

Decision 2006/7

**Compliance by Spain with its obligations under the 1991 Protocol  
concerning the Control of Emissions of Volatile Organic Compounds  
or Their Transboundary Fluxes (ref. 6/02)**

*The Executive Body,*

*Acting* under paragraph 11 of the structure and functions of the Implementation Committee (Executive Body decision 1997/2, annex, as amended in 2001, ECE/EB.AIR/75, annex V),

1. *Recalls* its decisions 2003/8, 2004/10 and 2005/7;
2. *Notes* the report of the Implementation Committee on the progress made by Spain, based on the information provided by Spain on 2 March and 14 July 2006 (ECE/EB.AIR/2006/3, paras. 25–27), and in particular its conclusion regarding the failure of Spain to provide the information requested in paragraph 5 of decision 2005/7;
3. *Continues to be strongly concerned* by Spain's failure to fulfil its obligation to adopt and implement effective measures to reduce its national annual emissions by at least 30 per cent by the year 1999, using 1988 as its base year;
4. *Expresses its deep concern* that Spain has repeatedly failed to provide the information requested by decisions of the Executive Body and by the Implementation Committee through the secretariat, and is thereby hindering the Executive Body and the Implementation Committee in performing their work to review compliance with the Protocol;
5. *Continues to urge* Spain to fulfil its obligation under article 2.2(a) of the Protocol as soon as possible, and to adopt and effectively implement the measures necessary to achieve compliance with its obligation;
6. *Requests* Spain to provide to the Implementation Committee, through the secretariat, by 31 March 2007 and by 31 March of each subsequent year until compliance is achieved, a report describing the progress it has made towards achieving compliance. The report should set out a timetable that specifies the year by which Spain expects to be in compliance, lists the specific measures taken or scheduled to be taken to fulfil its emission reduction obligation under the Protocol on volatile organic compounds (VOCs), and sets out the projected effects of each of these measures on its VOC emissions up to and including the year of predicted compliance;
7. *Requests* Spain, when revising its historical data, to also revise its base year data in a consistent way;
8. *Calls on* Spain, until such time as it achieves compliance, to make a presentation containing the information referred to in paragraph 6 to the next annual session of the Executive

Body, in any year in which it fails to provide that information to the Implementation Committee, in time for the Implementation Committee's second meeting of the year; and

9. *Requests* the Implementation Committee to review Spain's progress and timetable, and to report to the Executive Body thereon at its twenty-fifth session and subsequent annual sessions until Spain has reached compliance.