

POPRC-7/11: Climate change and persistent organic pollutants

The Persistent Organic Pollutants Review Committee

1. *Takes note* of the paper on the implications of the study on climate change and persistent organic pollutants,¹
2. *Concludes* that a better understanding of the interlinkages between persistent organic pollutants and climate change is relevant for its work;
3. *Decides* to establish an ad hoc working group to develop, subject to the availability of funds, guidance on how to consider the possible impact of climate change on its work and agrees to work in accordance with the workplan set out in the annex to the present decision;
4. *Agrees* that the ad hoc working group should focus its work on the study entitled “Climate Change and POPs: Predicting the Impacts”² and other relevant literature;
5. *Invites* Governments and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations to provide technical and financial resources to support the Committee in the employment of a consultant to prepare the draft guidance referred to in paragraph 3 of the present decision.

Annex to decision POPRC-7/11

Workplan for developing guidance on the possible impact of climate change on the work of the Persistent Organic Pollutants Review Committee

<i>Scheduled date</i>	<i>Interval from previous activity (weeks)</i>	<i>Activity</i>
14 October 2011	-	The Committee establishes an ad hoc working group.
1 December 2011	6	The drafter develops an annotated outline of the report and sends it to the ad hoc working group for comments.
15 December 2011	2	The working group members provide comments on the outline to the drafter.
2 March 2012	7	The working group chair and the drafter complete the first draft. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Drafter prepares the first draft and sends it to the chair: 27 Feb.• Chair sends the first draft to the working group: 2 March.
2 April 2012	4	The working group members provide comments on the first draft to the chair and the drafter.
15 May 2012	4	The working group chair and the drafter complete the second draft. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Drafter prepares the second draft and sends it to the chair: 10 May. Chair sends the second draft to the working group: 15 May.
15 June 2012	4	Parties and observers submit their comments on the second draft to the chair/drafter.
28 August 2012	4	The working group chair and the drafter review the final comments and complete the final draft <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Drafter prepares the final draft and sends it to the chair: 21 August.• Chair sends the final draft to the Secretariat: 28 August.
3 September 2012	<1	The Secretariat distributes the final draft.

1 UNEP/POPS/POPRC.7/INF/20/Rev.1.

2 <http://chm.pops.int/tabid/1580/language/en-US/Default.aspx>.

<i>Scheduled date</i>	<i>Interval from previous activity (weeks)</i>	<i>Activity</i>
15–19 October 2012	<6	Eighth meeting of the Committee.
