

**Conference of the Parties to the Stockholm
Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants
Twelfth meeting**

Geneva, 28 April–9 May 2025

Agenda item 5 (e)

**Matters related to the implementation of the Convention:
listing of chemicals in Annex A, B or C to the Convention**

**Draft decision SC-12/[--]: Actions related to long-chain
perfluorocarboxylic acids, their salts and related compounds**

**Submission by the contact group on the listing of chemicals under the
Stockholm Convention**

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling its decision SC-12/[--], by which it decided to amend part I of Annex A to the Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants to list long-chain perfluorocarboxylic acids, their salts and related compounds with specific exemptions,

Recalling also the process, as set out in paragraph 5 of decision SC-11/8, adopted at the eleventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties, for the identification of substances covered by the listing of perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA), its salts and PFOA-related compounds and by the listing of perfluorohexane sulfonic acid (PFHxS), its salts and PFHxS-related compounds,

1. *Notes* that, in order to support Parties and facilitate the identification of substances covered by the listing of long-chain perfluorocarboxylic acids, their salts and related compounds, a draft indicative list of substances has been prepared;¹
2. *Invites* Parties and others to take into account the information available in the draft indicative list of substances and to provide further information regarding the identification of substances covered by the listing of long-chain perfluorocarboxylic acids, their salts and related compounds;
3. *Requests* the Secretariat to compile, in consultation with the Persistent Organic Pollutants Review Committee, the information submitted pursuant to paragraph 2 above and to establish an indicative list of substances covered by the listing of long-chain perfluorocarboxylic acids, their salts and related compounds, mindful of the indicative list of substances covered by the listing of perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA), its salts and PFOA-related compounds, make the list available on the Convention website, and update it periodically;
4. *Urges* Parties to take into account the information on potential alternatives provided in the risk management evaluation,² taking into consideration the criteria in paragraph 1 of Annex D to the Convention, to determine whether those alternatives exhibit the characteristics of persistent organic pollutants.

¹ UNEP/POPS/POPRC.20/INF/17.

² Substances such as some short-chain per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS), as mentioned in the risk management evaluation (UNEP/POPS/POPRC.19/9/Add.2, annex).