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menschlichen Gebrauch - Pulver-Aktivkohle

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Foreword

This document (EN 12903:2003) has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 164 "Water supply", the secretariat of which is held by AFNOR.

This European Standard shall be given the status of a national standard, either by publication of an identical text or by endorsement, at the latest by October 2003, and conflicting national standards shall be withdrawn at the latest by October 2003.

NOTE Conformity with this standard does not confer or imply acceptance or approval of the product in any of the Member States of the EU or EFTA. The use of the product covered by this European Standard is subject to regulation or control by National Authorities.

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- a) modifications of limit values for As, Ni, Pb and Sb in line with the EU Directive 98/83/EC (see [1]);
- b) deletion of reference to EU Directive 80/778/EEC of 15 July 1980.

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Introduction

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- a) this European Standard provides no information as to whether the product may be used without restriction in any of the Member States of the EU or EFTA ;
- b) it should be noted that, while awaiting the adoption of verifiable European criteria, existing national regulations concerning the use and/or the characteristics of this product remain in force.

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