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Draft decree on a common set of symbols informing the consumer about recyclable products subject to a system of extended producer responsibility associated with waste sorting instructions

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Message

Message 002

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No abre el plazo - Nezhajuje odklady - Fristerne indledes ikke - Kein Fristbeginn - Viivituste perioodi ei avata - Καμμία έναρξη προθεσμίας - Does not open the delays - N'ouvre pas de délais - Non fa decorrere la mora - Neietekmē atlikšanu - Atidėjimai nepradedami - Nem nyitja meg a késések - Ma' jiftaħ il-perijodi ta' dawmien - Geen termijnbegin - Nie otwiera opóźnień - Nao inicia o prazo - Neotvorí oneskorenia - Ne uvaja zamud - Määräaika ei ala tästä - Inleder ingen frist - He ce предвижда период на прекъсване - Nu deschide perioadele de stagnare - Nu deschide perioadele de stagnare.

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1. Structured Information Line

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2. Member State

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4. Notification Number

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5. Title

Draft decree on a common set of symbols informing the consumer about recyclable products subject to a system of extended producer responsibility associated with waste sorting instructions

6. Products Concerned

The decree refers to all the recyclable products subject to a system of extended producer responsibility (household packaging, graphic papers, textiles, electric and electronic equipment, batteries, accumulators, furnishings, etc.) associated with waste sorting instructions.

7. Notification Under Another Act

- Other Directive or Regulation:

Directive 98/34/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 22 June 1998 laying down a procedure for the provision of information in the field of technical standards and regulations and of rules on Information Society Services

8. Main Content

The decree provides for the implementation of a common set of symbols made up of at least one marking, informing the customer about recyclable products subject to a system of extended producer responsibility associated with waste sorting instructions. This system is actively involved in the simplification of the waste sorting activity within a larger context regarding the reduction in the quantity of waste for disposal and the increase in recycling, in accordance with the guidelines as laid down in Article 46 of the 2009-967 planning law of 3 of August 2009 on the implementation of the Grenelle Environment Forum.

9. Brief Statement of Grounds

In late 2007, Undertaking 255 of the Grenelle Environment Forum established the collegial intention to set up a common set of symbols on recyclable products, in order to significantly simplify the waste sorting activity by citizens.

Following this undertaking of round table discussions of the 'Grenelle Environment Forum, Article 46 of the 2009-967 planning law of 3 August 2009 on the implementation of the Grenelle Environment Forum stipulates that the "common set of symbols and waste sorting instructions shall be progressively harmonised".

These guidelines were specified by Article 199 of the 2010-788 law of 12 July 2010 on the national commitment to the environment, codified in Article L. 541-10-5 of the Environmental Code, which stipulates that "by no later than 1 January 2012, all recyclable products subject to a system of extended producer responsibility must have a common set of symbols informing the customers that the product is associated to waste sorting instructions". This system shall significantly and durably simplify the waste sorting activity by citizens whatever the waste flow



considered. It therefore actively contributes to improving separate waste collection performance (quantity and quality). It thus forms part of a larger context regarding the reduction in the quantity of waste for disposal and the increase in recycling, in accordance with the guidelines as laid down in Article 46 of the 2009-967 planning law of the 3 August 2009 on the implementation of the Grenelle Environment Forum.

10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

References to reference texts: a) Article 46 of the 2009-967 planning law of 3 August 2009 on the implementation of the Grenelle Environment Forum.

b) Article 199 of the 2010-788 law of 12 of July 2010 on the national commitment to the environment.

c) Article L.541-10-5 of the Environmental Code.

11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure

No

12. Grounds for the Emergency

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13. Confidentiality

No

14. Fiscal measures

No

15. Impact assessment

Yes

16. TBT and SPS aspects

TBT aspect

No – The draft is neither a technical regulation nor an assessment of conformity

NO - The draft has no significant impact on international trade.

SPS aspect

No – The draft is neither a sanitary nor a phytosanitary measure.

NO - The draft has no significant impact on international trade.

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