

OEWG-VII/8: Technical guidelines on the environmentally sound management of persistent organic pollutants pursuant to decision IX/16

The Open-ended Working Group,

Recalling decision IX/16 of the Conference of the Parties to the Basel Convention,

1. *Invites* Parties and others to submit comments to the Secretariat by 31 March 2011 on:

(a) Further guidance, in the general technical guidelines on the environmentally sound management of persistent organic pollutant wastes, on other disposal methods when persistent organic pollutant content is less than low persistent organic pollutant content in areas where there may be a high risk for human health and the environment through, among other means, the food chain and the soil;

(b) Amendments to entry A4110 in Annex VIII to the Basel Convention relating to polychlorinated dibenzo-furan and polychlorinated dibenzo-dioxin and other relevant entries relating to pesticide persistent organic pollutants and DDT in order to include a concentration level for those persistent organic pollutants;

2. *Requests* the small intersessional working group established pursuant to paragraph 9 of decision OEWG-I/4 to consider the comments referred to in paragraph 1 above and to report on the results of its work, through the Secretariat, to the Conference of the Parties at its tenth meeting for its consideration.