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# Foreword

On behalf of the Danish Environmental Protection Agency (Danish EPA), Provice has conducted the emission calculation and reporting of Danish emission of F-gases. The emission calculation is provided in continuation of previous years emission calculations /27/ and references herein.

The emission calculation of F-gases are extrapolated to 2030 in compliance with the revised methods from IPCC.

The F-gas emission calculation and reporting is assessed by Danish EPA and Department of Environmental Science, Aarhus University, and Provice. Further the draft report is sent to central stakeholders for comments and general information. The assessment group consist of:

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The objective of the project was to quantify the Danish consumption and actual emissions of F-gases (HFCs, PFCs, and SF<sub>6</sub>) for 2015.

The emission calculation is partly conducted to fulfil Denmark's international obligations to provide data and information on F-gas emissions, and partly to asses the Danish trend in consumption and emissions of HFCs, PFCs, and SF<sub>6</sub>. Examples of previous reporting of Danish emissions is given in reference /18, 19, 21, 23, 24, 26, 28/, and most recently, in reference /29/.

The so-called F-gases are potent greenhouse gases and cause an increase in the ability of the atmosphere to retain surplus heat radiated from the earth. Consequently the temperature of the earth's surface and lower atmosphere is rising and this leads to climate changes. There are several ozone-depleting substances that also have a strong greenhouse effect. These substances are regulated under the Montreal Protocol.

The potential effect of different greenhouse gases varies from substance to substance. This potential is expressed by a GWP value (Global Warming Potential). F-gases (HFCs, PFCs and SF<sub>6</sub>) that do not have an ozone-depleting effect, but have high GWP values are regulated by the Kyoto Protocol under the United Nation Climate Change Convention, and in the EU regulation.

# Summary

## 1.1 Full compliance with IPCC requirements

A number of new requirements to F-gas emission calculation has recently been introduced by United Nations Intergovernmental Panel for Climate Change (IPCC). The requirements comprises new F-gases, new emission factors for certain F-gases, new application areas and changes in product lifetime.

Similar to the 2014 emission calculation, the 2015 emission calculation is updated and in compliance with the new revised IPCC methodologies.

From 2014, the timeperiod for future emission scenarios has been prolonged from 2020 to 2030. The emission revisions comprise now the full timeperiod 1995-2030 and assures consistency in the methodology as outlined in IPCC's guidance.

Appendix 4 describes the specific emission factors, etc. used for emission calculations.

## 1.2 Danish consumption and emission of F-gases

### 1.2.1 Import

#### *HFCs*

The total bulk import reported by importers (minus re-export) of pure HFCs and HFC blends is 282.6 tonnes. Compared to 2014, where the import was 337.5 tonnes, the total import has decreased with 16 % to approx. 55 tonnes. The import level of HFC's indicate a steady decreasing trend.

The 2015 bulk import of HFC-134a decreased with 23.5 tonnes compared to 2014. The bulk import was 115.9 tonnes HFC-134a. Import of HFC-134a in MDI products were calculated to be 6.1 tonnes in 2015.

The import of HFC-404A has decreased approx. 7.9 tonnes compared to 2014. The total consumption was 76.6 tonnes in 2015.

The import of HFC-407C was 27.9 tonnes in 2015 which is a decrease of 9.3 tonnes compared to 2014. HFC-407C is a substitute refrigerant for HCFC-22 in refrigerators and refrigerant in heat pumps. Since 2009, the import of HFC-407C has been stable at a level of approx. 45 tonnes, but as the level has been decreasing in 2014 and 2015, this might indicate a new trend of decrease of HFC-407C consumption, assumable because of old HCFC-22 appliances are worn-out and replaced.

The import of HFC-507A has decreased 9.6 tonnes compared to 2014. The total consumption was 13.3 tonnes in 2015.

Overall, there has been a decrease in consumption of all refrigerants.

For most application areas the volumes are decreased, but there has been a slight increase for HFC-152a and HFC-410a. For other areas such as aerosols and other technical purposes, the consumption remain low and at approx. the same level as for 2014.

The trend indicate a general reduction for the main substances - HFC-134a, HFC 404A, HFC-407C and HFC 507A, which mainly are introduced to newer HFC-refrigeration appliances.

#### *SF<sub>6</sub>*

The overall consumption of SF<sub>6</sub> in 2015 was 1.5 tonnes. This is a decrease of approx. 0.5 tonnes compared to 2014. Consumption of SF<sub>6</sub> derives in 2015, mainly from use for power switches in high-voltage power systems. Only a very small amount are used for research, laboratories, and optics fibre production

Compared to 2014, the consumption of SF<sub>6</sub> in power switches are almost the same, but SF<sub>6</sub> use for optics fibre production is practically eradicated which explain the overall decrease.

#### *PFCs*

In previous years the PFC (per flourpropane) consumption has only been related to etching in optics fibre production and as a part of the refrigeration blend HFC-413A (contains 9% perflourpropan). However, in 2015 consumption of PFC-14 has been reqognized for production of low temperature freezer appliances (minus 60 degree). The consumption of PFC-14 for freezer appliance was 0.3 tonnes. According to the Danish regulation of f-gases, this use requires a grant of exemption.

### **1.2.2 Emission**

The GWP-weighted actual emissions of HFCs, PFCs, and SF<sub>6</sub> in 2015 were 742 thousand tonnes CO<sub>2</sub> equivalentents. The emissions have decreased with 100.7 thousand tonnes CO<sub>2</sub> equivalentents compared to 2014, where the corresponding emissions were 842.7 thousand tonnes CO<sub>2</sub> equivalentents as seen in table 3.

The total emissions in 2015 have a decrease for both HFCs, PFCs and SF<sub>6</sub> compared to 2014.

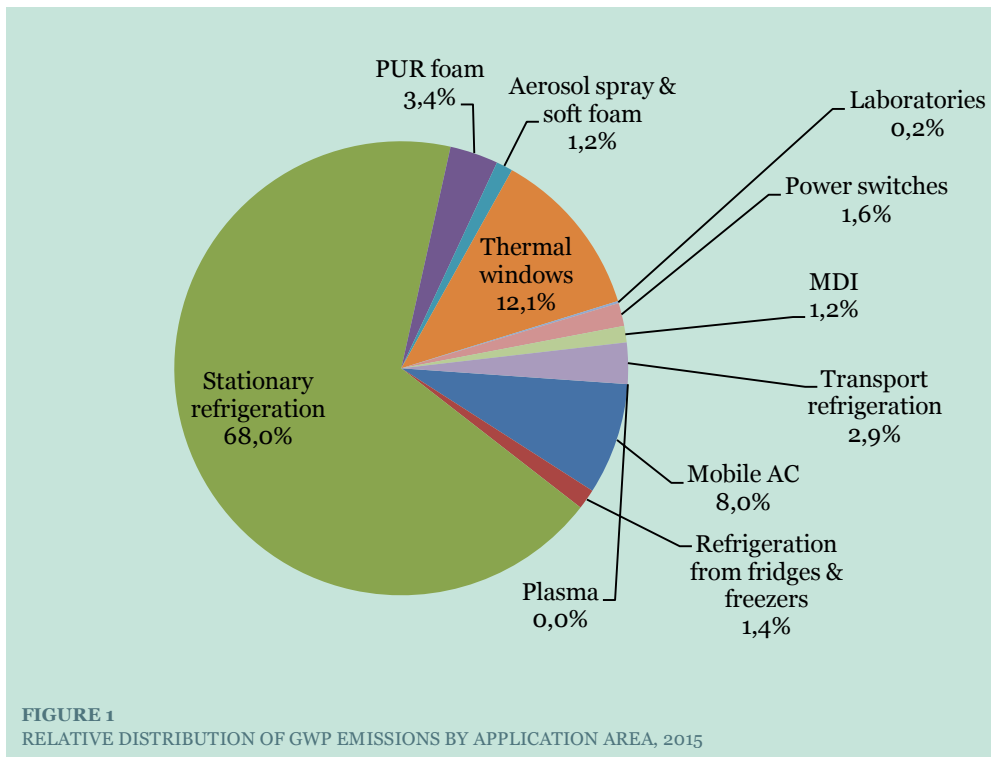
The F-gas emission comprise approx. 1-1.5% of the total national GWP emission from all sources.

In the table below, consumption, actual emissions and stock in products are summarised.

**TABLE 1:**  
**CONSUMPTION, ACTUAL EMISSIONS, STOCK, ACTUAL EMISSION AND GWP CONTRIBUTION FROM F-**  
**GASES, TONNES.**

Source	Substance	Consumption and imports, DK, tonnes	Stock, tonnes	Actual emissions, tonnes	GWP contribution, CO <sub>2</sub> eqv. tonnes	GWP contribution in total, CO <sub>2</sub> eqv. tonnes
Refrigerants for commercial stationary refrigerators and A/C systems	HFC-134a	63,0	442,4	55,3	79 044	
	HFC-404A	70,6	568,7	65,8	258 177	
	HFC-401A	0,0	7,0	0,8	15	
	HFC-402A	0,0	6,5	0,7	1 520	
	HFC-407C	27,9	409,9	43,4	76 977	
	HFC-507	13,3	95,7	9,7	38 464	
	Other HFCs	41,9	229,0	21,7	45 282	
	PFC	0,0	4,6	0,6	4 949	
	<b>All substances</b>					<b>504 428</b>
Refrigerants in household fridges/freezers	HFC-134a	5,6	100,1	5,9	8 503	
	HFC-404a	0,9	40,8	0,5	2 142	
	PFC-14	0,3	0,2	0,0	47	
Insulation foam in household fridges/freezers	HFC-134	0,0	159,1	17,9	25 540	
	HFC-152	0,0	0,0	0,0		
	<b>All substances</b>					<b>36 232</b>
Refrigerants for mobile A/C systems	HFC-134a	41,3		41,3	59 038	<b>59 038</b>
Refrigerated vans and lorries	HFC-134a	0,2	3,5	0,4	530	
	HFC-404A	5,1	29,9	5,4	21 149	
	HFC-402A	0,0	0,2	0,0	99	
	<b>All substances</b>					<b>21 777</b>
Other PUR foam and system foam	HFC-134a/245	0,0	0,0	0,0		
Aerosol sprays etc.	HFC-134a	5,8	0,0	5,7	8 080	<b>8 080</b>
Thermostates	HFC-152a	7,0	4,7	5,4	674	<b>674</b>
MDI	HFC-134a	6,1	0,0	6,1	8 695	<b>8 695</b>
System foam	HFC-134a		0,0	0,0		
	HFC-152a		0,0	0,0		
	HFC-365		0,0	0,0		
Liquid cleaners	PFC	0,0	0,0	0,0		
Fibre optics	PFC-14	0,0	0,0	0,0		
	PFC-318	0,0	0,0	0,0		
	HFC-23	0,0	0,0	0,0		
	<b>All substances</b>					
Double glazing	SF <sub>6</sub>	0,0	16,8	3,9	89 766	<b>89 766</b>
High-voltage power switches	SF <sub>6</sub>	1,4	93,5	0,5	12 176	<b>12 176</b>
Laboratories	SF <sub>6</sub>	0,1	0,0	0,1	1 140	<b>1 140</b>
Total	HFCs	289,0	2097,6	282,6	633 928	
	PFCs	0,3	4,7	0,6	4 996	
	SF <sub>6</sub>	1,5	110,3	4,5	103 082	
<b>GWP contribution</b>	<b>Total</b>		<b>2212,6</b>	<b>287,7</b>	<b>742 006</b>	<b>742 006</b>

In Figure 1, the relative contributions of HFCs, PFCs, and SF<sub>6</sub> to the total emission in CO<sub>2</sub>-equivalents are shown for application areas for 2015.



The figure shows that emissions from refrigerants used in commercial stationary refrigerators account for the outmost largest GWP contribution. This source covers 68.0 per cent of the total actual emission of F-gases in 2014. The main contribution is from HFC-404A, that accounts for 258,177 tonnes CO<sub>2</sub>-equivalents which is 34.8 per cent of the total F-gas emissions in 2015.

The second-largest source for GWP contribution, accounting for 12.1 per cent, is emission of SF<sub>6</sub> released from the treatment of double glazed windows.

The third-largest source for GWP contribution occurs from mobile A/C (MAC), accounting for 8.0 per cent.

Emissions of HFC-134a from stock in insulating foam in fridges and freezers contribute with only 1.4 per cent and emissions of HFC-134a and HFC-404A from transport refrigeration contribute with 2.9 per cent of the total GWP contribution.

The total HFC's contribution is estimated to comprise 85.4 per cent of the overall GWP contribution in 2015, Emissions of SF<sub>6</sub> comprise 13.9 per cent and emissions of PFCs contribute with less than 0.7 percent.

#### HFCs

Actual emissions from HFCs have been calculated to 633 928 tonnes CO<sub>2</sub> equivalents. In 2014, emissions were 701 674 tonnes CO<sub>2</sub> equivalents /27/. It is a decrease of approx. 100 700 tonnes CO<sub>2</sub> equivalents. The decrease occurs primarily from lower consumption and emission from commercial refrigeration stock of HFC-134a and HFC-404A.

#### SF<sub>6</sub>

Actual emissions have been calculated to a GWP contribution of 103 082 tonnes CO<sub>2</sub> equivalents. In 2014, emissions were 132 369 tonnes CO<sub>2</sub> equivalents.

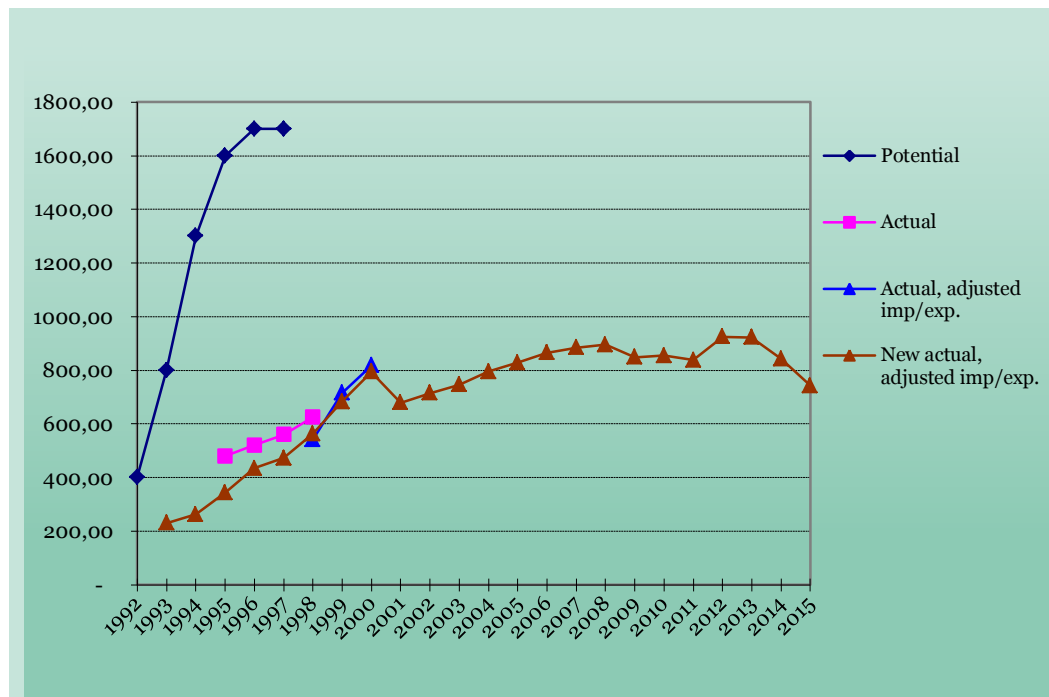


### PFCs

The emission of PFCs originates from stock emission from commercial refrigeration containing HFC-413A (contains 9 per cent Perflourpropan) and a small contribution from production of low temperature freezers. The total GWP-weighted PFC emission is 4 996 tonnes CO<sub>2</sub> equivalents.

### 1.2.3 Trends in total GWP contribution from F-gases

The figure below shows the trend in Danish GWP contributions from HFCs, PFCs, and SF<sub>6</sub> for 1992-2015. The differences from the present calculations of the total GWP value compared with earlier calculation methods are illustrated in the figure.



**FIGURE 2**  
GWP-WEIGHTED POTENTIAL, ACTUAL AND, ADJUSTED ACTUAL EMISSIONS 1992-2015, 1.000 TONNES CO<sub>2</sub> EQUIVALENTS.

The figure shows that the GWP emission has increased from 1992-2008 and peaked in 2012, where it seems to obtain a decreasing trend from 2013 onwards.

Development in the GWP contribution for the period can also be seen in Table 2 below.

In 2008 emission calculations from MDI is added, which contain amounts of HFC-134a as blowing agent.

**TABLE 1**

TOTAL GWP-CONTRIBUTION FROM HFCS, PFCS, SF6, 1992-2015 DETERMINED ACCORDING TO THE FOUR DIFFERENT METHODS OF CALCULATION APPLIED DURING THIS PERIOD, 1 000 TONNES CO<sub>2</sub> EQUIVALENTS.

Year	Potential	Actual	Actual, adjusted imp/exp.	New actual, adjusted imp/exp.
1992	400,0			
1993	800,0			230,3
1994	1.300,0			263,2
1995	1.600,0	480,0		344,1
1996	1.700,0	520,0		434,7
1997	1.700,0	560,0		472,5
1998		625,0	542,5	563,7
1999			715,2	682,8
2000			817,7	793,3
2001				679,0
2002				715,0
2003				746,0
2004				795,0
2005				829,0
2006				865,0
2007				884,4
2008				895,7
2009				848,4
2010				854,4
2011				837,7
2012				925,2
2013				922,4
2014				842,7
2015				742,0

The table 3 below shows the time series 1993-2014 and the 2014-2030 projections of F-gases as GWP contributions. In this report the projection has been extended to year 2030.

The emission projections are determined by starting with a 'steady state' consumption using 2015 as the reference year and the cut-off dates for the phasing-out of specific substances, cf. the Statutory Order regulating certain industrial greenhouse gases /30/.

The calculated GWP contribution expresses actual emissions, adjusted for imports and exports (the latest basis of calculation).

TABLE 2

TOTAL GWP-EMISSION FROM HFCS, PFCS, SF6, 1993-2030, 1 000 TONNES CO2 EQUIVALENTS.

Year	HFC-134a	HFC-152a	HFC-404A	HFC-401A	HFC-402A	HFC-407C	HFC-507A	HFC-23	Other HFCS	PFCS	SF6	Total pr year
1993	98,6	3,7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	96,5	198,8
1994	138,8	5,7	1,6	-	0,2	-	-	-	-	0,1	116,4	262,8
1995	215,8	5,4	18,3	-	1,5	-	-	-	0,4	0,6	102,4	344,5
1996	302,6	4,0	65,2	-	4,6	-	-	-	3,5	2,1	58,2	440,1
1997	255,0	1,9	103,1	0,0	8,3	0,4	0,5	-	7,2	5,2	69,7	451,2
1998	306,7	1,2	141,7	0,1	9,5	2,9	3,7	-	9,8	11,5	56,7	543,6
1999	327,8	4,6	212,7	0,1	10,8	6,2	7,3	-	12,4	15,7	61,9	659,7
2000	360,1	1,9	288,2	0,1	11,9	12,8	11,4	-	17,0	22,6	56,1	782,2
2001	379,9	1,6	284,9	0,1	11,3	19,4	18,4	-	35,6	27,9	28,1	807,2
2002	394,3	1,6	308,6	0,1	10,2	25,9	18,2	-	21,2	28,0	23,4	831,5
2003	371,8	0,2	348,9	0,1	9,1	39,3	21,8	-	20,8	24,6	29,5	866,2
2004	392,4	0,7	376,2	0,1	8,4	52,7	23,4	-	21,5	20,5	30,8	926,6
2005	382,6	0,2	430,8	0,1	7,5	64,3	25,0	-	22,3	18,8	19,9	971,3
2006	381,2	0,3	451,6	0,1	6,7	69,0	24,7	-	24,2	21,2	33,5	1.012,4
2007	385,2	0,3	471,1	0,1	6,0	74,1	24,9	-	27,7	21,2	28,1	1.038,7
2008	380,9	0,3	472,8	0,1	5,3	76,4	26,4	1,8	29,0	18,4	29,3	1.040,7
2009	327,9	0,4	469,8	0,0	4,8	81,6	24,8	2,8	31,2	15,2	34,2	992,7
2010	348,1	0,5	454,2	0,0	4,2	82,0	25,2	5,3	30,9	18,7	35,8	1.004,9
2011	308,1	0,6	330,3	0,0	2,4	67,9	20,3	4,2	23,5	11,1	69,4	837,7
2012	283,3	0,6	371,1	0,0	2,7	80,8	26,3	1,8	34,5	12,2	112,0	925,2
2013	286,1	0,8	346,9	0,0	2,2	80,0	28,7	-	36,3	10,8	130,6	922,4
2014	226,0	0,6	318,0	0,0	1,9	79,3	33,7	2,1	40,1	8,7	132,4	842,7
2015	<b>189,4</b>	<b>0,7</b>	<b>281,5</b>	<b>0,0</b>	<b>1,6</b>	<b>77,0</b>	<b>38,5</b>	-	<b>45,3</b>	<b>5,0</b>	<b>103,1</b>	<b>742,0</b>
2016	153,8	0,7	249,6	0,0	1,4	73,8	38,7	-	48,5	4,1	76,5	647,2
2017	104,7	0,7	250,4	0,0	1,3	73,1	38,8	-	48,3	3,6	62,1	582,9
2018	89,0	0,8	229,9	0,0	1,2	71,4	38,3	-	48,2	3,3	62,3	544,3
2019	79,9	0,8	231,1	0,0	1,0	69,7	38,0	-	48,1	3,0	61,3	532,9
2020	72,5	0,8	200,0	0,0	0,9	68,1	37,7	-	47,9	2,7	41,6	472,2
2021	66,5	0,9	201,7	0,0	0,8	67,4	37,7	-	38,4	2,4	16,4	432,4
2022	61,8	0,9	165,0	0,0	0,8	53,9	30,1	-	31,8	2,2	15,5	361,8
2023	58,0	0,9	139,4	0,0	0,7	43,0	24,0	-	27,1	2,0	15,6	310,7
2024	54,9	0,9	116,5	0,0	0,6	34,3	19,2	-	23,8	1,8	15,6	267,8
2025	52,5	0,8	99,1	0,0	0,5	27,4	15,3	-	21,6	1,7	15,7	234,7
2026	50,6	0,8	84,5	0,0	0,5	21,9	12,2	-	20,0	1,5	15,8	207,8
2027	49,1	0,8	72,4	0,0	0,4	17,5	9,8	-	18,9	1,4	15,9	186,1
2028	48,0	0,7	61,8	0,0	0,4	14,0	7,8	-	18,1	1,3	16,0	168,0
2029	47,1	0,7	52,2	0,0	0,4	11,1	6,2	-	17,5	1,2	16,0	152,5
2030	46,3	0,7	45,1	0,0	0,3	8,9	5,0	-	17,1	1,1	16,1	140,7
Sum	<b>8.077,5</b>	<b>49,4</b>	<b>8.746,1</b>	<b>1,1</b>	<b>142,2</b>	<b>1.647,5</b>	<b>762,2</b>	<b>18,0</b>	<b>969,8</b>	<b>353,3</b>	<b>1.920,2</b>	<b>22.687,2</b>

## Methodology

The emission calculation is made in accordance with the IPCC guidelines (Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change) /4/, and following the method applied in previous years calculations.

The methodology includes calculation of the actual emissions of HFCs, PFCs, and SF<sub>6</sub>. In this calculation of actual emissions, the release from stock of greenhouse gases in equipment and in products has been taken into account, and adjustments have been made for imports and exports of the greenhouse gases in products.

Appendix 4 describes the specific emission factors, etc.

### 1.3 Scope and definition

The emission calculation of the actual emissions of HFCs, PFCs and SF<sub>6</sub> has over years become increasingly more comprehensive and accurate along with the development of internationally approved guidelines (IPCC Guidelines) and guidance (IPCC Good Practice Guidance /22/) and the provision of increasingly detailed data.

The evaluation of the actual emissions includes quantification and calculation of any imports and exports of HFCs, PFCs, and SF<sub>6</sub> in products, and it includes substances in stock. This is in accordance with the latest and most accurate method of calculation (Tier 2) among the options provided for in the IPCC Guidelines /4/.

#### *Estimation of Consumption and emissions*

The calculation of consumption, emissions and stock were carried out on the basis of information from five sources:

- Importers, agency enterprises, wholesalers, and suppliers
- Consuming enterprises, and trade and industry associations
- Danish Environmental Protection Agency
- Official trade statistics
- Previous evaluations of HFCs, PFCs and SF<sub>6</sub> /27/.

Basis information for the present emission calculation is collected through questionnaire surveys combined with follow up telephone interviews of stakeholders relevant for F-gas consumption and emissions.

The result of the project is primarily based on the information received from enterprise and importer respondents and information from KMO and Danish EPA is used as a supplement to verify parts of the collected data.

The information collected from importers and suppliers is compared with information from consumer enterprises in order to monitor any discrepancies between purchase and sales information and to identify application of the use of substances. In some cases, the use of individual substances was estimated on the basis of two sources, since the majority of the consuming enterprises were known. In cases where not all enterprise end-users had specified the application area for substances, the consumption of individual substances was estimated on the basis of the information provided by importers, suppliers, and any trade and industry-related associations.

There may be inconsistencies between the information provided by suppliers and enterprise end-users. This is partly due to imports from other EU countries, changes in inventories of substances, or a lack of correlation between the quantities sold and the quantities consumed. It is also partly

due to a certain amount of uncertainty in the method of calculation used by enterprises. However, sales and consumption information has been harmonised.

The estimated average degree of uncertainty in the report's consumption figures (quantities sold and bought) is about 10-15 per cent, and slightly greater for data regarding application areas. The degree of uncertainty in the calculation of actual emissions is estimated at 20-25 per cent, depending on import/export information for the specific products.

The calculation of F-gas emission is based on a calculation of *actual emissions*.

Actual emissions are emissions in the relevant year, accounting for the time lapse between consumption and emissions. Actual emissions include Danish emissions from production, from products during their lifetimes, and from the disposal of products. Actual emissions for the specific areas of application are determined on basis of the following approaches:

#### *Tier 2 "Top-down" analysis*

In the Tier 2 Top-down analysis, emissions are determined on the basis of information on consumption in the various areas of application and calculated or estimated emissions in the area of application (emission factors).

#### *Calculating consumption for refilling mobile A/C (MAC)*

The method for calculating the consumption of refrigerant related to MAC is based on collection of data from all Danish importers of HFC-134a supplying refrigerants to refilling in mobile A/C systems installed in vehicles. While these importers only operate in the MAC refrigeration market the import data can be isolated to consumption of refrigerants to MAC. Therefore the following methodology can be applied corresponding to the Tier 2 top down approach:

Consumption/Sale from MAC refrigerant importers in year X = refilled stock = actual emission from MAC in Denmark in year X.

#### *Tier 2 "Bottom-up" analysis.*

In the Bottom-up analysis, the estimated emissions for a specific application area are based on information from producers using substances in production and in products; information on imports and exports of products; information on the technological developments within the application areas; information on the average amount of greenhouse gases contained in products; and information on the lifetime of products and actual emissions during their use and disposal.

Tier 2 bottom-up analyses were carried out within selected areas over a number of years. The analysis quantified the stock and, in some cases, Danish emission factors. Detailed analyses were carried out for commercial refrigerators, mobile A/C systems, fridges, freezers, and SF<sub>6</sub> power switches. Analysis were evaluated in separate reports /2, 11, 16/.

Bottom-up comprises:

- Screening of the market for products in which greenhouse gases are used.
- Defining the average content of greenhouse gases per product unit.
- Defining the lifetime and the disposal emissions of products.
- Identifying technological characteristics and trends of significance for emissions of greenhouse gases.
- Calculating imports and exports on the basis of defined key figures, Statistics Denmark's foreign trade statistics, and information from relevant industries.

Results from this analysis have been expanded in the present evaluation of actual emissions.

As far as possible, the consumption and emissions of greenhouse gases have been evaluated individually, even though consumption of certain HFCs has been very limited. This was done to ensure transparency and consistency in time in the calculation of the sum of HFCs as their GWP value. However, it was necessary to operate with a category for "Other HFCs", as not all importers and suppliers have detailed records of sales of individual substances.

Uncertainty varies from substance to substance. Uncertainty is highest for HFC-134a due to its widespread application in products imported and exported. The largest uncertainty in the analysis of substances by application areas is assessed to concern the breakdown of consumption of HFC-404A and HFC-134a between commercial stationary refrigerators and mobile A/C systems. This breakdown is significant for the short-term (about 5 years) emissions calculations, but will balance in the long term. This is because the breakdown is only significant for the rate at which emissions are released.

Appendix 4 shows an overview of all application areas included with descriptions of the bases of calculation.

In Appendix 1, the table shows the F-gases covered by the Kyoto Protocol under the Climate Change Convention, including their chemical formulas and new revised GWP values (Global Warming Potential).

#### **1.4 IPCC requirements to EF, application areas and new F-gases**

The new revised emission factors from IPCC for a number of F-gases were fully implemented in the 2013 emission calculation and applied for the 2015 calculation as well. The change in emission factors are revised for the full time period 1992-2020 to assure consistency in the methodology as outlined in IPCC's guidance.

According to the IPCC guidance, new application areas have been identified by IPCC. The application areas are:

- TFT flat panel displays (not occurring)
- Photovoltaics (not occurring)
- Heat transfer fluid (not occurring)
- Military applications (investigated further)
- Accelerators (not occurring)
- Soundproof windows (already included in DK calculation)
- Adiabatic properties - shoes and tyres (already included in DK calculation)
- Closed cell foam (already included in DK calculation)
- Hard cell foam (already included in DK calculation)

The new application areas were assessed in relation to the Danish context, and one new application area – "Military Appliances" was relevant to investigate further to determine, whether new consumption- and emission areas should be included in the F-gas emission calculation. The conclusion is, that there is no new use of F-gases from "Military Appliances" and it is therefore not relevant to include this area in the F-gas calculation.

Further, a number of new F-gases has to be included in the emission calculation. The new F-gases are NF<sub>3</sub>, and new HFC's and PFC's. Starting from the 2013 calculation, all new F-gases have been included. The new HFC's were already included in previous calculations, and the new PFC's are not used in DK. According to NF<sub>3</sub>, a particular survey among relevant importers, has been conducted and no import or stocks of NF<sub>3</sub> has been identified.

## 1.5 Explanation of terminology

The following terms and abbreviations are used throughout this report:

- *Enterprise end-user*: A producer that uses greenhouse F-gases in connection with production processes in the enterprise.
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- *Emission factor*: The factor used in the calculation of emissions from a product or a production process.
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- *Consumption*: Consumption includes the quantities of substances reported in Denmark in the year in question via imports from wholesalers and information from Danish producers.
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- *Importer*: Enterprises in Denmark that sell the relevant substances on the Danish market.
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- *KMO*: The Danish Refrigeration Installers' Environmental Scheme
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- *Stock*: The amount of substance contained in equipment and products in use in Denmark.

# 2. F-gas import and consumption

## 2.1 Assessment of new F-gases

From 2013 it is required by IPCC to include a number of new F-gases in the emission calculation. These new F-gases have therefore been screened to determine whether the substances are used as bulk or imported in products in Denmark.

### 2.1.1 NF<sub>3</sub>

Nitrogen trifluoride (NF<sub>3</sub>) is used in the plasma etching of silicon wafers. Today NF<sub>3</sub> is predominantly employed in the cleaning of chambers in the high volume production of liquid crystal displays and silicon-based thin film solar cells. NF<sub>3</sub> has been considered as an environmentally preferable substitute for SF<sub>6</sub> or PFC. NF<sub>3</sub> is also used in hydrogen fluoride and deuterium fluoride lasers, which are types of chemical lasers. Since 1992, when less than 100 tons were produced, production has grown to an estimated 8 000 tons in 2010 and is projected to increase significantly.

All national importers of F-gases has been requested to provide information about eventual import of new F-gases. None has imported NF<sub>3</sub> in 2015 or in any previous year.

NF<sub>3</sub> is therefore considered non-existing in Denmark.

### 2.1.2 New HFC's

The new HFC's are:

- HFC-152
- HFC-161
- HFC-236cb
- HFC-236ea
- HFC-245fa
- HFC-365mfc

An import of 0,004 tonnes of HFC-245fa has been registered. No importers confirm import of any other of these HFC's in 2015. Previously, a minor amount of HFC-245fa has been imported as refrigerant some years back and also HFC-365mfc was imported for a few years as foam blowing agent before it was banned in 2006 due to the Danish legislation of phasing out F-gases in a.o. foam blowing. These two F-gases have already been included in the previous emission calculations.

### 2.1.3 New PFC's

The new PFC's are:

- Perfluorodecalin – PFC-9-1-18 (C<sub>10</sub>F<sub>18</sub>)
- Perfluorocyclopropane (c-C<sub>3</sub>F<sub>6</sub>)

No importers confirm import of these PFC's in 2015 or any previous years.



## **2.2 Import of substances**

An overall picture of the trends in imports of greenhouse gases is given in Table 4, based on information from importers for the years 1992-2015.

### **2.2.1 HFC's**

HFCs were imported by 10 enterprises in 2015. Seven companies imports for resale and three of the importers are consumers importing substances directly from another EU country and use the imported substances in production.

The total bulk import (minus re-export) of pure HFCs and HFC blends is estimated to 282.6 tonnes. Compared to 2014, where the estimation of import was 365 tonnes, the total bulk import has decreased with approx. 82,4 tonnes. The trend is a decrease for the majority of HFC's and a slightly increased level for HFC-152a and HFC-410a compared to 2014, but 2015 levels are reasonably low and stable when looking several years back.

The bulk import of HFC-134a is 115.9 tonnes in 2015 and has decreased with 23,5 tonnes compared to 2014.

In 2014, the import of HFC-134a in medical dose inhalers (MDI) were 6.22 tonnes, but in 2015 the import of HCF-134a in MDIs has decreased to 6.08 tonnes. The total import (bulk + products) of HFC-134a was 122.0 tonnes in 2015.

Import of HFC-404A has decreased with 7.9 tonnes in 2015 compared to 2014, with a total import of 76.6 tonnes in 2015. The main consumption of HFC 404A is in commercial refrigeration systems of which 70.6 tonnes was used in 2015. During the later years the trend indicates a stable reduction of 5-10 tonnes HFC-404A per year.

The consumption of HFC-404A refrigerant in transport refrigeration systems has decreased with 2 tonnes to 5.1 tonnes in 2015. The consumption of HFC-404A for household fridge/freezers has decreased further and was 0.9 tonnes in 2015.

The third largest HFC import is HFC-407C with an import of 27.9 tonnes in 2015. The import was 37.2 tonnes in 2014, so there has been a decrease of 9.3 tonnes since the previous year. HFC-407C is used in heat pumps and is a substitute refrigerant for HCFC-22 in commercial refrigeration systems. The decreased consumption indicates that old HCFC-22 refrigeration systems has reached end-of-life and are substituted with other technologies.

The import of HFC-507c in 2015 was 13.3 tonnes, which is a significant decrease of 9.6 tonnes compared to 2014.

The import of the category 'Other HFCs' has decreased from 27.8 tonens in 2014 to 21.0 tonnes in 2015. All substances registered in the category 'Other HFCs' are used exclusively for medium and large commercial refrigerators.

Two HCF's are registered to have increased in 2015 compared to 2014. One is import of HFC-152a, which was 7.0 tonnes in 2015. This is an increase of 1.2 tonnes compared to 2014. The level used to be approx. 10 tonnes per year, and the increase in 2015 is therefore ascribed a relatively low level in 2014 rather than a particularly high level in 2015. HFC-152a is mainly used in thermostats. The import of HFC-410a was 20.9 tonnes in 2015, an increase of 2 tonnes compared to 2014.

Summarizing, the import has decreased for following substances - HFC-134a, HFC-404A, HFC-407C, HFC-507c and the category 'Other HFCs'.

The import has increased for following substances – HFC-152a (from 5.8 tonnes in 2014 to 7.0 tonnes in 2015) and HFC-410a (from 18.9 tonnes in 2014 to 20.9 tonnes in 2015), but the increases are considerably small and remain at reasonable levels.

### 2.2.2 Sulphur hexafluoride

Five importers reported that they have imported and sold 1.5 tonnes of sulphur hexafluoride in 2015, which is a decrease of 0.5 tonnes since 2014. Sulphur hexafluoride is mainly used in power switches, but very small amounts are also used as an agent for plasma erosion in production of optical fibres, microchips and in laboratories for analytical purposes. The use of SF<sub>6</sub> has increased slightly for power switches, but decreased in use for research, laboratories and plasma erosion leading to an overall decrease.

### 2.2.3 Perfluorinated hydrocarbons

There is reported import of PFC-14 (Trifluoromethane - CF<sub>4</sub>) of approx. 0.3 tonnes in 2015. PFC-14 is used as low temperature refrigerant in commercial household applications. It is first year a consumption has been recorded for this category. Usually the consumption of PFC-14 is for production of optical fibres.

In 2014, there was no bulk import of perfluoropropane C<sub>3</sub>F<sub>8</sub>, but a small amount was imported through the HFC-blend HFC-413A, which contain 9% perfluoropropane. However, there has been no import of HFC-413a in 2015, and thus no C<sub>3</sub>F<sub>8</sub>.

The table below, contains an overview of the import of all F-gases since 1992.

**TABLE 3**  
DEVELOPMENTS IN BULK IMPORTS OF F-GASES, TONNES  
1) THE CATEGORY "OTHER" IN 2015 INCLUDE HFC-245FA, 1234YF, 1234ZE, R125, R427A, R438 AND ISC49+.

Year / Substance	HFC-134a	HFC-152a	HFC-401A	HFC-402A	HFC-404a	HFC-407C	HFC-507	HFC-410A	HFC-413a	HFC-417A	Other HFCs <sup>1</sup>	All HFCs	SF <sub>6</sub>	PFCs
1992	20,0	4,0			-						-	24,0	15,0	-
1994	524,0	51,0			36,0						1,0	612,0	21,0	-
1995	565,0	47,0			119,0						14,0	745,0	17,0	1,5
1996	740,0	32,0			110,0						20,0	902,0	11,0	3,0
1997	700,0	15,0			110,0						65,0	890,0	13,0	8,0
1998	884,0	14,0	15,0	10,0	146,0	17,0	10,0				15,0	1.111,0	9,0	
1999	644,6	35,8	15,0	10,0	193,7	40,0	10,0				29,2	978,3	12,1	7,9
2000	711,1	16,4	9,5	4,2	193,1	44,7	23,8				24,1	1.027,0	9,0	6,9
2001	472,8	11,1	4,1	0,8	126,2	40,3	2,2				18,4	675,9	4,7	3,7
2002	401,6	11,9	-	-	188,7	89,1	14,4				7,5	713,2	1,4	2,0
2003	241,2	3,3	0,2	1,7	145,0	96,8	9,2				13,0	510,4	2,2	0,5
2004	306,5	11,0	-	-	252,6	101,3	10,6	2,6	7,2	6,0	4,4	702,2	2,3	0,3
2005	235,4	5,5	-	-	162,4	61,6	5,4	3,1	5,0	1,3	5,1	484,8	3,6	0,5
2006	280,7	11,6	-	-	176,4	70,6	6,1	7,7		0,9	4,8	558,8	4,2	-
2007	160,7	13,0	-	-	129,9	50,5	11,4	12,8	1,0	2,1	21,0	402,4	5,4	0,7
2008	164,5	15,0	-	-	114,1	76,8	1,8	16,9	0,7	0,7	8,9	399,4	5,9	68,9
2009	175,3	12,0	-	-	106,9	49,3	7,0	12,1	-	-	0,6	363,2	4,3	0,9
2010	160,6	15,0	-	-	103,6	42,4	9,1	16,0	-	1,0	5,4	352,9	3,8	0,9
2011	180,5	8,0	-	-	105,0	42,8	6,1	15,5	-	2,0	13,0	372,9	3,1	0,9
2012	171,7	13,0	-	-	99,5	42,7	12,1	21,5	-	1,0	3,5	365,1	2,6	0,5
2013	154,5	22,6	-	-	91,5	43,8	20,5	20,6	-	1,0	13,0	367,3	3,6	0,5
2014	139,4	5,8	-	-	84,5	37,2	22,9	18,9	1,0	-	27,8	337,6	2,0	0,1
2015	115,9	7,0	-	-	76,6	27,9	13,3	20,9	-	-	21,0	282,6	1,5	0,3
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## 2.3 Consumption by application

The assessment of consumption divided into application areas is estimated on basis of information from importers and producers, and on sales reports to the Danish Refrigeration Installers' Environmental Scheme (KMO). Table 5 below shows consumption distributed according to application.

**TABLE 4**  
CONSUMPTION OF HFC DISTRIBUTED ON APPLICATION AREAS, TONNES

Substance / Use	Insulation foam	Foam systems	Soft foam	Other applications	Stand-alone commercial applications	Medium and large commercial refrigerators	Transport refrigeration	Mobile A/C	Stationary A/C	Total
HFC-134a	-	-	-	5,8	5,6	53,0	0,2	41,3	10,0	115,9
HFC-152a	-	-	-	7,0	-	-	-	-	-	7,0
HFC-401A	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
HFC-402A	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
HFC-404a	-	-	-	-	0,9	70,6	5,1	-	-	76,6
HFC-407C	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	27,9	27,9
HFC-507	-	-	-	-	-	13,3	-	-	-	13,3
HFC-410A	-	-	-	-	-	20,9	-	-	-	20,9
HFC-413a	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
HFC-417A	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other HFCs <sup>1</sup>	-	-	-	-	-	21,0	-	-	-	21,0
All HFCs	-	-	-	12,8	6,5	178,8	5,3	41,3	37,9	282,6

### 2.3.1 Consumption of HFC refrigerant

The consumption of HFC refrigerants is decreasing. For HFC-134a, HFC-404A, HFC-407C and HFC-507c the consumption in 2015 is reduced further compared to 2014.

The decreasing level of refrigerants in commercial refrigeration systems is in particular a consequence of the f-gas regulation where establishment of new HFC installations after 1<sup>st</sup> of January 2007 was banned /30/.

The use of HFCs as refrigerant in commercial refrigeration and stationary A/C systems is covering 80.3 per cent of the total consumption in 2015. The most commonly used refrigerants in commercial refrigeration are still HFC-404A and HFC-134a.

The consumption of HFC-134a as a refrigerant in fridges/freezers was 2.4 per cent of the total consumption in 2015. Most producers has substituted to alternative refrigerants or moved production facilities to other countries.

The consumption of refrigerants in mobile A/C covers 15.3 per cent of the total consumption.

The consumption of refrigerants in vans and lorries for transport refrigeration covers approx. 2.0 per cent of the total consumption.

Consumption by application area is based on information from producers and importers, who report sales of substances from refrigerator installers and automobile workshops, etc. (only when drawing-off is more than one kg).

The consumption of refrigerants for household fridges and freezers is calculated on the basis of information from enterprise end-users.

The consumption of refrigerants in commercial, stationary A/C systems and MAC are estimated using data and information from importers.

The consumption of HFCs in metered-dose inhalers (MDI) is based on product statistics from Danish Medical Agency.

The table below shows the consumption by weight of refrigerants according to application area.

**TABLE 5**  
CONSUMPTION OF HFC AS REFRIGERANTS ACCORDING TO APPLICATION

Substance / Applikation	Fridges /freezers	Commercial refrigerators and Stationary A/C systems	Mobile A/C systems	Refrigerated vans and trucks	Total	Percent
134a	5,6	63,0	41,3	0,2	110,1	41%
401A	-	-	-	-	-	0%
402A	-	-	-	-	-	0%
404A	0,9	70,6	-	5,1	76,6	28%
407C	-	27,9	-	-	27,9	10%
410A	-	20,9	-	-	20,9	8%
507	-	13,3	-	-	13,3	5%
Others	-	21,0	-	-	21,0	8%
<b>Total</b>	<b>6,5</b>	<b>216,7</b>	<b>41,3</b>	<b>5,3</b>	<b>269,8</b>	<b>100%</b>
<b>Percent</b>	<b>2,4%</b>	<b>80,3%</b>	<b>15,3%</b>	<b>2,0%</b>	<b>100,0%</b>	

### 2.3.2 Consumption of HFC as foam blowing agent and as propellant

In 2015, the uses of HFCs as propellants in aerosols for specific industrial purposes were about 5.8 tonnes. This production is specifically approved by DEPA's grant of exemptions and production. The use for this specific industrial purpose had been stable for many years.

In 2015, the consumption of HFC-134a in MDIs was 6.08 tonnes. The use of HFC-134a has been steadily decreasing.

As in previous years, there has been no reports of consumption of HFCs for chemical production, fire extinguishing equipment, or other application areas apart from those mentioned.

### 2.3.3 Consumption of SF<sub>6</sub>

The overall consumption of SF<sub>6</sub> in 2015 was 1.47 tonnes. Consumption of SF<sub>6</sub> is used for power switches in high-voltage power systems, plasma erosion and laboratories, including research laboratories (particle accelerators) and medical services such as radiotherapy and electronic microscopes. The registered suppliers of SF<sub>6</sub> provide gas to all mentioned areas as mentioned above and it is checked through contact to consumers that no parallel import occurs (including military). The registered import from suppliers is therefore valid to determine the actual SF<sub>6</sub> consumption.

Consumption of SF<sub>6</sub> in production of double glazed thermal windows has been banned since 1<sup>st</sup> of January 2003 /30/.

**TABLE 6**  
CONSUMPTION OF SF6 BY APPLICATION AREA, TONNES

Application area	DK consumption, tonnes
Power switches in high-voltage plants	1,42
Plasma erosion	0,02
Laboratories	0,03
Total	1,47

#### **2.3.4 Consumption of PFCs**

Only one PFC has been recorded in 2015, which is PFC-14. The import of PFC-14 was 0.3 tonnes and was used as a extreme low-temperature refrigerant in stand alone appliances for laboratories, where no other alternatives are suitable

The refrigerant HFC-413A contains a small amount of PFC's, but in contrast to the previous year no consumption or import of HFC-413A has been reported in 2015.

# 3. Emission of F-gases

This section reports the actual emissions of the greenhouse F-gases HFCs, PFCs, and SF<sub>6</sub> for 2015. All emissions are calculated as *actual* emissions according to IPCC's tier 2 methodology. Since 2008 MDI has been included in the report.

The emission calculation has included the new revised GWP values (ref. to appendix 1).

The calculation is based on the reports on consumption of these substances analysed by application areas (section 3.2). For relevant product groups, adjustments have been made for imports and exports of the substances in products (see also chapter two for principal description of methodology). The specific emission calculation refers to appendix 4 which shows the particular emission factors, calculation method and assumptions, determination of IPPC Tier method etc., in relation to calculation of emissions from individual substance and application areas /4, 16/.

The total GWP-weighted actual emission of HFCs, PFCs, and SF<sub>6</sub> in 2015 is calculated to 742 006 tonnes CO<sub>2</sub> equivalents. The corresponding emissions in 2014 were approx. 842 706 thousand tonnes CO<sub>2</sub> equivalents. The emission reduction is approx. 8.8 per cent.

The consumption and GWP contribution for HFCs, PFCs, and SF<sub>6</sub> for this year and last years are shown in the table below.

TABLE 7  
CONSUMPTION AND GWP CONTRIBUTION BY SUBSTANCE GROUP, TONNES

Substance group	2014		2015	
	Consumption and imports, DK, tonnes	GWP contribution, CO <sub>2</sub> eqv. tonnes	Consumption and imports, DK, tonnes	GWP contribution, CO <sub>2</sub> eqv. tonnes
HFCs	344,1	701 674	289,0	633 928
PFCs	0,1	8 664	0,3	4 996
SF <sub>6</sub>	2,0	132 369	1,5	103 082
<b>Total</b>		<b>842 706</b>		<b>742 006</b>

## 3.1.1 Emissions of HFCs from refrigerants

As required in the IPCC guidance for calculation of emission of F-gases a distinction is made between:

- Fridges and freezers for household use and retailers etc. (Stand alone Commercial Applications)
- Commercial refrigeration (in industry and retail) and stationary air conditioning systems (Medium and large Commercial Refrigeration + Industrial refrigeration + Residential and commercial A/C)
- Mobile air conditioning systems (in cars, trucks, bus, trains etc.)
- Mobile refrigeration systems (in vans and lorries)

Actual emissions from these sources occur in connection with:

- *Filling* of refrigerants (emission is 0.5 percent to 2 per cent of refilled amount depending on application area).
- *Continual release* during the operational lifetime. An assumed average value which account operational leakage including release occurring as a result of accident and damage (depending on application area, the average yearly emission differ from 10 percent to 33 percent).

Release resulting from *disposal* of items and equipment in the applications is not calculated as a contribution to the total f-gas emissions in Denmark because Danish legislation ensures that management and treatment of refrigerants prevent uncontrolled emissions. Thus, disposal in Denmark is stated as an activity in the calculations where zero emission occurs and this principal statement are used in order to reduce stock (the quantity of substances contained in a product after end life time).

Appendix 3 shows the specific emission factors used in the calculations.

#### *Commercial refrigeration and stationary A/C systems*

Commercial refrigeration, used e.g. in retail, supermarket, restaurants etc. or in industry, and stationary A/C systems, also used by retailers and industry, as well in offices, constitute the largest source of emissions. The most commonly used refrigerants in this product group are HFC-134a, HFC-404A, HFC-407C and HFC-507a, where HFC-404A stands for the majority of the emissions in 2015.

In addition, use of the refrigerants HFC-408A, HFC-409A and HFC-410A is less common, and HFC-401A and HFC-402A are phased out in Denmark because of the substances contents of ozone depleting substances.

It is not relevant to adjust for imports and exports of HFCs in stationary commercial refrigeration and stationary A/C systems since filling of refrigerants only will take place on site when the units are installed.

The table below shows the consumption, stock and actual emission for the main HFC substances used in Danish commercial refrigeration systems. Emissions for HFCs have been converted to CO<sub>2</sub> equivalents in order to take into account the different GWP values of the substances and emission for 2020 and 2030 in a future scenario is also shown.

**TABLE 8**  
CONSUMPTION, STOCK AND ACTUAL EMISSIONS AND GWP CONTRIBUTION FROM COMMERCIAL REFRIGERATION;  
GWP CONTRIBUTION FOR 2015, 2020 AND 2030, TONNES

Substance	Consumption 2015	Stock 2015	Actual emissions 2015	GWP-contribution 2015	GWP-contribution 2020	GWP-contribution 2030
HFC-134a	63,0	442,4	55,3	79.044	26.103	2.751
HFC-404A	70,6	568,7	65,8	258.177	182.457	30.354
HFC-401A	0,0	7,0	0,8	15	8	3
HFC-402A	0,0	6,5	0,7	1.520	898	313
HFC-407C	27,9	409,9	43,4	76.977	68.085	8.900
HFC-507	13,3	95,7	9,7	38.464	37.730	4.976
Other HFC <sup>1)</sup>	41,9	229,0	21,7	45.282	47.885	17.148
<b>All</b>				<b>499 479</b>	<b>363 166</b>	<b>64 446</b>

<sup>1)</sup> The category "other" in 2015 include HFC-245fa, 1234yf, 1234ze, R125, R427a, R438 and ISC49+ (the emissions are calculated based on an assumption that average GWP value is similar to HFC-410A).

As the table indicates, the emissions from commercial refrigeration will continue in several years even though there are no installations of new HFC refrigeration systems because of the statutory order which do not allow construction of new installations (larger than 10 kg HFC) after 1<sup>st</sup> of January 2007.

In the trend analysis, the total emission from this sector is estimated to have a reduction of approx. 27% in year 2020.

#### *Refrigerators/freezers*

Actual emissions from refrigerants in refrigerators and freezers are determined on the basis of consumption adjusted for imports and exports of HFCs. The calculation assumes that the refrigerant is removed and treated upon disposal so that no emission occurs (see appendix 3).

When adjusting for imports and exports, the estimates of imports/exports in Environmental Project no. 523 are used /2/. In this case, exports are assumed to comprise 50 percent of the consumption pr. year. The calculation is made on the basis of Statistics Denmark's foreign trade statistics /3/ of average figures of the amount of HFC-134a in a standard fridge/freezer manufactured in 1999. These values have not been updated.

The table below shows actual emissions from refrigerators/freezers in 2015, 2020 and 2030.

**TABLE 9**  
EMISSIONS OF REFRIGERANTS FROM REFRIGERATORS/FREEZERS 2015, 2020 AND 2030, TONNES

	HFC-134a			HFC-404A		
	2015	2020	2030	2015	2020	2030
Consumption	5,6	5,6	2,8	0,9	0,9	0,5
Emissions during production	0,1	0,1	0,1	0,0	0,0	0,0
Export	5,8	2,2	0,3	0,0	0,0	1,0
Stock	100,1	40,6	4,9	40,8	22,7	8,4
Emission from stock	2,7	2,7	1,3	8,0	3,3	0,9
Emission from destruction	0,0	0,0	1,0	0,0	0,0	1,0
Actual emission	5,9	2,3	0,4	0,5	0,3	0,1
GWP contribution, 1000 tonnes CO <sub>2</sub> equivalents	<b>8,5</b>	<b>3,3</b>	<b>0,6</b>	<b>2,1</b>	<b>1,2</b>	<b>0,4</b>

Total emissions of HFC-134a and HFC-404A refrigerants from refrigerators/freezers in 2015 were estimated to 10 600 tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> equivalents. In the future scenario of actual emissions, it is estimated that the total emissions in 2020 will decrease to 4 400 tonnes CO<sub>2</sub> equivalents and in 2030 decrease to 1 000 tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> equivalents caused by a decreasing stock.

#### *Mobile A/C*

Emissions from mobile A/C systems are mainly due to leakage and accident damage.

Starting from 2009, the refilled and consumed amount of HFC-134a is calculated based on a Tier 2 top-down approach where the importers of HFC-134a for mobile A/C systems are isolated. The consumption of HFC-134a for mobile A/C systems is used solely for refilling. Initial filling is carried out by car manufacturers in the country of production. With the new approach it is possible to reduce uncertainties in determining the actual consumption of refrigerants for refilling in vehicles in Denmark.

Within 2020, emission from mobile A/C is estimated to have a larger emission than commercial refrigerant with HFC-134a .

Actual emissions from mobile A/C are stated in the table below.



**TABLE 10**  
ACTUAL EMISSIONS OF HFC-134A FROM MOBILE A/C, 2015, 2020 AND 2030, TONNES.

	2015	2020	2030
Consumption to refilling	41,3	18,1	18,1
Actual emissions	41,3	18,1	18,1
GWP contribution, 1000 tonnes CO <sub>2</sub> equivalents	59,0	25,9	25,9

#### *Vans and lorries with transport refrigeration system*

There are an estimated 5 500 - 6 000 refrigerator vans and lorries in Denmark /16/. These require an average filling of about 8 kg (HFC-134a, HFC-404A).

Actual emissions from mobile refrigeration systems in vans and lorries in 2015 are stated in the table below.

**TABLE 11**  
CALCULATION PARAMETERS AND ACTUAL EMISSIONS OF HFC-134A AND HFC-404A FROM VANS AND LORRIES WITH TRANSPORT REFRIGERATION SYSTEM FOR 2015, 2020 AND 2030 TONNES.

	HFC-134a			HFC-404A		
	2015	2020	2030	2015	2020	2030
Consumption	0,2	0,2	0,2	5,1	5,1	5,1
Emissions from filling	0,4	0,1	0,1	0,3	0,3	0,3
Contribution to stock	0,0	0,0	0,1	4,9	4,9	4,9
Emissions from Stock	0,4	0,1	0,1	5,1	3,9	3,4
Stock	3,5	1,1	0,7	29,9	22,4	21,7
Actual emissions	0,4	0,1	0,1	5,4	4,2	3,7
GWP contribution, 1000 tonnes CO <sub>2</sub> equivalents	0,5	0,1	0,1	21,1	16,4	14,3

There has been no consumption of HFC-402A for refrigerator vans and lorries since this substance has been banned for use in both new and old installations. There is still a minor emission from stock, corresponding to 99 tonnes CO<sub>2</sub> equivalents.

The total actual emission from mobile refrigeration systems in vans and lorries were estimated to 21 800 tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> equivalents in 2015.

#### **3.1.2 Emissions of HFCs from PUR foam products and propellants**

IPCC's default calculation methods have been applied in the calculation of emissions of HFCs used in Polyurethan (PUR) foam plastic products, depending on the type of product:

- 1) Hard PUR foam plastics (closed cell)
- 2) Soft PUR foam plastics (open cell)
- 3) Polyether foam (closed cell)

The calculation methods are summerized in the table below and in appendix four.

**TABLE 12**  
EMISSION FACTORS IN THE CALCULATION OF EMISSIONS FROM FOAM PLASTIC PRODUCTS

	Hard PUR foam	Soft PUR foam	Polyether foam
Released during production, %	10%	100%	15%
Annual loss, %	4,5%	-	4,5%
Lifetime, years	15	-	1-10

### *Insulation foam*

There is no longer production of HFC based hard PUR insulation foam in Denmark. This production has been banned in statutory order since 1<sup>st</sup> of January 2006 /30/.

The import of HFC-134a in products with PUR insulation foam, e.g. household fridges and freezers, is considered to be 0 in 2015. This assumption is difficult to verify and no applicable method seems available.

The calculation of actual emissions are therefore only from existing stock of household fridges and freezers.

Actual emissions of HFC-134a from insulating foam are summarised in the table below.

**TABLE 13**  
CALCULATION PARAMETERS AND EMISSIONS OF HFC-134A FROM INSULATING FOAM FOR 2015 AND 2020, TONNES

	2015	2020	2030
Consumption, HFC 134a	0,0	0,0	0,0
Emission from production	0,0	0,0	0,0
Export	0,0	0,0	0,0
Stock	159,1	0,2	0,0
Emission from stock	17,9	0,0	0,0
Actual emissions	17,9	0,0	0,0
GWP contribution, 1000 tonnes CO <sub>2</sub> equivalents	25,5	0,0	0,0

In the projection scenario for 2020, it is estimated that the stock will be reduced significantly as a result of the phase-out of HFC-134a as blowing agent and from 2018 it is estimated that there will be no more actual emissions from this source.

### *Aerosol sprays*

Emission of HFC-134A from aerosol sprays for industrial purpose is calculated due to the IPCC default. The consumption is divided as an average of 50% for previous year and 50% in actual year /4/.

Total emission from this area amounts in 2015 to 5.8 tonnes of HFC-134a corresponding to 8 080 tonnes CO<sub>2</sub> equivalents. Compared with 2015, emission estimates have decreased by approx. 26 tonnes CO<sub>2</sub> equivalents. The emission from this source has been steady state approx. 5.5 tonnes since 2009.

### *Medical Doze Inhalers (MDI)*

The emission of HFC-134a from medical metered doze dose inhalers is estimated as 100 per cent of the consumption in the year of application. Calculation of emission from MDIs is based on yearly statistics from Danish Medicines Agency. A survey has determined that HFA (HFC 134a) has been fully introduced in all MDIs on the Danish market since 2007. The average content is 72 mg/pr. doze.

The total emission in 2015 from MDI is 8 695 tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> equivalents. A time-series of the emission of HFC-134a from MDI has been included in the F-gas inventory since the application was registered in 1998.

### Optical fibre production

Both HFC and PFC were usually used for technical purposes in Danish optics fibre production. HFC-23 is used as a protection and cleaning gas in the production process. The emission factor is therefore defined as 100 per cent release during production. Thus, HFC-23 was not used in 2015 as well in 2013 (and similar for PFC's). It indicates that HFC-23 probably is substituted with other substances not containing f-gasses.

### 3.1.3 Emissions of sulphur hexafluoride

The actual emissions of SF<sub>6</sub> in 2015 has been calculated to 4.5 tonnes, equivalent to a GWP contribution of approx. 103 082 tonnes CO<sub>2</sub> equivalents.

Emissions derive from three sources - power switches, double-glazed windows and laboratories.

#### Double-glazed windows

Use of SF<sub>6</sub> in double-glazed windows was phased out in 2002, however, there are still emissions from stock in existing double-glazed windows in Danish buildings. The stock is estimated from consumption data from Danish producers of double-glazed windows 1992-2002 and life time for double-glazed windows are determined to 20 years.

Emissions from double glazed windows are calculated on following factors:

- 15 per cent emission from production
- 1 per cent gradual emission from stock pr. year
- 65 per cent emission when disposal after 20 years

**TABLE 14**  
CALCULATION PARAMETERS AND EMISSIONS OF SF<sub>6</sub> FROM DOUBLE-GLAZED WINDOWS FOR 2015, 2020 AND 2030, TONNES

	2015	2020	2030
Consumption	0,0	0,0	0,0
Emissions from production	0,0	0,0	0,0
Release from fitted double-glazed windows	0,2	0,1	0,1
Exports	0,0	0,0	0,0
Disposal emissions	3,7	1,1	0,0
Stock	16,8	6,5	5,8
Actual emissions	3,9	1,2	0,1
GWP contribution, 1000 tonnes CO <sub>2</sub> equivalents	89,8	27,8	1,3

In 2015 the SF<sub>6</sub> emissions from existing double-glazed windows have started to decrease, and is expected to continue doing so. The future scenario for GWP contribution from double-glazed windows in 2020 shows a decrease to 27 800 tonnes CO<sub>2</sub> equivalents to be compared with 89 800 tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> equivalents in 2015.

#### Power switches in high-voltage transmission stations

Power switches are filled or refilled with SF<sub>6</sub>, either for new installation or during service and repair. Filling is usually carried out on new installations and a smaller proportion of the consumption of SF<sub>6</sub> is due to refilling /11/.

Emissions from power switches in high-voltage transmission systems are calculated due to the processes involved in the following way:

- release of 5 per cent on filling with new gas (average figure covering normal operation and failure/accidents)
- gradual release of 0.5 per cent from the stock (average figure covering normal operation and failure/accidents)

These figures are determined in a report of Danish SF<sub>6</sub> use in high-voltage power switches /11/.

No emissions are assumed to result from disposal since the used SF<sub>6</sub> is drawn off from the power switches and re-used internally by the concerned or appropriate disposed through waste collection scheme.

The table below shows the amounts involved in the processes leading to emissions and calculated actual emissions from SF<sub>6</sub> power switches.

**TABLE 16**  
CALCULATION PARAMETERS AND EMISSIONS OF SF<sub>6</sub> FROM POWER SWITCHES IN HIGH-VOLTAGE PLANTS 2015, 2020, AND 2030, TONNES

	2015	2020	2030
Consumption	1,4	1,4	1,4
Service emissions	0,1	0,1	0,1
Emissions from stock	0,5	0,5	0,5
Stock	93,5	97,9	106,3
Actual emissions	0,5	0,6	0,6
GWP contribution, 1000 tonnes CO <sub>2</sub> equivalents	12,2	12,7	13,6

The trend is a slightly stable consumption of SF<sub>6</sub> and consequently a minor contribution to stock.

#### *Laboratory purposes*

Consumption of SF<sub>6</sub> in laboratories covers following purposes:

- Plasma erosion in connection with the manufacture of microchips in clean-room laboratories
- Analytical purposes to a limited extend
- Particle accelerators
- Radiotherapy
- Electronic microscopes

The emission is calculated to approx. 0.1 tonnes SF<sub>6</sub> in 2015, so in rather small amounts. The emission is 100 % release during consumption and estimated to 1 140 tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> equivalents. Aarhus University/DTU is the only entity in Denmark using SF<sub>6</sub> in particle accelerators and electronic microscopes.

### **3.1.4 Emissions of per fluorinated hydrocarbons**

#### *Commercial refrigerators*

The PFC emissions from commercial refrigerators occurs from stock and from a small use of PFC-14. The actual GWP-weighted emission from this source is 4 996 tonnes CO<sub>2</sub> equivalents, which is a reduction compared to 2014.

Stock in commercial refrigerators has been estimated at about 4.6 tonnes in 2015 and trend is toward phasing out units using HFC blends with PFC refrigerants.

The emission calculations use the same parameters as described for HFC emissions from commercial refrigerators (see appendix 3). Refrigerants containing PFC are only used in stationary refrigerators. Therefore no estimates for imports and exports are relevant.

**TABLE 17**  
CALCULATION PARAMETERS AND EMISSIONS OF PFCs FROM COMMERCIAL REFRIGERATORS IN 2015, 2020 AND 2030, TONNES

	2015	2020	2030
<b>Consumption</b>	0,0	0,0	0,0
<b>Service emissions</b>	0,0	0,0	0,0
<b>Emission from stock</b>	0,6	0,3	0,1
<b>Stock</b>	4,6	2,7	0,9
<b>Actual emissions</b>	0,6	0,3	0,1
<b>GWP contribution, 1000 tonnes CO<sub>2</sub> equivalents</b>	<b>4,9</b>	<b>2,6</b>	<b>0,9</b>

#### *Optical fibre production*

The PFCs are used as a protection and cleaning gas in the production process. The emission factor is therefore determined as 100 per cent release during production. This sector usually use both PFC-14 and PFC-318 for technical purpose in optics fibre production. However PFC-318 was not used in 2013 and either in 2015. There has not been registered any use of PFCs for optical fibre production in 2015. It indicates that PFC-318 and probably also PFC-14 is substituted with other substances not containing PFC.

#### *Low temperature stand alone laboratory freezers*

PFC-14 is used for specialized -60 degree low-temperature freezers for laboratory purposes. Use of PFC-14 for this purpose has been reistrered for the first time in Denmark this year.

The consumption of PFC-14 for laboratory freezers was 0.3 tonnes in 2015, equalling to a calculated emission of 50 tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> equivalents.

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## Appendix 1: GWP values for F-gases

Table 1.a

F-gases relevant for Denmark, their chemical formulas and Global Warming Potential (GWP) values used for reporting to the UN Climate Convention and the Kyoto Protocol (values from IPCC new revised GWP values to be implemented no later than 2015)

Substance / Blend	Chemical formula	GWP value
HFC-23	CHF <sub>3</sub>	14 800
HFC-32	CH <sub>2</sub> FH <sub>2</sub>	675
HFC-41	CH <sub>3</sub> F	92
HFC-125	C <sub>2</sub> HF <sub>5</sub>	3 500
HFC-134	C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>2</sub> F <sub>4</sub>	1 100
HFC-134a	CF <sub>3</sub> CFH <sub>2</sub>	1 430
HFC-143	CHF <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> F	353
HFC-143a	CF <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>3</sub>	4 470
HFC-152	CH <sub>2</sub> FCH <sub>2</sub> F	53
HFC-152a	CF <sub>2</sub> HCH <sub>3</sub>	124
HFC-161	CH <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> F	12
HFC-227ea	C <sub>3</sub> HF <sub>7</sub>	3 220
HFC-236cb	CH <sub>2</sub> FCF <sub>2</sub> CF <sub>3</sub>	1 340
HFC.236ea	CHF <sub>2</sub> CHF <sub>2</sub> CF <sub>3</sub>	1 370
HFC-365mfc	CH <sub>3</sub> CF <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> CF <sub>3</sub>	794
HFC-245ca	C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>3</sub> F <sub>5</sub>	693
HFC-245fa	CHF <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> CF <sub>3</sub>	1 030
HFC-404A <sup>(1)</sup>	Blend	3 922
HFC-401A <sup>(2)</sup>	Blend	18
HFC-402A <sup>(3)</sup>	Blend	2 100
HFC-407C <sup>(4)</sup>	Blend	1 774
HFC-408A <sup>(5)</sup>	Blend	1 030
HFC-409A <sup>(6)</sup>	Blend	0
HFC-410A <sup>(7)</sup>	Blend	2 088
HFC-507 <sup>(8)</sup>	Blend	3 985
Sulphurhexafluoride	SF <sub>6</sub>	22 800
PFC-14	CF <sub>4</sub>	7 390
PFC-116	C <sub>2</sub> F <sub>6</sub>	12 200
PFC-218	C <sub>3</sub> F <sub>8</sub>	8 830
PFC-3-1-10	C <sub>4</sub> F <sub>10</sub>	8 860
PFC-318	c-C <sub>4</sub> F <sub>8</sub>	10 300
PFC-4-1-12	C <sub>5</sub> F <sub>12</sub>	9 160
PFC-5-1-14	C <sub>6</sub> -F <sub>14</sub>	9 300
PFC-9-1-18b	C <sub>10</sub> F <sub>18</sub>	7 500
Perfluorocyclopropanec		17 340
Nitrogen Trifluoride	NF <sub>3</sub>	17 200

- (1) Mixture consisting of 52 % HFC-143a, 44 % HFC-125 and 4 % HFC-134a.
- (2) Mixture consisting of 53 % HCFC-22, 13 % HFC-152a and 34 % HCFC-124.
- (3) Mixture consisting of 38 % HCFC-22, 60 % HFC-125 and 2 % propane.
- (4) Mixture consisting of 25 % HFC-125, 52 % HFC-134a, and 23 % HFC-32.
- (5) Mixture consisting of 46 % HFC-143a and 7 % HFC-125.
- (6) A HCFC mixture consisting entirely of HCFCs, where the GWP - in accordance with the climate convention guidelines - is 0, since the mixture does not contain greenhouse gases. The real GWP value is 1,440.
- (7) Mixture consisting of 50 % HFC-32 and 50 % HFC-125
- (8) Mixture consisting of 50 % HFC-125, 50 % HFC-143a.



## **Appendix 2: Assessment of Good Practice Guidance compliance in DK F-gas calculation**

The Danish F-gas emissions are calculated for the historical years up to 2010. The time series of emissions are calculated using Good practice principles and the series goes back to 1993, but are to be considered complete from the year 1995.

### **Key Source Categories**

F-gases are determined as a key source category. The contribution of F-gases to national greenhouse gas emission is approx. 1.3 % of total emission excl LULUCF in the most recent historical years of the inventories.

### **Future trend scenarios**

A trend scenario is elaborated until 2020. The scenario is based on a “steady state” trend but with an inclusion of dates for phase out of determined substances as stated in legal acts.

### **Methodology**

In the following the relevant decision trees from the GPG (Good Practice Guidance) chapter 3 are investigated with respect to the Danish F-gas calculations compliance with GPG.

For the Danish calculation of F-gases it is basically a Tier 2 bottom up approach which is used, while data is reported from identified importers and users of F-gases in DK. As for verification using import/export data a Tier 2 top down approach is applied. In an annex 3 to the F-gas emission report (Environmental Protection Agency), there is a specification of the applied approach for each sub source category.

#### *Emission factors*

Consumption data of F-gases are provided by suppliers and/or producers. Emission factors are primarily defaults from GPG which are assessed to be applicable in a national context.

In case of commercial refrigerants and Mobile Air Condition (MAC), emission are defined as similar to consumption in year X. Consumption are determined from data directly from suppliers.

In case of PUR foam blowing of shoe and use of system foam EF are stated by the producer. Because of the relative low consumption from PUR foam blowing of shoes and system foam a certain uncertainty is assessed as acceptable.

#### *Import/export data*

Import/export data for sub category sources where import/export are relevant (fridge/freezers for household) are quantified on estimates from import/export statistic of products + default values of amount of gas in product. The estimates are transparent and described in the annex referred to above.

Import/export data for system foam and commercial refrigerators and stationary air condition are specified in the reporting from importers and users.

#### *Consistency*

The time series are consistent as regards methodology. No potential emission estimates are included as emissions in the time series and same emission factors are used for all years.

### *Reporting and documentation*

The national inventories for F-gases are provided on a yearly basis and documented in a yearly report (Environmental Protection Agency).

Detailed data from importers and users and calculations are available and archived in electronic version. The report contains summaries of EF used and information on sources, Further details on methodology and EF are included in annex to the report.

Activity data are described in a spread sheet for the current year. The spread sheet contains the current year as well as the years back. The current version is used with spreadsheet for data for the current year linking to the Danish inventory databases and for the CRF format. In case of changes to the previous reported data this is work out in spreadsheet versions accordingly and reported with explanations as required in the CRF format.

## Source specific QA/QC and verification

### *Comparison of emissions estimates using different approaches*

Inventory agencies should use the Tier 1 potential emissions method for a check on the Tier 2 actual emission estimates. Inventory agencies may consider developing accounting models that can reconcile potential and actual emissions estimates and may improve determination of emission factors over time.

This comparison has been carried out in 1995-1997 and for all three years it shows a difference of approx. factor 3 higher emissions by using potential emission estimates.

Inventory agencies should compare bottom-up estimates with the top-down Tier 2 approach, since bottom-up emission factors have the highest associated uncertainty. This technique will also minimise the possibility that certain end-uses are not accounted for in the bottom-up approach.

This exercise has been partly conducted since data from importers (top down) are assessed against data from users (bottom up) to ensure, that import and consumption are more or less equal. The consumption reported from users are always adjusted to the import of substances, which are the most exact data we have.

The uncertainty due to this is, if not all importers are identified because new imported are introduced to the DK market.

### *National activity data check*

For the Tier 2a (bottom-up) method, inventory agencies should evaluate the QA/QC procedures associated with estimating equipment and product inventories to ensure that they meet the general procedures outlined in the QA/QC plan and that representative sampling procedures were used.

No QA/QC plan specifically for the F-gas calculation is developed. However, QC procedures were carried out as described below.

The spread sheets containing activity data has incorporated several data-control mechanisms, which ensure, that data estimates do not contain calculation failures. A very comprehensive QC procedure on the data in the model for the whole time-series has for this submission been carried out in connection to the process which provided (1) data for the CRF background Tables 2(II).F. for the years (1993)-2002 and (2) provided data for potential emissions in CRF Tables 2(I). This procedure consisted of a check of the input data for the model for each substance. As regards the

HFCs this checking was done according to their trade names. Conversion was made to the HFCs substances used in the CRF tables etc. A QC was that emission of the substances could be calculated and checked comparing results from the substances as trade names and as the "no-mixture" substances used in the CRF.

#### *Emission factors check*

Emission factors used for the Tier 2a (bottom-up) method should be based on country-specific studies. Inventory agencies should compare these factors with the default values. They should determine if the country-specific values are reasonable, given similarities or differences between the national source category and the source represented by the defaults. Any differences between country specific factors and default factors should be explained and documented.

Country specific emission factors are explained and documented for MAC and commercial refrigerants and SF<sub>6</sub> in electric equipment. Separate studies has been carried out and reported. For other sub source categories, the country specific emission factor is assessed to be the same as the IPCC default emission factors.

#### *Emission check*

Since the F-gas inventory is developed and made available in full in spread sheets, where HFCs data are for trade names, special procedures are performed to check the full possible correctness of the transformation to the CRF-format through Acces databases.

## Uncertainties

In general uncertainty in inventories will arise through at least three different processes:

- A. Uncertainties from definitions (e.g. meaning incomplete, unclear, or faulty definition of an emission or uptake);
- B. Uncertainties from natural variability of the process that produces an emission or uptake;
- C. Uncertainties resulting from the assessment of the process or quantity, including, depending on the method used.; (i) uncertainties from measuring; (ii) uncertainties from sampling; (iii) uncertainties from reference data that may be incompletely described; and (iv) uncertainties from expert judgement.

Uncertainties due to poor definitions are not expected as an issue in the F-gas inventory. The definitions of chemicals, the factors, sub source categories in industries etc. are well defined.

Uncertainties from natural variability are probably occurring in a short term time period, while estimating emissions in individual years. But in a long time period – 10-15 years, these variabilities levels out in the total emission, because input data (consumption of F-gases) are known and are valid data and has no natural variability due to the chemicals stable nature.

Uncertainties that arise due to imperfect measurement and assessment are probably an issue for:

emission from MAC (HFC-134a)

emission from commercial refrigerants (HFC-134a)

lead to inexact values of the specific consumption of F-gases.

The uncertainty varies from substance to substance. Uncertainty is greatest for HFC-134a due to a widespread application in products that are imported and exported. The greatest uncertainty in the areas of application is expected to arise from consumption of HFC-404a and HFC-134a in commercial refrigerators and mobile refrigerators. The uncertainty on year to year data is influenced by the uncertainty on the rates at which the substances are released. This results in

significant differences in the emission determinations in the short term (approx. five years), differences that balances in the long term.

In connection to the work on the Danish National Inventory report general uncertainty estimates for F-gases has been worked out to make the uncertainties for the Danish inventories complete. Refer this report given in the reference list in the main report

Further improvement of uncertainty analysis with respect to the calculation of F-gas emissions are to be considered in future calculations.

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### Appendix 3: Specification of methods and assumptions

#### Specification of methods and assumptions for determination of emissions for 1990-2015 as well as projections of GWP in accordance with IPCC Good Practise Guidance and Uncertainty Management in National Greenhouse Gas Inventory

ID	Source	Substance	Methods	Emission factor	Remarks	Projection assumptions
	OF SUBSTITUTES FOR OZONE-DEPLETING SUBSTANCES (ODS SUBSTITUTES)					
	<i>Refrigerant</i>					
K1	Household fridges and freezers ( <b>Stand-alone commercial applications</b> )	HFC-134a	<p>Tier 2 top-down approach:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- information on refrigerant consumption provided by reports from the main producers of household fridges and freezers in DK. information on refrigerant consumption provided by reports from the main producers of household fridges and freezers in DK, accounting for no less than an estimated 95% of the market.</li> </ul> <p>Tier 2 bottom-up approach:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- information on imports and exports of refrigerants in products based on the average quantity contained per unit and Danish statistics.</li> </ul>	<p><b>OK according to new IPCC values</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- release on filling = 2% (IPCC default – 0,5-3%)</li> <li>1 % release from stock per year (IPCC default – 1-10%)</li> <li>Lifetime = 15 years (IPCC default 10-15 years))</li> <li>0% release upon disposal (DK default). Up to and including 2000, the quantity remaining upon disposal was included as emissions (IPCC default). Legislation in Denmark ensures</li> </ul>	<p>Stock determined in 1998 for the period 1990-1998 based on information on consumption from Danish producers and estimates based on import/export statistics and average quantity of HFC contained in refrigerant and foam per unit (source: /2/).</p> <p>For the updating of stock, import/export data from 1998 is used, as well as information on annual HFC consumption by Danish producers. 1998 import/export data is = net</p>	<p>From 2001, net exports of refrigerants in household fridges are assumed to account for 50 per cent of consumption.</p> <p>The consumption in the projection is not influenced by new phasing-out regulations.</p> <p>The effect of charges on HFCs is expected to give an annual reduction in</p>



				drawing-off of refrigerant, and consequently, the IPCC default is misleading in the Danish context. (IPCC default 0-80% of initial charge)	exports of 141 tonnes HFC-134a refrigerant + net exports of 1.6 tonnes HFC-134a in foam (note: DK's largest exporter does not use HFC for foam moulding, therefore the export of HFC in foam is less than the export of refrigerants).	consumption of 5 per cent in the period 2001-2005.
K2	Commercial stationary refrigerators in retail stores, industry, etc., and stationary A/C systems in buildings etc. <b>(medium and large commercial refrigerants)</b>	HFC-134a, HFC-404a, HFC-401a, HFC-402a, HFC-407C, HFC-507A, other HFCs, PFCs (C <sub>3</sub> F <sub>8</sub> )	Tier 2 top-down approach: - information on refrigerant consumption was provided by importers/suppliers of refrigerants for commercial refrigerators in DK. - information on distribution of refrigerant consumption at different sites is estimated using information from user enterprises, the KMO and estimates from suppliers.	1.5% on refilling (DK default) (IPCC default 0,5-3%) 10% release from operation and accidents (DK default). <b>(IPCC default 10-35%/year)</b> 0% release from destruction (DK default) (IPCC default 50-100% of remaining charge)  In the case of re-use it is assumed release occurs during the cleaning process equivalent to 2%. It is <i>good practice</i> not to account for any re-use since the original is accounted for in sales and imports.  (IPCC default for lifetime - 15years)	An intrapolation has been conducted for HFC-134a, year 1995. The intrapolation is the average of 1996/1997. Intrapolation is found necessary because 1995 are reference year and the consumption this year was 0 due to lack of data.  In 2001/2002 an assessment was made of the national Danish leakage rate from commercial plants. This assessment was carried out by COWI for the Danish EPA. This result has led to a decrease in the leakage rates for filling, operation and disposal in compliance with IPCC guidelines /16/.	From 2007, the consumption of refrigerants merely represents the amount used for refilling existing systems (stock). It is assumed that the consumption of refrigerants for refilling stock will be reduced by 15 per cent in 2007 and will then diminish by 5 per cent per year until 2014. From 2015, it is assumed that consumption will only represent 10 per cent per year compared to current levels.

K3	Refrigerated vans and lorries	HFC-134a, HFC-404a	Tier 2 top-down approach - information on refrigerant consumption in refrigerated vans and lorries is based on consumption information from refrigerated transport companies as well as data from the KMO.	0.5% on refilling (DK default) 17% from operation annually (DK default, same as IPCC) 2% in reuse (DK default) Lifetime = 6-8 years 0% upon destruction; all refrigerants are drawn off and are either recycled or destroyed at the Kommune Kemi plant	In 2001/2002 an assessment was made of the national Danish leakage rate from refrigerated vans and lorries. This assessment was carried out by COWI for the Danish EPA. This result has led to a decrease in the leakage rates for filling and disposal in compliance with IPCC guidelines. The leakage rate for operation is still 17% in compliance with IPCC guidelines /16/.	The tax effect has not been included, since refrigerated vans and lorries are exempt from taxes. Stock is defined as 7.7 tonnes (HFC-134a) and 23.2 tonnes HFC-404A in 2000 /16/. Consumption has been projected as steady state compared to 2001.
K4	Mobile A/C systems	HFC-134a	Tier 2 top-down approach used for gathering of import/sales data from importers that supplies the Danish market with refrigerants to mobile A/C systems.	Consumption = refilling in mobil A/C = emission. 0% loss at destruction. Gas is collected and re-used/cleaned, or treated at Kommune Kemi (DK default).		The projection is based on a steady state stock.
	<i>Foam production</i>					
S1	Foam in household fridges and freezers (closed cell)	HFC-134a	Tier 2 top-down + bottom-up approach: - information on refrigerant consumption provided by reports from the main producers of household fridges and freezers in DK. information on refrigerant	10% release in foam production (IPCC default) 4.5% release from stock per year (IPCC default)	Stock of HFC in foam determined in 1998 for the period 1990-1998 based on information from Danish producers and estimates based on import/export statistics and	

			consumption provided by reports from the main producers of household fridges and freezers in DK, accounting for no less than an estimated 95% of the market.	Lifetime = 15 years (DK default) 22.5% remaining upon disposal which is destroyed in incineration and thereby is not released as emissions (DK default).	average quantity of HFC contained in refrigerant and foam per unit /2/.  For the updating of stock, import/export data from 1998 is used, as well as information on annual HFC consumption by Danish producers. 1998 import/export data is = net exports of 141 tonnes HFC-134a refrigerant + net exports of 1.6 tonnes HFC-134a in foam (note: DK's largest exporter does not use HFC for foam moulding, therefore the export of HFC in foam is less than the export of refrigerants).	
S2	Soft foam (open cell)	HFC-134a HFC-152a Other HFCs (HFC-365)	Tier 2 - information on foam blowing agents for soft foam is derived from reports provided by the main producer in Denmark, which still employs HFC in foaming processes. This producer is thought to represent approx. 80% of the Danish soft foam consumption.	Emissions = 100% of the HFCs sold in the current year (IPCC default)		
S3	Joint filler (open cell)	HFC-134a HFC-152a	Tier 2 top-down approach. - There are no longer any Danish producers of joint filler employing HFC as a foaming	Emissions = 100% of imported quantity contained in joint filler in the current year (IPCC default).	The estimated imports in 1998 by a joint filler producer were 10 tonnes HFC-134a and 1	

			agent. Emissions are due to previous estimates by producers of imported joint filler products.		tonne HFC-152a.  This estimate was based on the assumption that there is an average of 100 g HFC-134a and 25 g HFC-152a per tin of joint filler imported.	
S4	Foaming of polyether (for shoe soles)	HFC-134a HFC-152a	Tier 2 top-down approach  Information regarding consumption is identical to the consumption reported by producer in 1999 + an estimate of imports/exports of HFC in shoe soles, 1998.  Tier 2 bottom-up approach:  Imports of HFCs contained in shoes are based on the average amount per shoe and on Danish statistics.	Emission (Danish default):  - Production = 15 %  - Use = 4.5 %  - Lifetime = 3 years  - Disposal = 71.5%, destroyed in incineration and thereby not released as emissions.	The calculation of the HFC stock in shoe soles is based on the following assumptions: it is assumed that 5% of all shoes with plastic, rubber and leather soles contain polyether containing 8 g of HFC-134a per shoe.  Net export with the same consumption in Danish production is 0.3 tonnes HFC-134a.	
S5	System foam (for panels, insulation, etc.)	HFC-134a HFC-152a Other HFCs (HFC-365)	Bottom-up Tier 2 approach on the basis of information from enterprises	Emissions = 0. HFC is used as a component in semi-manufactured goods and emissions first occur when the goods are put into use.	All system foam produced in Denmark is exported, therefore emissions can only occur in the country where the goods are put into use.	
	<i>Aerosols</i>					

D1	Aerosol sprays (industrial products)	HFC-134a	Tier 2. - information on propellant consumption is derived from reports on consumption from the only major producers of HFC-containing aerosol sprays in Denmark. The importers are estimated to account for 100% of Danish consumption.	Emissions = 50% of the HFC sold to this area of application in the current year and 50% of the consumption in the second year (IPCC default for top-down data)	Top-down data. Estimates of imports/exports are based on the producer's assessment of imports equivalent to 20% of Danish production in the current year. Exports are quantified by the producer.	
D2	MDI (metered dose inhalers)	HFC-134a	Tier 2 bottom-up approach - information on consumption is based on data from the national medical trade statistic concerning total sale of MDI in Denmark. Data from producers concerning product content of HFC-134a is used to calculate amount used pr. year. A unit factor of 72 mg HFC-134a/pr. dose are used for the calculation.	Emissions = 100 % HFC used in these products are assumed to be consumed the same year.	HFC is used in MDI as a subsidiary for effective inhale of the medicine. It is assumed that 100 % of the subsidiary emits.	
	<i>Solvents</i>					
R1	Liquid cleaners	PFC (C <sub>3</sub> F <sub>8</sub> Perfluorpropane)	Tier 2. - information on consumption of PFC in liquid cleaners is derived from two importers' sales reports. This is thought to represent 100% of the Danish consumption of PFCs in liquid cleaners.	Emissions = 50% of the HFC sold to this area of application in the current year and 50% of the consumption in the second year (IPCC good practice for top-down data)		Top-down data Phasing-out cf. Statutory Order 1/9 2002. It is assumed that the consumption is equally distributed over all months.
	<i>Others</i>					

O1	Fibre Optics production	PFC-14 PFC-318 HFC-227ea	Tier 2.  - information on consumption of PFC in production of fibre optics is derived from importers' sales report with specific information on the amount used for production of fibre optics.. This is thought to represent 100% of the Danish consumption of PFC-14 and PFC-318 for that purpose	Emission = 100% in the production year = year for consumption	This is a new consumption area which are added for first time in 2006 emission calculation.	It is considered that consumption will be steady state in projection estimated.
	EMISSIONS OF SF <sub>6</sub> FROM ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT AND OTHER SOURCES					
	Insulation gas in double glazing	SF <sub>6</sub>	Tier 2  - information on consumption of SF <sub>6</sub> in double glazing is derived from importers' sales reports to the application area. The importers account for 100% of the Danish sales of SF <sub>6</sub> for double glazing. In addition, the largest producer of windows in Denmark has provided consumption data, with which import information is compared.	Emission (DK-default):  - 15% during production of double glazing.  - 1 % per year during the lifetime of the window  - Lifetime = 20 years  - Disposal - 66% of the filled content of double glazing in the production year.  - Net exports = 50% of the consumption in the current year		Emissions data and lifetimes are based on information from the window producers and industry experts in Denmark /2/.  The stock is determined on the basis of consumption information provided by importers back to 1990. The first Danish consumption was

						<p>registered in 1991.</p> <p>In the projection of emissions, it is assumed that the consumption of SF<sub>6</sub> in Danish window production was phased out in 2003, after which emissions only arise from stock.</p>
	Insulation gas in high-voltage power switches	SF <sub>6</sub>	<p>Tier 3c country-level mass-balance approach</p> <p>- information on consumption of SF<sub>6</sub> in high-voltage power switches is derived from importers' sales reports (gas or gas-containing products). The importers account for 100% of the Danish sales of SF<sub>6</sub>.</p> <p>The electricity sector also provides information on the installation of new plant and thus whether the stock is increasing.</p>	<p>Emission (Danish default):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- release on filling = 5%</li> <li>- loss / release in operation = 0.5 % per year</li> <li>- release upon disposal = 0%</li> </ul>		<p>There is one supplier (Siemens) that imports its own gas for filling in Denmark.</p> <p>Suppliers (AAB, Siemens, Alstom) report on new installations.</p> <p>The stock in 2000 was 57.6 tonnes of SF<sub>6</sub>, which covers power switches of all sizes in production and transmission plants. The stock has been evaluated on the basis of a questionnaire survey in 1999 which</p>

						encompassed the entire Danish electricity sector /11/.
	Shock-absorbing gas in Nike Air training footwear	SF <sub>6</sub>	Tier 2 - top-down approach Importer has estimated imports to Denmark of SF <sub>6</sub> in training footwear.	Lifetime training footwear = 5 years		Importer/wholesaler reports that imports for the period 1990-1998 amounted to approx. 1 tonne, equivalent to emissions of 0.11 tonnes per year in the period 1995-2003. For the period 1999-2005, the importer estimated imports to represent approx. 1/3, corresponding to 0.037 tonnes per year in the period 2004-2010.



### **Danish consumption and emission of F-gases**

Importen af industrielle drivhusgasser udgjorde ca. 283 tons. Det er et fald på ca. 55 tons sammenlignet med 2014. Den GWP-vægtede aktuelle emission er på ca. 742.000 tons. I forhold til 2014 udgør dette et fald på ca. 100.000 tons. Fra 2013 til 2014 var der også et betydeligt fald i både importen og emissionen. Emissionerne af F-gasser udgør ca. 1,5 % af de samlede drivhus gas emissioner fra Danmark

The import HFCs estimated to 283 tonnes. Compared to 2014, import has decreased with approx. 55 tonnes. The GWP-weighted actual emissions of HFCs, PFCs, and SF6 in 2014 were app. 742.000 tonnes CO2 equivalents. In comparison to 2014 this represents a decrease of app. 100.000 tonnes. The F-gas emission comprise approx. 1.5% of the total national GWP emission from all sources.



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