standard has been found to be inconsistent with CERCLA requirements but may continue to be used until 1 November 2006.

CERCLA still allows for the use of voluntary industry Standards, despite this Rule, so long as they comply with the Act, and the Rule specifically recognises ASTM E1527-2005 Standard Practice for Environmental Site Assessments: Phase 1, as it has been updated, as an industry standard that may be used. It is also important to note that compliance with this Rule is just one of the requirements that must be fulfilled for the protection from landowner liability.

### Qualified Site Assessors

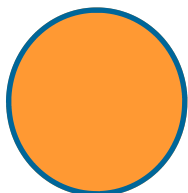
- The Rule adopts a definition of an environmental professional, who must at least supervise the carrying out of AAI and prepare and sign the written report of the results. As opposed to the previous standards that simply required this person to possess sufficient training, this environmental professional must be suitably qualified by:
- holding a current Professional Engineer's or

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During November and December 2005 several new environmental, health and safety regulations were adopted that could directly impact your business. The following overview provides you with a descriptive title for the regulatory developments per country, the formal adoption date and the ID number of the monitoring record in the Enhesa Update and the Enhesa database.



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## Asia Pacific

### Australia

- Australian Safety and Compensation Council replaces the National Occupational Health and Safety Commission - 15-Nov-05 [7311]
- Australian Workplace Safety Standards Regulations 2005 - 1-Dec-05 [10640]
- Commonwealth Radioactive Waste Management Act 2005 passed - 8-Dec-06 [10849]
- Customs regulations amended to control the exportation of high activity radioactive sources - 15-Dec-05 [10688]
- Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment Regulations 2005 (No. 2) adopted - 10-Nov-05 [10836]
- Industrial Chemicals (Notification and Assessment) Amendment Regulations 2005 (No. 2) - 10-Dec-05 [10550]
- Lead salts used in surface coating and inks declared as Priority Existing Chemicals - 3-Jan-06 [10075]
- Notice on early non-confidential listing on AICS adopted - 6-Dec-05 [10826]
- Octabromodiphenyl ether declared a priority existing chemical - 3-Jan-06 [10704]
- Ozone Protection and Synthetic Greenhouse Gas Management Amendment Regulations 2005 (No. 3) - 10-Nov-05 [10539]
- Pentabromodiphenyl Ether declared a Priority Existing Chemical - 3-Jan-06 [10700]
- Renewable Energy (Electricity) Amendment Regulations 2005 set the 2006 renewable power percentage target - 15-Dec-05 [10742]
- Renewable Energy (Electricity) Regulations amended for bioenergy, solar technology and solar water heaters - 9-Nov-05 [10595]
- SA: The Management of Groundwater Resources in Adelaide undergoes changes - 1-Dec-05 [10850]
- Screening procedures of new chemicals applications modified - 6-Dec-05 [10841]
- Victoria: Water (Resources Management) Act 2005 partially enters into force to amend the Water Act 1989 - 7-Dec-05 [10229]
- NSW: Building Professionals Act 2005 passed - 7-Dec-05 [9885]
- NSW: Environmental Planning and Assessment Amendment (Infrastructure and Other Planning Reform) Act 2005 further entered into force - 16-Jun-05 [9128]
- NSW: Water Management Amendment Act 2005 passed - 7-Dec-05 [10546]
- NSW: State Environmental Planning Policy for State Significant Development Amended - 7-Dec-05 [9169]

- NSW: Exemptions to the residue waste land application prohibition under the Protection of the Environment Operations (Waste) Regulation 2005 - 1-Dec-05 [10645]
- NSW: Protection of the Environment Operations Amendment Act 2005 - 24-Nov-05 [9284]

### China

- 13 Revised Standards on Import of Solid Waste issued - 14-Dec-05 [10647]
- Regulation on Energy Saving for Private Buildings issued - 10-Nov-05 [8805]

### India

- Guidelines for Common Hazardous Waste Incineration - 1-Jun-05 [10385]
- Guidelines for proper functioning and upkeep of hazardous waste disposal sites published - 1-Sep-05 [10697]
- Import restrictions for tetra-ethyl lead and tetra-methyl lead - 31-Oct-05 [10572]

### Indonesia

- Reporting Guideline for the Implementation of the Environment Management Plan and Environment Monitoring Plan - 5-Apr-05 [10364]

### Japan

- Permission for the Manufacture of ODS in 2006 shall be applied for from 19 to 26 December 2005 - 21-Nov-05 [10592]
- Retroactive ban on the supply of building materials containing asbestos - 26-Jul-05 [9946]
- Retroactive ban on the use of materials containing asbestos - 26-Jul-05 [9168]
- Safety and health control on hazardous and dangerous substances tightened - 2-Dec-05 [2600]

### Kazakhstan

- Decree on Environmental Audit Amended - 31-Oct-05 [10359]
- Law on Compulsory Environmental Insurance adopted - 13-Dec-05 [10655]

### Malaysia

- Adopted exemptions from inspection requirements for certain types of unfired pressure vessels - 10-Nov-05 [10559]
- Adopted Order exempting certain unfired pressure vessels from preparation for regular inspection - 15-Dec-05 [10751]

### Philippines

- Adopted Amendment to Boiler Occupational Safety and Health Standards - 21-Nov-05 [10752]

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## Asia Pacific

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- Adopted procedures for the screening and evaluation of Clean Development Mechanism (CDM) project activities - 31-Aug-2005 [9991]

### New Zealand

- Hazardous Substances and New Organisms (Approvals and Enforcement) Amendment Act entered into force - 21-Dec-05 [7741]

### Singapore

- Biological Agents and Toxins (Transportation) Regulations 2005 adopted - 29-Dec-05 [10844]
- Biological Agents and Toxins Act 2005 adopted - 28-Nov-05 [8937]
- Fire Safety (Exemption) (Amendment) Order 2005 fine-tunes existing exemptions and adds additional exemptions - 10-Nov-05 [10527]

- Hazardous waste exports to Malaysia, Indonesia, Thailand and the Philippines restricted beyond the Basel Convention - 23-Dec-05 [10845]

- Singapore ratifies ILO Convention on the Minimum Age for Employment - 14-Nov-05 [10529]

### South Korea

- 2006 quota allocation of ozone depleting substances for production, import or sales determined - 9-Dec-05 [8701]
- Scope of installations emitting offensive odor specified - 29-Dec-05 [7861]

### Vietnam

- Decree implementing the Chemical Weapons Convention adopted - 3-Aug-05 [10602]

## Africa and the Middle East

### South Africa

- Environment Conservation Amendment Act, 2003 comes into force - 10-Feb-04 [6632]

### Israel

- No new legal developments were identified during this period.

### Egypt

- No new legal developments were identified during this period.

## Central and Eastern Europe

### Czech Republic

- Ban on phthalates in toys introduced - 13-Dec-05 [10671]
- Decree amending the Decree on emissions of VOC adopted - 12-Dec-05 [7857]
- Decree detailing the content of the MSDS - 9-Nov-05 [10484]
- Decree determining the amount of electricity from combined heat and power production and electricity from secondary energy sources - 31-Oct-05 [10490]
- Decree implementing the Act on promotion of electricity from renewable energy sources adopted - 30-Nov-05 [10685]
- Decree on handling water hazardous substances and content of the emergency plan adopted - 16-Nov-05 [10482]
- Decree on protective measures against the introduction of organisms harmful to plants or plant products and against their spread - 4-May-04 [10781]
- Decree on Radiation Protection amended - 6-Dec-05 [10681]
- Regulation on the integrated pollutant register amended - 29-Jun-05 [9509]

- Decree specifying methods for detection of toxicity of chemical substances and chemical preparations amended - 7-Nov-05 [7275]

- New web portal on integrated pollution prevention and control launched - 1-Dec-05 [10692]

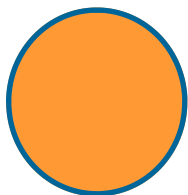
### Greece

- Joint Ministerial Decision 43504 of 2005 on water use permits issued - 5-Dec-06 [10706]

### Hungary

- Access to information Directive implemented - 25-Dec-05 [10345]
- Act on environmental product fee amended - 13-Dec-05 [7971]
- Amendment to Decree obliging combustion plants with thermal input over 50 MW to measure emissions entered into force - 7-Dec-05 [7968]

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## Central and Eastern Europe

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- Decree on dangerous substances and preparations amended - 20-Dec-05 [7687]
- Decree on emission of used and sewage water adopted - 6-Dec-05 [9787]
- Decree on environmental impact assessment and IPPC licensing procedures adopted - 1-Jan-06 [10566]
- Decree on environmental product charge amended - 27-Dec-05 [8186]
- Decree on exemption from environmental product charges amended - 27-Dec-05 [6069]
- Decree on fire protection professions is adopted - 10-Nov-05 [10543]
- Decree on minimum health and safety requirements of work equipment - 21-Dec-05 [7182]
- Decree on service fees for greenhouse gas emissions adopted - 27-Dec-05 [10565]
- Decree on surface waters amended - 25-Dec-05 [9786]
- Decree on the protection against carcinogens at work and prevention from related health damage amended - 29-Nov-05 [4219]
- Detergent Decree adopted - 15-Dec-05 [10344]
- Emissions trading Decree amended - 25-Dec-05 [9100]
- Harmonization of environmental law with EC law is adopted - 30-Nov-05 [10542]
- Waste registration and data supply Decree amended - 25-Dec-05 [9388]
- Work safety Decree amended - 28-Dec-05 [10842]
- New Ordinance on forms containing information on the use of the environment - 15-Dec-05 [10713]
- Ordinance concerning wood packaging adopted - 26-Mar-04 [10541]
- Ordinance on air emissions limits from industrial installations adopted - 20-Dec-05 [10716]
- Ordinance on fire safety checks carried out by fire brigades adopted - 24-Oct-05 [10434]
- Detailed requirements for the marking of packaged goods adopted - 11-Oct-05 [10427]
- Ordinance on methods of calculating recovery and recycling levels of end-of-life vehicles adopted - 24-Oct-05 [10428]
- Ordinance on threshold limit values for hazardous agents at the workplace amended - 10-Oct-05 [2207]
- Polish National Allocation Plan for CO<sub>2</sub> emissions for 2005-2007 adopted - 27-Dec-05 [10717]
- Reform of the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Administration - 31-Oct-05 [10437]
- Regulation on the use of volatile organic compounds in certain paints, varnishes and vehicle refinishing products - 20-Oct-05 [10432]
- Requirements for collection stations of end-of-life vehicles adopted - 12-Oct-05 [10429]
- Requirements for shredders and methods of shredding end-of-life vehicles adopted - 27-Oct-05 [10426]
- The Ministry of Economy and Labour is restructured into the Ministry of Economy - 31-Oct-05 [10435]
- The Ministry of Social Policy transformed into the Ministry of Labour and Social Policy - 31-Oct-05 [10436]
- Water permit is required if industrial wastewater directed to sewage system contains one or more of 45 specified substances - 10-Nov-05 [10711]

### Poland

- Charges and fines for extraction and destruction of trees and green areas for 2005 - 18-Oct-05 [10433]
- Charges and fines for the use of the environment in 2006 - 6-Sep-05 [10035]
- Detailed Scope of Activities of the Minister of Environment adopted - 31-Oct-05 [10439]
- Detailed scope of activities of the Minister of Health adopted - 31-Oct-05 [10440]
- New Ordinance on safe use and removal of asbestos adopted - 14-Oct-05 [10430]
- Fines for the exceedance of conditions for wastewater discharge to water and ground adopted - 20-Dec-05 [10715]
- Ministry of Infrastructure is renamed the Ministry of Transport and Construction - 31-Oct-05 [10438]
- New charges for the use of the environment - 20-Dec-05 [10714]
- New format of forms on annual product charges - 22-Nov-05 [10712]

### Romania

- Adopted a Law regarding the classification, labelling and packaging requirements of dangerous substances - 10-Nov-05 [10578]
- Adopted an Order establishing the provisions for international transfer of radioactive waste through Romania - 26-Sep-05 [10573]
- Adopted Order for the approval of a technical norm for wastewater disposal - 30-Nov-05 [10813]
- Adopted Order for the establishment of the Secretariat for designated compounds - 19-Oct-05 [10571]

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# Central and Eastern Europe



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- Adopted an Order for the amendment of Governmental Decision 956/2005, regarding the conditions for placing on the market of biocide products - 2-Nov-05 [10575]
- Adopted an Order for the transfer of prerogatives in the field of dangerous waste export and the transport of non-dangerous waste - 8-Nov-05 [10580]
- Adopted Decision for the approval of the organisation and function of the General Inspectorate for Emergency Situations - 29-Nov-05 [10816]
- Adopted Emergency Governmental Ordinance for the reduction, prevention of pollution and integrated pollution control - 10-Nov-05 [10584]
- Adopted Order for the approval of European Regulation JAR – 34, “Plane engine emissions” - 18-Nov-05 [10811]
- Adopted Order for the approval of norms regarding radioactive orphan sources and the control of closed sources with intense activities - 21-Nov-05 [10815]
- Adopted Order for the approval of norms, regarding the transport of radioactive materials - 21-Nov-05 [10822]
- Adopted Order for the approval of Procedures needed to issue the integrated environmental authorisation (IPPC permit) - 15-Nov-05 [10809]
- Adopted Order for the approval of uniform principles for the evaluation and homologation of plant protection products - 1-Jan-07 [10821]

## Russia

- Building and Operating Permit Forms approved - 24-Nov-05 [10664]
- Joint Convention on the Safety of Spent Fuel Management and on the Safety of Radioactive Waste Management ratified - 4-Nov-05 [10361]
- Penalties for environment-related administrative offences increased - 26-Dec-05 [10679]
- Regulation on State Control in the Area of Protection of the Population from Emergency Situations adopted - 1-Dec-05 [10528]
- Rules for assigning a type of economic activity to a class of professional risk adopted - 1-Dec-05 [10658]

## Serbia-Montenegro

- Serbia: Occupational Health and Safety Law adopted - 14-Nov-05 [10554]
- Serbia: Ordinance on Water Use Fee, Water Protection Fee and Water Abstraction Fee for 2005 amended - 22-Dec-05 [10824]
- Serbia: Pollution Ordinances adopted - 15-Dec-05 [10823]

- Serbia: Product Liability Law adopted - 17-Nov-05 [10568]

## Turkey

- Adopted Regulation on Control of Used Batteries and Accumulators - 31-Aug-04 [7470]
- Adopted Regulation on Noise at Work - 23-Dec-03 [10455]
- Council of Ministers' Decision and Notification on Environmental Tax - 26-Dec-05 [10633]
- Guideline on documents for emission permit and emission permit - 3-Nov-05 [10394]
- Notification on Controlled Waste - 31-Dec-04 [8037]
- Notification on Mandatory Liability Insurance of Hazardous Substances - 29-Dec-05 [10639]
- Notification on the Control of Chemicals due to Environmental Protection - 31-Dec-05 [10691]
- Notification on the Import of Chemical Substances Attached to the Chemical Weapons Agreement 2006/17 - 31-Dec-05 [8067]
- Notification on the Import of Dyestuffs 2006/15 - 31-Dec-05 [8069]
- Notification on the import of Ozone Depleting Substances - 31-Dec-05 [8046]
- Notification on the import of radioactive substances and apparatus which are used for radioactive substances 2006/3 - 31-Dec-05 [8076]
- Notification on the Import of Substances Affecting Health and Safety at Work 2006/13 - 31-Dec-05 [8071]
- Preparing Regulations on Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (WEEE) - [8990]
- Regulation on control of pollution caused by certain dangerous substances discharged into the aquatic environment (76/464/EEC) - 31-Dec-05 [10684]
- Repealed Notification on Hazardous & Harmful Substances in Water - 27-Dec-05 [10631]
- The Turkish Parliament approved the ADR 2003 - 6-Dec-05 [10485]
- Turkish Parliament approved the COTIF Amendment of 3 June 1999 - 24-Dec-05 [10637]

## Ukraine

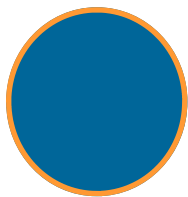
- Law on standards, technical regulation and conformity certification procedure adopted - 1-Dec-05 [10834]
- The Ministry of Agricultural Policy publishes Action Plan on Kyoto Protocol Implementation - 7-Nov-05 [10553]

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### Austria

- Act on criminal responsibility of legal persons adopted - 23-Dec-05 [10628]
- Ordinance on reduction of VOCs emissions from paints and varnishes adopted - 6-Dec-05 [10616]
- Ordinance to limit emissions of halogenated organic solvents from industrial and commercial installations adopted - 13-Dec-05 [6688]

### Belgium

- Amounts of the 2006 fees for activities related to ionizing radiations adopted - 30-Nov-05 [10812]
- Royal Order on the phytosanitary measures for wood packaging material imported from non-EU Member States adopted - 10-Aug-05 [10618]
- Royal Order on vibrations adopted - 7-Jul-05 [9543]
- Wallonia: Order on activities using solvents modified - 10-Nov-05 [10410]
- Wallonia: Order on sectoral conditions for facilities using fixed voltage transformers of nominal capacity of 1 500 kVA or more adopted - 1-Dec-05 [10789]
- Wallonia: Order setting the sectoral conditions applying to CO<sub>2</sub> emitting activities adopted - 10-Nov-05 [10614]

### Denmark

- Statutory Order on limitation of import and sales of electrical and electronic equipment containing certain dangerous chemicals enter into force - 30-Oct-05 [10819]
- Statutory Order on the use of elevators adopted - 14-Oct-05 [10531]
- Statutory Order regarding carcinogenic substances at the workplace adopted - 27-Sep-05 [10263]

### Finland

- Adopted a Decree amending restrictions of substances for use in vehicles - 10-Nov-05 [10411]
- Adopted a Decree amending the Radiation Decree - 29-Dec-05 [10825]
- Adopted a Decree on the inspection and maintenance of hand-held fire extinguishers - 17-Nov-05 [10418]
- Adopted an Act amending the Health and Safety at Work Act - 22-Dec-05 [10830]
- Adopted an Act amending the Radiation Act - 22-Dec-05 [10814]
- Adopted an amending Decree relating to health surveillance for certain hazardous works - 13-Oct-05 [10293]

- Decree extending the Order on fire detection systems - 3-Nov-05 [7561]

### France

- Decree modifying the preparation of the plans of disposal of special industrial waste - 28-Dec-05 [10702]
- List of colouring agents allowed for use in cosmetic products amended - 28-Nov-05 [10687]
- List of substances which cosmetic products must not contain except subject to the restrictions and conditions laid down amended - 28-Nov-05 [10682]
- List of substances which must not form part of the composition of cosmetic products amended - 28-Nov-05 [10674]
- New Regulatory part of the Public Health Code on cosmetic Products - [10699]
- Order defining the conditions for controlling the radiation protection system - 26-Oct-05 [10416]
- Order on the annual notifications of the production and treatment of hazardous and non-hazardous waste adopted - 20-Dec-05 [10696]
- Order on the certification and approval for take-back, collection and treatment of household waste electrical and electronic equipment adopted - 6-Dec-05 [10680]
- Order on the certification of bodies collecting and treating professional waste electrical and electronic equipment adopted - 23-Nov-05 [10672]
- Provisions on public access to information adopted - 26-Oct-05 [10404]
- Order on the document required for requesting the attribution or the retention of greenhouse gas emission allowance adopted - 15-Nov-06 [10726]
- Order on the limited cases where mercury, cadmium, lead, chromium VI, PBB and PBDE can be used in EEE adopted - 25-Nov-05 [10473]
- Order on the phytosanitary measures for wood packaging material imported from non-EU Member States adopted - 30-Dec-05 [10617]
- Ordinance transposing Directive on noise assessment and management - 26-Oct-05 [7911]
- Order on the modalities of separate treatment of waste electrical and electronic equipment adopted - 23-Nov-05 [10686]
- Decision on glycol ethers adopted - 23-Nov-05 [10694]
- 2006 national action themes of the classified installation inspectorate - 9-Nov-05 [10869]

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# Western Europe



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- List of preservative which cosmetics may contain amended - 28-Nov-05 [10690]
- New Legislative part of the Public Health Code on Cosmetic Products - [10701]

## Germany

- Drugs put on the market may not contain any CFCs anymore - 29-Sep-05 [10678]
- New version of Ordinance on Controls of Transport of Dangerous Goods published - 27-Oct-05 [10499]

## Ireland

- Adopted the European Communities (Cosmetic Products) (Amendment) Regulations 2005 - 11-Nov-05 [10398]
- Adopted the European Communities (Greenhouse Gas Emissions Trading) (Amendment) Regulations 2005 - 11-Nov-05 [10517]
- Adopted the Radiological Protection Act 1991 (Control of High-Activity Sealed Radioactive Sources) Order 2005 - 21-Dec-05 [10782]

## Italy

- Adopted amendments to Decree on major industrial accidents ("Seveso III") - 21-Sep-05 [9655]
- Adopted amendments to the national Constitution Act - 18-Nov-05 [10419]
- Adopted Decree on new minimum safety requirements of lifts already installed in non-industrial buildings - 26-Oct-05 [10422]
- Further developments in the Italian national CO2 emission allocation plan - 25-Nov-05 [10855]
- Published the Italian translation of the Annexes A and B to the ADR agreement - 2-Aug-05 [1208]

## Luxembourg

- Amendment of Annex I to Law of 11 March 1981 on marketing and use restrictions of certain dangerous substances and preparations adopted - 29-Nov-05 [10659]
- Grand Ducal Regulation on electronic and electrical equipment and waste from this equipment adopted - 18-Jan-05 [10745]
- Law approving a pollutant release and transfer register adopted - 2-Dec-05 [10652]
- Law modifying Law of 17 June 1994 on waste management and prevention adopted - 25-Nov-05 [10654]
- Law on public access to environmental information adopted - 25-Nov-05 [10648]

- Proposal of regulation on minimum health and safety requirements for noise exposure - [10594]

## The Netherlands

- Adopted Act relating to the quality and integrity of work carried out in environmental protection - 1-Dec-05 [10749]
- Adopted Amendment to Rule Monitoring of Trade in Emission Rights - 10-Nov-05 [10441]
- Adopted amendment to the Construction Product Decision on Soil and Surface Water Protection - 24-Nov-05 [10720]
- Adopted amendments to Subsidy Rule on financial support work equipment - 19-Dec-05 [10705]
- Adopted amendments to Working Conditions Policy Rules regarding administrative fines for exposure to vibration - 31-Oct-05 [10371]
- Adopted Amendments to Working Conditions Rule in relation to asbestos removal and inventory - 16-Dec-05 [10709]
- Adopted Asbestos Removal Decision 2005 - 16-Dec-05 [10723]
- Adopted Decision on the Financial Aspects of Soil Remediation - 15-Dec-05 [10722]
- Adopted Decision on the use of organic solvents in paints and varnishes - 28-Nov-05 [10721]
- Adopted Decision Revoking Asbestos Decision Environmental Management - 12-Dec-05 [10724]
- Adopted the Indicative Rule Random Writing-Off Environmental Investments 2006 - 16-Dec-05 [10708]
- Decision on implementation of greenhouse gas emissions inventory system under the Air Pollution Act - 12-Dec-05 [10748]
- Progress in wholesale amendments to working conditions system - 18-Nov-05 [10368]

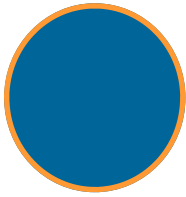
## Norway

- Amendments to the Regulations on asbestos have been adopted and a new notification scheme for work with asbestos is accessible - 16-Nov-05 [10121]
- Amendments to the Regulations on Products regarding the use of heavy metals in packaging adopted - 21-Dec-05 [10828]
- Amendments to the Regulations on the handling of explosive materials adopted - 15-Dec-05 [8607]
- Amendments to the Regulations regarding waste water adopted - 15-Dec-05 [10735]

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## Western Europe

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- New Regulations on the take-back system for discarded vehicles - 4-Nov-05 [10507]
- New requirements concerning the refund for the collection and treatment of waste oil adopted - 26-Nov-05 [10736]
- Regulations repealing Regulations on cyanides has been adopted - 9-Nov-05 [8815]
- Regulations restricting the use of VOCs in Paint and Varnishes adopted - 26-Oct-05 [9280]

### Portugal

- Decree Law on environmental impact assessment amended - 8-Nov-05 [10366]
- Legislation on air emissions from non-road mobile machinery amended - 30-Dec-05 [5439]
- Ordinance on fees for environmental impact assessment adopted - 2-Dec-05 [10506]
- Water Act adopted - 29-Dec-05 [10634]

### Spain

- Environmental noise assessment and management further regulated - 16-Dec-05 [5871]
- Greenhouse gas emission reporting and verification regulated - 4-Nov-05 [10384]
- Resolution on Risk Inspection and Control during Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road adopted - 21-Nov-05 [10533]
- Royal Decree on health and safety protection of employees exposed to mechanical vibrations - 4-Nov-05 [10537]

### Sweden

- New Regulations on classification and labeling of chemical products - 19-Oct-05 [10603]

- Ordinance (SFS 2005:1248) on duty to supply renewable fuel adopted - 20-Dec-05 [10827]

### Switzerland

- Modifications of provisions on the decontamination of sites polluted by waste adopted - 16-Dec-05 [10801]
- Ordinance on phytosanitary measures for wood packaging adopted - 11-Mar-05 [10657]
- Ordinance setting lists on waste shipment adopted - 18-Oct-05 [10487]
- Technical standards for building products adopted - 8-Dec-05 [10799]
- Technical standards for personal protective equipment adopted - 22-Nov-05 [10483]

### United Kingdom

- Adopted the Health and Safety (Fees) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2005 - 28-Nov-05 [10604]
- Adopted the High-activity Sealed Radioactive Sources and Orphan Sources Regulations 2005 - 24-Sep-05 [10693]
- Companies Act 1985 (Operating and Financial Review and Directors' Report etc.) Regulations 2005 adopted - 21-Mar-05 [7079]
- The Carriage of Dangerous Goods and Use of Transportable Pressure Equipment Regulations 2004 amended - 1-Apr-04 [6801]
- The Producer Responsibility Obligations (Packaging Waste) Regulations 2005 adopted - 15-Dec-05 [9873]
- Adopted Final Rule incorporating Statutorily Mandated Revisions to the Hazardous Materials Regulations - 9-Dec-05 [10753]

## European Union

- Cosmetic Directive amended - 27-Jul-76 [10793]
- Directive 2005/59/EC on marketing and use restrictions of toluene and trichlorobenzene adopted - 26-Oct-05 [6831]
- Directive on marketing and use restrictions of certain polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons oils and tyres adopted - 16-Nov-05 [6657]
- Directive on phytosanitary measures for wood packaging material adopted - 5-Oct-04 [10587]
- Directive on type-approval of motor vehicles with regard to their reusability, recyclability and recoverability adopted - 26-Oct-05 [10458]
- EU acceded to Convention on Early Notification and Assistance in the case of a Nuclear Accident - 25-Nov-05 [10644]
- Published Harmonised Standards relating to appliances burning gaseous fuels 2005/C 278/02 - 11-Nov-05 [10476]
- Seveso Questionnaire for the three year report published - 13-Oct-05 [10403]
- Update of positive and negative lists of chemicals for cosmetic products - 21-Nov-05 [2211]
- Classification of the external fire performance of roofs and roof coverings further regulated - 22-Nov-05 [10502]

# North America



## Canada

- Ontario: Regulation 213/91 on construction projects amended - 7-Dec-05 [10783]
- Ontario: Regulation 419/05 on approved methods for the modelling and assessment of air pollutants modified - 22-Jun-05 [9679]
- Ontario: Regulation 607/05 amending Regulation 833 on Control of Exposure to Biological or Chemical agents adopted - 7-Dec-05 [10795]
- Ontario: Regulation 628/05 on confined spaces amending Regulation 213/91 on construction projects adopted - 7-Dec-05 [10792]
- Ontario: Regulation 629/05 on confined spaces amending Regulation 851/91 on industrial establishments adopted - 7-Dec-05 [10794]
- Ontario: Regulation 932/05 on confined spaces adopted - 7-Dec-05 [4809]
- Order adding GHG substances to the list of toxic substances adopted - 21-Nov-05 [10576]
- Orders amending the Domestic and Non-Domestic Substances List adopted - 1-Dec-05 [10804]

## United States

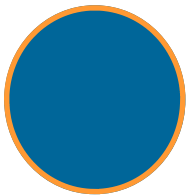
- Adopted Final Rule National Primary Drinking Water Regulations: Stage 2 Disinfectants and Disinfection Byproducts - 15-Dec-05 [10763]
- Adopted Final Rule on All Appropriate Inquiries for acquisitions - 1-Nov-05 [10388]
- Adopted Final Rule to Remove Methyl Ethyl Ketone from List of Toxic Air Pollutants - 13-Dec-05 [10771]
- Adopted Long Term 2 Enhanced Surface Water Treatment Rule - 5-Jan-06 [10764]
- Adopted Phase 2 Ozone Implementation Rule and Guidelines - 9-Nov-05 [10375]
- Delaware: Final regulation for "Control of Stationary Generator Emissions" - 14-Dec-05 [9774]
- Extended Consultation on Proposed Changes to Harmonize New Source Review with Existing Clean Air Act Programs - 18-Nov-05 [10442]
- Texas: Final Emissions Event Rule - 14-Dec-05 [10453]
- Virginia: Water Quality Management Regulation for Potomac-Shenandoah Basin published - 28-Nov-05 [10774]
- Virginia: Water Quality Management Regulation for Roanoke River Basin published - 28-Nov-05 [10776]

### DuPont subject to highest environmental fine ever issued

On 14 December 2005 DuPont settled the largest ever civil administrative penalty under any federal environmental law. The settlement with the EPA addresses DuPont's violations related to the synthetic chemical perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA) under the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) and the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA). The settlement requires DuPont to pay USD 10.25 million in civil penalties and perform Supplemental Environmental Projects worth USD 6.25 million. The settlement is indicative of a global trend of tougher environment law enforcement

PFOA is a perfluorinated compound, a group of chemicals which are already fairly well regulated in many countries and which are coming under increasing regulatory scrutiny where they are not. While its 'sister' chemical PFOS has been in the headlines of late, there are also moves afoot to bring PFOA under stricter regulation. Australia, Japan and Sweden are just some of the countries reconsidering it for further restrictions or phase-out.

PFOA is a synthetic chemical used as an essential processing aid in the manufacturing of fluoropolymers. Fluoropolymers impart valuable properties such as fire and oil resistance, stain, grease and water repellency. PFOA is used in almost all industry sectors, including aerospace, automotive, building/construction, chemical processing, electrical and electronics, semiconductor and carpet and textile industries.



## South America

### Argentina

- Controlled chemical substances regulated - 8-Nov-05 [10457]
- Limits on lead in latex paint regulated - 26-Oct-05 [10421]
- National Integrated Register of PCBs amended - 23-Nov-05 [10408]
- Occupational risk prevention repayment scheme regulated - 4-Nov-05 [8958]
- Program on work and sustainable development adopted - 14-Dec-05 [10620]
- Transfer of enforcement power on liquid effluents to the Water Controlling Authority of the Province of Buenos Aires adopted - 1-Dec-05 [10854]

### Brazil

- Normative Instruction on environmental declaration act adopted - 31-Oct-05 [10525]
- Regulatory Norm NR-32 on Safety and Health in Health Establishments adopted - 11-Nov-05 [10520]

### Colombia

- Electrical safety requirements of products and installations further regulated - 1-Nov-05 [10538]
- Hazardous Waste Prevention and Management Decree adopted - 30-Dec-05 [10807]

### Costa Rica

- General regulation on environmental impact assessment procedures - 9-Nov-05 [7093]

### Guatemala

- Convention on tobacco control approved - 7-Nov-05 [10471]
- Procedure for the requirement, analysis, evaluation and approval of proposals on projects of mechanisms for clean development regulated - 9-Dec-05 [10621]

### Mexico

- Norm on packaging requirements for infectious substances - 1-Dec-05 [8682]
- Norm on supply and maintenance of fire fighting and extinguishing equipment - 26-Dec-05 [7604]
- Procedure for evaluation of compliance with official Mexican norms issued by the Ministry of the Environment - 2-Jan-06 [8473]
- Procedure to submit the Annual Operation Certificate - 3-Nov-05 [8397]
- Regulation on the registry and authorization for import and export of pesticides and hazardous goods and the corresponding formats - 15-Nov-05 [8133]

### Peru

- Directive for certification of equipment for measuring ionizing radiation approved - 29-Dec-05 [10846]

### Uruguay

- Joint Convention on the Safety of Spent Fuel Management and on the Safety of Radioactive Waste Management ratified - 12-Oct-05 [10521]

### Venezuela

- Law of Approval of the Tobacco Convention adopted - 31-Oct-05 [10510]

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- Professional Geologist's license or registration from a state, tribe, or U.S. territory and have the equivalent of three years of full-time relevant experience; or
- being licensed or certified by the federal government, a state, tribe, or U.S. territory to perform environmental inquiries as defined in § 312.21 and have the equivalent of three years of full-time relevant experience; or
  - having a Baccalaureate or higher degree from an accredited institution of higher education in science or engineering and the equivalent of five years of full-time relevant experience; or
  - having the equivalent of ten years of full-time relevant experience.
  - requiring qualifications for contaminated sites assessment purposes is a relatively new and rare development in environmental law, but is also required in several other countries.

Similar qualification requirements also exist in other countries.

The Contaminated Land Management Act 1997 of the State of New South Wales in Australia requires site auditors to be accredited under the Act to conduct an independent review that relates to investigation, or remediation, carried out (whether under this Act or otherwise) in respect of the actual or possible contamination of land, and that is conducted for the purpose of determining:

- the nature and extent of any contamination of the land;

- the nature and extent of the investigation or remediation;
- whether the land is suitable for any specified use or range of uses;
- what investigation or remediation remains necessary before the land is suitable for any specified use or range of uses; and / or
- the suitability and appropriateness of a plan of remediation, a long-term management plan, a voluntary investigation proposal or a remediation proposal.

The accreditation required must be granted by the New South Wales Environmental Protection Authority. A similar accreditation system exists in the Flemish region in Belgium.

The Ontario Environmental Protection Act (Canada) also requires qualified persons in relation to site contamination registry records. This qualified person must certify that the correct environmental site assessment was carried out and done so properly, and carry out contaminated site risk assessments as required under the Act. The qualification requirements are specified in the Record of Site Condition Regulation (O. Reg. 153/04) and depend upon what the qualified person must certify. Like the United States' AAI Rule requirements, the qualifications include a range of specific university degrees, professional body licensing and a number of years of relevant experience.

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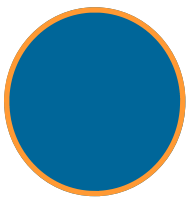
### The criteria set out in the AAI Rule and CERCLA are:

- The results of an inquiry by an environmental professional;
- Interviews with past and present owners, operators, and occupants of the facility for the purpose of gathering information regarding the potential for contamination at the facility;
- Reviews of historical sources, such as chain of title documents, aerial photographs, building department records, and land use records, to determine previous uses and occupancies of the real property since the property was first developed;
- Searches for recorded environmental clean up liens against the facility that are filed under Federal, State, or local law;
- Reviews of Federal, State, and local government records, waste disposal records, underground storage tank records, and hazardous waste handling, generation, treatment, disposal, and spill records, concerning contamination at or near the facility;
- Visual inspections of the facility and of adjoining properties;
- Specialized knowledge or experience on the part of the defendant;
- The relationship of the purchase price to the value of the property, if the property was not contaminated;
- Commonly known or reasonably ascertainable information about the property; and
- The degree of obviousness of the presence or likely presence of contamination at the property, and the ability to detect the contamination by appropriate investigation.

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### Data gaps

Another contentious issue is the requirement that environmental professionals must identify and comment on the significance of data gaps on the ability to identify conditions indicative of releases or threatened releases. A data gap is the lack of or inability to obtain information required by the standards and practices listed in the regulation, despite good faith efforts by the environmental professional or the prospective landowner to gather such information pursuant to the objectives for all appropriate inquiries. This is in fact not such an onerous requirement as prospective landowners must comply with other post acquisition statutory requirements, such as institutional controls and land use restrictions, to qualify for the protection which would require them to address the missing information.

The timing of the AAI has been set at no longer than 1 year before the date of acquisition of the property (transfer of title). The AAI may include information from previous inquiries in that time period but certain components (such as the required interviews, visual inspections, price relationship, record reviews and searches for environmental clean up liens, etc) must be updated within 180 days of the acquisition.

Like under the previous standard, a visual onsite inspection is required under the Rule. The EPA recognises this as potentially the most important aspect of the AAI and the primary source of information on the envi-

ronmental conditions of the property. The Rule further specifies that in the limited circumstances where the prospective landowner or environmental professional is unable to gain on-site access to the property, the party must exercise all good faith efforts to gain access to the property (this must be documented) and if this is still not possible the site must be inspected through other means such as aerial photography or observed from the nearest accessible vantage point like the property line or road. The Rule also requires inspections of properties that adjoin the subject property (as did the previous standard) to provide information on the potential for the subject property to be affected by contamination migrating from adjoining properties. Visual inspections of adjoining properties may be conducted from the subject property's property line, one or more public rights-of-way, or other vantage point (e.g. aerial photography).

Comparing the purchase price to the value of the property to determine whether the difference indicates the presence of releases or threatened releases of hazardous substances is a requirement in CERCLA that has been specified in the Rule. This was not a requirement of the previous standard and was opposed by many commentators of the proposed Rule. The EPA is keeping this requirement as a potential important indicator and the environmental professional or a formal appraisal may assess it.

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### First ruling against a company for breach of WEEE regulations

Wexford District Court, Ireland, found Boots Retail (Ireland) Ltd guilty of breaching certain provisions of the Waste Management (Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment) Regulations 2005 (S.I. No. 340 of 2005). The first breach involved a failure to maintain a specified notice in-store alerting customers to the fact that price tags on electrical and electronic equipment (EEE) included a contribution to a Producer Recycling Fund. The second breach involved a similar failure of the company to include notification in the price of EEE offered for sale in a newspaper advertisement dated 27 October 2005. Under the WEEE Regulations 2005, retailers are obliged to notify the contribution to be made to the Producer Recycling Fund as well as the net price. The Court imposed a fine of EUR 1 200. Boots Retail (Ireland) Ltd was also held liable for covering the costs of the Environmental Protection Agency which amounted to EUR 6 865. Undoubtedly, the amount is small change for most multinationals, but given the fact that the enforcement of the WEEE requirements are only now getting started, it is likely that retailers as well as producers and suppliers falling under the WEEE/RoHS Directive will be faced with increasing compliance-related costs in terms of product liability. Companies only have to look to the Netherlands in 2001 when Sony was forced to pull its PlayStation from the market because its cables were found to contain excessive levels of cadmium. The estimated cost was in the region of €100 million.

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### Compulsory Site Assessments

If the AAI is intended to avoid liability for the innocent owner, some countries have made such site assessments compulsory.

The Belgian Flanders region also has a system of contaminated land inspection for the transfer of property. Under the Flemish Rules on Soil Protection (Vlaams Reglement betreffende de bodemsanering-VLAREBO), certain installations and activities have been classified as potentially soil polluting. Four categories can be distinguished, for which an exploratory soil investigation (orienterend bodemonderzoek) is compulsory:

- Class 0, only in case of transaction (acquisition or divestiture), closure of the facility or end of the operations;
- Class A, every 20 years and in case of transaction, closure or end of the operations;
- Class B, every 10 years and in case of transaction, closure or end of the operations; and
- Class C, every five years and in case of transaction, closure or end of the operations.

Soil investigations must be carried out by an accredited soil remediation expert and the results notified to OVAM (Public Flemish Waste Corporation). Where the exploratory soil investigation revealed soil contamination, a descriptive soil investigation (beschrijvend bodemonderzoek) has to be carried out to determine the scope of the soil contamination. In case the descriptive soil contamination confirms the soil contamination, a remediation plan has to be developed and submitted for approval to the Waste Authority OVAM. Upon approval by the

Waste Authority OVAM, the soil remediation plan has to be carried out accordingly.

All contaminated sites must be listed in a register of polluted soils (register van verontreinigde gronden) managed by OVAM and a clean soil certificate is needed for all soil transactions such as selling commercial property. If the soil is seriously contaminated, it is no longer possible to sell it without carrying out a soil remediation project.

### Recommendations / Conclusion

Countries that have introduced regulatory systems to tackle soil contamination include the United States, the Netherlands, Germany, the United Kingdom, Belgium, France, Spain, Australia and Canada. The most common method for this is the use of a compulsory contaminated land register and assessment requirements prior to land use changes. The United States is particularly advanced in prescribing requirements so that innocent landowners may be protected from liability for the clean up of contaminated sites they acquire. Companies in the United States wishing to acquire sites should be aware of what they must do to obtain and keep this protection and that they must use an appropriately qualified environmental professional.

Enhesa can help you understand the regulatory systems, requirements and practices related to property transfer and liability for soil contamination in the countries concerned. Enhesa can also help you carry out the appropriate due diligence site assessment in case of acquisition or divestiture.

For further information on Enhesa due diligence support, go to <http://www.enhesa.com/enhesa/EN/service/PESA.asp>.

- Yvonne Klaessens -

### Auditing Roundtable - the 2006 Winter Roundtable Conference and Technology Exposition



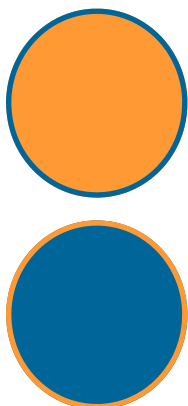
**The Auditing Roundtable**  
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Enhesa recently attended the Winter "Green" Meeting and Technology Exposition of the **Auditing Roundtable**, in Phoenix, Arizona between the 8th and 11th of January 2005. The meeting provided an excellent opportunity to meet up with clients and colleagues and Enhesa Director, Paul Beatley, gave a very well received presentation on incorporating international regulatory trends into audit programs.

We would like to extend our warmest wishes to everyone who stopped by our stall or whom we met elsewhere. We hope to see you all again soon.

Further information on the conference is available at the Auditing Roundtable website (<http://www.auditing-roundtable.org/>)

## Upcoming Events and Presentations:



### ChemCon Budapest 2006

Between 9 and 12 May 2006 Enhesa will be exhibiting and presenting at the **ChemCon 2006** Conference and Exhibition, which will be taking place in Budapest, Hungary.

About 300 experts are expected to join in for the 2006 event representing more than 170 companies, authorities and international organizations from over 30 countries.

Conference sessions will focus on issues relating to international chemical restrictions and legislative developments worldwide.

More information is available at

<http://www.chemcon.net/europe/chemcon2006.html>

Over the last couple of months, Enhesa has had the opportunity to share our extensive knowledge around the most important global EHS issues with such organizations as **Auditing Roundtable** and **ORC**.

Paul Beatley, Enhesa Director, focused on giving attendees critical knowledge of major EHS trends affecting the way business is conducted internationally and how these global mega trends are driving changes in business management systems. Key developments in Europe, China and the Americas in global chemical regulations such as the Globally Harmonized System, REACH, RoHS and WEEE as well as the latest on product producer responsibility, climate change regulations, and workplace safety issues were explored.

We also exhibited and presented at the upcoming **NAEM 5th Annual International EHS Workshop** in Atlanta on 22 to 23 February 2006. The event focused on how global regulations impact your business, and how business leaders and EHS industry experts are managing and adding value to their business in the international marketplace.

If you were unable to attend any of these meetings and are interested in receiving a copy of Enhesa's presentation or any further information, please contact us at

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### IOSH 2006

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giving a presentation on "International OHS Regulations: What you should know" in Spotlight theatre 1 between 10.00-10.30 am on the opening day. We warmly welcome both old and new acquaintances to come and talk to us at stand number 88 on both of the exhibition days.

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### SAP Business Forum 2006

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