

SC-8/13: Review of information related to specific exemptions for decabromodiphenyl ether

The Conference of the Parties

1. *Invites* each Party listed in the register of specific exemptions for decabromodiphenyl ether listed in Annex A to the Stockholm Convention to report to the Secretariat, by December 2019, justifying its need for the registration of that exemption;
2. *Invites* each Party listed in the register of specific exemptions for decabromodiphenyl ether listed in Annex A to the Convention, as well as observers, to provide to the Secretariat, by December 2019, information on the following:
 - (a) Production;
 - (b) Uses;
 - (c) Efficacy and efficiency of possible control measures;
 - (d) Information on the availability, suitability and implementation of alternatives;
 - (e) Status of control and monitoring capacity;
 - (f) Any national or regional control actions taken;
3. *Invites* all Parties to provide to the Secretariat, by December 2019, information on progress made in building the capacity of countries to transfer safely to reliance on alternatives to decabromodiphenyl ether;
4. *Requests* the Secretariat to compile the information provided in accordance with paragraphs 1–3 above and to make it available to the Persistent Organic Pollutants Review Committee by January 2020;
5. *Requests* the Committee, subject to the availability of resources, to analyse the information referred to in paragraph 4 above and any other pertinent and credible information available and to prepare a report, including any recommendations, for consideration by the Conference of the Parties;
6. *Decides*, if any request is received from a Party for an extension of an exemption in the register in accordance with paragraph 1 of the review process set out in the annex to decision SC-3/3, to take into account the report and the recommendations referred to in paragraph 5 above when undertaking its review of entries in the register of specific exemptions for decabromodiphenyl ether.