VII/16. Implementation of existing technical guidelines

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling its decision VI/37 on the work programme of the Open-ended Working Group and in particular its decisions VI/20, VI/21, VI/22 and VI/24 on the preparation of technical guidelines,

Also recalling Open-ended Working Group decision OEWG-I/13, paragraph 7, inviting comments from Parties and others on the implementation of technical guidelines,

- 1. *Invites* Parties and others to provide comments to the Secretariat by 31 July 2005 on their experiences with and assessment of the implementation of the existing technical guidelines on the environmentally sound management of hazardous wastes and any identified practical difficulties and obstacles in their implementation;
- 2. *Requests* the Secretariat to prepare a compilation of the comments received for consideration by the Conference of the Parties at its eighth meeting.