Atmospheric pollution, CO_2 and greenhouse gas emissions: monitoring mechanism (amend. Decision 93/389/EEC)

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PURPOSE: extension of scope and duration of a monitoring mechanism of Community CO2 and other greenhouse gas emissions. COMMUNITY MEASURE: Council Decision 1999/296/EC amending Decision 93/389/EEC for a monitoring mechanism of Community CO2 and other greenhouse gas emissions. CONTENT: The purpose of the new Decision is not only to update Decision 93/389/EEC by extending monitoring beyond 2000 and taking into account greenhouse gases other than CO2, as proposed by the Commission, but also to establish a mechanism for: - monitoring all anthropogenic (i.e. man-made) emissions of greenhouse gases not controlled by the Montreal Protocol on ozone-depleting substances; - evaluating progress towards meeting commitments in respect of these emissions, also taking into account the Kyoto Protocol of December 1997. The Commission is responsible for the evaluation of national programmes and their distribution to the other Member States. It must report to the European Parliament and Council the result of its evaluation within six months of the reception of the national programmes. The Commission is required to assess annually in consultation with Member States whether the actual and projected progress of Member States, including the contribution made by Community measures, toward fulfilling the Community's commitments under the Kyoto Protocol is sufficient to ensure that the Community and its Member States are on course to fulfil their commitments and shall report to the European Parliament and the Council. ENTRY INTO FORCE: 01.05.1999