

Annex LXX

**GUIDELINES FOR THE PREPARATION OF PILOT PROJECTS
TO ENHANCE REGIONAL ATMOSPHERIC MONITORING OF SUBSTANCES
CONTROLLED BY THE MONTREAL PROTOCOL**

1. Requests for funding for the preparation of pilot projects to enhance regional atmospheric monitoring of substances controlled by the Montreal Protocol would:
 - (a) Consider countries in priority regions identified by the Advisory Committee of the Vienna Convention General Trust Fund that would provide a benefit through the establishment of an atmospheric monitoring station;
 - (b) Follow the process for assessing the suitability of the proposed monitoring station site described in document UNEP/OzL.Pro/ExCom/98/61, including undertaking observing system simulation experiments (OSSEs), if necessary, an initial site preliminary observations test (SPOT), and developmental observations test (DOT);
 - (c) Include a letter from the Government concerned committing to ensure that the proposed atmospheric monitoring station would follow the principles of availability and accessibility of data described in paragraphs 20 to 22 of document UNEP/OzL.Pro/ExCom/96/62;
 - (d) Include a description of the proposed site where the atmospheric monitoring station will be established, including local topography, surrounding land types (agricultural, forest, urban, etc.) and neighborhood environs, and existing infrastructure;
 - (e) Include a description of the scientific and technical capacity of local institutions and personnel who could maintain and operate the station, and analyze the resultant data; and
 - (f) Include a description of potential co-financing available from local institutions or the government for short and long-term viability of the station.
2. The maximum amount of funding available for the preparation of pilot projects to establish three regional atmospheric monitoring stations is US \$1,730,440 plus agency support costs.
3. Bilateral and implementing agencies are requested, when submitting a request for the preparation of pilot projects to establish an atmospheric monitoring station, to provide an indication of the activities that need to be undertaken for pilot project preparation, with specific costs clearly identified.