

(3) Request for comments on the revised technical guidelines for the environmentally sound management of wastes consisting of, containing or contaminated with persistent organic pollutants

Decision: Paragraphs 7 and 9 of decision OEWG-9/3: Technical guidelines for the environmentally sound management of wastes consisting of, containing or contaminated with persistent organic

Background:

At its ninth meeting, the Open-ended Working Group invited the lead countries and lead organizations to consider the comments on the concentration levels to define low persistent organic pollutant content received pursuant to paragraph 4 of decision OEWG-9/3 and the comments provided at the ninth meeting of the Open-ended Working Group and to further revise the draft guidelines set out in documents UNEP/CHW/OEWG.9/INF/9–13 and INF/23 by 27 November 2014.

The Working Group also invited the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations to prepare updated draft technical guidelines on the environmentally sound management of wastes consisting of, containing or contaminated with pesticides, taking into account the comments previously received from parties and others by 27 November 2014.

Request:

- The revised draft guidelines listed below will be made available on the website of the Basel Convention⁴ by 27 November 2014. Parties and others are invited to provide comments on those drafts to the Secretariat by 23 January 2015.
 - (1) Draft updated general technical guidelines for the environmentally sound management of wastes consisting of, containing or contaminated with persistent organic pollutants
 - (2) Draft technical guidelines for the environmentally sound management of wastes consisting of, containing or contaminated with perfluorooctane sulfonic acid, its salts and perfluorooctane sulfonyl fluoride
 - (3) Draft technical guidelines on the environmentally sound management of wastes consisting of, containing or contaminated with hexabromodiphenyl ether, heptabromodiphenyl ether, tetrabromodiphenyl ether and pentabromodiphenyl ether
 - (4) Draft technical guidelines on the environmentally sound management of wastes consisting of, containing or contaminated with hexabromocyclododecane
 - (5) Draft updated technical guidelines on the environmentally sound management of wastes consisting of, containing or contaminated with polychlorinated biphenyls, polychlorinated terphenyls or polybrominated biphenyls to include hexabromobiphenyl
 - (6) Draft updated technical guidelines on the environmentally sound management of wastes containing or contaminated with unintentionally produced polychlorinated dibenzo-p-dioxins, polychlorinated dibenzofurans, hexachlorobenzene, polychlorinated biphenyls or pentachlorobenzene
 - (7) Draft updated technical guidelines on the environmentally sound management of wastes consisting of, containing or contaminated with pesticides.
- The revised draft guidelines will be further revised by the lead countries and lead organizations by 6 March 2015 and will be published on the website of the Basel Convention. Parties and others will be invited to provide comments on those drafts by 10 April 2015.

⁴ www.basel.int

Method of submission:

- Please submit the comments to the Secretariat contact point by e-mail or Fax.

Deadline for submission:

- **23 January 2015 (comments on the drafts to be made available by 27 November 2014)**
- **10 April 2015 (comments on the drafts to be made available by 6 March 2015)**

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