

Basic information	
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Key players				
European Parliament	Committee responsible		Rapporteur	Appointed
	ENVI Environment, Public Health, Consumer Policy		FLORENZ Karl-Heinz (PPE-DE)	16/06/2003
	Committee for opinion		Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
	ITRE Industry, External Trade, Research, Energy			
Council of the European Union	Council configuration		Meetings	Date
	Education, Youth, Culture and Sport		2545	2003-11-24
European Commission	Commission DG		Commissioner	
	Environment			

Key events			
Date	Event	Reference	Summary
29/04/2003	Legislative proposal published	COM(2003)0219 	Summary
12/05/2003	Committee referral announced in Parliament, 1st reading		
01/10/2003	Vote in committee, 1st reading		Summary
01/10/2003	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading	A5-0324/2003	
21/10/2003	Decision by Parliament, 1st reading	T5-0437/2003	Summary

24/11/2003	Act adopted by Council after Parliament's 1st reading		
08/12/2003	Final act signed		
08/12/2003	End of procedure in Parliament		
31/12/2003	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information	
Procedure reference	2003/0084(COD)
Procedure type	COD - Ordinary legislative procedure (ex-codecision procedure)
Procedure subtype	Legislation
Legislative instrument	Directive
Amendments and repeals	Amending Directive 2002/96/EC 2000/0158(COD)
Legal basis	EC Treaty (after Amsterdam) EC 175-p1
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed

Documentation gateway				
European Parliament				
Document type	Committee	Reference	Date	Summary
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A5-0324/2003	01/10/2003	
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Other institutions and bodies				
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Directive 2003/0108
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Waste electrical and electronic equipment (WEEE): financing

2003/0084(COD) - 29/04/2003 - Legislative proposal

PURPOSE : to amend Directive 2002/96/EC on waste electrical and electronic equipment in order to clarify the rules applying to the financing of historical waste from non-household sources in Article 9, so as to avoid the concerns raised in relation to the implications. **CONTENT** : to recall, the European Parliament and the Council recently adopted Directive 2002/96/EC which provides for the collection and environmentally sound treatment of WEEE. The original Commission proposal left the financing of historical waste from non-household sources to agreement between producers and users of the equipment at the time of purchase. During the first reading, this provision was changed into a formulation stipulating that the financing of the cost of management shall be provided for by producers. At that time, this was acceptable to all the institutions. However, it wasn't until the final stages of the adoption of the WEEE Directive was the attention of the institutions drawn to the financing implications of Article 9 of this Directive. As no second reading amendment was made on this article, it was impossible to change the text at that stage. Nevertheless, the European Parliament, the Council and the Commission agreed on a Joint Declaration stating their intention to examine this issue at the earliest occasion and if necessary propose an amendment to Article 9 of the Directive. This proposal follows up this declaration. The proposal changes the responsibility to finance historical waste from non-household sources from producers of the waste equipment to producers supplying a new product, where such a new product exists. For historical waste that its not replaced by new products, the users other than private households shall be responsible. It should also be noted that this proposal does not alter any of the rules applying to household sources nor the individual responsibility applying to the financing of new waste from non-household sources nor any other aspect of the WEEE Directive.

Waste electrical and electronic equipment (WEEE): financing

2003/0084(COD) - 21/10/2003 - Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading

The European Parliament adopted a resolution drafted by Karl-Heinz FLORENZ (EPP-ED, Germany) and approved the Commission's proposal.

Waste electrical and electronic equipment (WEEE): financing

2003/0084(COD) - 08/12/2003 - Final act

PURPOSE : to establish certain rules on the financial responsibility for the collection, treatment, re-use, recovery and recycling of WEEE from users other than private households. **LEGISLATIVE ACT** : Directive 2003/108/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Directive 2002/96/EC on waste electrical and electronic equipment (WEEE). **CONTENT** : As a result of concerns expressed, Commission has examined the financial implications for producers following from the wording of Article 9 of Directive 2002/96/EC. The commission found that the take-back obligation for WEEE put on the market in the past creates a retroactive liability for which no provision was made and which is likely to expose certain producers to serious economic risks. In order to prevent such risks, this Directive provides that the financial responsibility for the collection, treatment, re-use, recovery and recycling of WEEE from users other than private households put on the market before 13 August 2005 should be borne by producers when supplying new products replacing products of equivalent type or fulfilling the same functions. Where such waste is not replaced by new products, the responsibility should be borne by those users. Member States, producers and users may make alternative arrangements. **ENTRY INTO FORCE** : 31/12/03. **DATE OF TRANSPOSITION** : 13/08/04.