

**Measures taken to take account of the Decisions VI/8g comments.**

<b>№</b>	<b>Considerations and evaluation by the Compliance Committee</b>	<b>Measures taken</b>
1.	a) To ensure that the mandatory requirements of the content of the public notice, as prescribed by article 6(2) of the Convention, are detailed in law;	<p>Article 57-2 provides that, <b><u>twenty days</u></b> prior to the public hearing, the local executive body will <b><u>provide the public access</u></b> to environmental information relating to the impact assessment on the environment of the planned economic and other activities and to <b><u>decision-making process</u></b> for this activity through the online resource, <b><u>as well as using other means of informing</u></b>.</p> <p>The rules for public hearings provide for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- a special section “Public hearings” is created on the Internet resource of the local executive body in accordance with Appendix 1 to these Rules;</li> <li>- <b><u>twenty days</u></b> prior to the public hearing, the local executive body will provide the public access to environmental information relating to the impact assessment on the environment of the planned economic and other activities and to decision-making process for this activity through the online resource, as well as using other means of informing.</li> </ul> <p>The rules for public hearings provide for;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The client pre-coordinates the time and place of public hearings, a preliminary list of the public concerned and justifies the most effective ways to inform it (announcements in the media, information sheets, stands, written appeals) with the local executive body.</li> <li>- The local executive body agrees on the list of the public concerned, the method of informing, the time and place of public hearings, determines the person responsible for holding public hearings.</li> <li>- The client informs the public concerned in the state and Russian languages <b><u>no later than twenty calendar days</u></b> before the public hearings.</li> <li>- The client sends <b><u>an announcement of public hearings, project documentation</u></b> for posting on the Internet resource of the local executive body.</li> </ul>
2.	b) To establish a clear and consistent requirement for all information relevant to the decision-making to	Currently, work is underway to develop the Environmental Code in a new edition. The concept of the code is supported and posted on the website of the Ministry of Energy of the Republic of Kazakhstan. The project of Environmental Code in the new edition provides for the principles of SEA, and it is also planned to bring the legislation to the requirements of the Aarhus Convention.

	be made accessible to the public, in accordance with article 6(6) of the Convention;	More detailed information will be provided in January 2020.
3.	c) To ensure that, in accordance with article 6(7) of the Convention, the submission of comments by the public is not limited to only “reasonable” comments;	In accordance with the approved rules for conducting public hearings, the results of public hearings are recorded in a protocol in the form specified in Appendix 3 to these Rules. The protocol is prepared taking into account the opinions of the persons who took part in public hearings, as well as those accepted via the Internet resource or using other means of information, comments and suggestions. The Protocol reflects the comments and suggestions from the public concerned, related to the project of the client, and the position of the client to account for each comments and suggestions, as well as information about the possibility of appealing the decision. The protocol is signed by the chairman and secretary of public hearings and posted on the Internet resource of the local executive body no later than seven working days after the public hearings.
4.	d) To establish appropriate procedures, which are not limited to publishing decisions only on websites, to promptly notify the public of the environmental expertise conclusions, and to facilitate public access to these decisions, in accordance with article 6(9) of the Convention;	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. At the legislative level (Article 57), the obligation is introduced to publish the conclusion of the state environmental expertise on the Internet resource of the Local Executive Authorities within five working days after it’s received by the nature user.</li> <li>2. The Rules for public hearings (approved by the Order of the Minister of Environmental Protection of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated May 7, 2007 No. 135-p.) stipulate: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The results of public hearings are recorded in a protocol that is posted on the Internet resource of the local executive body no later than seven working days after the public hearings.</li> </ul> </li> </ol>
5.	e) To maintain and make accessible to the public, through publicly available lists or registers, copies of the decisions taken and	In accordance with clause 27 of the Rules for Conducting Public Hearings, the responsible person of the local executive body together with the client shall compile a Protocol on the conduct of public hearings in the form of a survey, in the form specified in Appendix 4 of these Rules. The Protocol reflects the comments and (or) proposals from the public concerned and the position of the client regarding the recording of each comment and (or) proposal, as well as information about the possibility of appealing the decision.

<p>other information relevant to the decision-making, including evidence of having fulfilled the obligation to inform the public and provide it with opportunities to submit comments.</p>	
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