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WORK PROGRAMME FOR THE EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION UNDER ARTICLE 13(3)(B) OF THE IED FOR 2017 (AND THE OUTLOOK FOR THE FOLLOWING YEARS)

1 PURPOSE OF THIS DOCUMENT

This document constitutes the work programme for the exchange of information as referred to in Article 13(3), point (b) of the Industrial Emissions Directive (IED)¹ to be carried out in 2017.

It was last updated following the meeting of the IED Article 13 Forum of 20 October 2016.

The Commission will keep this work programme under review and may propose adjustments should there be a compelling need.

2 ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTIVENESS OF THE INFORMATION EXCHANGE

Due to the important role of the BAT conclusions under the IED, the forum has discussed over the past years how to make the BREF review process more environmentally effective by 'frontloading' the information exchange and taking a 'focused approach' in the determination of BAT. Several of these measures are being put in practice, and the Commission put forward a discussion paper for the IED Article 13 forum meeting of 19 October 2015 on how to materialise their full potential, in practice during the current and upcoming BREF Reviews².

¹ Directive 2010/75/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 November 2010 on industrial emissions (integrated pollution prevention and control) (Recast), OJ L 334/17 of 17.12.2010.

² Discussion document "Criteria for identifying key environmental issues for the review of BAT reference documents under Article 13(3)(b) of the IED" presented at the IED Article 13 forum meeting of 19 October 2015.

3 WORK PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION

Since 2012, the Commission has adopted ten BAT conclusions under the IED and published the revised BREFs (Glass; Iron and Steel; Tanning of Hides and Skins; Cement, Lime and Magnesium Oxide; Chlor-Alkali; Pulp, Paper and Board; Refining of Mineral Oil and Gas; Wood-Based Panels; Common Waste Water and Waste Gas Treatment/Management Systems in the Chemical Sector; Non-Ferrous Metals Industries³). One more set of BAT conclusions should be adopted shortly (Intensive Rearing of Poultry or Pigs).

Currently, eight other BREF documents are actively being worked on by the European IPPC Bureau (Large Combustion Plants; Large Volume Organic Chemicals; Waste Treatment; Food, Drink and Milk; Waste Incineration; Surface Treatment Using Organic Solvents/Wood Preservation with Chemicals; Ferrous Metals Processing; Common Waste Gas Treatment in the Chemical Sector). In addition, the Bureau is finalising the JRC Reference Report on Monitoring of emissions to air and water from IED installations (ROM).

At this moment, with a number of very important and heavy BREF reviews still being at the principal stages of the process, creating a high workload for the European IPPC Bureau, it has to be concluded that the number of BREF reviews which can be started in 2017 will be two. Therefore, while maintaining the longer term objective of launching four BREF reviews per year on average, the Commission proposes to lower this number for 2017. Closing a number of heavy BREF reviews and materialising the focused approach mentioned under point 2 should allow picking up the pace towards the next years⁴.

³ The CWW BAT conclusions were adopted on 30 May 2016 and the NFM BAT conclusions on 13 June 2016; the respective BREFs will be published in the next months.

⁴ The objective of launching four reviews per year was related to maintaining an eight-year review cycle for the BREFs with the current cycle to be finalised by 2020. If only two BREF reviews were launched per year, this would mean that the last BREF review in this cycle will not be started before 2020 and ending in 2023 at the earliest; if three BREF reviews were launched, this cycle would end around 2021.

4 WORK PROGRAMME FOR 2017 AND OUTLOOK

Annex 1 presents the work programme for 2017, as well as a further outlook for the following years.

In 2017, two BREF reviews will start (subject to the availability of adequate staffing within the European IPPC Bureau):

- Textiles (TXT)
- Slaughterhouses and Animal By-products (SA).

For 2018 and the next years, the Commission has indicated the current priorities for starting further BREF reviews.

While the objective remains to launch four BREF reviews per year, the actual number of reviews to start in 2018 and thereafter will depend on progress made in the course of 2016 and 2017 on the BREFs currently under review, as well as on the successful implementation of a more focused approach.

ANNEX 1

Work programme for 2017 (and outlook for the following years)

Grey shading indicates ongoing work.

BAT reference document (BREF)	(Re)activation of the TWG	Submission of Final Draft BREF to the IED Article 13 forum for its opinion	Comments
Intensive Rearing of Poultry or Pigs (IRPP) (first BREF adopted in 2003)	2008	2015	
Large Volume Organic Chemicals (LVOC) (first BREF adopted in 2002)	2009	2016	
Large Combustion Plants (LCP) (first BREF adopted in 2006)	2011	2016	
Waste Treatment (WT) (first BREF adopted in 2006)	2013	2017	
Waste Incineration (WI) (first BREF adopted in 2006)	2014	2018	
Food, Drink and Milk (FDM) (first BREF adopted in 2006)	2014	2017	
Surface Treatment Using Organic Solvents (STS) (first BREF adopted in 2007)	2014	2018	The review of the STS BREF includes the activity of wood and wood products preservation with chemicals (WPC)
Ferrous Metals Processing (FMP) (first BREF adopted in 2001)	2015	2018	The original activation was in 2008 but the review was on hold between 2011 and 2015 due to heavy workload
Common Waste Gas Treatment in the Chemical Sector (WGC)	2016	2019	New BREF to be drawn up in order to improve effectiveness and efficiency of the review of the chemical BREFs
Textiles (first BREF adopted in 2003)	2017	2019	
Slaughterhouses and Animal By-products (SA) (first BREF adopted in 2005)	2017	2019	
Ceramics (CER) (first BREF adopted in 2007)	2018	2020	

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Smitheries and Foundries (SF) (first BREF adopted in 2005)	2018	2020	
Surface Treatment of Metals and Plastics (STM) (first BREF adopted in 2006)	2019	2021	
Large Volume Inorganic Chemicals – Ammonia, Acid and Fertilisers (LVIC-AAF) (first BREF adopted in 2007) Large Volume Inorganic Chemicals – Solids and others (LVIC-S) (first BREF adopted in 2007) Polymers (POL) (first BREF adopted in 2007) Speciality Inorganic Chemicals (SIC) (first BREF adopted in 2007) Organic Fine Chemicals (OFC) (first BREF adopted in 2006)			Consideration of an information exchange on selected chemical products/processes/subsectors giving specific consideration to the progress and outcome of the WGC BREF
Industrial Cooling Systems (first document adopted in 2001) and Energy Efficiency (first BREF adopted in 2009)			The possible of merging of these two BREFs and complementing it with other aspects related to resource efficiency (raw materials use and water-saving) will be further considered taking into account the Circular Economy Package
Emissions from Storage (EFS) (first BREF adopted in 2006)			