Violators of Environmental Agents Control Act Could Have Illicit Gains Confiscated

The amendments to the *Discretionary Standards for Fining Violators of the Environmental Agents Control Act* state that the competent authority must act according to the standards and should also take into consideration the degree of environmental impact and amount of profits obtained from violating administrative law. The financial resources of the offending enterprise should also be taken into account when levying the fine, which will not be limited by legal statute. A method for calculating profits gained from violating the *Environmental Agents Control Act* has also been added.

The EPA points out that violations of the *Environmental Agents Control Act* might also apply to enterprises that neglect to pay for necessary prevention measures or that do not cover other necessary costs. Recovering the illegal gains from this category of behavior is now also part of the consideration criteria laid out in the standards.

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