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Draft decree on the hygiene rules applying to facilities for the distribution of water intended for human consumption.

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2. Member State

France

3. Department Responsible

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3. Originating Department

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4. Notification Number 92/0044/F

5. Title

Draft decree on the hygiene rules applying to facilities for the distribution of water intended for human consumption.

6. Products Concerned

Static public and private facilities for the distribution of water intended for human consumption. Products for the cleaning and disinfection of water distribution facilities. Methods of treating water intended to alter the initial quality of water used in the production of hot water.

7. Notification Under Another Act

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8. Main Content

The draft supplements the regulatory framework laid down by Decree No89-3 of 3January1989 in its amended form as concerning waters intended for human consumption which, more specifically, transposes into national law DirectiveNo80/778/EEC of 15July1980. It defines the rules of hygiene applying to public and private static facilities for the distribution of water intended to guarantee a water at the final point of use which meets European quality requirements.

It gives rise to different types of constraint:

- at facility-design level by laying down targets to be met and introducing a number of general rules to be complied with in order to restrict the introduction of contaminants into water (protection against water backwash, treatment of water in collective dwellings, etc. ...).,

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- at plant maintenance level by defining the regulatory bases for the expansion of maintenance services and the definition of a procedure for the authorization of cleaning and disinfection products.

The implementing orders of which the Commission will be informed following consultation of the Council of State will refer wherever that should prove necessary, to the French standards published by AFNOR which will incorporate the future harmonized standards drawn up by the CEN. That will mainly cover the standards drawn up by CEN/TC164.

9. Brief Statement of Grounds

Apart from the new procedure governing the authorization of



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cleaning and disinfection products and the maintenance rules the provisions of the draft decree are drawn from the current Model Provincial Health Regulation (circular of 9August1978, OJ of 13September1978), as transposed by a prefects order in each French province. The new ArticleL1 of the Public Health Code (amended in 1986) introduces a new legal system based on the publication of Council of State decrees in order to define general hygiene rules and any other measures which are suitable for protecting human health, and in particular water supplies.

10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

ArticleL1 of the Public Health Code.

Decree No89-3 of 3January1989, in its amended form, relating to water intended for human consumption.

Model Provincial Health Regulation (titlel, circular of 9August1978).

11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure NO

12. Grounds for the Emergency

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