NB: Unofficial translation; legally binding texts are those in Finnish and Swedish

Government Decision

on prohibitions and restrictions on certain chlorinated solvents

(1209/1997)

Section 1

- (1) This Decision contains provisions on prohibitions and restrictions on certain chlorinated solvents as laid down in the Appendix.
- (2) The Decision does not apply to research, development work or analysis, or exports outside the European Economic Area.

Section 2

- (1) This Decision enters into force on December 31, 1997.
- (2) Chemicals that do not accord with the requirements of this Decision may not be placed on the market or used in areas limited by this Decision after June 30, 1998.

APPENDIX

Substances

The substances referred to as chlorinated solvents in the Decision are as follows:

- 1) Chloroform CAS No. 67-66-3
- 2) 1,1,2-Trichloroethane CAS No. 79-00-5
- 3) 1,1,2,2-Tetrachloroethane CAS No. 79-34-5
- 4) 1,1,1,2-Tetrachloroethane CAS No. 630-20-6
- 5) Pentachloroethane CAS No. 76-01-7
- 6) 1,1-Dichloroethylene CAS No. 75-35-4

Prohibition and restriction

The chlorinated solvents mentioned may not be used in chemicals intended for sale to the general public or for purposes outside industrial processes, such as cleaning of surfaces or textiles, when the solvent content in the chemicals sold or used is 0.1% or more by mass.

The packaging of a chemical in which the content of the stated chlorinated solvent is at least 0.1% by mass shall, in addition to other labels, display an easily legible and indelible label: 'Vain teollisuuskäyttöön - Endast för industriellt bruk' ('Only for industrial use').

The prohibition and restriction do not apply to:

- 1) medicinal or veterinary products or
- 2) cosmetic products.