LEGAL REGULATION OF THE WASTE MANAGEMENT

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Waste management:

- o storage,
- o treatment,
- o disposal
- transportation
- export, import etc.
- o collection,
- handling,
- o sorting
- usage and other activities related to the waste

Techniques, how to discard the waste:

burning
dumping into water – water act
putting into lagoons
landfilling
biological and other methods

Sources of law :

- Act N. 185/2001 Coll., on wastes
- Council Regulation (EEC) No 259/93 of 1 February 1993 on the supervision and control of shipments of waste within, into and out of the European Community
- Regulation (EC) No 1013/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 14 June 2006 on shipments of waste

Problem of waste disposal is related to other laws:

- Construction Act N. 183/2001 Coll.
- Act N. 477/2001 Coll. on packaging
- Air Act N. 86/2002 Coll.

Act N. 185/2001 Coll., on wastes

Goals:

- to regulate the generation, handling and transportation and disposal of waste
- to prevent careless disposal practices
- to ensure it in safe and regulated manner



Act N. 185/2001 Coll., on wastes

 to protect human health and environment

 to reduce or eliminate the generation of waste and the toxicity of hazardous waste

DEFINITION OF THE WASTE

Waste -

any movable thing which a person intends to dispose of or which must to be disposed of according to special laws (Alimentary Act/Food Act)

different groups of waste are listed in the annex of the Act



WASTE - DEFINITION

Waste Act applies to the management of all wastes except of those listed in the Act:

o radioactive waste

- o effluents discharged under the Water act (waste waters)
- o pollutants emited into the air
- human and animal corpses etc.



WASTE - DEFINITION

Hazardous waste

- Municipal waste
- Selected waste with special regime

o Other waste



Hazardous waste:

- waste listed as hazardous waste in the regulation
- any other waste having one or more dangerous characters defined in annex 2 of the Act

 mixture of wastes containing hazardous compound or listed HW



Hazardous waste:

o listed

o characteristic

 mixture of wastes containing hazardous compound

Delisting petition



Municipal waste

 waste produced in the municipality by natural persons except of persons while doing business

 the originator of municipal waste is considered to be the municipality

Selected wastes with special requirements:

- Wastes containing PCBs
- Waste oils
- Accumulators
- Waste water treatment plant sediments
- Wastes from the production of titanium oxide
- Asbestos
- Car-wracks
- Electric and electronic appliences

Persons engaged in waste management :

- o generators
- o transporters
- treatmemnt and usage facilities
- waste collection and purchase facilities

Regulatory tools

- Catalogue/register of wastes
- Special regime for hazardous waste
- Duties of persons
- Approvals and opinions
- Waste manager
- Waste management plans
- Economic tools

Regulatory tools

- Post closure requirements for the landfills
- Special rules for export, import and transit of wastes
- Record-keeping and reporting requirements
- Sanctions
- Criminal liability under Penal Code

State administration

o MOE

- Ministry of Health
- hygienic offices
- Ministry of agriculture inspection of the use of sediments
- Czech Environmental Inspectorate
- o custom offices
- o regions
- o municipalities