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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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**NOTIFICATION OF SPECIFIC EXEMPTION
FOR USE OF A CHEMICAL LISTED IN ANNEX A**

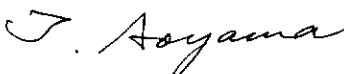
PARTY (COUNTRY NAME):JAPAN

Herewith, the Secretariat for the Stockholm Convention is notified of the registration for the following specific exemption pursuant to paragraph 3 of Article 4 of the Convention.

Chemical name	Hexabromodiphenyl ether and heptabromodiphenyl ether, tetrabromodiphenyl ether and pentabromodiphenyl ether
Duration of the exemption requested, if less than five years as provided by the Convention	
Purpose(s) of use	<p>Recycling ASR(Automobile Shredder Residue) to RPF(Refuse Paper & Plastic Fuel) Recycling ASR to RSPP(Recycled Sound-Proofing Products)</p> <p>Recycling plastics from used specific home appliances (Air-Conditioner, TV set, Refrigerator, Freezer, Washing Machine and Clothes Dryer) and personal computers to construction materials and daily necessities such as hanger and bookends.</p>
Estimated quantity of annual use	N/A
Reason(s) for exemption	<p>Recycling of ASR is an obligation for automobile manufacturers and importers under the Law for the Recycling of End-of-Life Vehicles. It is necessary to enable recycling of ASR to maintain appropriate management system of End-of-Life Vehicles. Recycling of ASR is operated in environmentally sound manner under the law.</p> <p>Recycling used specific home appliances is an obligation for home appliances manufacturers and importers under Home Appliance Recycling Law. It is necessary to enable recycling of plastics from used specific home appliances to maintain appropriate management system of the used specific home appliances and establish a sound material-cycle society. Recycling of such plastics is operated in environmentally sound manner under the law.</p> <p>Recycling used personal computers is an obligation for personal computers manufacturers and importers under Law for the Promotion of Effective Utilization of Resources. It is necessary to enable recycling of plastics from used personal computers to maintain appropriate management system of the used personal computers and establish a sound material-cycle society. Recycling of such plastics is operated in environmentally sound manner under the law.</p>

Remarks	<p>It is difficult to estimate the quantity of annual use of the chemicals listed above, because of uncertainties and lack of information of their use to automobile parts and the specific home appliances in the past.</p> <p>Approximately 500,000 tons of ASR which might contain the chemicals listed above is recycled annually.</p> <p>Approximately 128,000 tons of plastics from used specific home appliances which might contain the chemicals listed above are recycled annually.</p> <p>Approximately 5,892 tons of used personal computers are collected annually. On average, the weight of plastics which might contain the chemicals listed above is approximately 15% of total weight of personal computers.</p>
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