



Critical Use Exemptions Requests and Nominations

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Montreal Protocol CUE Language Exemptions Are Intended To Be Limited

- **Extraordinary Meeting of Parties 2004**
- *“Mindful* that exemptions must comply fully with decision IX/6 and are intended to be limited, temporary derogations from the phase-out of methyl bromide”
- *“Resolved* that each Party should aim at significantly and progressively decreasing its production and consumption of methyl bromide for critical uses with the intention of completely phasing out methyl bromide as soon as technically and economically feasible alternatives are available”

Review Process

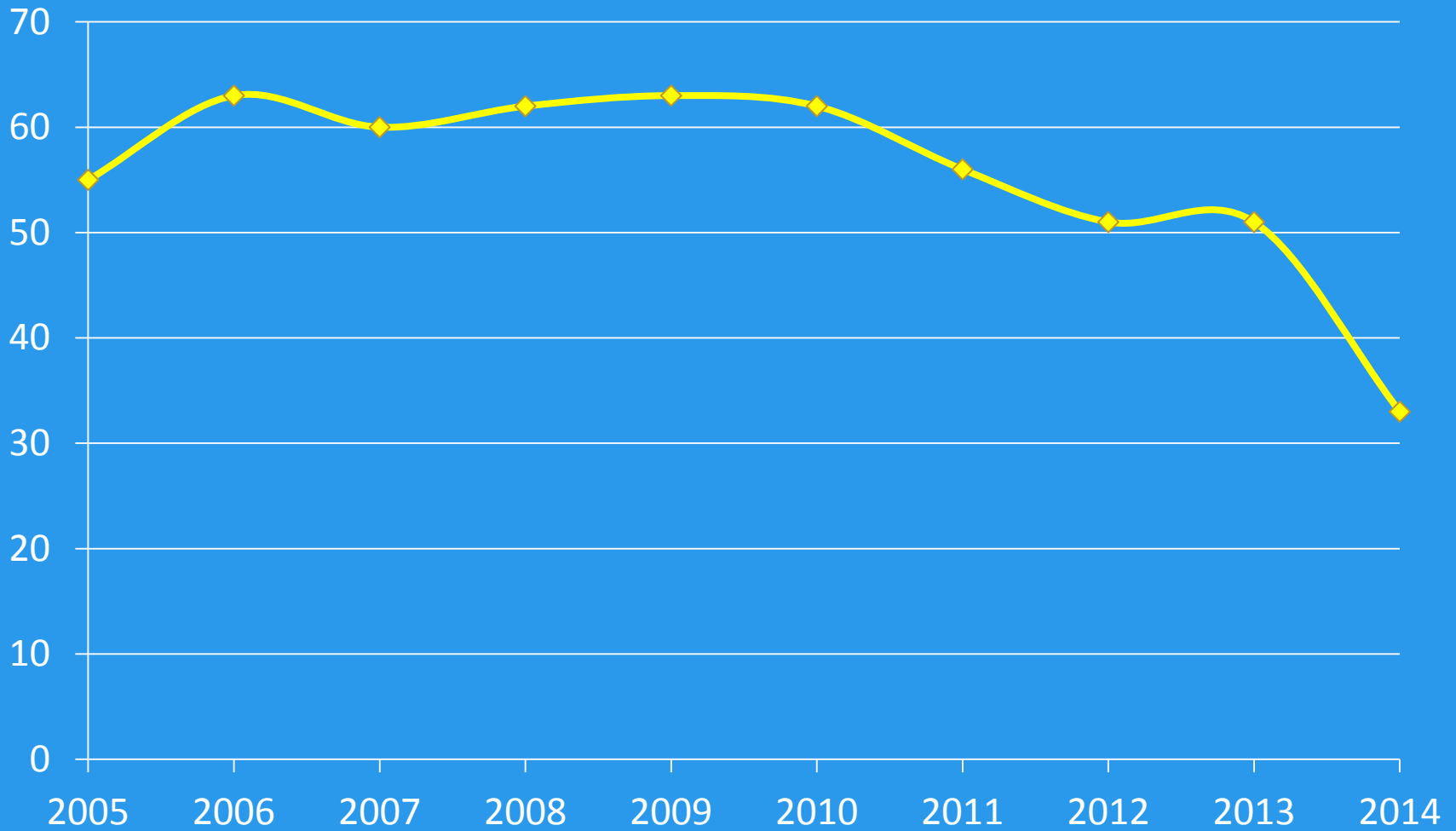
- EPA / Office of Atmospheric Programs works on application tracking, communications, allocation rule
- EPA / Office of Pesticide Programs works on technical and economic assessment
- USDA helps with research, data collection, and information review
- Dept. of State represents U.S. interests with MBTOC and Parties
- Interagency (EPA, USDA, Dept. of State) decision on nomination

Fewer International Requests

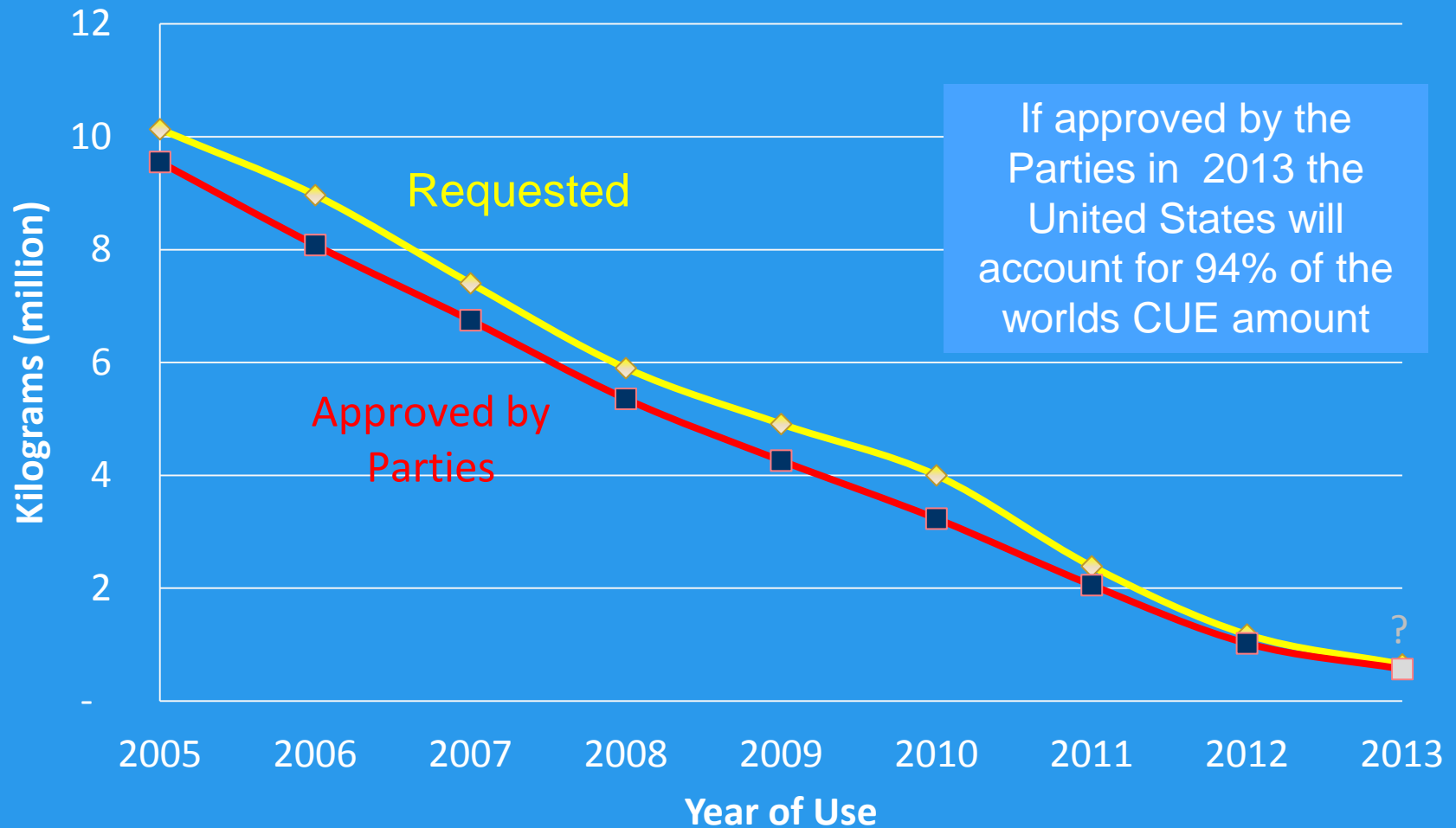
MBTOC and the Parties have fewer nominations to review

- In 2005 nominations from 17 countries
 - 80 total soil nominations (U.S. had 15)
 - 50 post-harvest nominations (U.S. had 4)
- In 2012 nominations from 4 countries
 - 19 total soil nominations (U.S. had 11)
 - 7 total post-harvest nominations (U.S. had 4)

Number of U.S. CUE Applications



U.S. CUE Amounts Approved by Parties



U.S. CUE Sector Applications for 2013

- Post-harvest Commodities (dates, dried plum, raisin, fig, walnut)
- Post-harvest Dried Meat Products
- Post-harvest Structure/Food Processor (flour, pet food, rice)
- Eggplant, Pepper, Tomato
- Strawberry Fruit
- Nursery stock (forest seedling, fruit trees and strawberry)
- Orchard Replant
- Ornamentals
- Turfgrass for Sod and Golfcourses
- Sweet Potato Slips

CUE SECTORS NOMINATED FOR 2013

	Quantity Nominated (kg)	Nomination Adjusted by U.S. in June (kg)	TEAP Oct. 2011 Recommendation (kg)
Commodities	822		822
Ham	3,730		3,730
Structures	25,334		25,334
Cucurbit	11,900	3,887	3,886
Eggplant	1,381		1,381
Pepper	5,673	5,604	5,604
Strawberry Fruit	531,737		461,186
Tomato	10,741	9,107	9,107
Nursery Stock	541	476	476
Orchard Replant	6,230		6,230
Ornamentals	48,164		40,818
Strawberry Nursery	3,752		3,752
Total	650,005	640,223	562,326

U.S. CUE Sector Applications for 2014

- Post-harvest Commodities (dates, plum, walnut)
- Post-harvest Dried Meat Products
- Post-harvest Structure/Food Processor (flour, pet food, rice)
- Post-harvest – National Pest Mgt Assoc. (and supplemental for 2013)
- Eggplant, Pepper, Tomato (and supplemental for 2013)
- Strawberry Fruit (includes supplemental for 2013)
- Nursery stock (fruit trees and strawberry)
- Orchard Replant
- Ornamentals
- Turfgrass for Sod and Golfcourses
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U.S. CUE Applications for 2014

Federal Register Notice

- Published June 14, 2011
- Applications due August 15, 2011
- 1 month extension granted
- Notice listed specific alternatives (that MBTOC has described) to be addressed in application

EPA reviewed applications and sent note to applicants with missing information

- October 20, 2011

CUE Applications for 2014 (cont.)

September - December

- Review applications
- Contact applicants for clarification or with additional questions
- Develop estimates for amount of methyl bromide needed

January

- Begin Interagency Discussions
- Nomination packages due to UNEP by January 24, 2012

Summary

- Entering year 10 of CUE process
- MBTOC is asking very targeted questions
- EPA, USDA, and Dept. of State have developed a good process to support the nominations

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