



Vietnam Green Label and Green Public Procurement in Vietnam

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- Founded in 2009 by Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment
- Objectives: Enhancing sustainable use of natural resources and environmental protection by encouraging patterns of environmental-friendly production and consumption certified by the Vietnam Government
- Standards based on LCA, focus on pollution control through production to disposal of products





























Organisation Structure



Minister of Natural Resource & Environment (MONRE)

- > Approving Standard Development Plans
- **➢Promulgating Standards**
- **▶**Giving Certification
- >Monitoring using Ecolable

Technical Commission (TC)

(formed by VEA-MONRE)

- >Surveying demands and market
- **➤ Drafting Standards**
- >Assessing technical issues of ecolabeling documents

Ecolabel Consulting Council (ECC)

(formed by MONRE)

- > Defining the product/service category
- > Revising draft standards



Ecolabeling Office

(formed by MONRE)

- > Receiving ecolabeling documents
- **▶**Fulfilling logistic for TC and ECC
- > Drafting Standard Development Plans
- >Conducting communication
- **▶** Consulting Stakeholders



Standard development Process



Defining the product/service category by Ecolabel Consulting Council

Drafting standards by Technical Commission

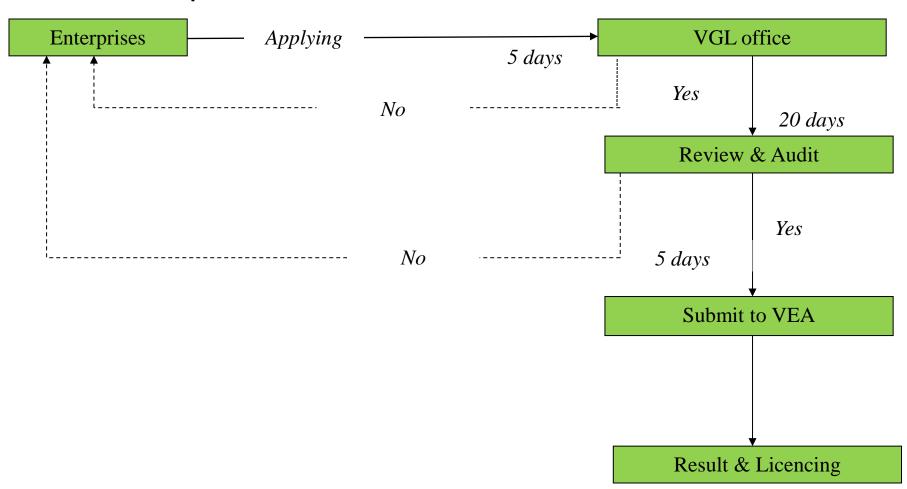
Consulting standards by Stakeholders (enterprises, consumers, experts)

Revising draft standards by Ecolabel Consulting Council

Promulgating standards by Minister of Environment and Natural Resources



Certification process



























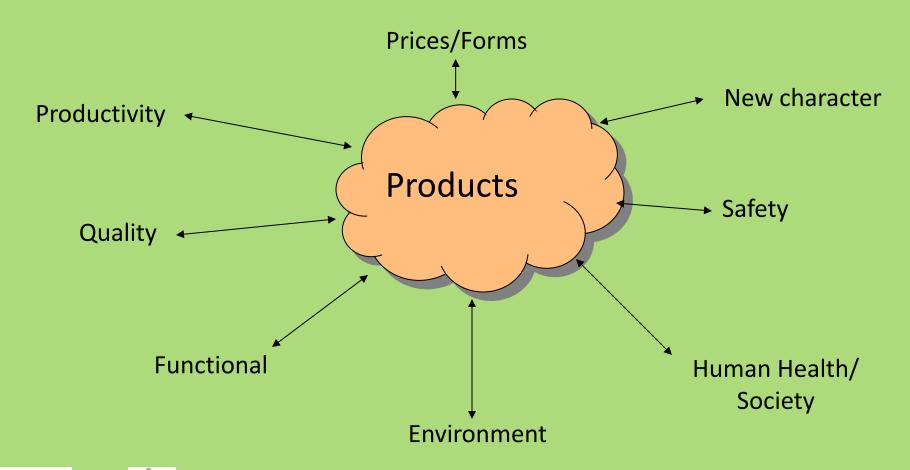








Audit requirements



































Active Standards (14): Paper office, batteries, architectural coating products, printers, laptops, ceramic building materials, hair care products, solid soap, powder laundry detergent, hand dishwashing detergents, biodegradable plastic shopping bag, synthetic paper food packaging, fluorescent lamp, toner cartridge































Certificated products

Fluorescent bulbs of Dien Quang Lamp Joint Stock Company (46)

for construction of Jotun Paint Vietnam Co,

Printers of Fuji Xerox Asia Pacific Pte Ltd. (02) Tide Laundry Detergent of Procter & Gramble. Co (01)































Green Public Procurement

- * Prime Minister's Decision on Approving national strategy on Green growth (2012):
- Boosting ecolabelling and public communicating on environmental-friendly products.
- Studying to promulgate regulations on green public expenditure, including investment expenditure and recurrent expenditure of the state budget must prioritize the procurement and use of eco-labeled goods, goods capable of recycling.































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* Law on Environmental Protection 2014:

- Article 44. Eco-friendly production and consumption
- 1. Agencies, organizations, family households or individuals shall be responsible to manufacture and consume eco-friendly products and services.
- 2. The Head of state budget-funded institutions shall bear their responsibility for preferring eco-friendly products and services that have been recognized as ecolabels under legal regulations.
- 3. The Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment shall direct and cooperate with communications agencies in performing the advertisement and promotion activities for such eco-friendly products and services.
- * Decree guiding in details the implementation of some articles of LEP 2014
- Developing specific regulations on Green public procurement in Vietnam































Green Public Procurement

* Difficulties

- Awareness
- Economic crisis
- Few of eco-certified products
- Multi ministries involve

* Ways forwards:

- **GEN** members
- Mutual recognization between Vietnam Green Label Office and other ecolabelling orgs.
- Policy on green public procurement





























