

6. Request for comments on experience in using the mercury wastes technical guidelines, and on any developments regarding methods for environmentally sound disposal of mercury wastes

Decision: BC-12/4: Technical guidelines on the environmentally sound management of wastes consisting of, containing or contaminated with mercury

Background:

At its eleventh meeting, the Conference of the Parties adopted decision BC-11/5 in which it decided on the updating of these technical guidelines, and on the establishment of a small intersessional working group (SIWG), to prepare draft revised technical guidelines for consideration by OEWG-9. The Conference of the Parties welcomed the offer by Japan to serve as lead country for the updating of the technical guidelines.

At its twelfth meeting, in decision BC-12/4, the Conference of the Parties adopted the technical guidelines on the environmentally sound management of wastes consisting of, containing or contaminated with mercury or mercury compounds. The Conference of the Parties also invited parties and others to use the technical guidelines and to submit, not later than two months before the thirteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties, through the Secretariat, comments on their experience in so doing and on any developments regarding methods for environmentally sound disposal of mercury wastes, including the long-term effectiveness of the stabilization and solidification of wastes consisting of mercury.

Request(s):

Request	Respondent(s)	Method of submission	Deadline for submission
Parties and others are invited to submit comments on the experience in using the guidelines and on any developments regarding methods for environmentally sound disposal of mercury wastes, including the long-term effectiveness of the stabilization and solidification of wastes consisting of mercury.	Parties Others	Please make submissions to the Secretariat via the contact point provided below.	Not later than two months before COP.13 i.e. 23 February 2017 .*

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