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Commission Regulation on waste containing POPs enters into force

Commission Regulation (EC) No 304/2009 amending Annexes IV and V to Regulation (EC) No 850/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards the treatment of waste containing persistent organic pollutants in thermal and metallurgical production processes was published in the EU's Official Journal (OJ) in April and entered into force this month.

The Regulation amends Regulation No 850/2004 regarding the treatment of waste containing persistent organic pollutants (POPs) in thermal and metallurgical production processes. It permits metal producers to treat production waste containing POPs on-site instead of having to send it to specialist waste facilities. The Regulation is restricted to residues from iron and steel-making processes. Polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) are excluded.

The Commission Regulation can be found [here](#)