



SUMMARY OF CASE LAW ON WASTE PRODUCER LIABILITY

PHILIPPINES

We have not located a reported case of waste producer liability in the Philippines. However, the published law is interpreted to create duties for hazardous waste producers or generators.

Legal basis for holding waste generator or producer liable:

The [Ecological Solid Waste Management Act of 2000](#) and the [Toxic Substances, Hazardous and Nuclear Wastes Control Act](#) form the basis for Philippine waste law. The government construes them as creating a continued obligation of waste generators to assure the final safe disposition of their waste. The guidance manual on the law plainly states that waste generators “*continue to own and be responsible for the hazardous waste generated or produced in the premises until the hazardous waste has been certified by the waste treater as adequately treated, recycled, reprocessed or disposed of.*” [Procedural Manual Title III of DAO 92-29 “Hazardous Waste Management” DENR AO 36 Series of 2004, p. 13.](#)

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