

RATING POLLUTERS' ENVIRONMENTAL PERFORMANCE IN LVIV REGION

PROJECT	ENVIRONMENTAL PERFORMANCE RATING AND PUBLIC DISCLOSURE SYSTEM
DURATION	2005 – 2007
PARTNERS	 Resource & Analysis Center "Society and Environment" (Ukraine)  Lviv Oblast Environmental Protection Agency  EAP Task Force Secretariat, Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development
SUPPORTED BY	Government of the Netherlands, VROM Ministry
LOCATION	Lviv oblast, Ukraine

PROJECT OBJECTIVE

To introduce a new instrument of compliance monitoring and promotion in Lviv region by:

- Rating the polluters of Lviv region in accordance with the criteria of the Environmental Performance Rating (five colour categories – from worst to best– black, red, yellow, blue, green).
- Disclosing the to public the outcomes of the rating, indicating the level of compliance with environmental standards and regulations by the enterprises.

IMPLEMENTATION STAGES

- Kick-off meeting of project partners and experts to discuss conditions and perspectives for project implementation in Lviv region.
- Setting up a working group to develop the methodology of the Environmental Performance Rating.
- Holding a workshop for enterprises "Environmental Performance Rating: Preliminary Results"
- Disclosure of the final Environmental Performance Rating through mass-media and outdoor advertisement.

RESULTS

- 45 enterprises of Lviv region were selected to carry out the Environmental Performance Rating for the year of 2006. None of them objected to be rated.
- 22 enterprises were rated as "black", 7 as "red", 8 as "yellow" and 8 as "blue".
- No enterprise was rated as "green".

PROSPECTS

- Environmental Performance Rating is more effective when done periodically. Therefore, we plan to carry out the rating for the year of 2007.
- The concept of Environmental Performance Rating can be applied in other regions, as well as on a country-wide scale. It is also feasible to develop a rating for specific industries.

- Inaccurate information provided
- 2 or more accidents
- 1/3 of permits or no permits
- No clean-up facilities
- Damages of more than 300 UAH
- More than three fines imposed

- 1 accident
- 2/3 or 1/2 permits
- 1/3 or 1/2 clean-up facilities (water, land, air=3)
- Damages of 100-300 UAH
- 3 fines imposed
- No information-release programs
- No staff person responsible for environmental protection
- No lab testing
- No monitoring

- 2 fines imposed
- 2/3 clean-up facilities
- Damages less 100 UAH
- 1/3 or 1/2 environmental monitoring
- No environmental protection plan/programme

- 2/3 monitoring
- 1 or no fines
- No ISO 14001 certification
- No environmental sound technologies introduced for the last 5 years
- No staff training
- No % of income invested into environmental protection

All performance criteria are met



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