PROTECTION OF THE OZONE LAYER

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INTERNATIONAL BACKGROUND

- Wienna Convention on the Protection of the Ozone Layer (1985)
- Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozonen Layer (1987)
- Amendments: London 1990



Copenhagen 1992, Montreal 1997, Beijing 1999

CFCs reduction and phase out

EU LEGISLATION

- Council Regulation (EC) No 3093/94 on substances that deplete the ozone layer
- Regulation 2037/2000 on substances that deplete the ozone layer
- Regulation (EC) No 1005/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 September 2009 on substances that deplete the ozone layer

- Controlled substances means substances listed in Annex I, including their isomers, whether alone or in a mixture, and whether they are virgin, recovered, recycled or reclaimed;
- New substances means substances listed in Annex II, whether alone or in a mixture, and whether they are virgin, recovered, recycled or reclaimed;

 subject to requirements laid down in Chapter VI of the regulation

Scope of Regulation:



- Controlled substances
- New substances
- Products and equipment containing or relying on controlled substances

Rules on:

- the production,
- import, export,
- placing on the market,
- USE,
- recovery, recycling, reclamation and destruction of substances that deplete the ozone layer,
- the reporting of information



substances and of products and equipment containing or relying on those substances

Ban on:

- Production
- Placing on the market
- Use



 Chlorofluorocarbons (CFCs), halons, carbon tetreachlorides, methylbromide and hydrochlorofluorocarbons (HCFCs)

Phase out by 2004:

- Production
- Placing on the market
- Use
- Methyl bromides

Progressive stop by 2025: Production



Hydrofluorocarbons (HCFCs)

The production, the placing on the market and the use of controlled substances shall be prohibited.(Art.4,5)

General rule



exceptions



- 1. Rules related to the production, the placing on the market and the use of controlled substances and equipment containing or relying on those substances
- Exemptions and exceptions from the ban (Art. 7-13)
- Substances for essential use, laborartory uses etc.
- Quantitative limits and quotas
- License system
- Rules related to maintenance of equipment containing ozone depleting substances
- Recycling of ozone depleting substances
- Monitoring and reporting requirements

- Export of substances to countries non participating to Montreal Protocol is prohibited
- Export of substances other than HCFCs to all countries is prohibited
- Import of substances from countries which are not party to the Montreal Protocol is forbidden (Art. 8)
- Import and export of substances from third countries based on licences issued by the Commission

REGULATION 1005/2009 Enforcement:

- Effective, proportional and deterrent sanctions
- Illegal production, importation, exportation, placing on the market or use of ozone-depleting substances is a crime according to Directive 2008/99/EC on the protection of the environment through criminal law