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Cc: jdoorghen (govmu.org); Ms N. Soobhany  
Subject: COP 2 follow up - Minamata Convention  
Attachments: Annex A.docx; Annex B.docx

Dear Stephanie,

Please refer to your email dated 5 December 2018 with respect to follow-up actions required on decisions taken at the COP 2 for Minamata Convention. Mauritius is, therefore, pleased to provide information with regards to MC-2/2 (Mercury waste), as follows:

(a) Examples of wastes to be added to the annex to document UNEP/MC/COP.2/6, including, for wastes consisting of mercury compounds, specific names of compounds, and, for wastes containing mercury or mercury compounds (i.e. mercury-added products), the names and types of the mercury or mercury compounds, and pictures, if available;  
As per Annex A attached

(b) Current practices of managing overburden, waste rock and tailings from mining other than primary mercury mining (e.g. laws, regulations and guidelines) and various approaches to thresholds for special care/handling, if any;  
Not applicable to Mauritius.

(c) Sampling and analysis methods that may be useful for verifying waste thresholds.  
The National Environmental Laboratory of the Department of Environment in Mauritius carries out sampling and analyses on mercury as per Annex B attached.

Kindly note that information at Annex A has been provided by our local experts from the University of Mauritius, whose contact details are found below:

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Information on sampling and analysis methods have been obtained from our

National Environmental  
Laboratory.

Please do not hesitate to contact me for any further information you may require.

Best Regards,  
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Department of Environment  
Ministry of Social Security, National Solidarity and Environment and Sustainable  
Development  
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