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**Subject: Invitation to review and provide comments on the draft risk management evaluation for pentachlorophenol and its salts and esters**

Dear Sir or Madam,

The ninth meeting of the Persistent Organic Pollutants Review Committee of the Stockholm Convention took place from 14 to 18 October 2013, in Rome. The report of the meeting (UNEP/POPS/POPRC.9/13) 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 profile for pentachlorophenol and its salts and esters. The Committee decided that the pentachlorophenol and its salts and esters is likely, as a result of its 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 that chemical.

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 an intersessional working group prepared the attached draft risk management evaluation for pentachlorophenol and its salts and esters. The risk management evaluation, together with the risk profile for pentachlorophenol and its salts and esters, 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 evaluation for pentachlorophenol and its salts and esters and to submit your comments to the Persistent Organic Pollutants Review Committee no later than **23 May 2014**.

Submissions are most appreciated in electronic files by e-mail to: [poprc@brsmeas.org](mailto:poprc@brsmeas.org) and [Melisa.lim@brsmeas.org](mailto:Melisa.lim@brsmeas.org).

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Yours sincerely,



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