

HIGH-PRESSURE GAS SAFETY CONTROL ACT

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 Act No. 4625, Dec. 27, 1993
 Act No. 4966, Aug. 4, 1995
 Act No. 5184, Dec. 12, 1996
 Act No. 5453, Dec. 13, 1997
 Act No. 5454, Dec. 13, 1997
 Act No. 5505, Jan. 13, 1998
 Act No. 5828, Feb. 8, 1999
 Act No. 6419, Feb. 3, 2001
 Act No. 6581, Dec. 31, 2001
 Act No. 6676, Mar. 25, 2002
 Act No. 7240, Oct. 22, 2004
 Act No. 7504, May 26, 2005
 Act No. 8183, Jan. 3, 2007
 Act No. 8452, May 17, 2007
 Act No. 8486, May 25, 2007
 Act No. 8763, Dec. 21, 2007
 Act No. 8852, Feb. 29, 2008
 Act No. 8863, Feb. 29, 2008
 Act No. 9679, May 21, 2009

Article 1 (Purpose)

The purpose of this Act is to provide for matters pertaining to the production, storage, sale, transportation and use of high-pressure gas, as well as the manufacture and inspection of containers, refrigerators and specific equipment for high-pressure gas, in order to prevent hazards due to high-pressure gas and to secure public safety.

[This Article Wholly Amended by Act No. 8763, Dec. 21, 2007]

Article 2 (Scope of Application)

The type and scope of high-pressure gas governed by this Act shall be prescribed by Presidential Decree.

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Article 3 (Definitions)

For the purpose of this Act: <Amended by Act No. 8852, Feb. 29, 2008>

1. The term "storage place" means a fixed place where high-pressure gas is stored in containers or in storage tanks in excess of the amount prescribed by Ordinance of the Ministry of Knowledge Economy;
2. The term "container" means a transportable thing (including accessories) for filling with high-pressure gas;
3. The term "storage tank" means a thing settled in a fixed place for storage of high-pressure gas;
4. The term "refrigerator" means a piece of equipment which uses highpressure gas for freezing materials and has a freezing capacity of not lower than that prescribed by Ordinance of the Ministry of Knowledge Economy;
5. The term "specified equipment" means a storage tank or a piece of equipment for high-pressure gas prescribed by Ordinance of the Ministry of Knowledge Economy;
6. The term "precision safety examination" means that an institution specializing in gas safety control searches for potential danger factors and causes while the operation of outworn high-pressure gas production facilities is suspended, by utilizing up-to-date equipment and technology on a regular basis, and provides the methods for their removal, in order to prevent any large-scale gas accidents.

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Article 4 (High-Pressure Gas Production Permission, etc.)

(1) Any person who intends to produce (including the filling of containers; hereinafter the same shall apply) high-pressure gas shall obtain permission for each place of production from the Governor of a Special Self-Governing Province, the head of a *Si/Gun/Gu* (the head of a *Gu* refers to the head of an

autonomous *Gu*; hereinafter referred to as head of a *Sil/Gun/Gu*). The same shall apply to cases where he/she intends to change important matters provided for by Ordinance of the Ministry of Knowledge Economy among permitted matters. <Amended by Act No. 8852, Feb. 29, 2008; Act No. 9679, May 21, 2009>

(2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1), any person who intends to produce high-pressure gas of a type and scale lower than those prescribed by Presidential Decree shall make a report to the head of a *Sil/Gun/Gu* as prescribed by Ordinance of the Ministry of Knowledge Economy. The same shall apply to cases where he/she intends to change important matters prescribed by Ordinance of the Ministry of Knowledge Economy among reported matters. <Amended by Act No. 8852, Feb. 29, 2008; Act No. 9679, May 21, 2009>

(3) Any person who intends to set up a storage place or to sell high-pressure gas shall obtain permission for each storage place or sales place from the head of a *Sil/Gun/Gu*. The same shall apply to cases where he/she intends to change important matters prescribed by Ordinance of the Ministry of Knowledge Economy, among permitted matters. <Amended by Act No. 8852, Feb. 29, 2008; Act No. 9679, May 21, 2009>

(4) The types, standards and scope of permission under paragraphs (1) and (3) shall be prescribed by Presidential Decree; the facility standards and technical standards necessary for production, storage and sale of high-pressure gas shall be prescribed by Ordinance of the Ministry of Knowledge Economy. <Amended by Act No. 8852, Feb. 29, 2008>

(5) The authorities which have granted permission or received reports under paragraphs (1) through (3) shall notify the chief of the competent fire station of the terms of permission or reported details within seven days.

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Article 5 (Registration, etc., for Manuf