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Sir/Madam,

Decision XXXIV/13: Collecting data to understand potential impacts of the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic on hydrofluorocarbon consumption for Group 1 Article 5 parties

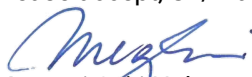
I have the honour to refer to the Thirty-Fourth Meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer held in Montreal from 31 October to 4 November 2022, and, in particular, to [decision XXXIV/13](#) on collecting data to understand potential impacts of the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic on hydrofluorocarbon consumption for Group 1 Article 5 parties.

The decision encouraged Article 5 parties that believe that their reduced consumption of HFCs during the baseline years of 2020–2022, stemming from the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic, could hinder their ability to comply with the freeze in the consumption of HFCs in 2024 under the Kigali Amendment, to submit to the Ozone Secretariat as soon as possible, and no later than 1 May 2023, their HFC consumption data for 2022 in time for consideration at the forty-fifth meeting of the Open-ended Working Group.

As an Article 5 party listed in Group 1 of parties whose HFCs phase down schedule begins in 2024, I invite your government to submit to the Secretariat at the earliest convenience, HFC consumption data for 2022 in time for consideration by the Open-ended Working Group at its forty-fifth meeting, preferably by 1 May 2023.

I thank your Government for the continuous support to the Montreal Protocol.

Please accept, Sir/Madam, the assurances of my highest consideration.



Megumi Seki Nakamura
Executive Secretary

Countries that are Group 1 Article 5

1. Afghanistan
2. Albania
3. Algeria
4. Angola
5. Antigua and Barbuda
6. Argentina
7. Armenia
8. Bahamas
9. Bangladesh
10. Barbados
11. Belize
12. Benin
13. Bhutan
14. Bolivia (Plurinational State of)
15. Bosnia and Herzegovina
16. Botswana
17. Brazil
18. Brunei Darussalam
19. Burkina Faso
20. Burundi
21. Cabo Verde
22. Cambodia
23. Cameroon
24. Central African Republic
25. Chad
26. Chile
27. China
28. Colombia
29. Comoros
30. Congo
31. Cook Islands
32. Costa Rica
33. Côte d'Ivoire
34. Cuba
35. Democratic People's Republic of Korea
36. Democratic Republic of the Congo
37. Djibouti
38. Dominica
39. Dominican Republic
40. Ecuador
41. Egypt
42. El Salvador
43. Equatorial Guinea
44. Eritrea
45. Eswatini
46. Ethiopia
47. Fiji
48. Gabon
49. Gambia
50. Georgia
51. Ghana
52. Grenada
53. Guatemala
54. Guinea
55. Guinea Bissau
56. Guyana
57. Haiti
58. Honduras
59. Indonesia
60. Jamaica

61. Jordan
62. Kenya
63. Kiribati
64. Kyrgyzstan
65. Lao People's Democratic Republic
66. Lebanon
67. Lesotho
68. Liberia
69. Libya
70. Madagascar
71. Malawi
72. Malaysia
73. Maldives
74. Mali
75. Marshall Islands
76. Mauritania
77. Mauritius
78. Mexico
79. Micronesia (Federated States of)
80. Mongolia
81. Montenegro
82. Morocco
83. Mozambique
84. Myanmar
85. Namibia
86. Nauru
87. Nepal
88. Nicaragua
89. Niger
90. Nigeria
91. Niue"
92. North Macedonia
93. Palau
94. Panama
95. Papua New Guinea
96. Paraguay
97. Peru
98. Philippines
99. Republic of Korea
100. Republic of Moldova
101. Rwanda
102. Saint Kitts and Nevis
103. Saint Lucia
104. Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
105. Samoa
106. Sao Tome and Principe
107. Senegal
108. Serbia
109. Seychelles
110. Sierra Leone
111. Singapore
112. Solomon Islands
113. Somalia
114. South Africa
115. South Sudan
116. Sri Lanka
117. Sudan
118. Suriname
119. Syrian Arab Republic
120. Thailand
121. Timor-Leste
122. Togo
123. Tonga

124. Trinidad and Tobago
125. Tunisia
126. Türkiye
127. Turkmenistan
128. Tuvalu
129. Uganda
130. United Republic of Tanzania
131. Uruguay
132. Vanuatu
133. Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)
134. Viet Nam
135. Yemen
136. Zambia
137. Zimbabwe