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- Greenhouse gas emissions trading within the framework of the EU's Emissions Trading Directive (2003/87/EC) officially came to life on 1 January 2005, with 12,000 facilities across the EU being able to participate in the scheme for trading greenhouse gas emissions credits. Although the Directive was specific in terms of what it ought to apply to, national legislation transposing this has varied somewhat, with some of the resultant National Allocation Plans that have been approved by the Commission bearing distinct differences.
- Main market participants include fossil fuel generators, electricity generators, oil refineries, steel production, processing cement, glass manufacturing, pulp and paper, and brick manufacturing, of which power companies account for approximately 60% of emissions under the scheme.
- 66 installations in addition to those covered by the scope of 2003/87/EC are included in the scheme in **Sweden**. The Swedish Government has kept the possibility open of including installations below the 20 MW capacity limits specified in the Directive by including combustion installations with a capacity below 20 MW which are a part of a district heating system, where the total installed capacity in the scheme

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Liability for contaminated land: strengthening of the Spanish system

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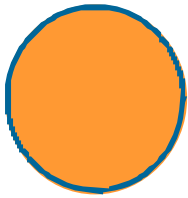
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- 14 January 2004 saw an important development regarding the regulatory framework governing contaminated land in Spain. The long awaited adoption of a Royal Decree (9/2005) brings Spanish legislation in terms of responsibility and liability for soil contamination in line with some of the most stringent in Europe.
- By 19 January 2007 all operators of activities identified as potentially contaminating soil (listed in Annex I of the Decree) must have carried out the relevant investigations and evaluations regarding the state of contamination of the site concerned, and submit the results in a 'Situation Report' to the competent authority of the Autonomous Community for their final evaluation. Once the report has been evaluated, the competent authority will identify the level of soil contamination and declare the area a contaminated site, if applicable. The identified contaminated sites will then be prioritised for protection and remediation works, and time frames allocated within which the work must be completed.
- Certain contaminated sites will be subject to risk assessments as established in Annex IV to Royal Decree 9/2005, for example sites with a concentration of total oil hydrocarbons exceeding 50 mg/kg, or alternatively, where the analytical data shows the concentration levels of any substance

listed in Annex V and VI to exceed the generic limit value assigned for its current or future industrial, urban or other use as well as for the soil, aquatic and vertebrate organisms, respectively.

- The identification of non-acceptable risk (either to human health or the environment) will mean that the site will be declared a contaminated site and its current operator, or alternatively, owner if the contamination is identified to be from a historical use, will be obliged to decontaminate the site using best available techniques. If the operator/owner of the site does not carry out the decontamination, the Administration may perform the works and charge the cost to the polluter(s).
- This is an indication of an increasing trend towards owner liability for contaminated soil, already in place in Belgium and the Netherlands as well as Canada. As reported in Enhesa Flash of September 2004, Canada's Brownfields Statute Law Amendment Act came into force on 1 October 2004, establishing an environmental site registry and enabling regulations to provide for mandatory site assessments and standards for contaminants based on proposed land use. It made way for owners of contaminated land to be issued with environment clean up orders.





During November and December 2004 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.

Asia Pacific

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Australia

- Victoria: Building (Cooling Towers and Plumbing) (Amendment) Act 2004 passed - 14/12/2004 [8151]
- Occupational Health and Safety (Commonwealth Employment) (National Standards) Amendment Regulations 2004 passed - 16/12/2004 [8156]
- Victoria: Building Amendment Act 2004 passed - 19/10/2004 [7629]
- Victoria: Planning and Environment (General Amendment) Act 2004 passed - 16/11/2004 [7634]
- Regulations restricting the use of ozone depleting methyl bromide enter into force - 16/12/2004 [8047]
- Victoria: Occupational Health and Safety Act 2004 passed - 21/12/2004 [7873]
- NSW: Gas Supply (Gas Appliances) Regulation 2004 passed - 26/11/2004 [7929]
- Victoria: Planning and Environment (Development Contributions) Act passed - 14/12/2004 [7936]
- Ozone Protection and Synthetic Greenhouse Gas Management Amendment Regulation 2004 (No.2) passed - 01/01/2005 [6577]
- National environment protection measure on the movement of controlled waste varied - 26/06/1998 [1535]
- Amendments to the National Workplace Exposure Standards for Crystalline Silica - 07/12/2004 [6231]
- Victoria: Further amendments to efficiency standards for electrical equipment - 21/12/2004 [6142]
- NSW: Minor amendment to accredited training providers under the Occupational Health and Safety Regulation - 17/12/2004 [8093]
- Industrial Chemicals (Notification and Assessment) Regulations amended for application fees - 16/12/2004 [8132]
- Approved criteria for classifying hazardous substances amended - 31/12/2004 [2870]
- NSW: Regulations for energy performance standards in certain electrical equipment passed - 17/12/2004 [8088]

Malaysia

- Adopted exemptions for certain types of unfired pressure vessels from inspection requirements - 09/11/2004 [4822]
- Amended Environmental Quality (Refrigerant Management) Regulations 1999 - 03/11/2004 [2855]

China

- Chemicals produced or imported between 1 January 1992 and 14 October 2003 required to be notified - 01/11/2004 [7928]
- License for contractors carrying out environmental pollution control operations required - 08/11/2004 [7832]
- Amended Solid Waste Pollution Prevention Law adopted - 29/12/2004 [7730]
- Control on infectious disease tightened - 28/08/2004 [8187]
- Rotterdam Convention on prior informed consent procedure ratified - 29/12/2004 [8054]
- 86 national standards on monitoring of hazardous substances in workplace issued - 21/05/2004 [8057]

Hong Kong

- Severe acute respiratory syndrome and avian influenza A added to the list of Notifiable Occupational Diseases - 07/12/2004 [7996]
- Control on content of sulphur and the volume of aromatic hydrocarbons from petrol for vehicles tightened - 02/10/2004 [7898]

Indonesia

- Adopted a Decree on the format of consent papers for the transportation of heavy equipment as well as hazardous and dangerous material - 26/08/2004 [7994]
- Adopted a Decision regarding land transportation of hazardous and dangerous substances - 30/04/2004 [8126]

South Korea

- Enforcement Ordinance of Act on the Promotion of Recycling of Construction Waste adopted - 31/12/2004 [2280]
- Updated list of chemical substances which are not toxic - 04/01/2005 [5640]
- Comprehensive sets of fire safety standards for fire prevention adopted - 04/06/2004 [5707]
- Act on the Promotion of Government Procurement for Environmentally-Friendly Products adopted - 31/12/2004 [2697]
- Expanded restriction on transport of specific hazardous water pollutants in designated areas - 15/12/2004 [2054]
- Stricter control on soil contamination and soil remediation applied - 31/12/2004 [2277]



Asia Pacific

Taiwan

- Soil contamination investigation required before transfer of land ownership - 07/12/2004 [8028]
- Soil contamination investigation required before establishment, closure or suspension of industrial facilities - 07/12/2004 [8029]

India

- Environmental Impact Assessment required for additional mining activities - 28/10/2004 [7987]
- Gas Cylinders Rules 2004 adopted - 21/09/2004 [7959]

Philippines

- Fund Implemented to Improve Enforcement of Clean Air Standards - 23/11/2004 [6498]

New Zealand

- Regulation on safe disposal of Persistent Organic Pollutants issued - 23/12/2004 [8110]
- Ozone Layer Protection Amendment Regulations 2004 passed - 13/12/2004 [8107]
- Hazardous Substances and New Organisms (Stockholm Convention) Amendment Act enters into force - 08/11/2004 [6962]
- Electricity and gas industries legislation amended - 17/10/2004 [7267]
- Gas co-regulatory industry body formed - 22/12/2004 [8128]
- Resource Management (National Environmental Standards Relating to Certain Air Pollutants, Dioxins, and Other Toxics) Regulations amended - 13/12/2004 [8105]

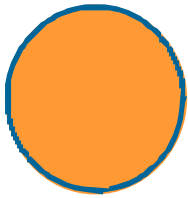
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ENHESA Staff News

- The 26 of December 2004 was a special day for DaeYoung Park when he and HyunJeong Kim were married at an exquisite ceremony in Seoul, South Korea. The couple met in Belgium in 2003 while HyunJeong was studying at the University of Leuven. They returned home for the ceremony and festivities!
- Young is ENHESA's regulatory expert on Korea, Japan, China, Hong Kong, and Taiwan EHS legislation. He has considerable experience monitoring regulatory and policy developments in these countries, as well as producing regulatory audit checklists and country regulatory profiles and carrying out compliance audits for ENHESA clients in this area. Young joined the ENHESA team in 2002 and is based in Brussels.





Central and Eastern Europe

Before you buy... due diligence

How can you be sure that you not only avoid unforeseen environmental liabilities with your new acquisition, but that your new business is a sound and sustainable investment in terms of all EHS issues?

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Hungary

- Decree on the safety of welding - 22/12/2004 [8152]
 - Amendment to Decree on the safety of lifting equipment - 16/12/2004 [8150]
 - Amendment to Decree on safety at work in the steel and metal assembly industry - 14/12/2004 [8148]
 - Amendment modifying work accident reports - 20/12/2004 [8154]
 - Decree concerning import and export of dangerous chemicals - 01/12/2001 [8155]
 - Decree on environmental product charge amended - 22/12/2004 [8186]
 - Act on environmental product fee amended - 15/11/2004 [7971]
 - Decree on Environmental Fee amended - 26/12/2004 [6682]
 - Decree on emission limits for water pollutants - 25/12/2004 [8189]
 - Decree on the list of waste amended - 11/12/2004 [4690]
 - Decree on exemption from environmental product charges amended - 22/12/2004 [6069]
 - Decree obliging combustion plants with thermal input over 50 MW to measure emissions in force - 27/11/2004 [7968]
- installation containing ozone-depleting substances and these controlled substances must be registered - 06/08/2004 [7983]
- Two Ordinances adopted to promote the development and use of electricity produced from renewable energy sources and from heat - 09/12/2004 [8121]
 - Medical surveillance of employees in facilities that used asbestos - 04/08/2004 [7982]
 - Restrictions and prohibitions of production, trade and use of dangerous substances and preparations and products containing them - 05/07/2004 [7981]
 - Discharges of wastewater to water and ground - 08/07/2004 [7980]
 - Ordinance adopted on environmental impact assessment - 09/11/2004 [8119]
 - Exams for advisers for the transport of dangerous goods by rail - 12/07/2004 [7979]
 - Requirements concerning certain products that impact negatively the environment - 23/07/2004 [7986]
 - New structure of the Chief Inspectorate for Environmental Protection - 25/12/2004 [8120]
 - Ordinance on health and safety service at work amended - 02/11/2004 [1486]
 - Charges and fines for illegal extraction and destruction of trees and green areas for 2005 - 22/09/2004 [7948]
 - Permissible limits of substances that can be discharged in industrial wastewater amended - 27/07/2004 [7985]

Czech Republic

- Amendment to the Waste Act transposing WEEE Directive adopted - 16/12/2004 [7382]
- Decree on the data reported to integrated pollution register adopted - 03/11/2004 [7373]
- Decree on keeping records on packaging adopted - 08/12/2004 [7575]
- Amendment to the Regulation on simple pressure vessels - 16/11/2004 [8019]
- Decree on monitoring of greenhouse gas emissions - 21/12/2004 [8017]
- Act on trading greenhouse gas emission allowances adopted and in force - 09/12/2004 [7418]
- Amendment to the Act on right to information about the environment adopted - 16/12/2004 [8045]

Poland

- Changes to maximum noise levels permitted in the environment - 29/07/2004 [7988]
- Regular worker training on health and safety at work required - 27/07/2004 [7984]
- Format of work accident cards for statistical purposes amended - 08/12/2004 [8122]
- Specific card is required for equipment and

Slovakia

- Regulation on the fees for the use of water adopted - 15/12/2004 [8060]
- Decree introducing requirements on the quality of raw water adopted - 19/11/2004 [7883]
- Act on the assessment and management of ambient noise - 02/12/2004 [8127]
- Amendment to the Waste Act transposing WEEE and ROHS Directives - 02/12/2004 [8062]
- Consumer Protection Act amended - 28/10/2004 [7884]
- Decree on the provision of water at construction sites - 10/12/2004 [8068]
- Stockholm Convention on POP proclaimed - 04/07/2002 [7886]
- Decree on some details of the Act on trading the emissions allowances - 25/11/2004 [8063]
- Decree amending the list of restricted or prohibited substances - 08/12/2004 [8064]



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Turkey

- Notification on the Import of Solvents and some Petrol Products 2005/12 - 31/12/2004 [8074]
- Regulation on Personal Protective Equipment - 09/02/2004 [7923]
- Regulation on Control of Water Pollution - 31/12/2004 [7999]
- Notification on the import of radioactive substances and apparatus contaminated with radioactive substances of 2005/3 - 31/12/2004 [8076]
- Notification on the export of the Ozone Depleting Substances - 31/12/2004 [8046]
- Notification on Harmonised National Standards relating to Personal Protective Equipment - 04/05/2004 [7930]
- Notification on the Import of Chemical Substances Attached to the Chemical Weapons Agreement 2005/17 - 31/12/2004 [8067]
- Amendment of the Regulation on Environmental Impact Assessment - 16/12/2004 [8000]
- Amendment of the Regulation on the Agreement of International Trade of Wild Animals and Plant Species - 06/08/2004 [7932]
- Notification on the Categorization of Personal Protective Equipment - 04/05/2004 [7926]
- Notification on the Import of Substances Affecting Health and Safety at Work 2005/13 - 31/12/2004 [8071]
- Notification on Controlled Fuels and Waste - 31/12/2004 [8037]
- Notification on the Import of Dyestuffs 2005/15 - 31/12/2004 [8069]
- Notification on Standardization of Foreign Trade 2005/4 - 31/12/2004 [8061]
- Notification on the Control of Chemicals due to the Environmental Protection - 31/12/2004 [8050]

Western Europe

Austria

- Radiation Protection Act amended - [5188]
- Ordinance on energy labelling of refrigerators amended - 11/11/2004 [7870]
- Ordinance on energy labelling of household air-conditioners adopted - 09/11/2004 [7869]
- Ordinance on air emission limits for non-road mobile machinery adopted - 09/11/2004 [7868]
- Act on a scheme for greenhouse gas emission allowance trading amended - 24/03/2004 [6603]
- Ordinance on monitoring and reporting greenhouse gas emissions adopted - [7997]
- Ordinance on collection, storage and treatment of electronic and other waste adopted - [6800]
- Ordinance on the Inspection of Pressure Equipment adopted - 04/11/2004 [5430]

Belgium

- Wallonia: Regional allocation plan on greenhouse gas emission trading system - 30/09/2004 [7118]
- Revised requirements on health and safety signs - 31/12/2004 [8204]
- Revised requirements on accident reporting - 12/03/2003 [2560]
- Wallonia: Decree on greenhouse gas emission trading published - 10/11/2004 [7956]

Denmark

- Statutory Order on the Establishment and Running of a Register on CO2 Quotas adopted - 14/12/2004 [8042]

Finland

- Adopted a Decree amending the Emissions Trading Decree - 21/12/2004 [8008]
- Adopted an Act amending the Water Act - 30/12/2004 [8016]
- Adopted an Act on the Management of Water Resources - 30/12/2004 [8020]
- Adopted a Decree amending the Decision on packaging and packaging waste - 18/12/2004 [7906]
- Adopted a Decree on Water Resource Management - 30/12/2004 [8023]
- Adopted an Act on the Requirements of Certain Technical Equipment - 26/12/2004 [7912]
- Adopted a Decree on the restrictions on asbestos - 18/11/2004 [7900]

France

- Order on scaffolding inspections - 21/12/2004 [8082]
- Orders on classification, packaging and labelling of dangerous substances and preparations amended - 30/06/2001 [2451]
- Orders on cooling equipment subject to au-

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Western Europe

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thorization or declaration under rubric 2921 of the classified installations legislation - 13/12/2004 [8031]

- General tax on polluting activities simplified - 30/12/1998 [2200]
- Order on transport of dangerous goods by road reviewed - 05/12/2002 [2667]
- Reinforcement of lifts safety - 09/09/2004 [6052]
- Order setting up threshold values assessing the gravity of potential accidents of classified installations - 22/10/2004 [8101]
- Ordinance transposing Directive on noise assessment and management - 12/11/2004 [7911]
- National greenhouse gas allocation plan approved - 04/07/2004 [7141]
- Energy consumption and thermal characteristics of buildings modified - 29/11/2000 [4140]

Germany

- Technical Rules on Company Safety: Competent Persons (TRBS 1203) published - 18/11/2004 [8014]
- Ordinance on reduction of VOCs emissions from paints, varnishes and vehicle refinishing products adopted - 16/12/2004 [7395]
- Restructured Ordinance on Dangerous Substances published - 23/12/2004 [8033]
- New version of Ordinance on Energy Saving adopted - 02/12/2004 [4758]
- BGs further reduced number of Accident Prevention Rules (BGVs) - [3168]
- Waivers on restrictions on flame retardants in aircraft systems adopted - 23/12/2004 [8027]
- Lorry toll required on German motorways - 02/12/2004 [5114]

Ireland

- Adopted the Maternity Protection (Postponement of Leave) Regulations 2004 - 07/12/2004 [7925]
- Adopted the Maternity Protection (Protection of Mothers who are Breastfeeding) Regulations 2004 - 07/10/2004 [7924]
- Adopted the Maternity Protection (Time off for Ante-Natal Classes) Regulations 2004 - 07/10/2004 [7921]
- Adopted the European Communities (Energy Labelling of Household Electric Refrigerators and Freezers) (Amendment) Regulations 2004 - 20/07/2004 [7927]

Norway

- Regulations on noise; mapping, action plans and action values for existing installations are adopted - 19/11/2004 [7899]

Italy

- Transposed Directive 2002/3/EC on ozone in ambient air - 21/05/2004 [8164]
- Approved the Legislative Decree outlining the

framework for the Government action for the revision of the body of environmental law - 24/11/2004 [4666]

- Adopted new requirements on the installation and maintenance of opening systems for emergency doors - 03/11/2004 [8194]
- Developments related to the 2001 Building Code and delays in the entering into force of some of its sections - 06/06/2001 [4747]
- Entering into force of the extended ban on smoking in premises open to public access and at the workplace - 16/01/2003 [5732]
- Approved regulations on the management and disposal of waste containing asbestos - 29/07/2004 [8171]
- National Ceilings for Certain Atmospheric Pollutants to Ambient Air adopted - 21/05/2004 [8168]
- Corrections and clarifications on Legislative Decree on the classification, packaging and labeling of dangerous preparations - 14/03/2003 [2343]
- New requirements on the Register of Waste Disposal Operators - [2547]
- Entering into force of the system of "energy efficiency certificates" for the improvement of efficient use of electrical energy and natural gas - 24/07/2004 [4536]
- Development in the implementation of the scheme for compulsory "green" public procurement for recycled products - 08/05/2003 [6154]
- Delayed deadline for the notification of existing water wells - 27/12/2004 [2794]
- Italian government implements the structure of the national CO2 emission allocation plan - 12/11/2004 [7171]

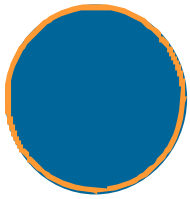
Netherlands

- Adopted Rule on Environmental Quality Objectives Dangerous Substances Surface Waters - 10/12/2004 [1502]
- Adopted Indicative Rule on the Random Writing-Off of Environmental Investments 2005 - 20/12/2004 [1102]
- Adopted Decision and Rules on the Emissions Trading System - 17/12/2004 [4791]
- Adopted Subsidy Rule financial support work equipment - 29/11/2004 [1303]
- Adopted Rule regarding Subsidies on Reducing Environmental Impacts 2005 - 22/12/2004 [4461]
- Adopted Rule on fiscal incentives for environmental investments 2005 - 20/12/2004 [4086]

Portugal

- Ordinance on exposure limits to electromagnetic fields adopted - 23/11/2004 [7866]
- Decree-Law on management of electric and electronic waste amended - 15/11/2004 [4894]
- Decree-Law on emissions trading adopted - 14/12/2004 [8158]

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Spain

- Deferred date for implementation of Regulation on transportable pressure equipment - 22/10/2004 [4445]
- The National Hydrologic Plan partially modified - 05/07/2001 [3418]
- Amended Royal Decree 1215/1997 to introduce H&S provisions on work equipment for work at height - 13/11/2004 [7887]
- Fire Safety Regulation for industrial buildings adopted - 03/12/2004 [8036]
- Navarra: Decree adopted concerning major accidents involving hazardous substances - 03/11/2004 [7931]
- New plant protection substances added to Annex I of Royal Decree 2163/1994 - 30/11/2004 [8049]
- Official standardization body for hydrogen technologies identified - 18/10/2004 [7939]

Sweden

- Amendments to classification and labeling of chemical products - 19/08/2004 [8048]

European Union

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- Directive on electromagnetic compatibility revised - 15/12/2004 [8135]
- Publication of annexes to Directive regarding transport of dangerous goods by rail - 10/12/2004 [6835]
- Uniform procedures for checks on the transport of dangerous goods by road amended - 14/12/2004 [8163]
- Rules on transport of dangerous goods by road amended - 09/12/2004 [1087]
- Commission Decision setting guidelines on the notification of dangerous products - 14/12/2004 [8196]
- Regulation on Ozone-Depleting Substances amended - 03/12/2004 [1987]
- Commission Directive on the electromagnetic compatibility of motor vehicles - 14/11/2004 [7920]
- EU Council approves ban on toys containing phthalates - 19/11/2003 [2116]

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amounts to at least 20 MW. Since heat is sold on local markets, the Government makes the assessment that a unilateral inclusion of these installations would not have any impact on the internal market. This is not limited to heating schemes but could include other sectors with a combined capacity of more than 20MW. Sweden has further applied to the Commission to extend the scheme to 119 opt-in installations.

- In **The Netherlands**, 93 installations that would otherwise fall under the scope of the Directive are permitted to remain outside the trading system if they emit less than 25.000 tons of CO₂ per year. The main reason for this is the administrative burden placed on the authorities, leaving only 333 that are covered, accounting for over 90% of national CO₂ emissions.
- The **UK** has also temporarily excluded 63 installations from the scope of the NAP while they are covered by the UK trading scheme until 31 December 2006.

Requirements for affected facilities

- There are basic procedures to follow as a facility which is covered by the scheme, although details may differ slightly between member states. In short, the facility must apply for greenhouse gas (GHG) permit for a given amount of emissions. The facility must then register with the competent authority and open an account (either mandatory, optional or newcomer). Emissions must then be reported and the reports must be verified in order to allow the operator to continue trading in the following year.

- Changing the producers responsible for child resistant packaging and packaging for visually handicapped persons - 01/12/2004 [8024]
- Act on greenhouse gas emissions trading issued - 02/12/2004 [7196]
- Regulation on the use of ladder and trestles - 18/05/2004 [8040]
- Ordinance on greenhouse gas emissions trading issued - 12/12/2004 [8075]

Switzerland

- Parts of Chemicals Act enter into force - 15/12/2000 [7934]
- Ordinance on the import and export of dangerous chemicals adopted - 10/11/2004 [7871]

United Kingdom

- Adopted the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 - 21/12/2004 [7312]
- Adopted amending Regulations on plastic materials and articles that come into contact with food - 21/11/2004 [5374]
- Adopted the Control of Substances Hazardous to Health (Amendment) Regulations 2004 - 20/12/2004 [8039]



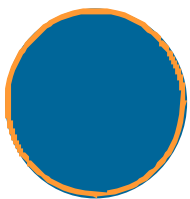
Tsunami Relief

In response to the tsunami disaster, ENHESA has donated €1,890 to the tsunami victims relief fund, doubling staff donations throughout the month of January.

Enhesa works in the region and Indonesia, Thailand and India are among our core countries.

Where to find out more

If you would like further information on how the European emissions trading scheme could affect your operations, please [contact us](#) to find out more.



South America

Argentina

- Further requirements on occupational risk prevention and personnel policy at the workplace - 04/11/2004 [7978]
- National procedure for the evaluation of "Kyoto" clean development projects - 01/11/2004 [7970]
- Restrictions on non-ionizing radiation adopted - 08/11/2004 [7955]
- Import/ export regulations for ozone depleting substances - 17/11/2004 [7954]
- Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome prevention measures adopted - 15/12/2004 [8146]
- Further regulations on trading with halons adopted - 07/12/2004 [5625]
- Further measures for the prevention of fatal accidents adopted - 20/12/2004 [6492]

Brazil

- NR-6 on personal protective equipment amended - 30/11/2004 [4845]
- Amendment to NR-10 on electrical safety adopted - 07/12/2004 [7824]

Chile

- Amendment to Labor Code concerning extra hours payment and temporary work - 18/12/2004 [8174]
- Amendment to Labor Code concerning working hours enters into force - 05/10/2001 [8169]

Costa Rica

- Decree prohibiting the register, import and use of obsolete plaguicides - 22/11/2004 [7949]
- Amendment to transit law concerning control of emissions in vehicles - 30/11/2004 [8139]

Mexico

- Criteria and formats concerning training commissions and training of workers are actualized - 30/12/2004 [8134]
- Regulation on the registry and authorization for import and export of insecticides and hazardous goods - 28/12/2004 [8133]
- Norm concerning design and construction of LPG installations - 02/12/2004 [6291]

- Norm on classification and certification of intermediate bulk containers - 03/12/2004 [7233]
- Cancellation of registration procedure for employers before the Mexican Institute for Social Insurance - 03/11/2004 [7894]
- Norm on requirements for places for disposal of stabilized hazardous waste - 03/11/2004 [6551]
- Norm on cleansing and control of units transporting hazardous materials and waste - 03/12/2004 [7217]

Peru

- Labeling law for industrially manufactured products - 30/11/2004 [7965]
- Safety law for civil aviation includes provisions on transport of dangerous goods - 29/11/2004 [7966]
- Formats for verification of environment, health and safety norms in mining activities updated - 22/12/2004 [7146]
- The Congress approves the Rotterdam Convention - 10/12/2004 [8161]
- Resolution amending legislation for providers of health services for workers - 06/11/2004 [7969]
- Approved Regulation on ecological and economic land zoning - 16/12/2005 [8153]

Puerto Rico

- Environmental Public Policy Law adopted - 22/09/2004 [8170]
- Land use planning law adopted - 03/10/2004 [7947]

Uruguay

- Technical norms on water and soil conservation management adopted - 16/09/2004 [8167]

Venezuela

- Law of approval of the Kyoto Protocol Convention adopted - 22/07/2004 [8123]
- Further restrictions on electromagnetic radiation emissions adopted - 03/11/2004 [7945]
- Law on Solid Waste Management adopted - 21/10/2004 [5480]

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North America



Canada

- Transportation of Dangerous Goods Regulations enter into force - 01/08/2001 [5180]
- Ontario: Drinking water systems regulation adopted - 24/04/2003 [6011]
- Ontario: Regulation 393/04 on waste electronic and electrical equipment - 14/12/2004 [7778]
- Notice requiring the preparation and implementation of pollution prevention plans

for inorganic chloramines and chlorinated wastewater effluents - 04/12/2004 [7957]

- Notice requiring preparation and implementation of pollution prevention plans on nonylphenol (NP) in products - 04/12/2004 [6352]
- Regulations amending the Ozone Depleting Substances Regulations, 1998 - 14/12/2004 [6859]

United States

- EPA Adopts Amending Rule for Phase-Out of

Africa and the Middle East

Egypt

- Adopted Decree Restricting the Import and Manufacturing of Asbestos - 13/12/2004 [8141]
- Adopted Decree Specifying Material Considered as Explosives - 23/11/2004 [8142]

Israel

- Adopted Law for the protection of the coastal environment (2004) - 15/08/2004 [7974]
- Updated Free Import Order (1978) to include imported hazardous substances - 30/03/2004 [8143]

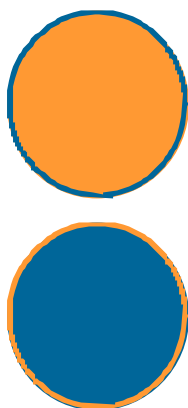
South Africa

- Protected Areas Act 2003 comes into force - 01/11/2004 [7962]
- Designated National Authority appointed to manage Clean Development Mechanism projects under the Kyoto Protocol - 24/12/2004 [8083]
- New maritime security institutions created and new entry requirements imposed on foreign regulated ships - 10/12/2004 [8085]
- National Environmental Management Amendment Act comes into force - 09/07/2004 [7302]

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