

DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE

No 231/2012

of 7 December 2012

amending Annex XX (Environment) to the EEA Agreement

THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE,

Having regard to the Agreement on the European Economic Area ('the EEA Agreement'), and in particular Article 98 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Commission Decision 2012/448/EU of 12 July 2012 establishing the ecological criteria for the award of the EU Ecolabel for newsprint paper ⁽¹⁾ is to be incorporated into the EEA Agreement.
- (2) Commission Decision 2012/481/EU of 16 August 2012 establishing the ecological criteria for the award of the EU Ecolabel for printed paper ⁽²⁾ is to be incorporated into the EEA Agreement.
- (3) Annex XX to the EEA Agreement should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The following points are inserted after point 2zd (Commission Decision 2009/894/EC) of Annex XX to the EEA Agreement:

- '2ze. **32012 D 0448**: Commission Decision 2012/448/EU of 12 July 2012 establishing the ecological criteria for the award of the EU Ecolabel for newsprint paper (OJ L 202, 28.7.2012, p. 26).
- 2zf. **32012 D 0481**: Commission Decision 2012/481/EU of 16 August 2012 establishing the ecological criteria

for the award of the EU Ecolabel for printed paper (OJ L 223, 21.8.2012, p. 55)'.³*Article 2*The texts of Decisions 2012/448/EU and 2012/481/EU in the Icelandic and Norwegian languages, to be published in the EEA Supplement to the *Official Journal of the European Union*, shall be authentic.*Article 3*This Decision shall enter into force on 8 December 2012, provided that all the notifications under Article 103(1) of the EEA Agreement have been made ^(*) or on the day of the entry into force of Decision of the EEA Joint Committee No 200/2012 of 26 October 2012 ⁽³⁾, whichever is the later.*Article 4*This Decision shall be published in the EEA Section of, and in the EEA Supplement to, the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

Done at Brussels, 7 December 2012.

For the EEA Joint Committee

The President

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⁽¹⁾ OJ L 202, 28.7.2012, p. 26.⁽²⁾ OJ L 223, 21.8.2012, p. 55.^(*) No constitutional requirements indicated.⁽³⁾ OJ L 21, 24.1.2013, p. 50.