2023 SHORT REPORTS OF THE MINAMATA CONVENTION ON MERCURY

Report submitted on 28 December 2023

REPORTING PERIOD:
1 January 2021 to 31 December 2022

▼ INFORMATION ON THE PARTY

1. Information on the party

Name of party
Thailand

Date on which its instrument of ratification, accession, approval or acceptance was deposited
22 June 2017

Date of entry into force of the Convention for the party
20 September 2017

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▼ ART. 3: MERCURY SUPPLY SOURCES AND TRADE

3.1. Does the party have any primary mercury mines that were operating within its territory at the date of entry into force of the Convention for the party?

○ Yes

◉ No

Additional information on this question if needed
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3.3. Has the party endeavoured to identify individual stocks of mercury or mercury compounds exceeding 50 metric tons and sources of mercury supply generating stocks exceeding 10 metric tons per year that are located within its territory?

◉ Yes

○ No

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*If the party answered Yes to Question 3 above:

i. Please attach the results of your endeavor or indicate where it is available on the internet, unless unchanged from a previous reporting round.
Thailand by Department of Industrial Works, Ministry of Industry has identified individual stocks of mercury or mercury compounds exceeding 50 metric tons and sources of mercury supply generating stocks exceeding 10 metric tons per year.

Department of Industrial Works has developed a mechanism for reporting information on mercury stocks and supply generating stocks, relying on the issuance of an announcement by the Ministry of Industry on notification of facts by producers, importers, exporters, or those in possession of hazardous substances for which the Department of Industrial Works has the authority to be responsible (No. 2) B.E. 2020. This notification requires producers, importers, exporters, or those in possession of 206 hazardous substances, including mercury and mercury compounds under the Minamata Convention, from 100 kilograms or more to report information on mercury stocks and supply generating stocks every 6 months.

It was found that there is a factory that recycles mercury from waste with supply generating stock of mercury in the form of by-products exceeding 10 metric tons per year and mercury remaining in the warehouse exceeding 50 metric tons (as of 24 November 2023) as shown in table 1.

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ii. Supplemental: Please provide any related information, for example on the use or disposal of mercury from such stocks and sources.
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3.5. Has the party received consent, or relied on a general notification of consent, in accordance with article 3, including any required certification from importing non-parties, for all exports of mercury from the party's territory in the reporting period?

- [x] Yes, exports to parties
- [ ] Yes, exports to non-parties
- [ ] No
- [ ] No, no export

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If yes,a. and the party has submitted copies of the consent forms to the secretariat, then no further information is needed.If the party has not previously provided such copies, it is recommended that it do so.

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Otherwise, please provide other suitable information showing that the relevant requirements of paragraph 6 of article 3 have been met.
Thailand exported mercury to a party by receiving written consents according to Form A with details of mercury export information in 2021 – 2022, according to the fact notification form of the importer of hazardous substances and letters of consent to import mercury from the importing country, as shown in table 2.

Supplemental: please provide information on the use of the exported mercury.
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Kindly attach all relevant information

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b. If exports were based on a general notification in accordance with article 3, paragraph 7, please indicate, if available, the total amount exported and any relevant terms or conditions in the general notification related to use.
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Relevant terms or conditions in the general notification related to use
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Part E - Additional comments on this article

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▼ ART. 11: MERCURY WASTES

11.2. Are there facilities for final disposal of waste consisting of mercury or mercury compounds in the party's territory?

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Do not know (please explain)

If yes, if the information is available, how much waste consisting of mercury or mercury compounds has been subjected to final disposal under the reporting period? Please specify the method of the final disposal operation/operations.
Mercury waste in Thailand has disposal factories using reports on the amount and methods of waste disposal that consists of, is added or is contaminated with mercury between 2021 - 2022, separated by code of types and type of wastes or related unused materials. As seen annual reports have been submitted to Department of Industrial Works, Ministry of Industry in accordance with the requirements in the announcement of the Ministry of Industry regarding the disposal of waste or unused materials, B.E. 2005, as shown in table 3.

Kindly attach any additional relevant information

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▼ COMMENTS

Part C: Comments regarding possible challenges in meeting the objectives of the Convention (Art. 21, para. 1)

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▼ SUPPLEMENTAL - ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

Supplemental: Part D: Comments regarding the reporting format and possible improvements, if any

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