

SUMMARY OF CASE LAW ON WASTE PRODUCER LIABILITY IN EUROPE

ESTONIA

Summary of the Law:

Article 11 of the <u>Waste Law of 2008</u> provides that the costs of "waste management, with the exception of waste management supervision shall be borne by the holder of waste...." Chapter 6 of the law requires that waste producers have waste permits that specify the details of waste management and are approved by the government.

Article 82 indicates that a waste holder or producer can transfer the obligations under the law to another holder with the proper documentation and approvals. Hazardous waste management requires environmental insurance under Article 100.

These provisions have not been subjected to any major judicial review or interpretation. Due to the small size of the jurisdiction, this is not unexpected.

Note: Nothing in the waste law transposed into national law supersedes, replaces or negates potential liability under the Environmental Liability Directive or the Industrial Emissions Directive (IPPC). Both of which have been applied to waste producers.

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