



Practical use of the Guidelines on best available techniques and provisional guidance on best environmental practices

Case study:

Destruction of animal carcasses

The country is a large producer of chicken and turkey meat products. Buyers from the region are very much attracted to the good quality products that your country produces, and thus the production sector has grown 20% in the last few years.

However the news has just broken out, that avian flu has affected a 60 of the large farms where the chickens and turkeys are raised killing 80% of the live stock and forcing the farmers to kill the remaining 20% of their stock. Measures need to be implemented immediately in order to deal with the large numbers of dead birds.

In order to try and minimize the political impact this disaster is bound to have in the local and national community, a committee has been set up to provide the government with options on how to best deal with the issue immediately and to provide advise on measures to be implemented in the future should the country be faced with a similar problem, taking into account BAT and BEP.

What recommendations and advice would you provide the Committee when evaluating its options?

Questions:

As a government official you are aware that your country is a Party to the Stockholm Convention and that the destruction of animal carcasses is one of the source categories listed in the Part III of the Convention.

The list of activities could include:

- BAT&BEP activities and any related actions contributing to their implementation;
- possible timeframe of implementation;
- main stakeholders to be involved.