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The Minister of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment made the abovementioned Regulations, which was published under Government Notice 5848, Government Gazette 52066 of 6 February 2025. These Regulations were later withdrawn until it has been tabled in Parliament in terms of section 47(2) of the Act. The withdrawal notice was published under Government Notice 5900, Government Gazette 52176 of 24 February 2025.

The abovementioned Regulations for the Management of Mercury in South Africa were subsequently withdrawn until the Regulations have been tabled in Parliament in terms of section 47(2) of the Act. The withdrawal Notice was published under Government Notice 5900, Government Gazette 52176 of 24 February 2025.

NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT: WASTE ACT 59 OF 2008

AMENDMENTS TO THE REGULATIONS REGARDING THE CONTROL OF THE IMPORT OR EXPORT OF WASTE

The Minister of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment published the amendments to the abovementioned Regulations.

Published under Government Notice 5849, Government Gazette 52066 of 6 February 2025

GENETICALLY MODIFIED ORGANISMS ACT 15 OF 1997

REGULATIONS: AMENDMENTS

The Minister of Agriculture amended Table 2 regarding “fees payable” of the Regulations w.e.f. 1 April 2025.02.27 Published under Government Notice 5857, Government Gazette 52107 of 14 February 2025.

NOTICES:

9TH NATIONAL GREENHOUSE GAS INVENTORY REPORT FOR THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

The Minister of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment published the 9th National Greenhouse Gas Inventory Report. The National Greenhouse Gas Inventory Report (NIR) covers the period 2000-2022 and provides estimates of the current emissions levels and trends in South Africa and will form part of the First Biennial Transparency Report to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC). South Africa is required by the UNFCCC to provide in its national inventory, on gas-by-gas basis, and its units’ mass, estimates of anthropogenic emissions of carbon dioxide (CO₂), methane (CH₄) and nitrous oxide (N₂O), by sources and removals by sinks. An accurate, complete and updated greenhouse gas emissions inventory is a good foundation for effective mitigation responses. Published under Government Notice 5850, Government Gazette 52067 of 7 February 2025.

NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT: INTEGRATED COASTAL MANAGEMENT ACT 24 OF 2008

CONSULTATION ON THE DRAFT REGULATIONS FOR THE ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT OF OFFSHORE BUNKERING

The Minister of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment published draft regulations for the environmental management of offshore bunkering for public comment. The draft regulations seek to create a regulatory framework to ensure that the actual impacts and potential impacts of offshore bunkering on the coastal environment are mitigated and avoided, or where avoidance is not possible, are minimised and remedied. Members of the public are invited to submit written comments, within 30 days from the date of the publication of the notice in the Government Gazette or newspaper, whichever date is the later, to the department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment, attention: Directorate: Coastal Pollution Management.

Published under Government Notice 5886, Government Gazette 52151 of 21 February 2025.

AGRICULTURAL PESTS ACT 36 OF 1983

CONTROL MEASURES RELATING TO POLYPHAGOUS SHOT HOLE BORDER: AMENDMENT

The Minister of Agriculture amended the Control Measures under Government Notice R. 5908, Government Gazette 52185 of 28 February 2025.

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