General Notification of Consent to Import Mercury

Section A: Contact information for General Notifications of Consent
Name of Party or non-Party: Canada
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Section B: General Notification of Consent
My government hereby provides a general notification of consent to imports of mercury. An exporting Party may rely on this general notification as the written consent required by Article 3, paragraph 6 of the Convention.

Section C: Terms and Conditions of General Notifications
Please indicate whether there any terms or conditions on the consent to import? ✓ YES NO
If yes, please use the space below to specify any terms and conditions:

Note that as of February 3, 2017, the Government of Canada introduced comprehensive restrictions on the export of mercury from Canada by amending Schedule 3 of the Canadian Environmental Protection Act (Export Control List) and the Export of Substances on the Export Control List Regulations.

Pursuant to Section 23 of the Export of Substances on the Export Control List Regulations, Canada only authorizes the export of mercury at a concentration of 95% of more by weight that:

a) is, or is contained in, a hazardous waste or hazardous recyclable material regulated by the Export and Import of Hazardous Waste and Hazardous Recyclable Material Regulations;
b) is exported for use in a laboratory for analysis, in scientific research or as a laboratory analytical standard, if the total quantity exported by the exporter during the calendar year in question does not exceed 10 kg; or
c) is contained in a manufactured item that during manufacture is formed into a specific physical shape or design and has for its final use a function or functions wholly or partly dependent on its shape or design.

Unless the proposed export meets the criteria set out at section 23 described above, the export of mercury at a concentration of 95% of more by weight is prohibited.

As a result, it is prohibited to export mercury at a concentration of 95% of more by weight previously imported into Canada unless the requirements set out at section 23 of the Export of Substances on the Export Control List Regulations are met.

Section D: Certifications from a non-Party
N/A

Section E: Signature of Responsible Government Official and Date
Name: Alison.Dickson@canada.ca
Title: Manager, Chemicals Management Division
Signature:
Date: