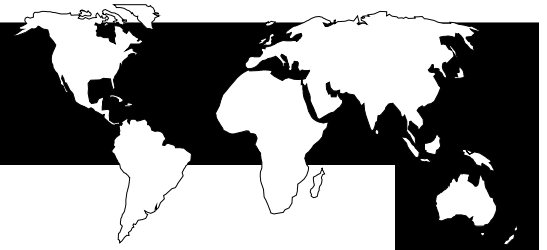


# ENVIRONMENTAL AUDITS



The Environmental Audit has become a standard activity for many governmental, industrial, and agricultural entities around the world to identify environmental problems, to check compliance with established and proposed regulations, and to investigate the environmental liability, risk, or impact of various types of activities. Environmental audits are used to evaluate property transfers, to establish existing levels of air pollution, water pollution and hazardous waste, to analyze the extent of prior pollution at proposed development sites, and to satisfy the environmental requirements of lending institutions worldwide. Thus, the Environmental Audit has become an integral component of many comprehensive environmental programs for a variety of reasons.

Industrial corporations as well as government institutions often wish to audit facilities to check for compliance with existing regulations, or to evaluate the existing levels of risk or impact to the surrounding human population, as well as to important local aquatic and terrestrial ecological resources. Due diligence review of sites for new projects or expansions of existing operations is now a standard practice, providing crucial information regarding environmental liabilities and risk.

AATA International, Inc. provides clients with comprehensive environmental Audit capabilities worldwide. AATA has provided audit support for many different types of industries, including pulp and paper, mining, oil and gas exploration and production, manufacturing, water resource development, agricultural development, and other activities.

AATA utilizes the latest in modern portable field equipment to investigate remote sites under harsh environmental conditions. AATA can determine water quality, air quality, and radiological conditions using advanced instrumentation. Also, AATA is an expert in the utilization of aquatic and terrestrial ecological indicator or "sentinel" species which can be used to interpret the ecological health of various types of ecosystems, including wetlands, lakes, rivers, streams, estuaries, nearshore, and oceans.

AATA often designs specific environmental audit checklists which are customized for specific facilities, localities, and conditions. AATA has performed remote baseline, audit, and other environmental investigations for a variety of clients in many areas around the world including the following:

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| Romania              | United Kingdom     | Mongolia      |
| Ukraine              | Magadan Oblast     | Myanmar       |
| Belarus              | Russian Federation | Niger         |
| Indonesia            | Canada             | Argentina     |
| Circumpacific Region | Kazakstan          | Africa        |
| Costa Rica           | Honduras           | United States |
| Venezuela            | China              | ...and more!  |

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