

**Proposal of the European Union for amendments to Annexes I and IV to the
Protocol on Heavy Metals**

ANNEX I

**HEAVY METALS REFERRED TO IN ARTICLE 3, PARAGRAPH 1,
AND THE REFERENCE YEAR FOR THE OBLIGATION**

Substance	Reference year
Cadmium (Cd)	1990; or an alternative year from 1985 to 1995 inclusive, <u>or for countries with economies in transition, an alternative year from 1985 to the year of the entry into force of the Protocol for a Party, and as specified by that Party upon ratification, acceptance, approval or accession.</u>
Lead (Pb)	1990; or an alternative year from 1985 to 1995 inclusive, <u>or for countries with economies in transition, an alternative year from 1985 to the year of the entry into force of the Protocol for a Party, and as specified by that Party upon ratification, acceptance, approval or accession.</u>
Mercury (Hg)	1990; or an alternative year from 1985 to 1995 inclusive, <u>or for countries with economies in transition, an alternative year from 1985 to the year of the entry into force of the Protocol for a Party, and as specified by that Party upon ratification, acceptance, approval or accession.</u>

ANNEX IV

**TIMESCALES FOR THE APPLICATION OF LIMIT VALUES AND
BEST AVAILABLE TECHNIQUES TO NEW AND EXISTING
STATIONARY SOURCES**

1. The timescales for the application of limit values and best available techniques are:
 - (a) For new stationary sources: two years after the date of entry into force of the present Protocol;
 - (b) For existing stationary sources: eight years after the date of entry into force of the present Protocol. If necessary, this period may be extended for specific existing stationary sources in accordance with the amortization period provided for by national legislation.

2. The timescales for the application of limit values and best available techniques that have been updated or introduced as a result of amendments to this Protocol shall be:
 - (a) for new stationary sources: [two] years after the date of entry into force of the relevant amendment for a Party; and
 - (b) for existing stationary sources:
 - (i) [eight] years after the date of entry into force of the relevant amendment for a Party; or
 - (ii) for a Party that is [a country with an economy in transition], [fifteen] years after the date of entry into force of the relevant amendment for a Party.