Draft Regulation

Environment Quality Act
(chapter Q-2)

Act respecting certain measures enabling the enforcement of environmental and dam safety legislation
(chapter M-11.6)

Landfilling and incineration of residual materials — Amendment

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with sections 10 and 11 of the Regulations Act (chapter R-18.1), that the Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the landfilling and incineration of residual materials, appearing below, may be made by the Government on the expiry of 45 days following this publication.

The Regulation respecting the landfilling and incineration of residual materials (chapter Q-2, r. 19) is amended to clarify that the requirement for the operator of an engineered landfill to accept the eligible residual materials that are generated in any territory if the materials are waste from a sorting facility for construction and demolition materials and no other engineered landfill accessible by a road open year-round is situated closer to that facility, applies subject in particular to the payment of the prices payable.

Terminological changes are also made in certain provisions in line with the terminology used in the Water Withdrawal and Protection Regulation (chapter Q-2, r. 35.2).

Amendments are also made to review the quantities of residual materials landfilled in an engineered landfill and the quantities of residual materials accepted by such a landfill from which the requirement to have a biogas collection system that has a gas pumping device applies. A period of 2 years is provided for the coming into force of that review and an additional period of 8 years would be granted to existing engineered landfills to enable them to comply with those provisions.

The limit values of leachate and water collected by a collection system in an engineered landfill that may be discharged into the environment are also amended by providing in particular separate standards for a surface water collection system. The draft Regulation also makes certain limit values applicable to the discharges of the systems used to treat jointly leachate and water from composting pads, the treatment of septic tank sludge or biomethanization, while providing for an application period of 3 years for existing landfills. The Minister could also determine parameters to be measured or substances to be analyzed on the basis of the composition of the materials eligible for elimination, and set the limit values to be complied with for those parameters or substances. The standards for monitoring groundwater that migrates into the soil where residual material disposal areas or a leachate or water treatment system are sited are also amended.

Provisions concerning biogas collections systems are amended to lower from 5 years to 3 years the requirement for certain landfills to operate such a system after landfilling residual materials and to provide for an average methane limit value for each area determined in a landfill. The sampling and analysis rules for leachate and water collected by the collection systems are clarified by providing separate sections according to the requirements. The frequency of the measurement of certain parameters is also modified.

Lastly, amendments are made to the provisions concerning the monetary administrative penalties and penal sanctions as a consequence of the other amendments proposed and for harmonization purposes according to the seriousness of the failure.

The proposed amendments will result in annual costs of about 0.1 million dollars and one-time costs of about 6.3 million dollars for the operators of engineered landfills. The one-time costs include in particular about 4.5 million dollars to be invested as of 2036 to retrofit the facilities of an engineered landfill.

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Any person wishing to comment on the draft Regulation is requested to submit written comments within the 45-day period to Maude Durand at the above contact information.

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Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the landfilling and incineration of residual materials

Environment Quality Act
(chapter Q-2, s. 70, pars. 1, 5, 6 and 7, and s. 95.1, 1st par., subpars. 3, 4, 5, 20 and 25).

Act respecting certain measures enabling the enforcement of environmental and dam safety legislation (chapter M-11.6, s. 30, 1st par., and s. 45, 1st par.).

1. The Regulation respecting the landfilling and incineration of residual materials (chapter Q-2, r. 19) is amended in section 10 by replacing "despite the first paragraph of section 12 and any contrary provision in an authorization issued under the Environment Quality Act (chapter Q-2) before 1 September 2022" in the second paragraph by "despite any contrary provision in an authorization issued under the Environment Quality Act (chapter Q-2) before 1 September 2022 and the first paragraph of section 12 with respect to the compliance with the conditions set out in the authorization".

2. Section 13 is amended by replacing the first paragraph by the following:

"The disposal areas in an engineered landfill and the treatment system for leachate or water from those areas, except surface water sediment basins, must be sited at a minimum distance of 1 km from

(1) any category 1 or 2 site where water is withdrawn for human consumption or food processing within the meaning of the Water Withdrawal and Protection Regulation (chapter Q-2, r. 35.2);

(2) any category 3 water withdrawal site within the meaning of that Regulation and that supplies 21 persons or more;

(3) any site for the withdrawal of water used for the production of spring water or mineral water within the meaning of the Regulation respecting bottled water (chapter P-29, r. 2).".

3. Section 24.1 is amended by striking out "or have it verified" in subparagraph 5 of the first paragraph.

4. Section 32 is amended by replacing "having a maximum capacity greater than 1,500,000 m^3 or sited as provided in section 24, or as soon as a landfill receives 50,000" in the second paragraph by "sited in accordance with section 24, or as soon as a landfill where are landfilled 200,000 tons of residual materials receives 10,000".

5. Section 40.1 is amended by replacing "have a sample taken" in the first paragraph by "take a sample" and by replacing "have an additional sample taken and have it analyzed" in the second paragraph by "take an additional sample and analyze it".

6. Section 42 is amended by striking out "or have taken" in the fourth paragraph.

7. Section 52 is amended by replacing, respectively, "38, 63," and "42, 63," in subparagraph 3 of the first paragraph by "38, 63 to" and "42, 58, 63 to 63.5,".

8. Section 53 is amended :

(1) by replacing the first paragraph by the following:

"The leachate and water collected by a collection system in an engineered landfill, except a surface water collection system, may be discharged into the environment only if there is compliance with the following limit values:

Parameter or substance	Limit value	Average monthly limit value*1
Ammoniacal nitrogen (expressed as N)	15 mg/l	7 mg/l
Thermotolerant coliforms (fecal)	N/A	100 U.F.C./100 ml if disinfection using UV, otherwise 1,000 U.F.C./100 ml
Phenolic compounds (phenol index)	0.060 mg/l	0.030 mg/l
5-day biochemical oxygen demand (BOD_5)	45 mg/l	25 mg/l
Suspended solids	75 mg/l	35 mg/l
Nitrites (expressed as N)	6 mg/l	3 mg/l
Total phosphorus	1.6 mg/l	0.8 mg/l*2
Zinc (Zn)	0.22 mg/l	0.11 mg/l
pH	between 6.0 and 9.5	

*1. The average monthly limit values apply only to water or leachate discharged after treatment. They are established using an arithmetic average, except for the limit value relating to thermotolerant coliforms (fecal) which is established using a geometric average.

*2. Compliance with the average monthly limit value is calculated using the average of all the results obtained during the sampling period that extends from 1 May to 30 November.

The leachate and water collected by a collection system in an engineered landfill, except a surface water collection system, may be discharged into the environment only if there is also compliance with the following limit values:

Parameter	Limit value
Global acute toxicity for rainbow trout	1 UTa
Global acute toxicity for daphnia	1 UTa

The average monthly limit values and the limit values prescribed by the first and second paragraphs also apply to discharges from systems used for joint treatment of leachate and water from composting pads, the treatment of septic tank sludge or biomethanization.";

(2) by inserting "or discharge in a lake" after "batch discharge" in the third paragraph.

9. Section 54 is amended

(1) by inserting the following before the first paragraph:

"Water collected by the surface water collection system in an engineered landfill may be discharged into the environment only if there is also compliance with the following limit values:

Parameter or substance	Limit value
Ammoniacal nitrogen (expressed as N)	15 mg/l
5-day biochemical oxygen demand (BOD_5)	30 mg/l
Petroleum hydrocarbons C_{10}-C_{50}	2 mg/l
Suspended solids	50 mg/l

";

(2) by replacing "The limit values prescribed by section 53" in the first paragraph by "The limit values";

(3) by replacing "in section 53" in the second paragraph by "in the first paragraph";

(4) by adding the following paragraph at the end:

"In addition, the Minister may determine the parameters to be measured or substances to be analyzed on the basis of the composition of the residual materials received for disposal, and set the limit values to be complied with for those parameters or substances. The limit values may be in addition to or in substitution for the values set out in the first paragraph.".

10. Section 55 is amended by replacing "section 53" by "sections 53 and 54".

11. Sections 57 and 58 are replaced by the following:

"**57.** Subject to section 59, groundwater migrating into the soil where disposal areas or a leachate or water treatment system are sited must be monitored for its quality for the following parameters or substances:

(1) ammoniacal nitrogen (expressed as N);

(2) benzene;

(3) chlorides (expressed as Cl);

(4) chromium (Cr);

(5) thermotolerant coliforms (fecal);

(6) phenolic compounds;

(7) electrical conductivity;

(8) 5-day biochemical oxygen demand (BOD_5);

(9) chemical oxygen demand (COD);

(10) ethylbenzene;

(11) iron (Fe);

(12) manganese (Mn);

(13) nickel (Ni);

(14) sodium (Na);

(15) total sulphides (expressed as S^{-2});

(16) toluene;

(17) xylene (o, m, p).

In addition, the Minister may determine the parameters to be measured or substances to be analyzed on the basis of the composition of the residual materials received for disposal. The parameters or substances may be in addition to or in substitution for the limit values set out in the first paragraph.

58. The results respecting groundwater analyses must be subject to a graphical or statistical evaluation for the parameters measured and the substances analyzed identified in section 57. The evaluation must take into account

the quality of the water before its migration into the soil where disposal areas or a leachate or water treatment system are sited. The quality of water downstream of the soil must not be the subject of an upward trend or deterioration in relation with its quality upstream.

In the case of an upward trend or deterioration of the quality of groundwater, the operator must, within 15 days following the day on which the operator is so informed, communicate to the Minister the remedial measures the operator took or intends to take.".

12. Section 59 is amended

(1) by replacing "section 53" in the first paragraph by "sections 54, 57 and 58";

(2) by striking out the second paragraph.

13. Section 61 is amended by replacing "5" in the second paragraph by "3".

14. Section 62 is amended by adding ", and be less than 25 ppm, in volume, for the average of the measurements recorded in each 4,500 m^2 area that the landfill may include" at the end of the second paragraph.

15. Section 63 is replaced by the following:

"**63.** The operator of an engineered landfill must, at least once a year, take a sample of the leachate or water collected by each collection system prescribed by sections 25 and 26 and have the samples analyzed to measure the parameters or analyze the substances listed in the first paragraph of section 53 and section 57.

Each sample must be a grab sample.

63.1. The operator of an engineered landfill must, at least 3 times a year, in the spring, summer and fall, take a sample of the water collected by the surface water collection system provided for in section 30 and have the samples analyzed to measure the parameters or substances listed in section 54.

If the surface water does not comply with the limit values listed in section 54 before flowing into the buffer zone established pursuant to section 18, the water must also be sampled and analyzed as prescribed by this section before flowing into the buffer zone.

Each sample must be collected before the surface water leaves the buffer zone established pursuant to section 18 and be a grab sample.

63.2. The operator of an engineered landfill must, each week, take a sample of the discharges into the environment from every leachate or water treatment system in the landfill, except surface water sediment basins, and have the samples analyzed to measure the parameters and analyze the substances listed in the first paragraph of section 53.

The operator must also, each quarter, take a sample of the same discharges to measure the parameters and analyze the substances listed in the second paragraph section 53.

Despite the first paragraph, for total phosphorus, the sampling and analysis are required each week only from 1 May to 30 November.

Each sample must be a grab sample.

63.3. The operator of an engineered landfill must, at least once a month, take a sample of the leachate or water, if they are conveyed to a treatment facility established and operated in accordance with an authorization issued under the Environment Quality Act (chapter Q-2), and have the sample analyzed to measure the parameters and analyze the substances listed in the first paragraph of section 53, except thermotolerant coliforms (fecal).

Despite the first paragraph, for total phosphorus, the sampling and analysis are required each week only from 1 May to 30 November.

Each sample must be a grab sample.

63.4. In addition to the samplings and analyses provided for in sections 63.2 and 63.3, the operator of an engineered landfill must also take, at the same sampling points as the samples collected in accordance with those sections, a leachate or water sample to analyze the following substances, at the frequency indicated:

(1) each quarter,

(*a*) total nitrogen (expressed as N);

(*b*) perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS); and

(*c*) nickel;

(2) each week in the case of water referred to in section 63.2 and each month in the case of water referred to in section 63.3, nitrates (expressed as N).

The samples for those substances must be collected in accordance with sections 63.2 and 63.3.

63.5. The flow of the leachate collected by the collection systems prescribed by sections 25 and 26 and the flow of the discharges from the treatment system in the landfill must be separately and continuously measured and the results recorded.".

16. Section 64 is amended by replacing "or have the pipes in the leachate or water collection system that are situated outside the disposal areas leak tested" in the first paragraph by "the pipes in the leachate or water collection system that are situated outside the disposal areas".

17. Section 66 is replaced by the following:

"**66.** At least 3 times a year, in the spring, summer and fall, the operator of an engineered landfill must take a groundwater sample at each sampling point of the observation wells installed pursuant to section 65, and a sample of the water that re-emerges within the groundwater monitoring perimeter established under that section, at the resurgence point, and have the samples analyzed to measure the parameters and analyze the substances listed in section 57 and monitor the quality of the water in accordance with the first paragraph of section 58.

During sampling, the groundwater piezometric level must also be measured.".

18. Section 67 is amended replacing "or have the concentration of methane in the soil and inside the buildings and facilities monitored" by "the concentration of methane in the soil and inside the buildings and facilities".

19. Section 68 is amended in the first paragraph

(1) by replacing "or have the following monitored" in the portion before subparagraph 1 by "the following";

(2) by replacing "every 3 months" in subparagraph 1 by "once a month";

(3) by striking out subparagraph 2;

(4) by striking out "that receives more than 100,000 tons of residual materials per year" in subparagraph 3.

20. Section 88 is amended by replacing "any catchment installation for surface water or groundwater intended for human consumption" in subparagraph 2 of the second paragraph by "any site where water is withdrawn for human consumption or food processing".

21. Section 89 is amended by replacing "63" in the second paragraph by "63.1".

22. Section 91 is amended by inserting "or materials that are suitable for vegetation" after "soils" in the second paragraph.

23. Section 95 is amended by replacing "any catchment installation for surface water or groundwater intended for human consumption" at the end of subparagraph 2 of the first paragraph by "any site where water is withdrawn for human consumption or food processing".

24. Section 100 is amended by replacing

(1) "of soil at least 30 cm thick" in the first paragraph by "at least 30 cm thick constituted of soils or materials that are suitable for vegetation";

(2) "The soil referred to in the first paragraph may" in the second paragraph by "The soils or materials referred to in the first paragraph may".

25. Section 105 is amended by striking out "or have taken" in the fourth paragraph.

26. Section 114 is amended by replacing "any catchment installation for surface water or groundwater intended for human consumption" in paragraph 2 by "any site where water is withdrawn for human consumption or food processing".

27. Section 119 is amended by replacing "The soil used to cover residual materials may" in the second paragraph by "The soils or materials that are suitable for vegetation used to cover residual materials may".

28. Section 149.1 is amended

(1) by adding ", within the period provided for therein" at the end of paragraph 1.1;

(2) by adding the following at the end:

"(7) to comply with any other provision for which no monetary administrative penalty is provided for in this Chapter or in the Environment Quality Act (chapter Q-2).".

29. Section 149.2 is amended

(1) by replacing paragraph 2 by the following:

"(2) to send to the Minister the reports referred to in the second paragraph of section 36 in accordance with that paragraph;";

(2) by inserting "log provided for in section 39 or the" after "105 in the" in paragraph 5;

(3) by striking out paragraph 10.

30. Section 149.3 is amended

(1) by inserting "and evacuation" after "collection" in paragraph 5;

(2) by replacing paragraph 6 by the following:

"(6) to comply with the conditions applicable to a groundwater collection and evacuation system provided for in the second, third or fourth paragraph of section 31;";

(3) by replacing, respectively, "verify" and "having taken to have them analyzed" in paragraph 11 by "confirm" and "taking and analyzing";

(4) by inserting the following after paragraph 22:

"(22.1) to monitor the quality of the groundwater in accordance with section 57;

(22.2) to carry out a graphical or statistical evaluation in accordance with the first paragraph of section 58;";

(5) by replacing "or have monitored every 3 months" in paragraph 25 by "once a month";

(6) by striking out paragraph 42;

(7) by inserting "or third" after "first" in paragraph 43;

(8) by inserting the following after paragraph 44:

"(44.1) to cover a remote landfill with materials in accordance with the first, second or third paragraph of section 119;".

31. Section 149.4 is amended

(1) by replacing paragraph 3 by the following:

"(3) to comply with the conditions provided for in section 20 for an excavation carried out in accordance with the second paragraph of section 21;";

(2) by adding "or the disposal areas" at the end of paragraph 4;

(3) by inserting "and evacuation" after "collection" in paragraph 6;

(4) by replacing "to ensure that every component of a system referred to in the first paragraph of section 28 is leakproof" in paragraph 9 by "to comply with the leakproof conditions of all the components of a system referred to in the first paragraph of 28, of the liner system referred to in the second paragraph of that section";

(5) by replacing "to ensure that the systems referred to in section 44 work" in paragraph 18 by " to comply with the conditions relating to the operation of the systems referred to in section 44";

(6) by replacing "to ensure that the concentration of nitrogen or oxygen prescribed by the first paragraph of section 62 are met" in paragraph 20 by "to comply with the concentration of nitrogen or oxygen prescribed by the first paragraph of section 62";

(7) by replacing paragraph 22 by the following:

"(22) to take or have analyzed the samples prescribed by sections 63 to 63.4, according to the frequency and conditions in those sections;".

(8) by replacing "in the sixth paragraph of section 63" in paragraph 23 by "in section 63.5";

(9) by striking out "or have leak tested" in paragraph 24;

(10) in paragraph 26

(*a*) by striking out "or have taken";

(*b*) by replacing "provided for in the first, third, or, in the case provided for therein, the fifth paragraph of that section" by "provided for therein";

(11) by striking out "or have measured" in paragraph 27;

(12) in paragraph 28

(*a*) by striking out "or have measured";

(*b*) by striking out "2 or";

(13) by replacing "to permanently close" in paragraph 30 by "to begin the process of closing and permanently close";

(14) by striking out paragraph 35.

32. Section 149.5 is amended

(1) by striking out ", 14, 15 or 16" in paragraph 2;

(2) by inserting "58 or" after "section" in paragraph 3;

(3) by inserting the following after paragraph 3:

"(3.1) fails to immediately notify the Minister of the date on which the person begins the process of closing a landfill, in accordance with section 80;";

(4) by striking out "or the lowering of the groundwater level" in paragraph 5;

(5) by replacing "111 or 114 regard the establishment or siting" in paragraph 10 by "111, the second or third paragraph of section 112 or section 114 regarding the establishment, siting or operation";

(6) by striking out "or the lowering of the groundwater level" in paragraph 12;

(7) by adding "or fails to continue to comply with them after the establishment or enlargement of the landfill" at the end of paragraph 15.

33. Section 149.6 is amended

(1) by inserting the following after paragraph 2:

"(2.1) does not comply with the siting conditions and restrictions provided for in section 14, 15 or 16 relating to a landfill;"

(2) in paragraph 4

(*a*) by inserting "or discharges in a lake" after "batch discharges";

(*b*) by replacing "third" by "fifth";

(3) by inserting the following after paragraph 7:

"(7.1) does not comply with the prohibition of the raising of the ground surface at provided for in the second paragraph of section 106 or the first paragraph of section 119;";

(4) by inserting the following after paragraph 8:

"(8.1) does not comply with the prohibition provided for in section 116 relating to the lowering of the groundwater;".

34. Section 149.7 is amended by replacing paragraphs 3 to 8 by the following:

"(3) does not take the measures necessary to minimize the emission of dust visible in the atmosphere in accordance with the first paragraph of section 48;

(4) discharges into the environment the leachate, water or discharges referred to in the first, second or third paragraph of section 53 that are not in compliance with the limit values prescribed therein or those set by the Minister for the purposes of the fourth paragraph of that section;

(5) discharges into the environment the water referred to in section 54 that is not in compliance with the limit values prescribed by the first paragraph of that section or those set by the Minister for the purposes of the fourth paragraph of that section;

(6) fails to comply with the conditions set out in the third paragraph of section 54 for the quality of surface water in the case provided for in the second paragraph of that section;

(7) fails to comply with the conditions for the quality of water downstream in accordance with the first paragraph of section 58;

(8) fails to comply with the concentration of methane referred to in section 60 or the second paragraph of section 62;".

35. Section 151 is amended

(1) by inserting "the third paragraph of section" after "52 or" in the first paragraph;

(2) in the second paragraph

(*a*) by inserting "the log provided for in section 39 or" after "105 in" in subparagraph 2 of the second paragraph;

(*b*) by striking out subparagraph 3.

36. Section 152 is amended

(1) by replacing, respectively, "or 56" and "second, third, fourth or fifth paragraph of section 106, the first paragraph of section 117" in the first paragraph by ", 56 or 57" and "third, fourth or fifth paragraph of section 106, the first or third paragraph of section 117";

(2) by adding the following at the end of the second paragraph:

"(4) to perform a graphical or statistical evaluation in accordance with the first paragraph of section 58;

(5) to cover a remote landfill with materials in accordance with the first, second or third paragraph of section 119.".

37. Section 153 is amended

(1) in the first paragraph

(*a*) by replacing, respectively, "section 63, 64 or 65, the first, third or fifth" and "subparagraph 2 or 3" by "any of sections 63 to 65, the first" and "subparagraph 3";

(*b*) by striking out "119 or";

(2) by replacing "to permanently close" in the second paragraph by "to begin the process of closing and permanently close".

38. Section 154 is amended

(1) by striking out ", 14, 15, 16";

(2) by replacing, respectively, "71" and ", 114 or 116" by "58 or 71, section 80" and "or 114";

(3) by adding the following paragraph at the end:

"Every person who does not comply with the conditions set out in section 116 relating to the bottom of the disposal areas of a remote landfill also commits an offence and is liable to the same fines.".

39. Section 154.1 is amended

(1) by replacing, respectively, "8 or 47, the third" and ", 103 or" by "section 8, sections 14 to 16, or section 47, the fifth" and "or 103, the second paragraph of section 106, section";

(2) by adding the following paragraph at the end:

"Every person who does not comply with the prohibition provided for in section 116 relating to the lowering of the groundwater level or that provided for in the first paragraph of section 119 relating to the raising of the ground surface also commits an offence and is liable to the same fines.".

40. Section 154.2 is amended

(1) by replacing "or second paragraph of section 53, the second paragraph of section 54, section 57, the second paragraph of section 58" by ", second, third or fourth paragraph of section 53, the first, third or fourth paragraph of section 54";

(2) in the second paragraph

(*a*) by replacing subparagraph 2 by the following:

"(2) does not take the measures necessary to minimize the emission of dust visible in the atmosphere in accordance with the first paragraph of section 48";

(*b*) by adding the following at the end:

"(3) fails to comply with the conditions for the quality of water upstream in accordance with the first paragraph of section 58.".

41. Section 160 is amended

(1) by inserting ", with the modifications provided for in the second paragraph," after "(chapter Q-2, r. 13)" in the portion before paragraph 1;

(2) by adding the following paragraph at the end:

"The provisions of the Regulation respecting solid waste apply subject to the following:

(1) subparagraph *r* of the first paragraph of section 30 of that Regulation does not apply;

(2) for the purposes of paragraph *j* of section 31.1 of that Regulation, when the value of 40 mg by litre in 5-day biochemical oxygen demand (BOD_5) is complied with at all times, the removal of 85% of the BOD_5 is no longer required.".

TRANSITIONAL AND FINAL

42. The first and second paragraphs of section 53 of the Regulation respecting the landfilling and incineration of residual materials (chapter Q-2, r. 19), as amended by section 8 of this Regulation, apply to engineered landfills in operation on (*insert the date of coming into force of section 8 of this Regulation*) as of (*insert the date that is 3 years after the date of coming into force of section 8 of this Regulation*).

Up to that date, the operators of those sites must, in accordance with sections 63, 63.2 and 63.3 of the Regulation respecting the landfilling and incineration of residual materials, as replaced by section 15 of this Regulation, collect samples and have the samples analyzed to measure the parameters and analyze the substances listed in the first and second paragraphs of section 53, as amended by section 8 of this Regulation.

43. Sections 32, 61, 62 and 68, and paragraph 25 of section 149.3 of the Regulation respecting the landfilling and incineration of residual materials (chapter Q-2, r. 19), as they read on 31 December 2027, apply to engineered landfills in operation on that date until 31 December 2035.

44. This Regulation comes into force on (*insert the date that is 60 days after the date of its publication in the Gazette officielle du Québec*), except sections 4, 13 and 14, paragraphs 2, 3 and 4 of section 19, paragraph 5 of section 30, and section 43, which come into force on 1 January 2028.

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