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4. Notification Number

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5. Title

Act 1/1999 of 29 January on waste in the Canary Islands.

Act 13/1999 of 17 November amending the fifth transitional provision of Act 1/1999 of 29 January on waste in the Canary Islands.

6. Products Concerned

Waste as defined in point 8 of this notification.

7. Notification Under Another Act

To the Commission within the scope of another Community act:

European Parliament and Council Directive 94/62/EC of 20 December 1994 on packaging and packaging waste.

8. Main Content

The aim of the act is to sort the waste generated or managed within the territory of the Autonomous Community of the Canary Islands in order to safeguard the environment and human health, in accordance with Council Directive 91/156/EEC of 18 March 1991, and within the framework of the base legislation of the Spanish State in the field of the protection of the environment.

The act applies to all classes of waste, meaning any substance or object disposed of by its owner or which its owner intends to or is obliged to throw away, and in all cases, those contained in the European Waste Catalogue, with the exception of waste regulated by its own specific legislation, such as effluent gases emitted into the atmosphere; radioactive waste; waste resulting from the prospecting, extraction, treatment and storage of mining resources and the exploitation of quarries and other types of waste specifically mentioned in article 3 of the act.

The sorting of waste has as its aims, inter alia: the minimisation of waste and the dangers of waste, the promotion of accountability for the generation of waste, the selective collection of waste, the recovery of waste, the prohibition and prevention of uncontrolled dumping of waste, the safe transport and transfer of waste and the self-financing of management costs.

9. Brief Statement of Grounds

The act takes into account the specific nature of the Canaries, the indisputable fact of insularity and the special importance of the service sector to the economy of the Canaries, when addressing the sorting and management of waste in order to achieve its main objectives of minimisation and recovery. The act plans the management on the basis of avoiding prejudice to ecosystems, natural resources and the landscape, using as an essential tool for reaching these objectives the integral waste plans, which will have to set concrete objectives with regard to reduction, recycling and other forms of evaluation and elimination. Each island shall thus have its own guidelines on waste.

10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure No

12. Grounds for the Emergency

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13. Confidentiality No		
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