



Action Plan for New Pollutants Treatment

新污染物治理行动方案

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The main sources of new pollutants are the production and use of toxic and hazardous chemical substances. At present, new pollutants of high-concern at home and abroad include those persistent organic pollutants, endocrine disruptors, antibiotics, etc. that are regulated and controlled by international conventions. China is a major country in the production and use of chemical substances, so it has a great variety of new pollutants, widely distributed and unknown in base, which thus pose great environmental and health hidden risks. Effective prevention and control of environmental and health risks of the new pollutants is an important part of the construction of a beautiful and healthy China, and it is related to the reproduction and sustainable development of the Chinese nation. In order to thoroughly implement the decisions and arrangements of the Chinese Communist Party Central Committee and the State Council, and to effectively strengthen the control of the new pollutants and ensure the safety of the national ecological environment and the health of the people, this action plan is formulated.

I. Overall requirements

(1) Guiding ideology. Guided by Xi Jinping Thought on Socialism with Chinese Characteristics for a New Era, to fully implement the spirit of the 19th National Congress of the Communist Party of China (CPC) and the Plenary Sessions of the 19th Central Committee of the CPC, thoroughly carry out Xi Jinping's ecological civilization thought, keep a foothold in the new development stage, execute the new development concept, adhere to the system concept, focus on the overall economic and social development, take the effective prevention of environmental and health risks of the new pollutants as the core, highlight scientific, precise and legal pollution control, follow the life-cycle environmental risk management concept, coordinate the promotion of environmental management of the new chemicals and existing chemicals, and implement investigation & assessment, classified control, and full-process environmental risk control, strengthen systems and scientific & technological support guarantee, and ultimately form a control system of the new pollutants, promote the overall green transformation of economic and social development and build a beautiful China.

(2) Working principles.

-- Scientific evaluation and accurate policy implementation. Carry out investigation and monitoring on chemical substances and scientifically assess environmental risks. Accurately identify new pollutants with high environmental risks, and take environmental risk control measures during the whole process e.g., source restriction, process emission reduction and end treatment for the main links that cause environmental risks.

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