

PCD/ODS/2.6

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To: All Hydrochlorofluorocarbons (HCFCs) Exporters

Dear Sir/ Mdm

## **UPDATES ON EXPORT OF HCFCs**

The National Environment Agency (NEA) has been notified respectively by the European Commission (EC) and the Indonesia Government of the new control measures on imports of HCFCs. Please see the updates below.

### **(I) EXPORT OF HCFCs TO MEMBER COUNTRIES OF THE EUROPEAN UNION**

2 Under the European Union (EU) legislation, any permanent or temporary import or transit (including trans-shipment) of Ozone Depleting Substances (ODS) or products and equipment containing or relying on ODS ("products") is not permitted except for the following applicable exemptions, where licence from the EC is required:

- i) ODS for feedstock uses, process agent uses or essential laboratory uses;
- ii) ODS and products for destruction in the EU;
- iii) HCFCs imported for re-packaging and subsequent re-export by authorised re-packagers in the EU until 31 December 2019;
- iv) Methyl bromide for QPS re-packaging and subsequent re-export by authorised re-packagers in the EU until 31 December 2014;
- v) Non-virgin halons and halon products for critical uses;
- vi) HCFC products for which a special individually granted exemption applies;
- vii) Temporary admission of means of transport (e.g. ships or aircraft calling EU ports that will leave unchanged).

3 In view of the above HCFC control measures, a copy of the import permit and/or approval from the EC shall be produced to the Pollution Control Department (PCD) prior to any export of HCFCs to member countries of the EU. You may wish to visit the EC's Communication & Information Resource Centre Administrator (CIRCA) forum - [http://circa.europa.eu/Public/irc/env/review\\_2037/library](http://circa.europa.eu/Public/irc/env/review_2037/library) for more information on their controls of HCFCs.

## **(II) EXPORT OF HCFCs TO INDONESIA**

4 The Indonesia Government has adopted a regulation on ODS Licensing System under the Trade Minister Decree No. 3 year 2012. An import permit has to be obtained from Indonesia's Ministry of Trade before any import of HCFCs can be allowed into Indonesia. In accordance to Indonesia's Trade Minister Decree No.3 year 2012, there are seven official ports of entrance for the import of HCFCs, which are as follows:

- i) Belawan (Medan);
- ii) Tanjung Priok (Jakarta);
- iii) Merak (Cilegon);
- iv) Tanjung Mas (Semarang);
- v) Tanjung Perak (Surabaya);
- vi) Sukarno-Hatta (Makassar);
- vii) Batu Ampar (Batam).

5 In this regard, a copy of the import permit issued by the Indonesia's Ministry of Trade shall be produced to PCD prior to any export of HCFCs to Indonesia. For details of the Indonesia's regulation on ODS Licensing System, please visit this link - <http://inatrade.kemendag.go.id/referensi/downloaddok.php?filedown=119.pdf>.

6 Please also be informed that Singapore, being a Party to the Beijing Amendment to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer is obliged to ban trade on HCFCs with non-Parties to the Copenhagen Amendment and Beijing Amendment from 1 Jan 2013. The status of ratification to the Montreal Protocol and its Amendments can be found on the Ozone Secretariat's website - [http://ozone.unep.org/new\\_site/en/treaty\\_ratification\\_status.php](http://ozone.unep.org/new_site/en/treaty_ratification_status.php)

7 All HCFCs exporters and declaring agents are reminded that checks shall be in place to ensure that HCFCs are not imported from and/or exported to countries that are non-Parties to the Montreal Protocol and its Amendments.

8 Please contact Ms Tan Hwee Hong at Tel: 6731 9665 or Ms Kee Su Yin at Tel: 6731 9054 if you need further clarification. Thank you.

Yours faithfully

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