

# MINISTRY FREEZES HCFC IMPORTS

## *National Ozone Unit*

The Ministry of Housing and Environment has set the maximum import quota limit of 67 Metric tons for HCFCs for the year 2011. The decision was revealed in a public announcement made by the Ministry of Economic Development on the new control measures for the import of HCFCs to the Maldives. Under the new arrangements the import of HCFCs will be allowed to only those Parties who get selected through a competitive bidding process. A special permit on the import of HCFCs will be issued to selected Parties by the Ministry of Economic

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Development.

The decision by the Government to freeze and control the importation of HCFCs to the Maldives is in accordance with the decisions of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol (in particular Decision XIX/6), and the declaration by the Government to phase-out HCFC by 2020.

A complete set of Bidding Documents may be obtained by interested bidders through a written application to the Ministry of Housing and Environment. Interested Parties shall submit their Bids before 23 December 2011.

