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Consideration of chemicals proposed for inclusion in Annexes A, B and C of the Convention: perfluorooctane sulfonate

Perfluorooctane sulfonate proposal**

Note by the Secretariat

The annex to the present note contains a proposal by Sweden for listing perfluorooctane sulfonate (PFOS) in Annex A of the Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants pursuant to paragraph 1 of Article 8 of the Convention. The proposal package consists of the following:

- (a) [Letter submitting the proposal](#) from the Ministry of Sustainable Development of Sweden;
- (b) [Proposal for listing PFOS in Annex A](#) of the Stockholm Convention prepared by the Swedish Chemicals Inspectorate (2005);
- (c) [Dossier prepared by the Swedish Chemical Inspectorate](#) (August 2004) in support of the nomination of PFOS for inclusion under the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe's 1998 Protocol on persistent organic pollutants to the 1979 Convention on Long-range Transboundary Air Pollution and the Stockholm Convention;
- (d) [PFOS risk reduction strategy and analysis of advantages and drawbacks](#), stage 4 final report, prepared by the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs of the United Kingdom (March 2004);
- (e) [Draft environmental risk evaluation report on PFOS](#) prepared by the Environment Agency of the United Kingdom (2004);
- (f) [Hazard assessment of PFOS and its salts](#) published by the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (ENV/JM/RD(2002)17/FINAL) (November 2002).

Due to their length, the documents referred to in subparagraphs (d)–(f) above are not attached, but are available at www.pops.int or by request from the Secretariat. The annex is being circulated as submitted and has not been formally edited by the Secretariat.

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** Stockholm Convention, Article 8, paragraph 1.