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Note by the secretariat

Addendum

I. Best Practice Guidance for Effective Methane Recovery and Use from Abandoned Coal Mines

The Economic Commission for Europe,

1. Endorses the Best Practice Guidance for Effective Methane Recovery and Use from Abandoned Coal Mines, contained in document ECE/ENERGY/128 and ECE Energy Series No. 64, and endorsed by the Group of Experts on Coal Mine Methane (ECE/ENERGY/GE.4/2020/2) and the Committee on Sustainable Energy (ECE/ENERGY/123 and ECE/ENERGY/133);

2. Recommends that the Best Practice Guidance be disseminated widely, inviting States Members of the United Nations, international organizations and the regional commissions to consider the possibility of taking appropriate measures to ensure the application of the Best Practice Guidance in countries worldwide;

3. Decides to propose to the Economic and Social Council that it recommend the application of the Best Practice Guidance in countries worldwide and transmit to the Council at its next session a draft decision on this issue for consideration and possible adoption.

Draft ECOSOC Decision on the Best Practice Guidance for Effective Methane Recovery and Use from Abandoned Coal Mines

The Economic and Social Council,

Noting that at its sixty-ninth session (20–21 April 2021), the Economic Commission for Europe endorsed the “Best Practice Guidance for Effective Methane Recovery and Use from Abandoned Coal Mines” as contained in document ECE/ENERGY/128 and ECE Energy Series No. 64, recommended that the Best Practice Guidance be disseminated widely, invited States Members of the United Nations, international organizations and the regional commissions to consider the possibility of taking

* The present report was submitted after the deadline as a result of consultations among member States.
appropriate measures to ensure the application of the Best Practice Guidance in countries worldwide, and proposed to the Economic and Social Council that it recommend the application of the Best Practice Guidance in countries worldwide, and noting that this proposal does not have financial implications,

Decides to invite States Members of the United Nations, international organizations and the regional commissions to consider the possibility of taking appropriate measures to ensure the application of the Best Practice Guidance in countries worldwide.

II. Updated United Nations Framework Classification for Resources

The Economic Commission for Europe,

4. Recalling its decisions C (52) of E/ECE/1355 Annual Report (20 April 1996 to 24 April 1997), and paragraph 55 of E/ECE/1416 Annual Report (7 March 2003 to 26 February 2004),

5. Endorses the updated United Nations Framework Classification for Resources (UNFC) of 2019, contained in document ECE/ENERGY/125 and ECE Energy Series No. 61;

6. Recommends that the updated UNFC be disseminated widely, inviting States Members of the United Nations, international organizations and the regional commissions to consider the possibility of taking appropriate measures to ensure the application of UNFC worldwide;

7. Decides to propose to the Economic and Social Council that it recommend the application of the updated UNFC worldwide and transmit to the Council at its next session a draft decision on this issue for consideration and possible adoption.

Draft ECOSOC Decision on the Updated United Nations Framework Classification for Resources

The Economic and Social Council,

Noting that at its sixty-ninth session (20–21 April 2021), the Economic Commission for Europe endorsed the updated United Nations Framework Classification for Resources (UNFC) of 2019 as contained in document ECE/ENERGY/125 and ECE Energy Series No. 61, recommended that the updated UNFC be disseminated widely, invited States Members of the United Nations, international organizations and the regional commissions to consider the possibility of taking appropriate measures to ensure the application of UNFC in countries worldwide, and proposed to the Economic and Social Council that it recommend the application of the updated UNFC worldwide, and noting that this proposal does not have financial implications,

Decides to invite States Members of the United Nations, international organizations and the regional commissions to consider the possibility of taking appropriate measures to ensure the application of UNFC worldwide.