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Matters related to the implementation of the Convention: scientific and technical matters: technical guidelines

Draft technical guidelines on the environmentally sound management of waste batteries other than waste lead-acid batteries

Note by the Secretariat

- 1. At its sixteenth meeting, the Conference of the Parties to the Basel Convention on the Control of Transboundary Movements of Hazardous Wastes and Their Disposal considered a draft table of contents for the technical guidelines on the environmentally sound management of other waste batteries, as contained in document UNEP/CHW.16/INF/13.
- 2. The draft table of contents for the technical guidelines on the environmentally sound management of other waste batteries, which reflects the outcome of the sixteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties and is taken note of in decision BC-16/6, on technical guidelines on the environmentally sound management of waste lead-acid batteries and on other waste batteries, is set out in the annex to the present note.
- 3. The present note, including its annex, has not been formally edited.

Annex

Draft of the Table of Contents

Abbreviations and Acronyms Units of measurement

I. Introduction

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 - 1. Sampling
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- F. Handling, separation, collection, packaging, labelling, transportation and storage
 - 1. Handling
 - 2. Separation
 - 3. Collection
 - 4. Packaging and labelling
 - Transportation
 - 6. Storage

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- Repair and repurpose of waste batteries other than waste lead-acid batteries for reuse Environmentally sound disposal

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Bibliography

Annexes (e.g., examples of relevant national legislations)

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