

JOINT STATEMENT OF THE 22nd Main MEETING OF The World Display Industry Cooperation Committee (WDICC) - Joint Declaration on HFC Exemptions

The WDICC endorses the gradual reduction of non-essential HFC uses as mandated by the Kigali Amendment to the Montreal Protocol. However, certain HFCs are crucial for display manufacturing processes, and no viable substitutes are currently available. The WDICC (TPSA, CODA, and KDIA) encourages governments and regulatory bodies to maintain exemptions for the use of HFCs in the display industry as they implement the Kigali Amendment in their respective regions.

Additionally, the WDICC urges governments and authorities to exclude HFCs utilized in small-scale chillers with minimal refrigerant charges in display production. The manufacturing of displays demands extremely precise control over all process variables, and the alternatives currently identified for HFCs are not compatible with the properties required for existing small equipment chillers.