

Chairman of Can Tho City People's Committee TRẦN THANH MÃN:

Support of AKIZ Project in Wastewater Management in Tra Noc Industrial Zone

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(CT)- Yesterday, 10-11-2010, Chairman of Can Tho City People's Committee Tran Thanh Man worked with a delegation from German Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF), discussed the implementation of AKIZ project in wastewater management in Tra Noc Industrial Zone (IZ) and visited the chemical lab installed by the German experts in this IZ.



[Mr. Trần Thanh Mãn, Chairman of People's Committee CanTho City, visited the chemical laboratory in Tra Noc IZ.](#)

According to the experts from BMBF, AKIZ project consists of 6 sub-projects: AKIZ overall project management; elimination of toxic substances; energy generation; recovery of valuable materials; wastewater analyses and monitoring; and sewage sludge management concept. The project applies the most modern technologies in waste water treatment and alternative biotechnologies using bacteria cells, fungi, isolated enzymes, etc. BMBF experts introduced the chemical laboratory which had just been installed next to the project office in Tra Noc IZ.

The Chairman of People's Committee Tran Thanh Man expressed his high support to the project in waste water treatment implemented by German experts in Tra Noc and applauded the establishment of the project office in Can Tho. Currently, there are 3 industrial zones in Can Tho City. However, none of them has a centralized wastewater treatment plant. Through the cooperation with BMBF, more support from German side is expected. The city wishes to get a preferred loan for a period of 15 – 20 years (grace period: 20 years) in order to effectively make use of the project's results and expand to further IZs.

At the end of March 2010, a kick-off workshop of the project was organized by BMBF in Can Tho City. The total project budget financed by the German Federal Government is approximately 7 millions EUR (of which 2 millions are planned for the 1. Phase). Once the project is implemented in Can Tho, Tra Noc IZ will be the first IZ nation-wide to apply German closed wastewater treatment technologies.