

Major Performance of the Chemicals Administration, Ministry of Environment in March 2024

1. On March 8, amendments to the “Working Standards for Environmental Agent Permit Application and Issuance” were made to enhance the management of the application and issuance agency's review procedures and to add review principles for the central competent authority's acceptance of the application for an environmental agent permit (including the change and extension thereof).
2. On March 11, amendments to the “Regulations for Environmental Agent Vendor and Pest Control Operator Permit Application and Issuance” were made to enhance the management of the application and issuance agency's review procedures and to add review principles for the central competent authority's acceptance of the application for environmental agent vendor and pest control operator permit.
3. On March 19, the Ministry of Environment participated in the “Seminar on Inventory and Discussion of Chemical Substances Involving Food Safety Risks” hosted by the Minister Without Portfolio of Executive Yuan Lin Wan-I and Minister Without Portfolio of Executive Yuan Chang Tzi-chin. The Ministry made brief reports on “Toxic and Concerned Chemical Substances Management System,” “The Current Management Status of 57 Chemical Substances Involving Food Safety Concerns,” “An Evaluation Mechanism for Chemical Substances Excluding the 57 Substances of Food Safety Concern,” and “Interdepartmental Collaboration Mechanism in Response to

Food Safety Incidents”.

4. On March 26, the Ministry of Environment participated in the “Environmental Protection and Food Safety Coordination Meeting – The 1st meeting for 2014” organized by the Ministry of Health and Welfare. The Ministry of Environment proposed to discuss issues regarding goods frequently found to contain Sudan coloring during food inspections at the border. It is recommended that the Ministry of Health and Welfare regulate industry players to obtain a permit before importation and enforce imports only after approval. This measure aims to facilitate border source control and subsequent traceability of distribution.