

SC-7/13: Listing of pentachlorophenol and its salts and esters

The Conference of the Parties,

Having considered the risk profile and the risk management evaluation for pentachlorophenol and its salts and esters as transmitted by the Persistent Organic Pollutants Review Committee,¹

Taking note of the recommendation by the Persistent Organic Pollutants Review Committee to list pentachlorophenol and its salts and esters in Annex A to the Convention with specific exemptions for the production and use of pentachlorophenol for utility poles and cross-arms,²

1. *Decides* to amend part I of Annex A to the Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants to list pentachlorophenol and its salts and esters therein with specific exemptions for production as allowed for the parties listed in the register of specific exemptions and for the use of pentachlorophenol for utility poles and cross-arms by inserting the following row:

Chemical	Activity	Specific exemption
Pentachlorophenol and its salts and esters	Production	As allowed for the parties listed in the Register in accordance with the provisions of part VIII of this Annex
	Use	Pentachlorophenol for utility poles and cross-arms in accordance with the provisions of part VIII of this Annex

2. *Also decides* to insert a new note (vi) in part I of Annex A, as follows:

(vi) Pentachlorophenol (CAS No: 87-86-5), sodium pentachlorophenate (CAS No: 131-52-2 and 27735-64-4 (as monohydrate)) and pentachlorophenyl laurate (CAS No: 3772-94-9), when considered together with their transformation product pentachloroanisole (CAS No: 1825-21-4), were identified as persistent organic pollutants;

3. *Further decides* to insert a new part VIII in Annex A as follows:

Part VIII

Pentachlorophenol and its salts and esters

Each Party that has registered for the exemption pursuant to Article 4 for the production and use of pentachlorophenol for utility poles and cross-arms shall take the necessary measures to ensure that utility poles and cross-arms containing pentachlorophenol can be easily identified by labelling or other means throughout their life cycles. Articles treated with pentachlorophenol should not be reused for purposes other than those exempted.

¹ UNEP/POPS/POPRC.9/13/Add.3 and UNEP/POPS/POPRC.10/10/Add.1.

² UNEP/POPS/COP.7/20.