

New Chemicals on OSPAR List of Chemicals for Priority Action

The OSPAR Commission for the Protection of the Marine Environment of the North-East Atlantic decided, at its 2005 meeting, to bring three hazardous substances to the attention of the Basel Convention for information. These are:

1. Perfluorooctane Sulphonate (PFOS),
2. Phthalates, and
3. 4-(dimethylbutylamino)diphenylamine (6 PPD)

These three substances were added to the OSPAR List of Chemicals for Priority Action. The OSPAR Commission prepared a background document for each of the chemicals, which include recommendations for priority action.

The background documents and further information can be found at:
<http://www.ospar.org>.