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Subject: Invitation to review and provide comments on the draft risk profiles on chlorinated naphthalenes and hexachlorobutadiene

The seventh meeting of the Persistent Organic Pollutants Review Committee of the Stockholm Convention took place from 10 to 14 October 2011, in Geneva. The report of the meeting (UNEP/POPS/POPRC.7/19) is available on the Convention's website: <http://www.pops.int/poprc/>.

The Committee had before it proposals submitted by the European Union to list **chlorinated naphthalenes** and **hexachlorobutadiene** under Annexes A, B, and/or C to the Convention.

In accordance with the procedure laid down in paragraphs 5 and 6 of Article 8 of the Convention, the Committee applied the screening criteria specified in Annex D to both chemicals and decided that the screening criteria were met and that the Committee should proceed with the development of risk profiles for chlorinated naphthalenes and hexachlorobutadiene. The Committee invited Parties and observers to submit information specified in Annex E for both chemicals and intersessional working groups prepared the attached draft risk profiles.

You are invited to **review and provide your technical comments on the draft risk profiles on chlorinated naphthalenes and hexachlorobutadiene** to the Persistent Organic Pollutants Review Committee by **25 May 2012**.

Submissions will be appreciated in electronic files by e-mail to: ssc@pops.int and awarmuth@pops.int.

Should this not be possible please forward hard copies to:

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Att: POPs Review Committee
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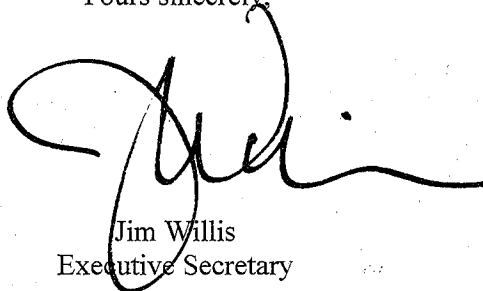
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If you have any further questions regarding this invitation or if you would like to receive hard copies of the documents from the Persistent Organic Pollutants Review Committee, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Andrea Warmuth (e-mail: awarmuth@pops.int; telephone +41 22 917 8853).

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jim Willis', written in a cursive style.

Jim Willis
Executive Secretary

Attachments