

REPUBLIC OF ALBANIA MINISTRY OF TOURISM AND ENVIRONMENT SECRETARY GENERAL

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Tirana, on /8 /12/2018

Subject: Updating the Albania's position regarding the control procedure that is going to be followed when waste listed in Annex III and IIIA to Regulation 1013/2006 is exported from the community for recovery to Albania.

To: European Commission

DG TRADE

Unit D1 Trade and Sustainable Development, Generalized System of

Preferences

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Dear Sir/Madam,

Thanking for your cooperation, regarding the updating of the position of export of non-hazardous waste (aluminium scrap) according to annex III and IIIA to Regulation 1013/2006 from Community to Albania, we inform you as following:

The Parliament of Albania has approved the law No.10 463, dated 22.9.2011 "On integrated waste management", which has transposed the framework EU Directive 2008/98/EC "On waste".

Two years later, the Parliament approved the Law No. 156/2013 "On some amendments on the Law No.10 463, dated 22.9.2011 'On integrated waste management', in which the import of waste into the Republic of Albania is prohibited in all cases".

Based on the article 8 "End of waste status" of the law No.10 463, dated 22.9.2011 "On integrated waste management", it is foreseen:

"the end of waste status for each type of waste is set based on specific criteria, which are:

- a) going to be determined based on the conditions given on the law;
- b) including limit values for pollutants;
- c) as well as considering any possible negative impact of the substance or object in the environment.

This article, stipulating the abovementioned criteria, is adopted by DCM no.117, dated 13.02.2013 "Establishing criteria determining when certain types of scrap metal cease to be waste".

After this, the Council of Minister on date 05.02.2014 has approved DCM No.52 "On some amendments to the DCM no.117, dated 13.02.2013 "Establishing criteria determining when certain types of scrap metal cease to be waste" (published on Official Journal No 25, dated 06.03.2014).

This DCM has provided the internal legal rules and procedures for waste operators and such industries to be reached through the passing course from waste status to non waste status (raw material) such as for scraps of aluminium, steel and iron, which should be with a high purity. In the DCM 117/2013 are included all the required criteria for these types of scraps (aluminium, steel and iron) and only them can be imported in our country.

So we have already a secondary legislation into force, which is going to apply to these type of waste.

Having regard to the above mentioned, as well as all of the existing secondary legislation procedures in Albania,

The Ministry of Tourism and Environment of Albania is sending to you this official letter for updating our position regarding the control procedure that is going to be followed when waste listed in Annex III and IIIA to Regulation 1013/2006 is exported from the community for recovery to Albania.

Sincerely yours,

SECRETARY GENERAL

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