



Implementation of the Basel Convention in Vietnam



**Vietnam Environment Administration (VEA)
Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment (MoNRE)**

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1. Collaboration with General Department of Vietnam Custom

- On 18/4/2013 Vietnam Environment Administration (VEA) and General Department of Vietnam Customs signed Regulations No 01/QCLN-TCMT-TCHQ in co-ordination of environmental protection between two General Departments to manage the export and import goods.
- Registration procedures for transboundary movement of hazardous wastes: the Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment (VEA) coordinated with the Ministry of Finance (General Department of Vietnam Customs) to implement hazardous waste export procedures, applying “national single window system“ in 2016.

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VietNam National Single Window

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THÔNG BÁO

- Chính thức triển khai theo cơ chế một cửa quốc gia đối với 02 thủ tục "Cấp chứng thư cho lô hàng thủy sản xuất khẩu tại cơ sở nằm trong danh sách ưu tiên" và thủ tục "Kiểm tra, cấp chứng thư số cho lô hàng thủy sản xuất khẩu sản xuất tại cơ sở nằm ngoài Danh sách ưu tiên" từ 01/04/2016.
- Thông báo về việc sử dụng chữ ký số

Danh sách thủ tục

- Đăng ký xuất khẩu chất thải nguy hại
- Đăng ký nhập khẩu Polyol HCFC-141B
- Đăng ký xuất khẩu HCFC
- Xác nhận đăng ký nhập khẩu các chất HCFC để Bộ Công Thương cấp phép

Tài khoản

Mật khẩu

Đăng ký

1. Tên thủ tục

Đăng ký xuất khẩu chất thải nguy hại

2. Tài liệu đi kèm thủ tục

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3. Thông tin thủ tục

Bản quyền thuộc về Tổng cục Hải Quan
Địa chỉ: Lô E3 - Đường Dương Đình Nghệ, Phường Yên Hòa, Quận Cầu Giấy, TP. Hà Nội

Picture 1. Portal of Vietnam National Single Window of transboundary movement of HW registration procedures <https://vnsw.gov.vn>

- Every year, Vietnam Environment Administration (CAs in Vietnam):
 - Organize workshop and invite participants from customs to raise awareness of Basel Convention in Vietnam
 - Travel to different provinces to work with local Customs to compile data regarding the illegal importation of waste, scrap into Vietnam, also to explain the regulations related to Basel Convention
 - Survey at sea ports regarding illegal shipments...

2. Intelligent sharing

- Through email, any time when receiving information of suspicious shipment of waste into Vietnam, VEA will immediately inform customs, Environment Police to check and prevent illegal shipment.
- Receiving the information of Hong Kong on an illegal HW transboundary movement and notifying the case to the customs to solve.
- Frequently communicate with RILO, WCO, BAN.....
- Exchanging information with CAs in other countries, through seminars and training courses abroad,

3. Communication with CAs country/regions

- Exchange of information with the BC Competent Authorities (Hong Kong, China, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Oman, Djibouti, Egypt, Greece, Italy, Spain, Portugal, United Kingdom, Belgium, the Netherlands Germany, France, Switzerland and Canada) to notify of HW transboundary movements.
- The countries responded the notify quickly and obviously:
Countries which joins the Asian Network
- The countries that take time to receive the response: other countries
- Difficulties in exporting hazardous waste to non-BC countries, such as the United States or Taiwan (China).
- The Dutch approval of waste transit was answered automatically, making it difficult to explain the export activity.

Response from Korea

Yeongsan River Basin Environmental Office

Environmental Management Division

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Gwangju-City, Republic of Korea

VIETNAM ENVIRONMENT ADMINISTRATION(VEA)



Date : Oct. 11st, 2017

Ref : EMD - 5739

**Subject : Reply to the Notification(06/2017/VN-VEA) on
the Transboundary Movement of Wastes from
VIETNAM to Republic of KOREA**

Dear Sir/Madam,

On behalf of the Minister of Environment of the Republic of Korea, We are replying to the request for consent on the transboundary movement of hazardous wastes.

We will allow the import of EAF Dust(Quantity 50,000ton) from Kim Phuc Ha co.,Ltd to GSDK Co.,Ltd(Validity period of multiple shipments is 12months from 11/10/2017 to 10/10/2018) on the condition that you comply with the Basel Convention, Article 4(General Obligations).

Sincerely yours,

Chief of Environmental Management Division,

Yeongsan River Basin Environmental Office

Response from Singapore



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2 Oct 2017

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VIETNAM
Attn: Nguyen Thuong Hien

Dear Sir/Mdm

NOTIFICATION ON THE IMPORT OF 300 TONNES OF ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT CONTAINING HAZARDOUS COMPONENTS FROM VIETNAM TO SINGAPORE FOR RECYCLING UNDER THE BASEL CONVENTION ON THE CONTROL OF TRANSBOUNDARY MOVEMENT OF HAZARDOUS WASTES AND THEIR DISPOSAL
M/s Zoma Service Trading Co., Ltd (07/2017/VN-VEA)

I refer to your letter dated 14 Sep 2017 for the above notification.

- 2 We have in-principle no objection to the import of 300 tonnes of electrical & electronic equipment containing hazardous components from Vietnam to Singapore provided that import permit is issued to M/s Cimelia Resource Recovery Pte Ltd for the above notification.
- 3 We will issue a Basel Import Permit to M/s Cimelia Resource Recovery Pte Ltd for the import application. Thank you.

Yours faithfully,

DARREN KOH (Mr)
for DIRECTOR
POLLUTION CONTROL DEPARTMENT
NATIONAL ENVIRONMENT AGENCY
REPUBLIC OF SINGAPORE

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Response from Japan



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DATE: September 18, 2015
REF: EWI/15091810



Director
Waste Management and Environment Improvement Department
Vietnam Environment Administration
Socialist Republic of Viet Nam
The Competent Authority of the State of Export

Subject: Notice of Consent to the Transboundary Movements of Hazardous Wastes
from Socialist Republic of Viet Nam to Japan
(Notification No. 03/2015/VN-VEA)

Dear Sir/Madam,

On behalf of the Minister of the Environment, Government of Japan, I would like to inform you of the official consent to the proposed transboundary movements of hazardous wastes, notified by the Waste Management and Environment Improvement Department Vietnam Environment Administration, Socialist Republic of Viet Nam, with the letter dated June 14, 2015 (Notification No. 03/2015/VN-VEA), in accordance with the Basel Convention on the Control of Transboundary Movements of Hazardous Wastes and Their Disposal, as follows:

Waste description: Waste-Printed Circuit Board
Electronic wastes, include Mobile Phone (E-waste)
Quantity: 600,000kg
Limit of Validity: September 2, 2016

*1/2 - Que accepté par
- le HANOI KUNN*

[Signature]
1.10.15

Sincerely yours,

Seiji TSUTSUI
Director
Office for Waste Disposal Management,
Ministry of the Environment,
Government of Japan,
The Competent Authority of the State of Import

Response from the Netherlands

FW: [VN082017VNVEA] Doorvoerkennisgeving / transit notification

EVOA [EVOA@iLent.nl]

Đã gửi: 21 Tháng Mười Một 2017 9:28 CH

Đến: baselvn

Geachte heer, mevrouw,
Dear Sir, Madam,

Hierbij deelt de Inspectie Leefomgeving en Transport u mee de kennisgeving te hebben ontvangen.
Herewith the Human Environment and Transport Inspectorate informs you of the receipt of the notification.

Inspectie Leefomgeving en Transport geeft behoudens deze email geen schriftelijke toestemming of een gestempeld kennisgevingsdocument af voor doorvoerkennisgevingen door Nederland. De overbrenging mag plaatsvinden zodra de betrokken bevoegde autoriteiten toestemming hebben verleend en gedurende de periode aangegeven in vak 6 van het kennisgevingsdocument.

Apart from this e-mail the Human Environment and Transport Inspectorate doesn't provide a written consent or a stamped notification document for transit notifications through the Netherlands. The shipment may commence as soon as the involved competent authorities have given their consent and during the period indicated in box 6 of the notification document.

Een kopie van deze e-mail dient bij elk transport beschikbaar te aanwezig te zijn.
Alle transportmeldingen dienen te worden verstuurd naar faxnummer +31 (0)88 602 9051.
A copy of this e-mail should be present with each shipment subject to this notification. Movement documents must be sent to fax number +31 (0)88 602 9051.

Voor meer informatie kunt u de Inspectie Leefomgeving en Transport, afdeling EVOA bereiken via telefoonnummer 088 489 0000, of door deze e-mail te beantwoorden of door een bezoek te brengen aan onze website op www.ilent.nl/evoa.
For further information you can contact the Human Environment and Transport Inspectorate by telephone at +31 88 489 0000, by replying to this e-mail or visit our website www.ilent.nl/tfg.

Hoogachtend,
Yours faithfully,

Deze e-mail is automatisch gegenereerd en daarom niet ondertekend.
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Inspectie Leefomgeving & Transport (ILT)
Domein Afval, Industrie en Bedrijven
Vergunningverlening Afval, Industrie en Bedrijven / EVOA

Bezwaar
Het kan zijn dat u het niet eens bent met dit besluit. Tegen deze beslissing kunt u binnen een termijn van zes weken na dagtekening een bezwaarschrift indienen. Het bezwaarschrift moet minimaal bevatten: - naam en adres indiener; - dagtekening; - omschrijving van het besluit waartegen het bezwaar is gericht; - gronden van het bezwaar; - uw handtekening. Het bezwaarschrift kan worden gestuurd naar het volgende adres: Inspectie Leefomgeving en Transport, Postbus 16191, 2500 BD Den Haag, onder vermelding van "bezwaar" op de enveloppe en op het bezwaarschrift.

Is er sprake van onverwijlde spoed? Dan kunt u de Raad van State verzoeken om een voorlopige voorziening te treffen. Meer informatie over de voorlopige voorziening vindt u op www.rechtspraak.nl.

Objection
It may be that you disagree with this decision. You can lodge an objection against the decision within six weeks of the date of this decision. The objection should at least include: - name and address of the submitter; - date; - description of the decision against which the appeal is made; - grounds for the objection; - your signature. The objection may be sent to the following address: Inspectie Leefomgeving en Transport, afdeling Juridische Zaken, Postbus 16191, 2500 BD Den Haag, Nederland, stating "bezwaar" on the envelope and on the objection.

If there is a sense of urgency? Then you can ask the Raad van State to take a preliminary injunction. More information about the preliminary injunction can be found at www.rechtspraak.nl

Response from Canada



Environment
Canada

Environnement
Canada

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FAXED

20 June 2012 / 20 juin 2012

IMPORT PERMIT FOR HAZARDOUS RECYCLABLE MATERIAL

Issued Under Subparagraph 185(1)(b)(i) of the *Canadian Environmental Protection Act, 1999*

PERMIS D'IMPORTATION POUR MATIÈRES RECYCLABLES DANGEREUSES

Délivré en vertu du sous-alinéa 185(1)(b)(i) de la *Loi canadienne sur la protection de l'environnement (1999)*

File Number / No. de dossier : 12/00552/TDG

Environment Canada has received confirmation from the authorities of British Columbia that they have authorized the recycling of the hazardous recyclable materials described below.

This import permit is issued to Toxco Waste Management Ltd. in accordance with subparagraph 185(1)(b)(i) of the *Canadian Environmental Protection Act, 1999* (CEPA, 1999) for the import of the hazardous recyclable materials described below into British Columbia, Canada.

This import permit is valid for the period of 20 June 2012 to 19 June 2013.

Environnement Canada a reçu la confirmation que les autorités de la Colombie Britannique autorisent le recyclage des matières recyclables dangereuses décrites ci-dessous.

Ce permis d'importation est délivré à Toxco Waste Management Ltd. en vertu du sous-alinéa 185(1)(b)(i) de la *Loi canadienne sur la protection de l'environnement (1999)* (LCPE (1999)) pour l'importation des matières recyclables dangereuses décrites ci-dessous vers la Colombie Britannique, Canada.

Ce permis d'importation est valide pour la période du 20 juin 2012 au 19 juin 2013.

4. Guidance on distinguishing waste from non-waste

The Law on Environmental Protection 2014

❖ Terms of scrap and waste

- Scraps mean products and materials discarded during the process of production or consumption which are recovered for use as production materials.

- Wastes are substances discharged from production, business, services, daily life or other activities (Vietnam differentiates between wastes and scrap materials)

- Hazardous waste (HW) mean wastes containing elements that are toxic, radioactive, inflammable, explosive, abrasive, contagious, poisonous or otherwise harmful.

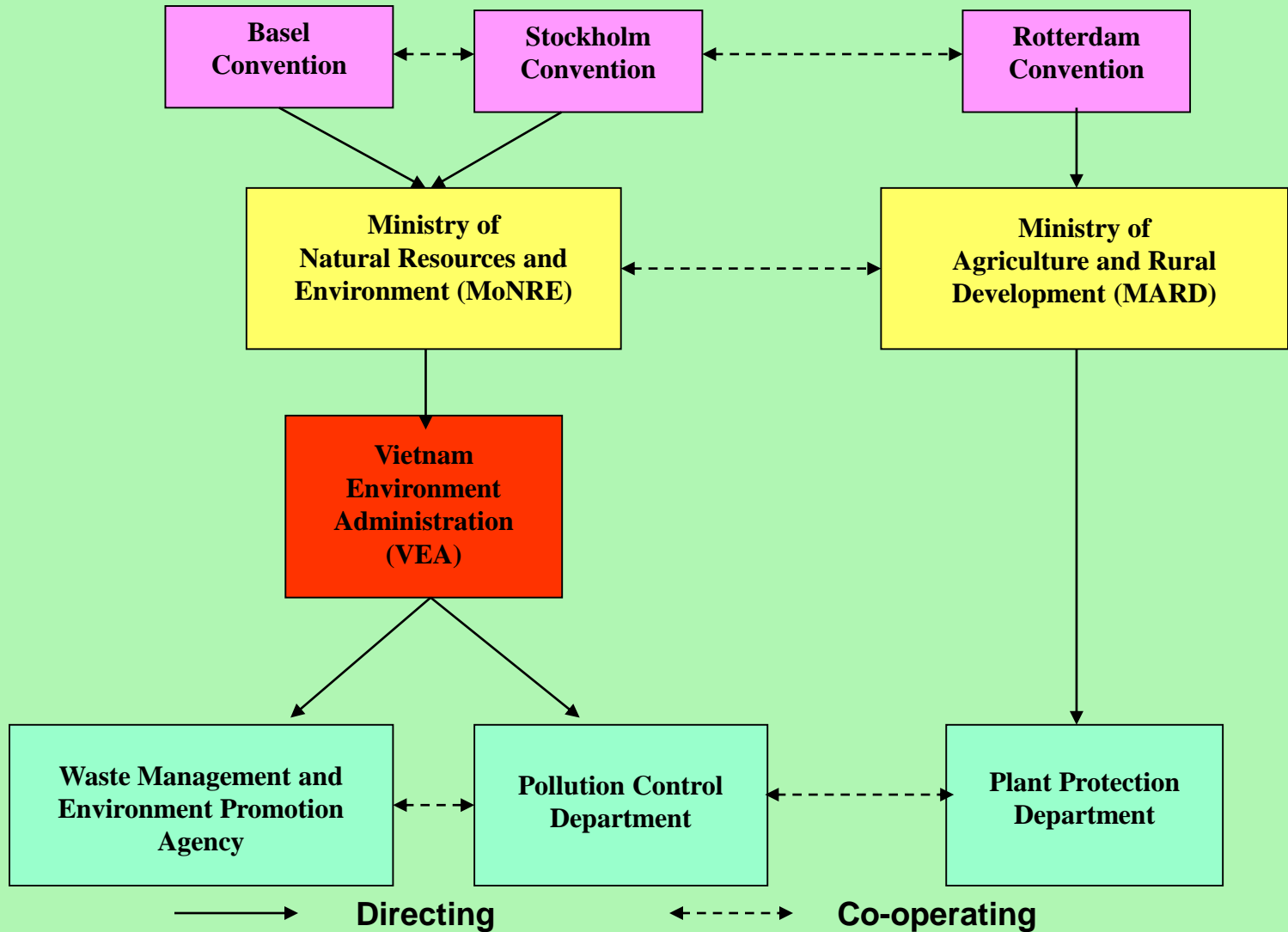
- No further guidance to distinguish waste from non-waste

❖ Article 7: Acts to be strictly prohibited

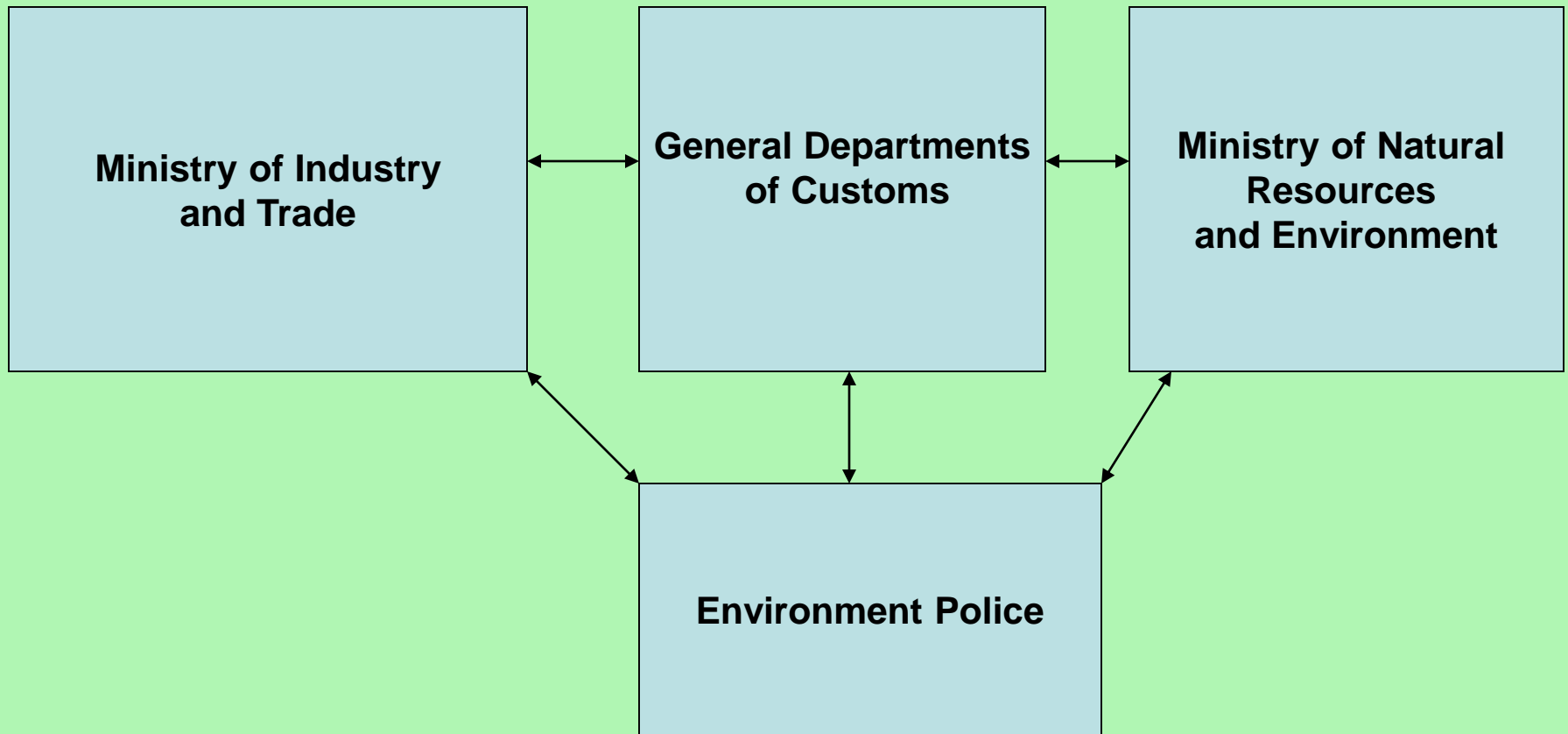
- Importing and transiting wastes from abroad in any form.

5. Basel procedure in Vietnam

Background Competent Authority and Focal Point of the Conventions in Vietnam

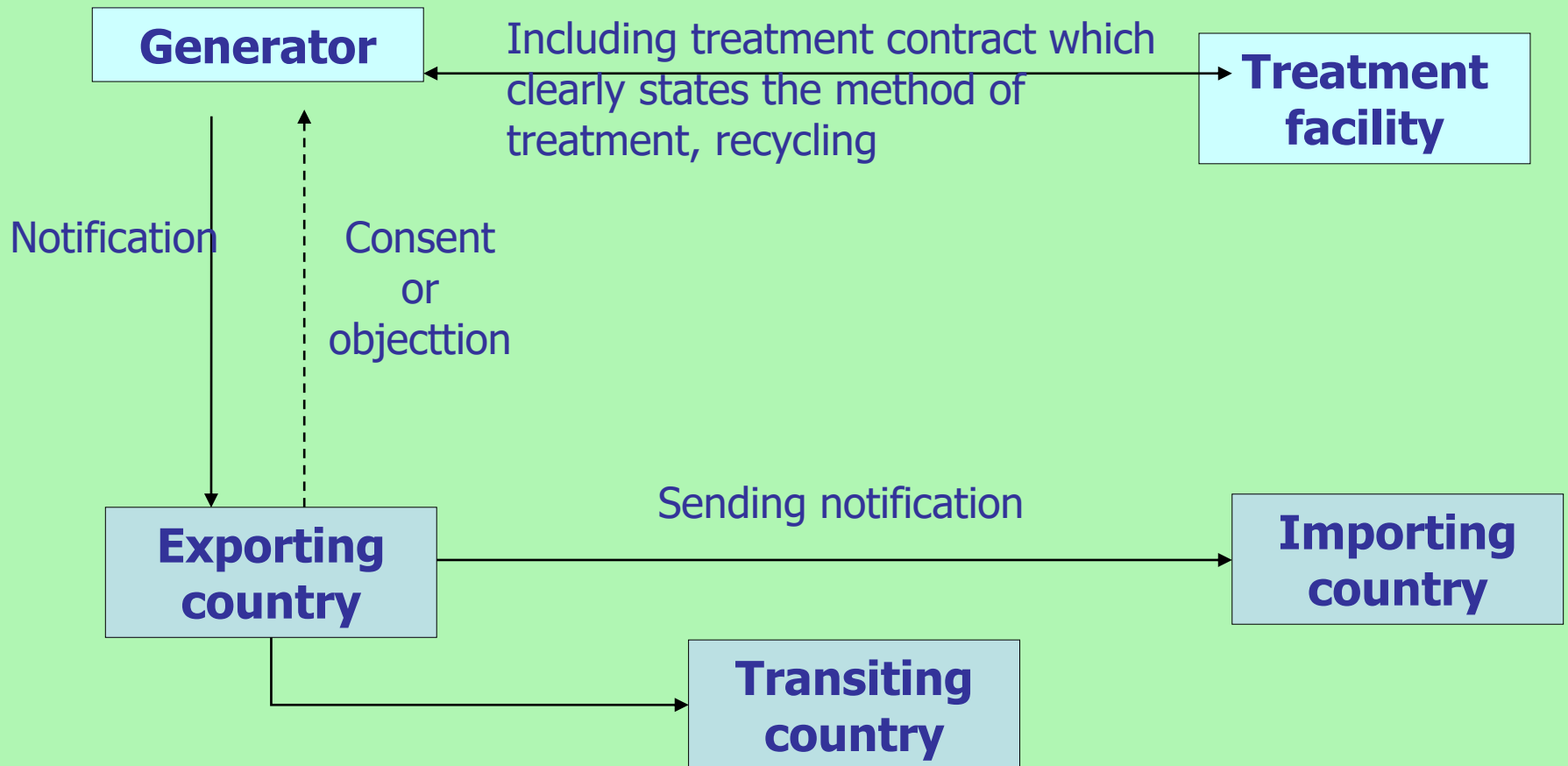


Agencies involved in control of transboundary movement of waste in Vietnam



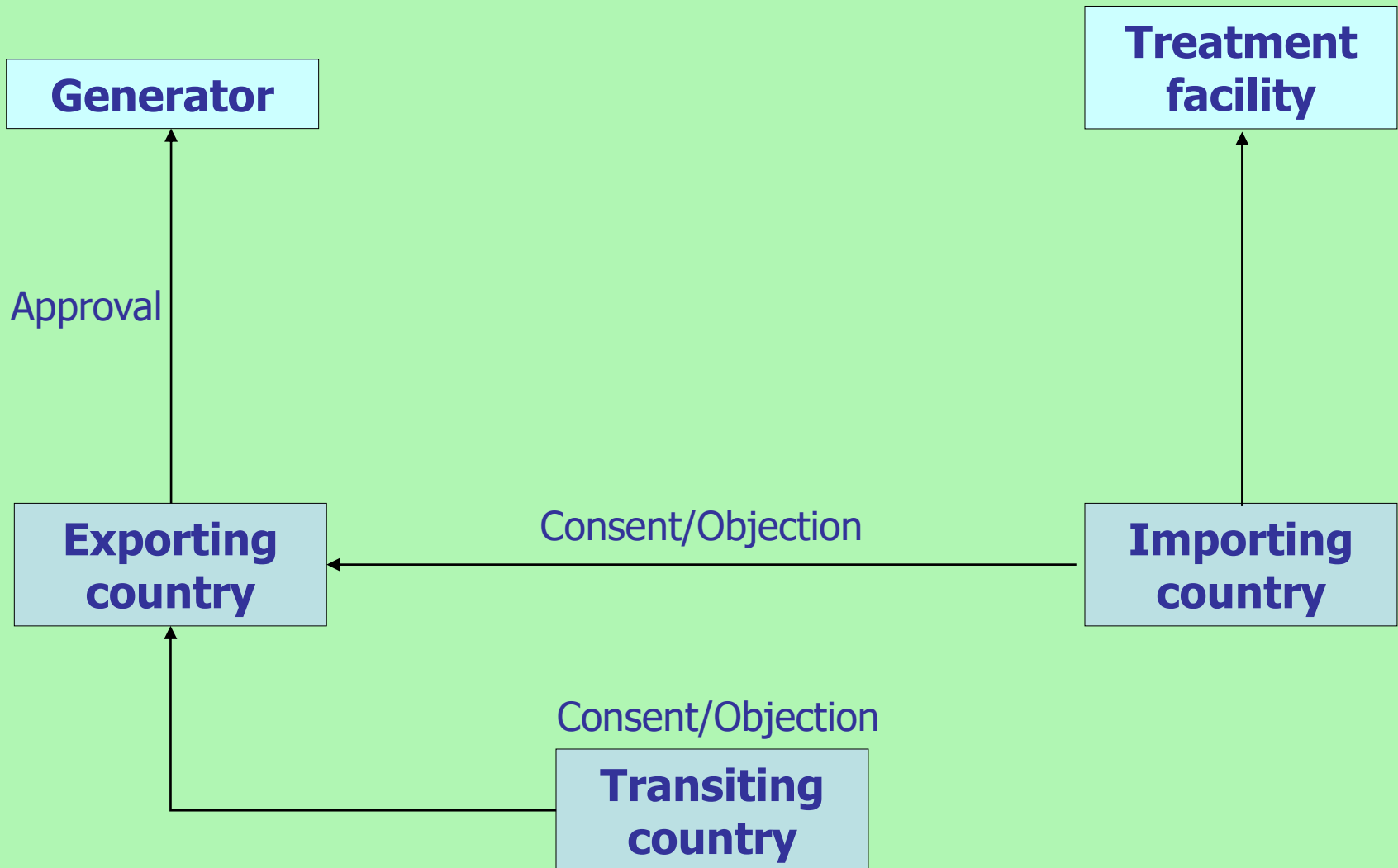
Exporting procedures

Step 1: Notification



Exporting procedures (cont.)

Step 2: Approval



Apply for HW exportation

- Generator/exporter submits to Vietnam Environment Administration (VEA) 01 dossier in Vietnamese and 02 dossiers in English in hard copy and in electronic versions.
- VEA sends the notification to CA in exporting country and transiting country
- VEA issues approvals for exporter when receive the consent from importing/transiting countries
- Exporter prepares movement documents and carry out transboundary movement

6. Some illegal shipments

Through surveys and reports from provinces with seaports show that the number of illegal scrap import for the period 2014-2015 has tended to be lower than to previous years, but still complicated, which emerged as issues of e-waste smuggling and backlog of waste rubber tires at the seaports in Viet Nam (2.443 containers of waste rubber tires in Hai Phong port).

According to the statistics of Hai Phong Department of Customs from 01/01/2015 - 31/7/2016: 41 cases of violation on importing of waste/scrap and re-exporting 16 cases.

No.	Name of company	Time	Violation goods	Behavior	Penalize
1	Công ty CPTM Thái Hưng	2015	Steel scrap	Do not meet the conditions as prescribed by law	Fine, forced re-exporting
2	Công ty TNHH Ripe Việt Nam	2015	Scrap		
3	Công ty TNHH Ripe Việt Nam,	2015	Scrap		
4	Công ty TNHH MTV Phúc hoàng	2015	Plastic scrap		
5	Công ty CP Hòa Chấn	2015	Plastic scrap		
6	Công ty CP Covina	2015	Steel scrap		
7	Công ty TNHH Golden Mile	2015	Steel scrap		
8	Công ty Biển xanh	2015	Rubber scrap		
9	Công ty CP Vinalines Logistics VN	2015	Hazardous waste	Import of hazardous waste	Fine, forced re-exporting

No.	Name of company	Time	Violation goods	Behavior	Penalize
10	Công ty TNHH Thương mại quốc tế Hoàng Sơn	2015	Scrap	Do not meet the conditions as prescribed by law	Fine, forced re-exporting
11	Công ty CP Thép Việt - Ý	2015	Steel scrap	Misinformation	Fine
12	Công ty TNHH Một thành viên Thép Hòa Phát	2015	Steel scrap		
13	Công ty TNHH Đông Á	2015	Paper scrap		
14	Công ty TNHH Sản xuất và Thương mại tổng hợp Hưng Thành	2015	Plastic scrap		
15	Công ty TNHH H.A	2015	Plastic scrap		
16	Công ty TNHH H.A	2015	Steel scrap		
17	Công ty TNHH Phương Nghĩa	2015	Plastic scrap		

No.	Name of company	Time	Violation goods	Behavior	Penalize
18	Công ty TNHH Phương Nghĩa	2015	Plastic scrap	Misinformation	Fine
19	Công ty TNHH Phương Nghĩa	2015	Plastic scrap		
20	Công ty TNHH Phương Nghĩa	2015	Plastic scrap		
21	Công ty TNHH Phương Nghĩa	2015	Plastic scrap		
22	Công ty TNHH Phương Nghĩa	2015	Plastic scrap		
23	Công ty TNHH Một thành viên Phúc Hoàng	2015	Plastic scrap		
24	Công ty TNHH Sản Xuất và Gia công Nhựa Nội Lợi	2015	Plastic scrap		
26	Công ty TNHH Ripe Lawn VN	2015	Plastic scrap	Do not meet the conditions as prescribed by law	Fine, forced re-exporting
27	Cty TNHH Thép đặc biệt SHENGLI VN	2015	Steel scrap	Misinformation	Fine

No.	Name of company	Time	Violation goods	Behavior	Penalize
28	Công ty TNHH Thương Mại và Dịch vụ Xuất nhập khẩu Liên Minh	2015	Plastic scrap	Misinformation	Fine
29	Công ty CPTM Thái Hưng	2015	Steel scrap	Do not meet the conditions as prescribed by law	Fine, forced re-exporting
30	Công ty TNHH MTV Thép Hòa Phát	2015	Steel scrap		
31	Công ty TNHH MTV Phúc Hoàng	2015	Plastic scrap		
32	Công ty CP Hòa Chấn	2015	Waste fabric	Import of ban goods	Fine
33	Công ty CP TM XNK Thuận Phong	2015	E-waste		Fine
34	Công ty TNHH Hoàng Giáp	2015	Plastic scrap and e-waste		Fine, forced re-exporting
35	Công ty TNHH Đầu tư Thương mại và Dịch vụ Hà Vy	2016	Plastic scrap	Misinformation	Fine

No.	Name of company	Time	Violation goods	Behavior	Penalize
36	Công ty TNHH Thương mại Mạnh Toàn Quân	2016	Plastic scrap	Misinformation	Fine
37	Công ty TNHH Hà Minh Viễn	2016	Plastic scrap		
38	Công ty TNHH Một thành viên Thép Hòa Phát	2016	Steel scrap		
39	Công ty TNHH Một thành viên Trần Phát	2016	Giấy phế liệu		
40	Công ty TNHH Thương mại và Dịch vụ Xuất nhập khẩu Liên Minh	2016	Plastic scrap		
41	Công ty TNHH Thương mại và Dịch vụ Xuất nhập khẩu Liên Minh	2016	Plastic scrap		

Statistics on the number of violations on import scrap from 2010-2016

Source: Environmental Police Division of Hai Phong City

Year	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Number of cases	13	12	6	6	02	01	0
Number of violation container	-	80	85	57	7	-	
Results	-	Administrative fines of 317.7 million VND and re-exporting 65 containers	Administrative fine of 80.5 million VND	Administrative fine of 18 million VND, re-exporting 25 containers, destroying 12 containers, confiscating 9 paper containers	fine of 30 million VND and re-exporting 7 containers	-	

Inspecting 01 container
contained electronic
components of Hoang Giap
Production and Trading
Company Limited



Inspecting 2 import
containers of An Hoa
Trading Service Import
Export Co., Ltd (Binh
Chanh, Ho Chi Minh City),
customs declaration is
charcoal from Malaysia



On 03/01/2017, at the port of Phuoc Long - Thu Duc, the customs inspection team carried out a search of 4 imported scrap containers of CEM Joint Stock Company. All the goods in the containers are e-waste in the list of goods banned from import.



These e-waste containers were imported from Hong Kong and the USA to Phuoc Long Port, Viet Nam.



A shipment of refrigerating and electronic household appliances was seized by the Customs at the Tan Cang - Cai Mep International Port in October, 2017.





Thank you for your attention!

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