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## Classification of Environmental Functions

### Global Consultation

#### *Comments Form*

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**Question 1: Do you have any comments on the proposed structure of the Classification of Environmental Functions?**

We have no comments at this point.

**Question 2. Do you have any comments on the explanatory notes and on the heading reference?**

As regard the explanatory notes for the environmental function under 1.1.2 (Reduction and control of air emissions - Treatment), it is not clear, whether Carbon capture and storage (CCS) and carbon capture and use (CCU) related infrastructure and systems operation include only those CCS and CCU systems that are responsible for removing of carbon directly from the (industrial) processes (e.g. fuel combustion, cement production) *in situ* or it can also refer to technologies that are used for the carbon capture directly from air. Such systems are becoming more and more important and with technological advances more and more common and their use is not necessarily connected with end-of-pipe processes, but can be used independently.

**Question 3. Do you have any other comments on the Classification of Environmental Functions?**

We have no other comments.