

4. The inspection was carried out in a multi-purpose facility which produces, among other things, a simple organic intermediate product listed in schedule 2.

The facility to be inspected and thus the physical scope of the inspection were defined as follows: "a specific operating process unit (battery limits) and associated feed, product handling, waste treatment and storage tanks".

5. This facility produces, among other chemical substances, the simple organic intermediate product listed in schedule 2, whose production and use for civilian purposes is to be subject to international monitoring, including on-site inspections at regular intervals; after the entry into force of a convention.

The inspection was limited to the verification of the declaration and other information provided by the firm on the production of this substance as well as the non-production of substances listed in schedule 1.

6. It should be noted that the trial inspection posed a particular challenge for the inspectors for the following reasons:

First, the production facility is located within a large integrated plant of the chemical industry.

Secondly, the inspected product is a common commercial intermediate product which cannot be distinguished from other products manufactured in the facility by identifiable technical characteristics. This product, which is subject to international competition, is produced, depending on market demands, in short and separate production series by a plant which produces approx. 30 other products. For such cases, useful experiences were gained as to specific verification problems and ways to solve them.