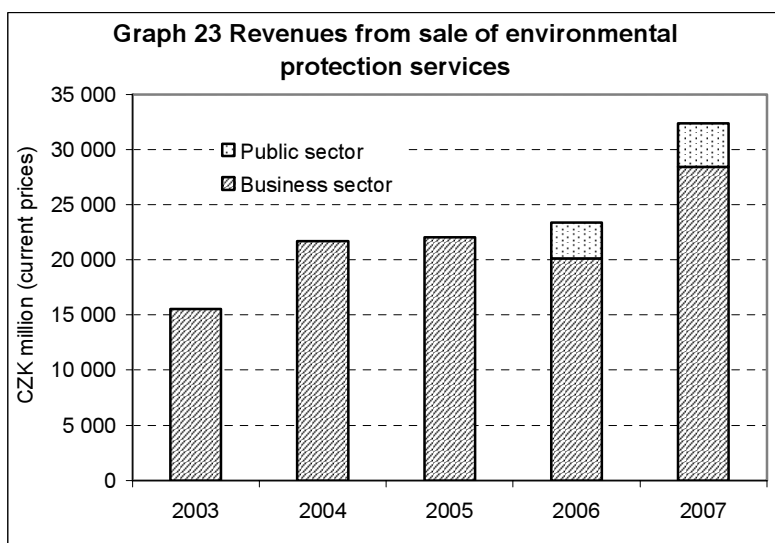


Economic benefits from environmental protection activities

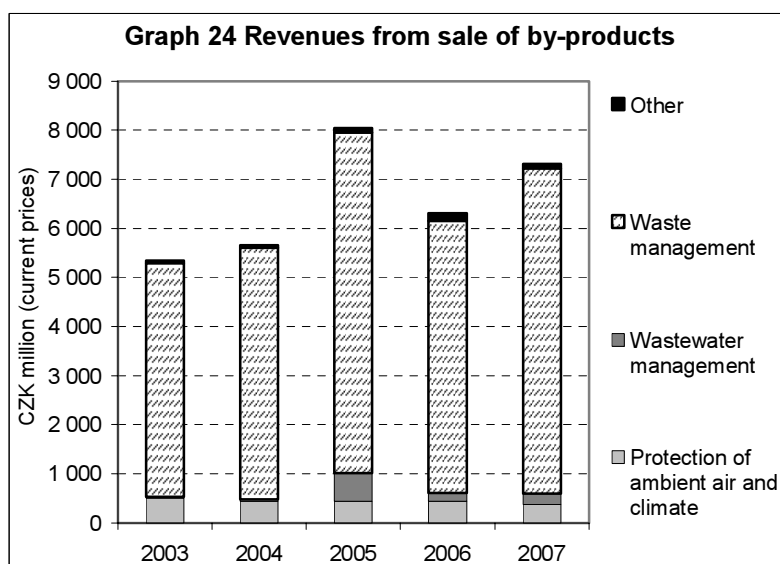


Environmental protection implies in particular expenditure, either investment or non-investment one, yet it may produce economic profits for some enterprises. These enterprises are mainly specialising in environmental protection activities classified predominantly to CZ-NACE 90 – Sewage and refuse disposal, sanitation and similar activities. These providers of environmental protection services use form ŽP 1-01 to record revenues from the sale of environmental protection services; the revenue volumes in 2003–2007 are shown in Graph 23 which also presents the contributions of the public sector in 2006 and 2007 (after the change of

reporting obligation). A prevailing part of these services is provided in waste treatment (68–82% in 2003–2007), followed by wastewater treatment (up to 20%). The revenues from the sale of environmental protection services in other environmental domains are very low.

Economic benefits coming from sale of by-products produced in environmental protection activities are relatively low in comparison to sale of environmental services; these by-products are mainly a result of waste treatment. The increase in sale in 2006 and 2007 due to the inclusion of the public sector in the survey is quite insignificant.

The savings from recycling of by-products produced in environmental protection activities were up to CZK 1.5 billion in 2003–2007; over 90% of them (for most of the reference period) came from waste treatment.



In conclusion to this part we should note that waste treatment is quite dominating in terms of economic benefits from environmental protection activities, and it yields sizeable profits to businesses engaged in waste treatment.