Thailand intervention on Part II.7 Extended producer responsibility

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Part II

7. Extended producer responsibility

Thailand is of the view that option 1 is our most preferable option and our proposed text of Part II.7 Extended producer responsibility would read as follows:

1. Each Party shall establish and operate mandatory Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) scheme, based on the modalities contained in annex D with flexibility in the scope of the application of the national EPR system, or any other systems or mechanisms, equivalently serving the same purpose of the EPR system, including, where relevant, on a sectoral or product basis, to incentivize increased recyclability, promote higher recycling rates, and enhance the accountability of producers and importers for safe and environmentally sound management, of plastics and plastic products throughout their life cycle [and across international supply chains].

2. The governing body shall, at its first session, adopt the related guidance providing available EPR modalities with a view to facilitate the establishment of national EPR system and define their essential features, and to support their harmonization, taking into account the objective of ensuring a just transition, pursuant to [Part II.12 on Just transition].

3. These measures shall be reflected in the national plan communicated pursuant to [Part IV.1 on national plans].