

**Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants**

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**Subject: Invitation to review and provide comments on the draft risk management evaluations for chlorinated naphthalenes and hexachlorobutadiene**

Dear Sir or Madam,

The eighth meeting of the Persistent Organic Pollutants Review Committee of the Stockholm Convention took place from 15 to 19 October 2012, in Geneva. The report of the meeting (UNEP/POPS/POPRC.8/16) is available on the Convention's website: <http://www.pops.int/poprc/>.

In accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 8 of the Convention, the Committee examined the risk profiles for chlorinated naphthalenes and hexachlorobutadiene. The Committee decided that both chemicals are likely, as a result of their long-range environmental transport, to lead to significant adverse human health and/or environmental effects such that global action is warranted and that the Committee should proceed with the development of a risk management evaluation for each of those chemicals.

In accordance with paragraph 7 (a) of Article 8 of the Convention, the Committee invited Parties and observers to submit information specified in Annex F of the Convention and intersessional working groups prepared the attached draft risk management evaluations for chlorinated naphthalenes and hexachlorobutadiene. The risk management evaluation, together with the risk profile for each chemical, will be used by the Committee as the basis for its recommendation to the Conference of the Parties on whether that chemical should be considered for listing in Annexes A, B, and/or C of the Convention.

You are invited to review the attached draft risk management evaluations for chlorinated naphthalenes and hexachlorobutadiene and to submit your comments to the Persistent Organic Pollutants Review Committee no later than **24 May 2013**.

Submissions are most appreciated in electronic files by e-mail to: [poprc@pops.int](mailto:poprc@pops.int) and [mim@pops.int](mailto:mim@pops.int).

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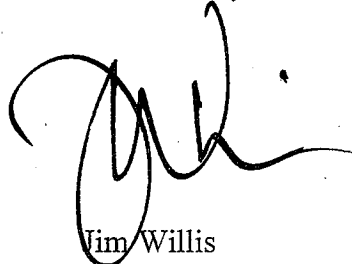
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Yours sincerely,

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

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