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Chapter 1 General Provisions

Article 1 This Law is formulated in order to strengthen the safety management of hazardous chemicals, prevent and reduce hazardous chemicals accidents, guarantee the health, life safety and property safety of the people, and protect the ecological environment.

Article 2 This Law applies to the safety management of the production, storage, use, operation and transportation of hazardous chemicals.

The disposal of waste hazardous chemicals shall be carried out in accordance with the relevant laws, administrative regulations and relevant state provisions on ecological environmental protection.

Article 3 Hazardous chemicals referred to in the Law mean highly toxic chemicals and other chemicals with toxic, corrosive, explosive, combustible, combustion-supporting and other properties, which are harmful to the human health, facilities and the ecological environment.

The State establishes and improves a catalogue management system for hazardous chemicals. The catalogue of hazardous chemicals shall be determined, published and adjusted in due time by the emergency management department of the State Council in conjunction with the departments of industry and information technology, public security, ecological environment, transport, agriculture and rural affairs, health, customs, market supervision and management, railways, civil aviation, etc., based on the identification of hazardous properties and classification criteria of chemicals.

Article 4 The safety management of hazardous chemicals upholds the leadership of the Communist Party of China.

The safety management of hazardous chemicals shall adhere to the supremacy of the people and the supremacy of life, implement the overall national security concept, coordinate development and safety, adhere to the principles of safety first, prevention first and comprehensive governance, and prevent and resolve major safety risks from the source.

The safety management of hazardous chemicals implements the principle that those who manage the industry must manage safety, those who manage the business must manage safety, and those who manage production and operation must manage safety, strengthens and implements the main responsibility of the unit and the government's supervision responsibility, and establishes a mechanism of unit responsibility, employee participation, government supervision, industry self-discipline and social supervision.

Article 5 Units such as enterprises, schools, scientific research institutions, medical institutions, testing institutions and inspection institutions (hereinafter collectively referred to as hazardous chemicals units) that produce, store, use, operate or transport hazardous chemicals shall implement a safety production responsibility system for all employees, build a dual prevention mechanism for safety risk grading control and hidden danger investigation and governance, and strengthen the construction of safety production standardization and informatization. Their key responsible persons are fully responsible for the hazardous chemicals safety production work of their own units.

Hazardous chemicals units shall possess the safety conditions prescribed by laws and administrative regulations and required by national standards and industry standards, establish and improve safety management rules and regulations and post safety responsibility systems, conduct safety production education and training for practitioners, provide practitioners with labor protection articles that meet national standards or industry standards, and participate in work-related injury insurance in accordance with the law. Practitioners shall accept education and training and take up their posts only after passing the assessment; for posts with qualification requirements, personnel who have legally obtained corresponding qualifications shall be equipped.

Article 6 No unit or individual may produce, use or operate hazardous chemicals that the State prohibits from production, use or operation.

Where the State has restrictive provisions on the use of hazardous chemicals, no unit or individual may use hazardous chemicals in violation of the restrictive provisions.

Article 7 Relevant departments responsible for the safety supervision and management of the production, storage, use, operation and transportation of hazardous chemicals (hereinafter collectively referred to as departments responsible for the supervision and management of hazardous chemicals safety) shall fulfill their duties in accordance with the following provisions:

1. The emergency management department is responsible for the supervision and management of hazardous chemicals safety production and the comprehensive work of hazardous chemicals safety supervision and management, organizing the determination, publication and adjustment of the hazardous chemicals catalogue, legally conducting safety condition reviews and safety facility design reviews for construction projects for newly building, reconstructing or expanding the production and storage of hazardous chemicals (including the use of long-distance pipelines to transport hazardous chemicals, similarly hereinafter) (hereinafter collectively referred to as hazardous chemicals construction projects), issuing hazardous chemicals safety production licenses, hazardous chemicals safety use licenses



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