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### **Implementation Of Environmental Protection Tax Law In China**

Please be informed that **The Environmental Protection Tax Law in China** will take effect on **1 January 2018**. The new law aims to “protect and improve the environment, reduce pollution discharges, and promote ecological civilization”. According to its provisions, the payers of this tax shall include enterprises, public institutions and other producers or operations that directly discharge pollutants into the environment; and taxable pollutants refer to atmospheric pollutants, water pollutants, solid waste and construction site noise.

While tighter regulations governing environmental protection and energy consumption, China factories are required to comply with the new law and adjust to the legal standards accordingly. It is reported that some unqualified factories (especially those factories related to printing, paper making, and oil painting) have been forced to shut down by government officials.

If there is any further development on this issue, Ensign will provide updates to concerning parties. It is recommended to verify with your related parties if necessary. More information about the law, please refers to [The Environmental Protection Tax Law of China](#) (Chinese Version Only).

Should you have any inquiries, please feel free to contact our Customer Service for details. Kindly distribute the message to the parties concerned. Thank you!

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