

Halon registration in Malaysia

Under a new law being enforced in Malaysia, halon users who have not registered with the Fire and Rescue Department would have to face severe consequences – a fine of up to US\$2,600, a two-year jail term or both. This step is intended to enable the department to keep track of the quantity and movement of halons in the country. As of November 2001, the department recorded 320 t of halon-1301 and 8 t of halon-1211. However, only 35 t of halon-1301 and 4 t of halon-1211 had been collected for storage in the Malaysia Halon Bank. *Contact: Mr. Lee Choong Min, Department of Environment, Malaysia. E-mail: lcm@jas.sains.my.* (OzonAction Newsletter, No. 41, April 2002)