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**The Compliance Committee
of Aarhus Convention**

The ministry of Environment and Water Resources of the Republic of Kazakhstan in addition to the letter from November 1, 2013 № 02-02-27/3528 regarding decision IV/9c of the Meeting of the Parties to the Convention on Access to Information, Public Participation in Decision-making and Access to Justice in Environmental Matters (Aarhus Convention) sends the information according to the application.

Application: 1 sheet.

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The additional information on measures taken to implement solutions IV/9c on compliance by Kazakhstan with its obligations under the Convention.

A meeting of the public council of the Ministry of Environment and Water Resources of the Republic of Kazakhstan and the Working Group on the Draft law "On amendments and additions to some legislative acts of the Republic of Kazakhstan on Access to Information, Public Participation in Decision-making and Access to Justice in Environmental Matters relating to the environment" was held on November 13, 2013.

This meeting was attended by over 89 representatives, including Deputy Majlis of the Republic of Kazakhstan A.Solov'yeva, central and local executive bodies, NGOs, OSCE, Mass Media.

During the discussion of the bill on NGOs and citizens received proposals, the following are some of them.

NGO "Green Future" offered to fix the rights of citizens to obtain information about the funds received in the local and republican budgets of pollution from claims for damages caused to the environment and of penalties for violation of environmental laws and more.

NGO "Ecosphere" proposed additions to the series of articles on access to environmental information, the article on the national environmental atlas, offered a new article on the territory of environmental certification and more.

NGO "Committee for Monitoring Reform and Human Rights" suggested complementing the conceptual apparatus of the Environmental Code, the terms "public" and "public concerned", amendments to Article 14 of the "Rights and Responsibilities of nonprofit organizations in the field of environmental protection", Article 159 "Ecological Information", article 57. "Publicity of the state ecological expertise" and others.

NGO "Kazenergy" offered to provide transparency of funds received from the sale of quotas for greenhouse gases and investment projects under the mechanism of environmental (green), and other investments.

There were suggestions from citizens: N. Yakovleva, A. Miroshnichenko, V. Antoninko etc.

All comments and suggestions of NGOs and citizens were taken into account, after which the bill was sent for approval to the 39 central and local executive bodies on economic expertise, the National Chamber of Business, accredited NGOs and trade unions of private entrepreneurs.