

POPRC-6/5: Substitution and alternatives

The Persistent Organic Pollutants Review Committee

1. *Endorses* the revised guidance document on alternatives to perfluorooctane sulfonate and its derivatives¹ and invites parties and observers to disseminate and make use of that document;
2. *Agrees* that the guidance document should be revised regularly as necessary to take into account available information on alternatives to perfluorooctane sulfonate and its derivatives;
3. *Invites* parties and observers to submit the following information to the Secretariat of the Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants by 31 July 2011 for consideration at the Committee's seventh meeting:
 - (a) Comments on the guidance document, including additional information on the health and environmental effects of possible alternatives mentioned in the document;
 - (b) Experience in replacing perfluorooctane sulfonate and its derivatives with additional alternative products and/or processes, including information about their health and environmental effects;
4. *Requests* the Secretariat to disseminate the guidance document widely, including by posting it on the website of the Stockholm Convention;
5. *Decides* to consider the information provided pursuant to paragraph 3 above and the possibility of initiating the updating of the guidance document at the Committee's seventh meeting.
