Non compliance & Liabilities under the Montreal Protocol

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Some important Articles

- 7: Data on
 - production,
 - imports & exports of
 - Controlled ODS
 - Recycled ODS
 - Traded ODS
 - Exempted ODS
 - Feedstock ODS destroyed
 - Licensing systems
 - Reclamation facilities

Procedure

- http://hq.unep.org/ozone/issues.shtml#Non ComplianceProcedure
- 16 steps
 - Party
 - Secretariat
 - Implementation Committee by Parties: Article 8
 - MoP
 - Interim calls, recommendations
 - Diplomatic contacts

Important Sources of DATA

- Customs Department
- Estimates
- Surveys
- Traders
- Manufacturers

The Compliance "Works"

- 1. Country Programme
- 2. RMP
- 3. NCCoPP, TPMP
- 4. TAs
- 5. Investment & Non investment activities
- 6. MLF & ExCom
- 7. Standard progress reports
- 8. IAs
- 9. TEAP TOCs
- 10. CAP

Essentials of reporting

- Parties to adhere strictly to the reporting requirement Article 7
- Data shall be provided not later than nine months after the end of the year to which the data relate
- Insert Harmonized System for accurate monitoring & facilitate reporting of data under Article 7 of the Protocol.
- Article 8: Approve procedures to determine & treat non
 compliance

Unique guiding principles of Compliance Assistance

- Non-confrontational
- Conciliatory &
- Co-operative mechanism to encourage and assist Parties to achieve compliance.

Article 8

- Parties should
 - approve procedures and institutions to determine non-compliance by Parties
 - treat non-compliance

What is non-compliance?

- Parties fail to fulfill commitments under the Montreal Protocol.
 - 1. Consumption and/or production of controlled substances exceeds allowed levels
 - 2. Data not reported to OS
 - 3. Trade of ODS with non-Parties
 - 4. No licensing system

Who can raise the non – compliance issue

- One or more Parties who have reservations regarding another Party's compliance status write to the OS
- OS places a report analyzing the data received from the Parties before the ImpCom.
- This report identifies the deviations by any Party from its commitments to the Protocol
- The Party itself could address in writing to the OS its inability to Comply

Who will evaluate compliance

- The ImpCom under the MOP is authorized to evaluate compliance
 - Party may be invited to attend the meeting
 - Not be allowed to take part in the adoption of recommendations to the MOP.
- Meets at least twice a year.
- Recommendations of the Committee are submitted to the MOP for final decision.
- Only the MOP can decide the compliance or noncompliance status of a Party.

CA & Beyond

- Collection and reporting of data,
- Technical assistance,
- Technology transfer and financial assistance
- Information transfer and training
- Issue cautions
- Suspend specific rights and privileges under the Protocol
 - industrial rationalization, production, consumption,
 - trade,
 - transfer of technology,
 - financial mechanism &
 - institutional arrangements.

3 types

- Response A: MLF agrees to meet agreed incremental costs of Article 5 Parties.
- Response B: Cautions when Parties in noncompliance have not put in adequate efforts.
 - The cautions hold a threat that they will be deprived of assistance or that Response C would be applied if they do not return to the path of compliance.
- Response C: Suspend rights and privileges
 - Trade restrictions, No access to alternatives / technologies

Some Reasons for non compliance

- Increase in consumption and/or production over the baseline –
- Accidental importation of ODS for stockpile
- Misreported A7 data to Ozone Secretariat
- Country Programme in progress and not yet been completed. Data not reported
- Country Programme completed but projects not formulated/ approved by the Executive Committee
- Delays in implementation of projects

Response: Preventive & remedial

- A void non-compliance with control measures under the Protocol:
 - Establish a warning system to monitor and verify the compliance status by comparing the baseline data with the current year data and the expected data for next year
 - Close monitoring of the on-going project implementation to avoid any
- Delays
 - Enact and enforce the national ozone layer protection policies/ regulations as per Country Programme/RMP
 - Training and improve public awareness