

## **Agriculture and Environment Committee**

#	Issue	Description	Status Quo
1	Depositary System	Development of storage systems related to returnable packaging in the context of the introduction of the REP principle. Deficiencies related to the draft order regarding the approval of the List of packaging for which the "deposit" system	Close to finalize. Order no. 08 of Environment Agency approved on 23rd of March related to list of packages approval for which the "storage" system will be applied. Discussions with GIZ on common activities. Request to replace with declared price deposit submitted to EA. The draft order debated at the 5th REP Working Group Meeting and within Agriculture and Environment Committee meeting. Discussions held with REP Meeting: Ministry of Finance; Minister of Environment; GIZ; Romanian REP Association on EPR.
2	Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR)	Due to the EBA previous support (2021) implying development of Analytical Paper and necessary legal amendments (with GIZ and EU funds) - in 2022 EBA Moldova became a part of a working group created by the Ministry of Environment aimed at finalizing the necessary amendments related to EPR and proper wastes management system.	<ul> <li>In process:</li> <li>EBA participated at 5 working group meetings of the Ministry of Environment</li> <li>EBA participated in 4 technical meetings with Minister of Environment, Minister of Finance, Romanian EPR Organization (FEPRA)</li> <li>EBA identified EPR as one of the key policy priorities of EBA included also in the Tax Policy as one of the key priorities</li> <li>EBA included EPR as one of the priorities within the Prime Minister Economic Council Gr2</li> <li>EBA contracted GIZ funds and necessary consultancy to develop relevant legal and normative amendments and the draft of the GD on EPR as well as Informative Note which were submitted to the Minister of Environment.</li> <li>EBA informed the DG Environment about the issue and the issue was approached in the meetings with EU Commissioner for Environment, Mr. Virginijus Sinkevičius.</li> <li>EBA succeeded to advocate the issue within Environment and Budget, Economy and Finance parliamentary commissions. A common DP (EBA, APIA, AIR, FIA, AmCham) submitted to Presidency, Parliament, Primeminister, parliamentary commissions and relevant Embassies (USA, Germany, Ukraine, Romania).</li> <li>The Ministry of Environment initiated the public consultations on amendment of GD no. 561/2020 for the approval of the Regulation on</li> </ul>



3	GD 938 Regulation regarding the mode of crossing state border of goods subject to ANSA control	Amendment of Regulation on the mode of state border crossing of goods subject to control by ANSA	packaging and packaging waste and the drafting of the Government Decision to amend Law no. 209/2016 on waste.  On December 1st EBA members met with the newly appointed Minister of Environment, Mrs. Rodica lordanca lordanov and Mrs. Ina Coşeru, Deputy Chair of the Parliamentary Commission on Environment and Regional Development and concluding that existing Law 1540 to be replaced by a new one in 2023 and the environment tax to be paid in 2023 by amending the GD no. 561/2020 after the entry into force of the new law. The List of waste products will be extended under the new law.  Close to finalize.  Regulatory Analysis Impact of the draft GD was performed. The draft was adopted conditionally so as to include observations, comments related to ANSA controls, and statistical data to provide transparency to the carried controls. The draft of GD was positively approved by the Ministry of Economy and Ministry of Agriculture and Food Industry. Following all the feedback from all the stakeholders - new draft was defined and presented by ANSA.  A DP submitted by EBA at the end of September. The submitted draft proposals were discussed on the Prime Minister Economic Council (CONSECON) platform with Minister of Agriculture and Director General of ANSA, the meeting was chaired by the EBA as Chair of Trade Facilitation Committee within CONSECON.  The amendments were processed by the members of the Prime Minister Economic Council, to be discussed at the State Secretaries Meeting and to be submitted to the Government for approval.
4	Illegal logging, pallet and unfair competition	Processes of interaction of natural / legal persons to ensure them with the necessary resources from the national forest fund, in compliance with norms meant to protect natural resources (GD no. 740/2003, GD no. 27/2004), the harvesting of wood being subject to authorization in order to avoid the uncontrolled use of limited and hard-to-renew resources	In process Position Paper submitted to Ministry of Environment and Moldsilva. Meeting with Moldsilva concluded the need to amending the national legal framework regarding the use of pallets and phytosanitary requirements in import and export of goods. Moldsilva committed to initiate the amendment of national legal framework regarding the use of raw material for compliant of pallets production.