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Persistent Organic Pollutants Review Committee
Second meeting
Geneva, 6–10 November 2006
Item 2 (b) of the provisional agenda*
Organizational matters: organization of work**

Annotated provisional agenda

Item 1. Opening of the meeting

1. The second meeting of the Persistent Organic Pollutants Review Committee will be held from 6 to 10 November 2006 in the Geneva International Conference Centre, 9–11 Rue de Varembeé, Geneva, Switzerland. The meeting will be opened at 10 a.m. on Monday, 6 November 2006.
2. Opening and welcoming statements will be delivered.

Item 2. Organizational matters

(a) Adoption of the agenda

3. The Committee will be invited to adopt its agenda, with any amendments it may deem appropriate, on the basis of the provisional agenda as set out in document UNEP/POPS/POPRC.2/1.

(b) Organization of work

4. The Committee will have before it a scenario note for the meeting prepared by the Chair, Mr. Reiner Arndt (Germany) (UNEP/POPS/POPRC.2/INF/1), and a tentative schedule for the week prepared by the Secretariat (UNEP/POPS/POPRC.2/INF/2).
5. The Committee may wish to establish such ad hoc contact groups and drafting groups as it may deem necessary, specifying their mandates.

Item 3. Review of the outcomes of the second meeting of the Conference of the Parties of the Stockholm Convention relevant to the work of the Committee

6. The Committee will have before it a note by the Secretariat on the outcomes of the second meeting of the Conference of the Parties of the Stockholm Convention relevant to the work of the Committee (UNEP/POPS/POPRC.2/INF/3). The Committee may wish to take note of the information presented in the note.

* UNEP/POPS/POPRC.2/1.

Item 4. Operational issues

(a) Confidentiality arrangements

7. The Committee will have before it notes by the Secretariat on confidentiality arrangements (UNEP/POPS/POPRC.2/2) and on analysis and comments relating to confidentiality matters (UNEP/POPS/POPRC.2/INF/20). The Committee may wish to take note of the information presented in the notes and consider the possible action listed in document UNEP/POPS/POPRC.2/2.

(b) Treatment of isomers or groups of isomers of chemicals proposed for listing in Annexes A, B or C of the Convention

8. The Committee will have before it a note by the Secretariat on the consideration of isomers or groups of isomers of chemicals proposed for listing in Annexes A, B or C of the Convention (UNEP/POPS/POPRC.2/3). The Committee may wish to take note of the information presented in the note and consider the possible action listed therein.

(c) Listing chemicals the transformation products of which are chemicals proposed for listing in Annexes A, B or C of the Convention

9. The Committee will have before it a note by the Secretariat on the consideration of chemicals the transformation products of which are chemicals proposed for listing in Annexes A, B or C of the Convention (UNEP/POPS/POPRC.2/4). The Committee may wish to take note of the information presented in the note and consider the possible action listed therein.

(d) Roster of experts

10. The Committee will have before it notes by the Secretariat on the roster of experts (UNEP/POPS/POPRC.2/5) and on experts nominated by Parties for the roster of experts (UNEP/POPS/POPRC.2/INF/11). The Committee may wish to take note of the information presented in the notes and consider the possible action listed in document UNEP/POPS/POPRC.2/5.

(e) Standard workplan for the preparation in the period between the second and third meetings of the Committee: (i) of a draft risk profile; and (ii) of a draft risk management evaluation

11. The Committee will have before it a note by the Secretariat on the submission of information specified in Annex F of the Convention (UNEP/POPS/POPRC.2/6) which contains in its annex V the draft workplan for the intersessional period between the second and third meetings of the Committee for the possible preparation of the risk management evaluation. The Committee may wish to consider the workplan and adopt it with any amendments. The Committee may also wish to consider using the workplan for the preparation of a draft risk profile.

(f) Submission of information specified in Annex F of the Convention

12. The Committee will have before it notes by the Secretariat on submission of information specified in Annex F of the Convention (UNEP/POPS/POPRC.2/6) and on comments and responses relating to the submission of information specified in Annex F of the Convention (UNEP/POPS/POPRC.2/INF/13). The Committee may wish to take note of the information presented in the notes and consider the possible action listed in document UNEP/POPS/POPRC.2/6.

13. The Committee will have before it notes by the Secretariat on risk management options under the Convention (UNEP/POPS/POPRC.2/INF/12) and on the process to develop risk profiles (UNEP/POPS/POPRC.2/INF/14). The Committee may wish to take note of the information presented in the notes.

Item 5. Consideration of draft risk profiles

(a) Pentabromodiphenyl ether

14. The Committee will have before it notes by the Secretariat on the draft risk profile for pentabromodiphenyl ether (UNEP/POPS/POPRC.2/7) and on comments and responses relating to the draft risk profile for pentabromodiphenyl ether (UNEP/POPS/POPRC.2/INF/15). The chair of the intersessional working group on pentabromodiphenyl ether will be invited to present the draft risk profile. The Committee may wish to take note of the information provided in the notes and the presentation and consider the possible action listed in document UNEP/POPS/POPRC.2/7.

(b) Chlordecone

15. The Committee will have before it notes by the Secretariat on the draft risk profile for chlordecone (UNEP/POPS/POPRC.2/8) and on comments and responses relating to the draft risk profile for chlordecone (UNEP/POPS/POPRC.2/INF/16). The chair of the intersessional working group on chlordecone will be invited to present the draft risk profile. The Committee may wish to take note of the information provided in the notes and the presentation and consider the possible action listed in document UNEP/POPS/POPRC.2/8.

(c) Hexabromobiphenyl

16. The Committee will have before it notes by the Secretariat on the draft risk profile for hexabromobiphenyl (UNEP/POPS/POPRC.2/9) and on comments and responses relating to the draft risk profile for hexabromobiphenyl (UNEP/POPS/POPRC.2/INF/17). The chair of the intersessional working group on hexabromobiphenyl will be invited to present the draft risk profile. The Committee may wish to take note of the information provided in the notes and the presentation and consider the possible action listed in document UNEP/POPS/POPRC.2/9.

(d) Lindane

17. The Committee will have before it notes by the Secretariat on the draft risk profile for lindane (UNEP/POPS/POPRC.2/10) and on comments and responses relating to the draft risk profile for lindane (UNEP/POPS/POPRC.2/INF/18). The chair of the intersessional working group on lindane will be invited to present the draft risk profile. The Committee may wish to take note of the information provided in the notes and the presentation and consider the possible action listed in document UNEP/POPS/POPRC.2/10.

(e) Perfluorooctane sulfonate

18. The Committee will have before it notes by the Secretariat on the draft risk profile for perfluorooctane sulfonate (UNEP/POPS/POPRC.2/11) and on comments and responses relating to the draft risk profile for perfluorooctane sulfonate (UNEP/POPS/POPRC.2/INF/19). The chair of the intersessional working group on perfluorooctane sulfonate will be invited to present the draft risk profile. The Committee may wish to take note of the information provided in the notes and the presentation and consider the possible action listed in document UNEP/POPS/POPRC.2/11.

Item 6. Consideration of chemicals newly proposed for inclusion in Annex A, B or C of the Convention

19. The Committee will have before it a note by the Secretariat on verification of whether proposals contain the information specified in Annex D of the Convention (UNEP/POPS/POPRC.2/INF/9). The Committee may wish to take note of the information provided in the note.

(a) Octabromodiphenyl ether

20. The Committee will have before it a proposal by European Community and its member States that are Party to the Convention for listing octabromodiphenyl ether in Annexes A, B or C of the Convention (UNEP/POPS/POPRC.2/INF/4) and a summary of the proposal prepared by the Secretariat (UNEP/POPS/POPRC.2/12). An expert designated by European Community and its member States that are Party to the Convention will be invited to present the proposal. The Committee may wish to take note of the information provided in the documents and the presentation and consider the possible action listed in document UNEP/POPS/POPRC.2/12.

(b) Pentachlorobenzene

21. The Committee will have before it a proposal by European Community and its member States that are Party to the Convention for listing pentachlorobenzene in Annexes A, B or C of the Convention (UNEP/POPS/POPRC.2/INF/5) and a summary of the proposal prepared by the Secretariat (UNEP/POPS/POPRC.2/13). An expert designated by European Community and its member States that are Party to the Convention will be invited to present the proposal. The Committee may wish to take note of the information provided in the documents and the presentation and consider the possible action listed in document UNEP/POPS/POPRC.2/13.

(c) Short-chained chlorinated paraffins [note to secretariat: please confirm that this correct]

22. The Committee will have before it a proposal by European Community and its member States that are Party to the Convention for listing short-chained chlorinated paraffins in Annexes A, B or C of

the Convention (UNEP/POPS/POPRC.2/INF/6) and a summary of the proposal prepared by the Secretariat (UNEP/POPS/POPRC.2/14). An expert designated by European Community and its member States that are Party to the Convention will be invited to present the proposal. The Committee may wish to take note of the information provided in the documents and the presentation and consider the possible action listed in document UNEP/POPS/POPRC.2/14.

(d) Alpha hexachlorocyclohexane

23. The Committee will have before it a proposal by Mexico for listing alpha hexachlorocyclohexane in Annexes A, B or C of the Convention (UNEP/POPS/POPRC.2/INF/7) and a summary of the proposal prepared by the Secretariat (UNEP/POPS/POPRC.2/15). An expert designated by Mexico will be invited to present the proposal. The Committee may wish to take note of the information provided in the documents and the presentation and consider the possible action listed in document UNEP/POPS/POPRC.2/15.

(e) Beta hexachlorocyclohexane

24. The Committee will have before it a proposal by Mexico for listing beta hexachlorocyclohexane in Annexes A, B or C of the Convention (UNEP/POPS/POPRC.2/INF/8) and a summary of the proposal prepared by the Secretariat (UNEP/POPS/POPRC.2/16). An expert designated by Mexico will be invited to present the proposal. The Committee may wish to take note of the information provided in the documents and the presentation and consider the possible action listed in document UNEP/POPS/POPRC.2/16.

Item 7. Other matters

25. The Committee will have before it a note by the Secretariat on the terms of office of the members of the Committee (UNEP/POPS/POPRC.2/INF/10). The Committee may wish to take note of the information presented in the note.

26. The Committee may wish to discuss any intersessional work on new proposals by Parties for listing chemicals in Annexes A, B or C of the Convention submitted between second and third meetings of the Committee.

27. The Committee may wish to consider other matters raised by members of the Committee during the course of the meeting.

Item 8. Dates and venue of the third meeting of the Committee

28. The Committee may wish to consider and reach agreement on the dates and venue of its third meeting.

Item 9. Adoption of the report

29. The Committee will be invited to consider and adopt the draft report prepared by the Rapporteur.

Item 10. Closure of the meeting

30. It is expected that the meeting will be closed by the Chair by 6 p.m. on Friday, 10 November 2006.
