

Workshop for Refrigeration & Air Conditioning Equipment Importers

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Background

Gradual phase-out of Hydrochlorofluorocarbon (HCFC) based refrigerant has been commenced to meet the first phase-out target - i.e. consumption and production freeze by 01 January 2013 in line with the accelerated phase-out as agreed at the 19th Meeting of the Parties (MOP) in 2007.

Sri Lanka has introduced an Annual Quota System to import HCFCs and its blends complying with the regulations imposed by the Montreal Protocol on Substances that deplete Ozone Layer. Since availability of HCFCs in future is restricted the National Ozone Unit (NOU) of Ministry of Environment & Renewable Energy, which is the focal point of Montreal Protocol for Sri Lanka has decided to invite Importers of AC/ Ref systems for a mini workshop and discussion.

This was a forum to exchange ideas and views on sustainability of the trade and to look forward for any assistance that may require by this important sector in future, because many regulations will be introduced in respect of certain HFCs that have high Global Warming Potential (GWP).

Objectives

- The main objective of this workshop is to exchange ideas regarding HCFC phase-out and related issues
- To discuss Possible phase down of HFC refrigerant to mitigate effects on climate change
- To identify Latest information on alternative technologies to substitute HCFCs
- Alert importers on illegal import of HCFCs by unauthorized importers (Those who are not having quota to import)

Meeting with Importers of Air Conditioners and Refrigeration Equipment

Meeting with Importers of Air Conditioners and Refrigeration Equipment commenced on 09th October 2014 from 09.30am – 02.00 pm at the Sri Lanka Foundation. under the patronage of Mr. R.A.R.R. Rupasinghe, Additional Secretary, Ministry of Environment & Renewable Energy, as the chief guest and the distinguish participation of Mr. G.M.J.K. Gunawardana - Director/ National Ozone Unit, Mr. J.A.D.A. Perera- Deputy Director/Sri Lanka Customs.

After the tradition of lighting the oil lamp, followed the Agenda with the documentary on ' Ozone Depletion & Climate change'.



Registration



Workshop is in Progress



Presentations



Discussion

Contents of the Workshop

- Scientific information on Ozone layer, its depletion, Environment & Health Impact HCFC phase out programme for Sri Lanka
- Alternatives to HCFCs, Maximizing climate benefits through using zero ODP and low GWP refrigerants
- New WCO H.S. Codes 2012 for Ozone Depleting Substances, Role of Customs to prevent illegal trading, Green Customs initiatives
- Current Trend in import of Ref & AC equipment
- Discussion on Policy matters, problem facing Importers

Resource Persons

- Mr. G.M.J.K. Gunawardana, Director, National Ozone Unit
- Mr. Mahendra Senevirathne - Coordinator Technical - NOU
- Mr. J.A.D.A. Perera, Deputy Director of Sri Lanka Customs
- Mr. R.W. Dharmawardana - Technical Officer - NOU

Participants

- 30 Participants

Participants List is attached in *Annex 1*



Programme Agenda

09.00 -09.20 – Registration of Participants

09.20 – 09.35 – Inauguration Session

09.35 – 09.40 – Welcome Speech and objectives of the workshop by

Mr. R.A.R.R. Rupasinghe, Additional Secretary- Ministry of Environment & Renewable Energy

09.40 -10.00 – Tea Brake

10.00 – 10.50 – Presentation by Mr. G.M.J.K. Gunawardana – Director – NOU

- Scientific information on Ozone layer, its depletion, Environment & Health Impact HCFC phase out programme for Sri Lanka

10.50 – 11.20 -Presentation by Mahendra Senevirathne – Coordinator – NOU

- Alternatives to HCFCs, Maximizing climate benefits through using zero ODP and low GWP refrigerants

11.20 – 12.00 – Presentation – by Mr. J.A.D.A. Perera, Deputy Director of Sri Lanka

Customs

- New WCO H.S. Codes 2012 for Ozone Depleting Substances, Role of Customs to prevent illegal trading, Green Customs initiatives

12.00 – 13.00 Presentation by Mr. R.W. Dharmawardana – Technical Officer – NOU

- Current Trend in import of Ref & AC equipment

13.00-13.40 – Lunch

13.40 -14.15 – Discussion on Policy matters, problem facing Importers

- NOU, Sri Lanka Customs, & Participants

14.15-14.30 - Conclusion of the workshop

Annexure

Annex 1

List of Participants

Sr. No	Name	Company	Designation
01	Jayadeo Galoppetty	C.W. Madure PLC	Asst. G.M.
02	Bawantha Swarnanayake	Lalith Group	General manager
03	Chamisi Fernando	Abans Engineering	Senior DGM Marketing
04	J.C. Ratnayaki	Abans Engineering	GM - HR
05	VASANTHA BUREL	ELITE RADO	EM
06	Jayaram Altes	J.S.S. Enterprises	Manager
07	Ishank Udetha	K.S. Trading (pvt)	Procurement
08	A.M.C.P. Rajucks	United (Elect)	Eng.
09	B.A. Manjira	FROSTAIRS	Director.
10	C.V. Ratnayake	BEOTEST	Partner
11	Dilusha Soysa	Civimech	F.D
12	C. Nanayakkara	Civimech	Marketing man
13	Rajitha Senarathne	Sinco	Director
14	Shaman Malintha	Basta De Vries	Sr. Engineer
15	M. MARIKKA	FROSTAIRS	M.D.
16	R. Rajiy	Rohan Rubber Ref Ltd Co	Director
17	S.Himesh De Silva	Craft Lanka Bus.	Director.
18	S.L De Saran	Indawe	Manager
19	m.p.g.k. Nade	Indawa	P/office
20	Rohitha Silva	idac	MD
21	W. GOOWARATNE	GTA	MB.
22	C.B.D. Jayasinghe	civimech	Ast/Engineer
23	Prayantha Mudalige Vivasa (Pvt) Ltd	vivasa.	Director.
24	Rajitha Mudalige	MEERRE	Director.
25	D.S. Kulandarachchi	EMERE	DO
26	R.K.A. C.M. Kumara	MEERRE	EMO
27	Jayawara JMWK	ME	P2
28	Somasena M.P.	ME	DO
29	Samarasinghe M.M.	MEERRE	C.O.
30	R.D. Dharmasundaram	ME	T.O

