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Content :	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Chapter 1 General Priciples</b></p> <p>This Act is formulated to prevent harm from environmental agents, preserve</p> <p>Article human health, and protect the environment.</p> <p>1</p> <p>Article “Competent authority” as referred to in this Act means the</p> <p>2 Environmental Protection Administration, Executive Yuan, at the central government level, the municipal government in special municipalities and the county or city government in counties or cities.</p>

Article 3 The matters designated as the responsibility of the central competent authority

- I. Planning, drafting, supervision and implementation of national environmental agents control policies, programs and plans
- II. Implementation, drafting, deliberation and interpretation of environmental agents control laws and regulations
- III. Environmental agents control research, development and public awareness
- IV. Training and management of national environmental agents control personnel
- V. Supervision of national environmental agents control work
- VI. Coordination or implementation of national environmental agents control work
- VII. International cooperation and technology exchanges in the area of environmental agents control
- VIII. Other matters related to national environmental agents management.

Article 4 The responsibilities of special municipality, county and city competent authorities are as follows:

- I Planning and implementation of environmental agents control action programs and plans under jurisdiction.
- II. Implementation of environmental agents control laws and regulations, and drafting, interpretation and implementation of environmental agents control laws and regulations under jurisdiction.
- III. Environmental agents control research, development and public awareness.
- IV. Environmental agents control statistics compilation and reporting tasks under jurisdiction.
- V. Other environmental agents control matters under jurisdiction.

Article 5 The terms used in this Act are defined as follows.

- I. "Environmental agents" means the following types of chemical agents or microbial preparations used for environmental sanitation and pollution control, and which are distinguished as technical grade environmental agents, general use environmental agents, and restricted use environmental agents in accordance with use concentration and method of use:
  1. Pesticides, miticides, rodenticides, bactericides/fungicides used for environmental sanitation, and other chemical agents used against organisms injurious to environmental sanitation.
  2. Synthetic chemical agents used to prevent air, water, or soil pollution, or treat waste, and that have been officially announced by the central competent authority.
  3. Microbial preparations produced from natural or artificially-modified microbe organisms or their metabolic products, and used to control air pollution, water pollution, or soil pollution, treat waste, or control environmental sanitation disease vectors.
  4. Other environmental agents officially announced and designated by the central competent authority.
- II. "Technical grade environmental agents" means active

component raw materials used to manufacture or process general use environmental agents and restricted use environmental agents.

III. "General use environmental agents" means those environmental agents that are used in a simple manner, are manufactured or processed from technical grade environmental agents, and contain amounts of active components within the limits designated and officially announced by the central competent authority.

IV. "Restricted use environmental agents" means those environmental agents that are manufactured or processed from technical grade environmental agents and shall be used in conjunction with safety protection measures, or other chemical agents designated by the central competent authority.

V. "Environmental agent manufacturing enterprises" means those enterprises engaged in the manufacture, processing, or packaging of environmental agents, the export, wholesale, or retail sales of self-produced products, and the import of technical grade environmental agents for self-use.

VI. "Environmental agent vendors" means those enterprises engaged in the import, export, wholesale, and retail sale of environmental agents. However, this term does not include wholesale suppliers and retailers of general use environmental agents.

VII. "Pest control operators" means those enterprises engaged in the control of pests and disease vectors such as insects, mites, and rodents, or in disinfection for environmental and sanitary purposes.

Unless other regulations of this Act apply, those environmental agents manufacturing enterprises referred to in Subparagraph 5 of the foregoing paragraph that are engaged in the export, wholesale, or retail sale of self-made products shall be subject to relevant regulations for environmental agents vendors.

Article 6 The counterfeit environmental agents referred to in this Act mean those environmental agents to which one of the following circumstances apply:

I. Unauthorized manufacturing, processing or import without central competent authority authorization.

II. Contains intermixed domestic and foreign products or mutual substituted domestic and foreign products without change of packaging.

III. Alteration or change of validity period markings.

IV. The active components are not consistent with approved items. The validity period labeling referred to Subparagraph 3 of the foregoing paragraph means manufacturing dates, batch numbers and expiration dates stated on the labels of environmental agents.

Article 7 The prohibited environmental agents referred to in this Act mean environmental agents containing components whose manufacture, processing, import, export, sale, or use has been officially announced as prohibited by the central competent authority.

Article 8 The inferior quality environmental agents referred to in this Act mean those environmental agents to which one of the following circumstances applies:

I. The addition or modification of coloring agents, preservatives, fragrances, solvents or excipients without central competent authority authorization.

II. The active component content does not comply with allowable error standards.

III. Has exceeded the validity period.

#### **Chapter 2 Registration**

Article 9 Those that intend to manufacture, process, or import environmental agents shall apply to the central competent authority for checking and registration by submitting markings and a sample together with the product's name, components, performance data, key aspects of the manufacturing process, analytical methods, toxicology report, efficacy (potency) report, and other relevant information or documentation. Manufacture, processing, or import may begin only after the central competent authority has issued a permit.

When an environmental agent for which a permit has been issued in the foregoing paragraph is a general use environmental agent, the competent authority shall announce information including the manufacturer or importer, product name, permit number, composition, performance data, and product markings on the Internet in order to facilitate public queries.

Customs shall order those persons obligated to pay tax to return within a limited time period any imported environmental agents that have not received the central competent authority's permission or approval.

Passengers or service personnel on transportation vehicles that import small quantities of environmental agents with themselves for personal use are not subject to the restrictions of the foregoing paragraph. Relevant types of environmental agents and permissible amounts shall be determined on the basis of relevant Customs Act regulations.

The environmental agents in the foregoing paragraph shall be imported solely for personal use, and may not be sold.

Article 10 The validity period of the environmental agent permit in Paragraph 1 of the foregoing article shall be five years. Those who wish to continue to manufacture, process, or import an environmental agent after permit expiration shall apply to the central competent authority for an extension within the period between three and six months prior to the permit's expiration. Each extension may not exceed 5 years. The central competent authority shall determine regulations governing application conditions, approval or rejection, revocation, cancellation, extension, modification, issuance (replacement or renewal), and other binding matters. The central competent authority may cancel the permit in the foregoing paragraph when necessary to maintain citizens' health or protect the environment or ecology.

If an environmental agent permit has been cancelled pursuant to the regulations of the foregoing paragraph, the original applicant may reapply to the central competent authority for a permit after submitting scientific or technical data or on-site survey results verifying that the original cause of cancellation is no longer present.

Article 11 Environmental agent vendors and pest control operators shall apply to the local competent authority for a permit, and may engage in business only after the review and approval of registration and receipt of a license. However, those environmental agent manufacturing enterprises that concurrently engage in the export, wholesale, or retail sale of self-produced products, or in the import of technical grade products for self-use on the company or factory premises stated on the environmental agent permit are not required to apply for an environmental agent vendor license. The central competent authority shall determine regulations governing application conditions, procedures, approval or rejection, revocation, cancellation, modification, suspension of business, resumption of business, termination of business, and other binding matters.

When environmental agent vendors or pest control operators receive a permit as in the foregoing paragraph, the competent authority shall announce information including the company name, name of statutory responsible person, and permit number on the Internet in order to facilitate public queries.

Article 12 Those enterprises that hold an environmental agent manufacturing or import permit or environmental agent vendor or pest control operator license shall engage in approved items only.

### **Chapter 3 Management**

Article 13 Environmental agent manufacturing enterprises shall apply for factory registration in accordance with relevant regulations, and factory equipment and health and safety conditions shall comply with environmental agent factory establishment standards. The central competent authority in conjunction with the relevant industry competent authority shall determine the foregoing standards.

Article 14 Environmental agents manufacturing enterprises may not manufacture or process environmental agents using technical grade environmental agents that have not been checked and registered.

Article 15 Those technical grade environmental agents approved by the central competent authority may be transferred.  
The central competent authority shall determine application condition, review, and approval regulations.

Article 16 Environmental agent manufacturing enterprises may manufacture or process environmental agents exclusively for export in accordance with foreign buyers' order requirements after receiving central competent authority approval, and the restrictions of Article 9, Paragraph 1 shall not apply. The central competent authority shall determine regulations governing application conditions, review, approval, and other binding matters.  
The environmental agents approved by the central competent authority in the foregoing paragraph may not be domestically sold or used for other purposes.

Article 17 Environmental agents manufacturing enterprises may not commission the manufacture of environmental agents or manufacture environmental agents under commission without the approval of the central competent authority.  
The central competent authority shall determine regulations governing application conditions, review, approval, and other binding matters with regard to the commissioning or being commissioned in the foregoing paragraph.

Article 18 The mixing and packaging of environmental agents may be performed only after receiving central competent authority approval.  
The central competent authority shall determine regulations governing application conditions, review, approval, and other binding matters with regard to the commissioning or being commissioned in the foregoing paragraph.

“Mixing” , as mentioned in the first paragraph, means the mixture of different components or environmental agent products to create environmental agents; separate packaging means to change for the purpose of sale the package capacity of an environmental agent that has been issued a permit.

The packaging of environmental agents in the first paragraph may be performed only in environmental agents factories possessing unitary dosage form equipment.

- Article 19 Environmental agents manufacturing enterprises, environmental agents vendors, and pest control operator shall establish positions for professional technical personnel. The central competent authority shall determine regulations governing the number of personnel, employment, training, qualifications, work responsibilities, acquisition, revocation, and cancellation of licenses, in-service training, retraining, reporting of vacancies or commissioned filling of vacancies, and other binding matters with regard to the professional technical management personnel in the foregoing paragraph.
- Article 20 Environmental agents vendors and general use environmental agents wholesaler suppliers and retailers may not store or sell unmarked environmental agents or sell environmental agents after opening the original packaging.
- Article 21 Restricted use environmental agents may be sold solely to health/environmental protection competent authorities or their subordinate agencies, licensed environmental agent vendors, pest control operators, and other buyers approved by the local special municipality, county, or city competent authority. Restricted use environmental agents may be used solely by health/environmental protection competent authorities or their subordinate agencies, licensed pest control operators, and other buyers approved by the local special municipality, county or city competent authority.
- Article 22 The work performed by pest control operators shall meet the regulations the central competent authority. The central competent authority shall determine regulations governing environmental agent use safety, operations, and safeguards, training of application personnel, environmental agent use, reporting and preservation of application records, application plans, and other binding matters.
- Article 23 Environmental agents provided exclusively for experimental research, educational demonstrations, special control projects, or for license application shall not be subject to the restrictions designated in Article 9, Paragraph 1 and Article 15 after central competent authority approval has been obtained. The central competent authority shall determine regulations governing application conditions, review, approval, and other binding matters. The environmental agents approved by the central competent authority in the foregoing paragraph may not be domestically sold or used for other purposes. The central competent authority may cancel its approval of environmental agents in the first paragraph for use in experimental research or educational demonstrations if necessary to maintain public health or protect the environment or ecology.

- Article 24 Environmental agents manufacturing enterprises, environmental agents vendors, and pest control operators shall record the quantities of environmental agents manufactured, processed, exported, imported, sold, and used each month.  
The recorded data in the foregoing paragraph shall be preserved for three years. When necessary, the competent authority may order an enterprise to submit said records.
- Article 25 The central competent authority shall officially announce the allowable error margins for the active component content of environmental agents.  
Changes in the allowable error margins in the foregoing paragraph shall be officially announced six months prior to the day the changes are to take effect.
- Article 26 The central competent authority shall determine regulations governing storage, placement, quantities, and locations of environmental agents, types of environmental agents used, personnel safety equipment, pollution control measures, and other binding matters.
- Article 27 The prior approval of the central competent authority is required for environmental agents markings usage or changes.  
The central competent authority shall determine regulations governing the markings, methods, and other binding matters in the foregoing paragraph.
- Article 28 The clearance and disposal of waste environmental agents and environmental agents containers shall be performed pursuant to the Waste Disposal Act and relevant laws and regulations.
- Article 29 Environmental agent microbial preparations may be used in ecological and water source conservation or protection areas. The central competent authority shall determine regulations governing use applications, records, and other binding matters concerning such use.
- Article 30 Applications for the use of microbial organisms or their metabolic products modified by means of genetic engineering or other technologies in experimental research for the purpose of developing environmental agent microbial preparations shall be made to the central competent authority. The central competent authority shall determine regulations governing application conditions, procedures, emergency response, records, and other binding matters.

Article3 If environmental agents microbial preparations pollute the  
1 environment, or harm the ecology or human health, the statutory  
responsible person or actual operator shall promptly adopt  
emergency control measures, and shall notify the local special  
municipality, county, or city competent authority within a maximum  
of two hours.

Under the circumstances in the foregoing paragraph, the special  
municipality, county or city competent authority may promptly  
prohibit handling activities connected with said pollution,  
including manufacturing, processing, separate packaging, blending,  
import, export, transport, sale, storage, use, experimental  
research, and educational demonstration.

Article3 Those enterprises that do not hold an environmental agent permit  
2 or environmental agent vendor or pest control operator license may  
not advertise environmental agents.

Article3 Environmental agents manufacturing enterprises, environmental  
3 agents vendors, and pest control operator may not overstep the  
content of their registration, and may not publish or broadcast  
false, exaggerated, or illicit advertising. The central competent  
authority shall determine regulations governing promotional  
methods in the foregoing paragraph, the content of explanatory  
information, and other binding matters.

#### Chapter 4 Checking and Interdiction

Article3 The competent authority may send personnel to enter public or  
4 private premises bearing documents verifying their duties or  
markings providing sufficient identification and inspect the  
circumstances of environmental agent manufacturing, processing,  
separate packaging, blending, sale, storage, use, experimental  
research, and educational demonstration. In those circumstances in  
which the personnel deem there is concern of the violation of this  
Act, environmental pollution or harm to the ecology or human  
health, they may provisionally seal the premises, which shall be  
put under the safekeeping of the statutory responsible person.  
When necessary, the personnel may collect samples, for which a  
receipt shall be issued, and perform testing.

Article3 When environmental agents or related articles have been sealed  
5 pursuant to the foregoing article, the following actions shall be  
taken in accordance with the results of checking and testing:  
I. When there is a violation of this Act, in addition to penalties  
designated in this Act, those sealed environmental agents and  
articles that the competent authority has determined to be waste  
shall be disposed of pursuant to relevant waste disposal  
regulations.  
II.The premises shall be promptly unsealed if there is no  
violation of this Act.

Article3 Environmental analysis and testing organizations may perform  
6 analysis and testing work pursuant to this Act only after  
obtaining an approved permit from the central competent authority.  
The environmental analysis and testing organization in the  
foregoing paragraph shall perform work consistent with the testing  
and analysis categories on its permit. The central competent  
authority shall determine regulations governing the  
organization' s required conditions and facilities; license  
application, review procedures, issuance (replacement),  
revocation, and cancellation; suspension and resumption of  
business; checking and evaluation procedures; instruments and  
equipment; in-service training and technical skills assessment;  
blind testing, testing methods, quality control items, basic  
quality system standards, testing report signing, data reporting,  
and other binding matters.

Article3 When an environmental agent manufacturing or import permit has  
7 been revoked pursuant to Article 10, Paragraph 2, the enterprise  
engaged in the manufacture, processing, or import of environmental  
agents shall compile a lists of goods in stock and a list of  
recalled on-sale goods by the deadline designated by the central  
competent authority, and shall individually submit the lists to  
the special municipality, county or city competent authority for  
inventory and future reference.

Article3 If the competent authority discovers counterfeit or prohibited  
8 environmental agents, the enterprise engaged in the manufacture,  
processing, import, or sale of the environmental agents shall be  
notified to compile a list of goods in stock within seven days of  
the day after receipt of the notice, and compile a list of  
recalled on-sale counterfeit or prohibited environmental agents  
within 15 days of said date. Said lists shall be individually  
submitted to the special municipality, county or city competent  
authority for inventory and future reference.

Article3 If the competent authority discovers inferior quality  
9 environmental agents, the enterprise engaged in the manufacture,  
processing, import, or sale of the environmental agents shall be  
notified to compile a list of goods in stock within seven days of  
the day after receipt of the notice, and compile a list of  
recalled on-sale inferior quality environmental agents within one  
month of said date. Said lists shall be individually submitted to  
the special municipality, county or city competent authority for  
inventory and future reference.

Article4 The environmental agents of those environmental agents  
0 manufacturing enterprises, environmental agent vendors, and pest  
control operators that have terminated operations, suspended  
operations, or have had their permit or license revoked or  
cancelled shall be subject to appropriate disposal. The central  
competent authority shall determine the disposal method.

Article4 The original manufacturer, processor, importer, or seller shall  
1 bear the cost of the appropriate disposal of environmental agents  
seized or confiscated pursuant to this Act.

## Chapter 5 Penal Provisions

Article 4 Those that manufacture, process, or import counterfeit or  
2 prohibited environmental agents thereby causing human death shall  
be punished by a maximum of 10 years imprisonment and may be fined  
a maximum of NT\$3 million; those that cause severe injury shall be  
punished by a maximum of five years imprisonment and may be fined  
a maximum of NT\$2 million; those that cause harm to human health  
such that it leads to illness shall be punished by a maximum of  
three years imprisonment and may be fined a maximum of NT\$1  
million.

Article 4 Those that knowingly sell, transfer, display with the intent of  
3 selling, store, mix, or package counterfeit or prohibited  
environmental agents thereby causing human death shall be punished  
by a maximum of seven years imprisonment and may be fined a  
maximum of NT\$3 million; those that cause severe injury shall be  
punished by a maximum of three years imprisonment and may be fined  
a maximum of NT\$2 million; those that cause harm to human health  
such that it leads to illness shall be punished by a maximum of  
one years imprisonment and may be fined a maximum of NT\$1 million.

Article 4 If a representative of a juridical person, agent of a juridical  
4 person or natural person, employee, or other working personnel  
commits a violation of Article 42 or the foregoing article in the  
course of work, in addition to punishing the perpetrator pursuant  
to each relevant regulation, the juridical person or natural  
person shall be punished with the fines designated in each  
relevant article.

Article 4 (Deletion)

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Article 4 When an enterprise manufactures, processes, or imports counterfeit  
6 or prohibited environmental agents, the statutory responsible  
person shall be fined NT\$300,000 to NT\$1.5 million.

When an enterprise knowingly sells, transfers, displays with the  
intent of selling, stores, mixes, or packages counterfeit or  
prohibited environmental agents, the statutory responsible person  
shall be fined NT\$90,000 to NT\$450,000.

When an enterprise processes or imports the inferior quality  
environmental agents in Article 8, Subparagraphs 1 and 2, the  
statutory responsible person shall be fined NT\$60,000 to  
NT\$300,000.

When an enterprise sells, transfers, displays with the intent of  
selling, or stores the environmental agents in Article 6,  
Paragraph 1, Subparagraph 1, Article 7, or Article 8, Subparagraph  
3, has been ordered to make improvements within a limited time  
period, but has failed to make improvements by the deadline, the  
statutory responsible person shall be fined NT\$30,000 to  
NT\$150,000.

Article 4 Those that violate Article 16, Paragraph 2 or Article 23,  
7 Paragraph 2 shall be fined NT\$90,000 to NT\$450,000.

Article 4 When one of the following circumstances applies, the violator  
8 shall be fined NT\$60,000 to NT\$300,000, and may be ordered to make improvements within a limited time period; serious violators and those that fail to make improvements by the deadline shall have their permit or license revoked or cancelled, and may be ordered to suspend work, suspend business, or terminate business when necessary:

I. A violation of Article 14, Article 15, Paragraph 1, Article 17, Paragraph 1, Article 18, Paragraph 1, Article 19, Paragraph 1, Article 20, Article 24, Paragraphs 1 and 2, Article 31, Paragraphs 1 and 2, Article 32, or Article 33, Paragraph 1.

II. A violation of the management regulations of Article 26 governing the quantities and locations of environmental agent storage or placement, types of environmental agents used, personnel safety equipment, or pollution control measures.

III. A violation of the management regulations of Article 29 governing use applications, use quantity restrictions, records, and record preservation for environmental agent microbial preparations.

IV. A violation of the management regulations of Article 30 governing environmental agent microbial preparation applications, physical and biological protective measures and emergency response measures at experiment sites, records and record preservation, and record reporting.

V. A violation of the management regulations of Article 36, Paragraph 2 governing instruments and equipment, analysis personnel, technical skills assessment, blind sample testing, testing methods, quality control items, basic quality system standards, testing report signing, data reporting, and work responsibilities.

VI. A violation of Article 37, Article 38, or Article 39 where the violator has failed to compile a list of recalled on-sale goods by the deadline or report said list to the competent authority for future reference.

Article 4 When one of the following circumstances applies, the violator  
9 shall be fined NT\$30,000 to NT\$150,000, and may be ordered to make improvements within a limited time period; serious violators and those that fail to make improvements by the deadline shall have their permit or license revoked or cancelled, and may be ordered to suspend work, suspend business, or terminate business when necessary:

I. A violation of Article 9, Paragraph 5, Article 12, Article 21, Paragraphs 1 or 2, or Article 27, Paragraph 1.

II. Refusal, evasion or obstruction of inspection, sampling, testing or sealing and safekeeping pursuant to Article 34.

III. A violation of the management regulations of Article 13 governing factory establishment standards concerning factory environment, process equipment, and testing equipment.

IV. A violation of the management regulations in Article 19, Paragraph 2 governing the establishment, number of personnel, employment, in-service training, and reporting of vacancies or commissioned filling of vacancies regarding professional technical personnel.

V. A violation of the management regulations of Article 22 governing the training of application personnel, environmental agent use, safety equipment, notification of customer of application plans, reporting of application records, and preservation of records.

VI. A violation of the management regulations in Article 33, Paragraph 2 governing promotional methods and the content of explanatory information.

VII. A violation of the management regulations in Article 40, Paragraph 1 governing the disposal of environmental agents.

Article 5 Those that conduct operations without having obtained permits  
0 pursuant to Article 11 shall be fined NT\$30,000 to NT\$150,000.

Article 5 Professional technical personnel that violate the regulations of  
1 Article 19, Paragraph 2 governing retraining, work responsibilities, or reporting of resignation shall be fined NT\$4,000 to NT\$20,000; when necessary, their qualification certificates shall be revoked or cancelled.

Article 5 The competent authority shall variously take the following  
2 disciplinary actions if it discovers counterfeit or prohibited  
environmental agents:

I. The local competent authority shall seize or confiscate the  
discovered environmental agents, or shall order the enterprise  
engaged in the manufacture, processing, import, or sale of  
environmental agents to take appropriate action.

II. If an enterprise has manufactured, processed, or imported  
counterfeit or prohibited environmental agents, or is using a  
permit or license under false pretenses, the original issuing  
agency shall revoke or cancel the permit or license, and shall  
officially announce the company' s name and address, the name of  
its statutory responsible person, the names of the counterfeit or  
prohibited environmental agents, and the circumstances of the  
violation.

III. If an enterprise sells, displays with intent to sell, or uses  
counterfeit or prohibited environmental agents, the original  
issuing agency shall revoke its license, and officially announce  
the manufacturer' s name, address, the name of the statutory  
responsible person, the names of the counterfeit or prohibited  
environmental agents, and the circumstances of the violation.

Article 5 When the competent authority sends personnel to perform counting  
3 of inferior quality environmental agents pursuant to Article 39,  
the personnel may, when necessary, seize said environmental  
agents.

If the inferior quality environmental agents in the foregoing  
paragraph have been domestically manufactured or processed, and  
can still be altered for use after testing, the original  
manufacturer may submit an alteration plan to the central  
competent authority within two months of the date of inventory.  
Upon approval of the plan, alteration may be performed within a  
limited time period under the supervision of the special  
municipality, county or city competent authority. If the inferior  
quality environmental agents cannot be altered, no alteration plan  
has been submitted by the deadline, or no alteration has been  
performed by the deadline, the local competent authority may  
confiscate the inferior quality environmental agents or order the  
manufacturer to take appropriate action. If the inferior quality  
environmental agents have been imported with approval, the local  
competent authority shall order the original importer to send back  
the environmental agents out of the country within two months of  
the date of inventory. If the importer has not complied by the  
deadline, the local competent authority may confiscate the  
inferior quality environmental agents or order the importer to  
take appropriate action.

If an enterprise has manufactured, processed, or imported the  
inferior quality environmental agents defined in Article 8,  
Subparagraphs 1 and 2, or has used technical grade environmental  
agents that have exceeded their validity period, the local  
competent authority shall officially announce the company's name  
and address, the name of its statutory responsible person, the  
names of the environmental agents, and the circumstances of the  
violation; if the violation is serious or repeated, the local  
competent authority may revoke or cancel relevant permits or  
licenses or terminate the enterprise's operations.

Article 5 The competent authority shall enforce suspension of work,  
4 suspension of business, or revocation or cancellation of permit or  
license imposed pursuant to this Act; the industry competent  
authority, following imposition of punishment and notification by  
the competent authority, shall enforce orders for the termination  
of business.

#### **Chapter 6 Supplementary Provisions**

Article 5 After an enterprise's permit or license has been revoked or  
5 canceled, that enterprise may not re-apply for the same permit or  
license within one year, and may not re-apply to use the product  
items on its original permit within two years.

Article 5 The central competent authority shall determine the standards of  
6 fees collected by competent authorities at all levels pursuant to  
this Act.

Article5 Standard testing methods for environmental agents shall conform to  
7 national standards when national standards exist. The central  
competent authority shall officially announce standard testing  
methods when no relevant national standards exist.

Article5 The improvement period may not exceed 30 days then an enterprise  
8 has been notified to make improvements within a limited period  
pursuant to this Act. Those unable to complete improvements by the  
improvement deadline due to natural disaster or other force  
majeure shall, within 15 days after the reason ends, apply to the  
competent authority for the approval of an improvement deadline by  
submitting a written explanation of cause and relevant  
information.

Article5 The central competent authority shall determine the enforcement  
9 rules of this Act.

Article6 This Act shall take effect on the date of promulgation.  
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