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5. Title

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6. Products Concerned

The text of the draft concerns the installation of small tanks for storing petroleum products (e.g. gas oil and domestic fuel). The Ministry with responsibility for Industry is responsible for compiling the technical and safety regulations concerning these.

7. Notification Under Another Act

8. Main Content

The draft text lays down provisions:

- relating to the construction of tanks, and making reference to standards.
- concerning the pipes connecting tanks (for filling up tanks, venting).
- relating to the installation of overhead tanks.
- relating to the installation of tanks in buildings (on the ground floor and in the basement).
- relating to the installation of buried tanks.
- relating to the installation of tanks in a storey of a building and relating to the conditions of provisional storage.
- on commissioning (conformity certificate), use (refilling and maintenance) and scrapping.
- applying to existing installations.

The first part of the text outlines the area of application (small stores in places not open to the public).

Keywords: storage, liquid hydrocarbons, safety

9. Brief Statement of Grounds

The safety and protection of the environment in the case of installations storing petroleum products, such as domestic fuel, are governed by the amended Order of 26 February 1974.

It falls within the jurisdiction of the Minister responsible for Industry to amend this Order, in application of Decree No 62-1297 of 7 November 1962.

The Order of 26 February 1974 is an old text that is difficult to implement and whose application is not subject to

any control. Certain provisions have become obsolete. The current regulation refers to standards that have been cancelled or replaced by European standards.

10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

Amended Decree No 62-1297 of 7 November 1962 regulating the public application of the regulations governing the use and characteristics of petroleum products.

11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure

No

12. Grounds for the Emergency

13. Confidentiality

No

14. Fiscal measures

No

15. Impact assessment

Impact studies

b) The impact assessment is enclosed.

16. TBT and SPS aspects

TBT and SPS aspects (Agreements drawn up within the framework of the WTO)

TBT aspect (Agreement on technical barriers to trade)

Νo

The draft does not have any notable impact on international trade.)

SPS aspect (Agreement on sanitary and phytosanitary measures)

No

The draft does not have any notable impact on international trade.)

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