

Explanatory note

During the review of the Model for an Agreement relating to facilities producing, processing or consuming chemicals listed in Schedule 2 the words facility, plant, operating process unit, site and complex have been understood as follows:

1. Site. An area, whether or not within a retaining boundary, which is under the operational control of the HQ defined in para. 1 (a) V (1). A site may contain one or more plants.
2. Complex. A large area comprising a number of autonomous sites which are not necessarily under the same operational control. There is doubt about the validity of this concept for this model for agreement.
3. Plant. A relatively self-contained area/structure located on a site in which the production, processing or consumption of a particular type of chemical occurs (e.g., an organophosphorus plant, a packaging plant), or where particular types of operating units are grouped e.g., a multi-purpose plant. A plant may contain one or more operating process units.
4. Operating Process Unit. The central array of equipment in a particular plant wherein the declared chemical is produced, processed or consumed. This might include reactor vessel, distillation and condenser units.
5. Facility. All structures and buildings (referred to in para. 1 above) associated with the production, consumption and processing of the declared chemical.

These might include:

- (a) Headquarters and other offices
- (b) Operation Process Unit
- (c) Storage/handling areas for feedstock and product
- (d) Purification equipment
- (e) Effluent/waste handling/treatment area
- (f) All associated and interconnecting pipework
- (g) Control/Analytic laboratory
- (h) Warehouse storage
- (i) Records associated with the movement of the declared chemical and its feedstock or product chemicals formed from it, as appropriate, into, around and leaving the site
- (j) Medical centre