

Procedure file

Basic information	
COD - Ordinary legislative procedure (ex-codecision procedure) Directive	Procedure lapsed or withdrawn
Environment and health: incineration of hazardous waste, emissions, waste water	
Subject 3.70.12 Waste management, domestic waste, packaging, light industrial waste	

Key players			
European Parliament			
Council of the European Union			
Council configuration	Meeting	Date	
Environment	2165	11/03/1999	

Key events			
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Procedure type	COD - Ordinary legislative procedure (ex-codecision procedure)
Procedure subtype	Legislation
Legislative instrument	Directive
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Stage reached in procedure	Procedure lapsed or withdrawn
Committee dossier	ENVI/4/09736

Documentation gateway					
Legislative proposal		COM(1997)0604 OJ C 013 17.01.1998, p. 0006	21/11/1997	EC	Summary
Economic and Social Committee: opinion, report		CES0621/1998 OJ C 214 10.07.1998, p. 0006	29/04/1998	ESC	

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OBJECTIVE: the proposal for a directive seeks mainly to reduce pollutant emissions contained in waste water from hazardous waste incineration plants so as to improve and protect the environment. CONTENT: the proposed amendment to Directive 94/67/EC establishes limit values for emissions based on best available techniques to reduce polluted discharges into the aquatic environment (mercury, cadmium, thallium, antimony, arsenic, lead chrome cobalt, copper, manganese, nickel, vanadium, tin and dioxins). The setting of Community emission standards for waste water discharges from the cleaning of flue gases is justified by the fact that these measures will set minimum requirements for the protection of the aquatic environment, especially from dioxin discharges. Practical implementation of the proposed directive, including the setting of emission limit values for those pollutants for which limitation depends on the quality of the receiving waters and the identification of the most suitable and cost-effective measures, is therefore left to a large extent in the hands of the Member States in line with the principle of subsidiarity. This also holds for many details concerning supervision of the implementation of the directive.?

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This proposal, in accordance with Article 185 of the European Parliament's Rules of Procedure was considered to have lapsed, will be subject to consideration by the new Parliament (5th legislature).?