

**Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants**اتفاقية استكهولم بشأن الملوثات العضوية الثابتة · 关于持久性有机污染物的斯德哥尔摩公约 · Convention de Stockholm sur les polluants organiques persistants  
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**Subject: Invitation to provide comments on the draft revised guidance on alternatives to perfluorooctane sulfonic acid, its salts, perfluorooctane sulfonyl fluoride and their related chemicals**

Dear Sir or Madam,

The eighth meeting of the Persistent Organic Pollutants Review Committee of the Stockholm Convention took place from 15 to 19 October 2012, in Geneva. The report of the meeting (UNEP/POPS/POPRC.8/16) is available on the Convention's website: <http://www.pops.int/poprc/>.

The Committee considered the comments received from parties and observers on the guidance on alternatives to perfluorooctane sulfonic acid, its salts, perfluorooctane sulfonyl fluoride and their related chemicals (UNEP/POPS/POPRC.6/13/Add.3/Rev.1) and decided to revise the guidance on the basis of these comments and any additional information made available to it. The Committee established an ad hoc working group to prepare a draft of the revised guidance.

You are invited to review the attached draft of the revised guidance on alternatives to perfluorooctane sulfonic acid, its salts, perfluorooctane sulfonyl fluoride and their related chemicals, prepared by the working group, and to submit your comments to the Persistent Organic Pollutants Review Committee no later than **21 June 2013**.

Submissions are most appreciated in electronic files by e-mail to: [poprc@pops.int](mailto:poprc@pops.int) and [mhim@pops.int](mailto:mhim@pops.int).

Should this not be possible please send hard copies to:

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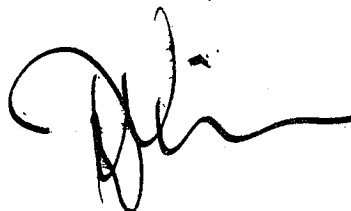
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If you have any questions regarding this invitation or would like to receive hard copies of documents from the Committee, please contact Ms. Melisa Lim (email: [mlim@pops.int](mailto:mlim@pops.int); telephone: +41 22 9178831).

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J. Willis', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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