

## **BC-15/9: Technical guidelines on the environmentally sound management of wastes consisting of, containing or contaminated with mercury or mercury compounds**

### *The Conference of the Parties*

1. *Welcomes with appreciation* the contributions made by the Government of Japan, as lead country, and the small intersessional working group to the tasks pertaining to technical guidelines on the environmentally sound management of wastes consisting of, containing or contaminated with mercury or mercury compounds;

2. *Adopts* the technical guidelines on the environmentally sound management of wastes consisting of, containing or contaminated with mercury or mercury compounds;<sup>1</sup>

3. *Requests* the Secretariat:

(a) To disseminate the technical guidelines referred to in paragraph 2 of the present decision to Parties and others in the six official languages of the United Nations;

(b) To undertake, subject to the availability of resources, technical assistance activities to support developing-country Parties and other Parties needing assistance in using the adopted technical guidelines, organizing such activities in cooperation with the Basel Convention regional and coordinating centres or by other appropriate means;

(c) To prepare, subject to the availability of resources, a short document that explains how the technical guidelines can be used at the national level, with a view to facilitating the dissemination and use of the technical guidelines, as part of its technical assistance activities.

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<sup>1</sup> UNEP/CHW.15/6/Add.6/Rev.1.