

**Open-ended Working Group of the Parties to  
the Montreal Protocol on Substances that  
Deplete the Ozone Layer  
Thirty-second meeting  
Bangkok, 23–27 July 2012  
Agenda item 12  
Other matters**

**Draft decision on review by the Scientific Assessment Panel of  
RC-316c**

**Submission by Australia, Canada, Norway, Switzerland, the United States  
of America and the European Union**

*The Twenty-Fourth Meeting of the Parties decides:*

*Recalling* decisions IX/24, X/8, XI/19 and XIII/5 of the Meeting of the Parties pertaining to new substances,

*Noting* that the Scientific Assessment Panel has developed procedures for assessing the ozone-depletion potential of new substances,

1. To invite parties in a position to do so to provide environmental assessments of RC-316c (1,2-dichloro-1,2,3,3,4,4-hexafluorocyclobutane, CAS 356-18-3), a chlorofluorocarbon not controlled by the Montreal Protocol, and any guidance on practices that can reduce intentional releases of the substance;

2. To request the Scientific Assessment Panel to conduct a preliminary assessment of RC-316c and report to the Open-ended Working Group at its thirty-third meeting on the ozone-depletion potential and global-warming potential of the substance and other factors that the Panel deems relevant.