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The draft Producer Responsibility Obligations (Packaging Waste) Regulations

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5. Title

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6. Products Concerned

Packaging, packaging materials and packaging waste

7. Notification Under Another Act

94/62/EC and 83/189/EC

8. Main Content

- (- based on the principle of producer responsibility and an industry-led approach
- result of close co-operation with industry
- obligation placed on individual businesses and based on the quantity of packaging and packaging materials they handle as a business
- obligation shared across packaging chain: raw packaging material manufacture (6%); conversion (11%); packing and filling (36%) and retailing/selling (47%)
- obligation to consist of tonnages of packaging waste which must be recovered and recycled in line with specified targets
- obligation can be met individually or by joining a scheme
- 50 tonne threshold proposed
- interim tragets proposed
- schemes to be established and run by the private sector
- monitoring and enforcement to be carried out by the Environment Agency and the Scottish Environmental Protection Agency
- household and non-household waste treated in the same way)

9. Brief Statement of Grounds



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Single Market for goods Prevention of Technical Barriers

(The purpose of the regulations is to establish a system for meeting the recovery and recycling targets which is industry-led, provides maximum flexibility and is as efficient as possible. The regulations will therefore establish a framework including numerical targets for the recovery and recycling of packaging waste. It will then be up to industry how they deliver their targets.)

10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

a) Statement of 27 July 1993; Producer Responsibility Group: The PRG Plan real value from packaging waste, November 1994; Producer Responsibility for Packaging Waste - A Consultation Paper, May 1995 and supplementary dated 18 August; Environment Act 1995 sections 93-95; statement of 15 December 1995; statement of 8 February 1996; statement of 7 May 1996.

11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure No

12. Grounds for the Emergency

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13. Confidentiality

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14. Fiscal measures

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