L.N. 173 of 2004

NATIONAL INTEREST (ENABLING POWERS) ACT (CAP. 365)

Nuclear Safety and Radiation Protection (Amendment) Regulations, 2004

IN exercise of the powers conferred by article 3 of the National Interest (Enabling Powers) Act, the Prime Minister has made the following regulations:–

Citation, commencement and scope.

1. (1) The title of these regulations is the Nuclear Safety and Radiation Protection (Amendment) Regulations, 2004, and they shall be read and construed as one with the Nuclear Safety and Radiation Protection Regulations, 2003, herein after referred to as "the principal regulations".

L.N. 44 of 2003.

(2) These regulations shall come into force on the 30th of April, 2004.

(3) These regulations implement 96/29/Euratom Basic Safety Standards Directive and the 90/641/Euratom Outside Workers Directive.

Amends regulation 3 of the principal regulations.

2. The following definition shall be inserted immediately after the definition "activation" in sub-regulation (1) of regulation 3 of the principal regulations:-

"activities performed by an outside worker" means any service provided by an outside worker in a controlled area for which a radiation employer is responsible;

Amends regulation 20 of the principal regulations.

3. The following sub-regulation shall be inserted immediately after sub-regulation (5) of regulation 20 of the principal regulations:-

"(6) No person shall either deliberately add radioactive substances in the production of foodstuffs, toys, personal ornaments and cosmetics, or import or export such goods if they contain added radioactive substances."

Amends regulation 25 of the principal regulations.

4. The following provisos shall be inserted immediately at the end of regulation 25 of the principal regulations:-

"provided that –

(1) for external radiation, the values and relationships given in Annex II of 96/29/Euratom, Basic Safety Standards, Directive shall be used to estimate the relevant effective and equivalent doses; and

(2) for internal exposure from a radionuclide or from a mixture of radionuclides, the values and relationships given in Annexes II and III of 96/29/Euratom, Basic Safety Standards Directive, may be used to estimate the effective doses."

Amends regulation 28 of the principal regulations.

5. For paragraph (1) (b) of regulation 28 of the principal regulations there shall be substituted the following:-

"(b) category B: those exposed workers over 18 years of age, who are not classified as exposed category A workers."

Amends regulation 44 of the principal regulations.

6. For sub-regulation (3) of regulation 44 of the principal regulations there shall be substituted the following:-

"(3) For the purpose of carrying out his functions under these regulations, an approved medical practitioner or approved occupational health service must have access to any relevant information they may require, including such information about the environmental conditions existing in the workplace."

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