

Notification of Department of Industrial Works

Re: Condition imposed on import permission of chemical wastes, listed hazardous substances, into the Kingdom of Thailand

According to the Ministerial Notification regarding the list of hazardous substances B.E. 2538 issued by the virtue of section 18 of the Hazardous Substance Act B.E. 2535, chemical wastes have been designated as type 3 hazardous substances which its producer, importer, exporter, or possessor must obtain a permit from the competent authority prior to conducting such activities, in order to prevent potential danger to persons, animals, plants, properties, or the environment. By the virtue of Article 17 of Chapter 3 of the Ministerial Regulation (B.E. 2537), issues pursuant to the Hazardous Substance Act B.E. 2535, Department of Industrial Work hereby announces the conditions imposed on the applicant for a permit to import chemical wastes into the Kingdom of Thailand as follows:

1. Imported chemical wastes that are designated as hazardous substances are permitted to be used as a raw material in a factory only. Its import for commercial purposes (e.g. sell or distribute) is prohibited.
2. Sample of chemical wastes in question must be submitted to the competent authority in sufficient quantity, including the photograph showing its container.
3. The applicant shall submit a yearly plan of importing chemical wastes to Department of Industrial Works. In such plan, please at least specify,
 - 3.1 Name of chemical wastes, or chemical and physical compositions.
 - 3.2 Source of chemical wastes generation and production process of a factory that is a generator of such chemical wastes.
 - 3.3 Production process of a factory that uses chemical wastes in its production, including the amount used in the production process.
 - 3.4 Type of additives used with chemical waste before applied into the production process.
 - 3.5 Type of goods produced from chemical wastes and it produced quantity.
 - 3.6 Environmental management system and safety policy in a factory.
4. The applicant shall install waste disposal system for residues arising from production process in which such chemical wastes are used.

5. If an import of such chemical waste must be in compliance with other law, the applicant shall submit the document showing approval from such authority.
6. Department of Industrial Works only permits the import of chemical waste in the amount that is indispensable to a factory and not exceeding the installed capacity of the production process.
7. Department of Industrial Works only permits the import of chemical waste from the country that has ratified to the Basel Convention.
8. The applicant shall notify information or present documentation relating to such chemical wastes as permitted to the competent authority at least 15 days prior to importing such chemical waste. The information needs to be notified are as follows:
 - 8.1 Imported quantity and actual packaging or container.
 - 8.2 Copy of a permit to export or verified documentation of the permission to export from the country of origin.
 - 8.3 Official letter to endorse the origin of such chemical wastes from the competent authority or the embassy of the country of origin.
 - 8.4 Invoice or Bill of lading.
 - 8.5 Name of the customs port and anticipated date of arrival. If available, please include documentation relating to its transportation, storage, and disposal.

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