
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1996 No. 2075

The Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974 (Application to Environmentally Hazardous Substances) Regulations 1996

Extension of power to make regulations

2.—(1) For the purposes only of enabling regulations under section 15 of the Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974(1) to be made to implement any obligation imposed by any of the Directives or to deal with any matter arising out of or related to any such obligation, the reference to dangerous substances in section 1(1)(c) of that Act shall have effect as if it included a reference to environmentally hazardous substances.

(2) In this regulation —

(a) “the Directives” means —

- (i) Council Directive [94/55/EC](#)(2) on the approximation of the laws of the Member States with regard to the transport of dangerous goods by road,
- (ii) Council Directive [96/49/EC](#)(3) on the approximation of the laws of the Member States with regard to the transport of dangerous goods by rail, and
- (iii) European Parliament and Council Directive [94/63/EC](#)(4) on the control of volatile organic compound (VOC) emissions resulting from the storage of petrol and its distribution from terminals to service stations; and

(b) “environmentally hazardous substances” means substances which are dangerous to the environment (whether or not they are already within section 1(1)(c) of the Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974 as dangerous substances).

(1) [1974 c. 37](#); section 15(1) was amended by the Employment Protection Act [1975 \(c. 71\)](#), Schedule 15, paragraph 6.
(2) OJNo. L319, 12.12.94, p.7.
(3) OJ No. L , , p. .
(4) OJ No. L365, 31.12.94, p.24.