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Executive Secretary  
United Nations Economic Commission for  
Europe  
Palais des Nations  
CH-1211 Geneva  
Switzerland

**Proposal to amend the 1998 Protocol on Heavy Metals under the  
Convention on Long-range Transboundary Air Pollution**

Dear Executive Secretary,

In accordance with Article 13(1) of the 1998 Protocol on Heavy Metals under the Convention on Long-range Transboundary Air Pollution (HM Protocol), any Party may propose amendments to the Protocol.

Sweden, as President of the European Council, on behalf of Member States of the European Union which are Parties to the HM Protocol, propose:

- (i) to amend annexes II, III and V to the HM Protocol as indicated in the annex to this letter;
- (ii) to make necessary consequential amendments to the articles of the Protocol following negotiated amendments to annexes to the HM Protocol.

We kindly ask you to forward this proposal to the next meeting of the Executive Body of the Convention.

Yours Sincerely,

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Annex

## **Proposed amendments to annexes to the HM Protocol**

### ***Proposed amendments to Annex II***

It is proposed to add new source categories based on the work carried out by the Task Force during and since the 2006 sufficiency and effectiveness review of the protocol (EB.AIR/WG.5/2005/2, ECE/EB.AIR/WG.5/2006/2 and 2006 background documents, ECE/EB.AIR/WG.5/2007/15 and ECE/EB.AIR/WG.5/2008/9).

### ***Proposed amendments to Annex III***

It is proposed to amend the definition of BAT in line with the proposed change of the BAT definition in the Gothenburg protocol for conformity of the protocols.

It is proposed to update the BAT descriptions based on the work carried out by the Task Force during and since the 2006 sufficiency and effectiveness review of the protocol (EB.AIR/WG.5/2005/2, ECE/EB.AIR/WG.5/2006/2 and 2006 background documents, ECE/EB.AIR/WG.5/2007/15 and ECE/EB.AIR/WG.5/2008/9).

### ***Proposed amendments to Annex V***

It is proposed to update the emission limit values based on the work carried out by the Task Force during and since the 2006 sufficiency and effectiveness review of the protocol (EB.AIR/WG.5/2005/2, ECE/EB.AIR/WG.5/2006/2 and 2006 background documents, ECE/EB.AIR/WG.5/2007/15 and ECE/EB.AIR/WG.5/2008/9).