

Project Profile

Sector: Waste Policy

Project: Review of the Special Waste Regulations

Client: Department of the Environment, Transport and the Regions, and Enviros Aspinwall

Period: 2000



Re-excavated drums of industrial waste awaiting consignment to a special waste landfill

The Department of Environment, Transport and the Regions has asked Enviros Aspinwall and Land Quality Management to identify and appraise alternatives for future regulation of hazardous wastes in the UK, and to evaluate the efficiency and effectiveness of the operation of the Special Waste Regulations in meeting the objectives of the legislation and delivering Government Policy on hazardous waste management.

The work involves consultation with waste producers, the waste collection, treatment, management and disposal industries, and regulators from the Environment Agency, SEPA and the Northern Ireland Environment and Heritage Service, on the following:

- Classification and definition of special waste
- Implementation of the Hazardous Waste Directive
- Maintenance of previous controls (under COP(SW) Regs 1980)
- Operation of current controls and future options
- Opportunities to encourage treatment to reduce the hazard, waste minimisation and/or recycling where this is the BPEO