

Decision POPRC-2/2: Chlordecone

The Persistent Organic Pollutants Review Committee,

Having completed the risk profile for chlordecone in accordance with paragraph 6 of Article 8 of the Convention,

Taking into account the high potential of chlordecone to persist in the environment, to bioaccumulate and biomagnify and to represent a hazard for humans and wildlife at very low levels,

1. *Adopts* the risk profile for chlordecone contained in document UNEP/POPS/POPRC/17/Add.2;
 2. *Invites* the ad hoc working group on chlordecone which prepared the risk profile to explore any further information on long-range environmental transport and risk estimations and, if appropriate, to revise the risk profile for consideration by the Committee at its third meeting;
 3. *Considers that*, although the information on long-range environmental transport is not fully conclusive, there is evidence suggesting the relevance of some transport pathways;
 4. *Decides*, in accordance with paragraph 7 (a) of Article 8 of the Convention, and taking into account that a lack of full scientific certainty should not prevent a proposal from proceeding, that chlordecone is likely, as a result of its long-range environmental transport, to lead to significant adverse human health and environmental effects such that global action is warranted;
 5. *Decides furthermore*, in accordance with paragraph 7 (a) of Article 8 of the Convention and paragraph 29 of decision SC-1/7 of the Conference of the Parties to the Stockholm Convention, to establish an ad hoc working group to prepare a risk management evaluation that includes an analysis of possible control measures for chlordecone in accordance with Annex F to the Convention;
 6. *Invites*, in accordance with paragraph 7 (a) of Article 8 of the Convention, Parties and observers to submit to the Secretariat the information specified in Annex F for chlordecone before 2 February 2007.
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