

HELCOM RECOMMENDATION 10/4

Adopted 14 February 1989, having regard to Article 13, Paragraph b) of the Helsinki Convention

POLLUTION LOAD COMPILATION

THE COMMISSION,

RECALLING Paragraph 1 of Article 6 of the Convention on the Protection of the Marine Environment of the Baltic Sea Area, 1974, (Helsinki Convention), in which the Contracting Parties undertake to take all appropriate measures to control and minimize land-based pollution of the marine environment of the Baltic Sea Area,

NOTING the increasing concern on harmful effects of pollutants in the environment and that an essential amount of various contaminants is transported to the Baltic Sea via rivers, industrial and municipal point sources,

DESIRING to limit the pollution of the Baltic Sea due to the land-based sources of pollutants,

BEING MINDFUL of the need of reliable data on the amounts of pollutants carried from land-based sources to the Baltic Sea,

RECOMMENDS to the Governments of the Contracting Parties to the Helsinki Convention that:

- a) the monitoring of the pollution load should be performed from 1 January 1990 to 31 December 1990 in accordance with the Guidelines for the Second Pollution Load Compilation accepted by STC 15;
- b) data on pollution load collected in the year 1990 should be submitted by all the Contracting Parties to the Secretariat in accordance with the form attached to the Guidelines as early as possible but not later than 1 October 1991,

RECOMMENDS ALSO that the Baltic Sea States would report on measures taken for the implementation of the Recommendation to the Lead Countries and for the consideration of STC 16 by 1 September 1989.