

ELEVENTH MEETING OF THE PARTIES TO
THE MONTREAL PROTOCOL ON
SUBSTANCES THAT DEplete
THE OZONE LAYER
Beijing, 29 November - 3 December 1999

DECISION XI/20. NEW OZONE-DEPLETING SUBSTANCES

Proposal by the European Community

[Decision XI/20. New ozone-depleting substances¹

To recall that decision X/8 requested Parties that, should new substances be developed and marketed which, following application of decision IX/24, are agreed by the Parties to pose a significant threat to the ozone layer, appropriate steps are taken under the Montreal Protocol to ensure their control and phase-out,

* To be discussed together and subject to the amendment proposed by the European Community as contained in the report of the Legal Drafting Group (UNEP/OzL.Pro.11/3).

To note that many new chemicals are brought into the market by the chemical industry so that criteria for assessing the potential ODP of these chemicals will be useful,

To request the Scientific Assessment Panel and Technology and Assessment Panel:

(a) To develop criteria to assess the potential ODP of new chemicals:

(b) To develop a guidance paper to enable the Parties to instruct a company to assess the potential ODP of the chemical, brought into the market by that company, that satisfies the criteria to be set by the Panels;

2. *To further request* the Technology and Economic Assessment and the Scientific Assessment Panel to develop and report on the criteria that would be taken into account by the Parties when adopting any further control measures on any new substances. The following should be considered while developing the reports:

(a) The focus should first be on those substances with the highest ozone-depleting potential;

(b) Comprehensive information should be provided on the alternatives available to the new substances;

(c) Current and possible future uses of the substances, and their potential to replace substances with a higher ozone-depleting potential for which no other alternatives were available; and

(d) Whether a substance with a significant ozone-depleting potential served medical, scientific and other environmental objectives;]

And report back to the Meeting of the Parties at the Thirteenth Meeting of the Parties.

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