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THE SUPERINTENDENCE OF THE ENVIRONMENT MODIFIES ITS PROGRAM AND SUB-PROGRAMS FOR ENVIRONMENTAL INSPECTION OF ENVIRONMENTAL APPROVAL RESOLUTIONS FOR THE YEAR 2020, TO ADAPT IT TO THE CONTEXT OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

On December 23, 2020, the Superintendence of the Environment ("SMA"), through the Ministry of the Environment, published in the Official Gazette its Resolution No. 2,460, modifying Resolution No. 1,947/2019, which approves its program and subprograms for environmental inspection of Environmental Approval Resolutions for the year 2020. The reason behind this modification is the context of the Covid-19 pandemic, which has hindered the normal development of on-site activities carried out by inspection units, aiming to give priority to all inspection activities of the SMA. Specifically, the modifications consist in:

- 1 Expansion and establishment of methodology for inspection of the preventive axis, from "Environmental Inspection" to "any type of environmental control activity", according to the provisions of Resolution No. 1,184/2015, which instructs general rules on environmental inspection.
- **2** Deletion from article 6 -which refers to processes of environmental inspection included in the program and sub-programs of environmental inspection of Environmental Assessment Resolutions- the phrase that establishes a limit of at least one environmental inspection activity per inspection process.

This amendment came into force as of the date of its publication in the Official Gazette.



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