

SECRETARIAT OF THE BASEL CONVENTION

TERMS OF REFERENCE¹ FOR

THE DEVELOPMENT OF A DRAFT TEXT OF TECHNICAL GUIDELINES ON TRANSBOUNDARY MOVEMENTS OF E-WASTE, IN PARTICULAR REGARDING THE DISTINCTION BETWEEN WASTE AND NON-WASTE

Tasks to be undertaken:

Under the general guidance of the Executive Secretary and the Chief, Programme Support Unit, Secretariat of the Basel Convention, the consultant will carry out the following tasks:

1. To develop draft texts of the Technical Guidelines on Transboundary Movements of E-waste as per COP9 decision IX/6 (annex). As a first step, to submit to the Secretariat a proposed Table of Contents and preliminary texts for the technical guidelines.
2. The consultant should ensure as much as possible that the structure of the drafts of the Technical Guidelines is based on the General Technical Guidelines on the Environmentally Sound Management of Specific Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPs) as Wastes. In the preparation of the texts, the consultant should take due consideration of the relevant decisions of the Conference of the Parties at its eight and ninth meetings and the Open-ended Working Group at its sixth meeting.
3. The consultant should ensure coherent and consistencies between the contents of the texts of the Technical Guidelines with the relevant provisions of the Basel Convention.
4. To consult closely the Secretariat and with Parties, in particular the members of the Partnership for Action on Computing Equipment (PACE), in the course of preparation of the above tasks and to revise the texts accordingly.
5. To submit electronically in English, to the Secretariat of the Basel Convention, the first draft texts of the Table of Contents by 31 May 2010; the first draft texts of the Technical Guidelines, by 31 July 2010; and the second draft texts by 30 September 2010.

¹ NOTE: This TOR was produced by SBC prior to the OEWG7 (10-14 May 2010), as such, the deadlines quoted were not the same as the OEWG7 decisions.