Information about holding of "Workshop on Asbestos Management in Asian Countries"

Monday, March 15th 2010

Ministry of the Environment

Environmental Management Bureau

Air Environment Division

Direct line 03-5521-8295

Main switchboard 03-3581-3351

Director: Mitsuaki Yamamoto (ex.6530)

Deputy Director: Yoichi Nishimura (ex. 6537)

Administrator: Hisao Yamaguchi (ex.6534)

The Ministry of the Environment will hold "Workshop on Asbestos Management in Asian Countries" in Jakarta on March 17th and 18st, 2010.

The workshop will not be open to public attendance, but after the workshop, the summary of results will be announced officially.

1. Date:

Wednesday, March 17th - Thursday, March 18st, 2010.

2. Place:

Jakarta (Indonesia)

3. Host:

The Ministry of the Environment (Co-hosted with Ministry of the Environment, Indonesia)

4. Participants:

Administrative practitioners in charge of asbestos management from Japan, Indonesia, Malaysia, Viet Nam, Philippines, Laos, Thailand and Japanese asbestos experts

5. Purpose:

Main purposes of the workshop are

- Providing the information about measures on asbestos in Japan.
- Exchanging information about present situation and future efforts on asbestos problems in Asian countries.

6. Discussion about

- Present situation on asbestos problems in Asian countries (input from Asian countries)
- Measuring methods for asbestos (input and demonstration from Japan)
- Health Effects by Asbestos, etc (input from Japan and Indonesia)
- Asbestos-containing Waste Management (input from Japan and Indonesia)
- Future efforts on asbestos problems in Asian countries (exchanging information)