

Analysis on the Urgency of Environmental Cost Control of Agricultural Product Processing Industry in Jilin Province

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Abstract

Jilin Province is an agricultural province and agricultural products processing industry is an important pillar industry of economic development, but because of its particularity of resource endowment such as geographical location and climate conditions, while developing agricultural products processing industry, Jilin Province must control environmental cost, in order to keep the sustainable development of agricultural products processing industry. Only considering fully the sustainability of agricultural products processing industry, its long-term development can be obtained. The article analyzes the resource situation in Jilin Province, discusses the necessity and urgency of developing agricultural products processing industry in Jilin Province.

Keywords: Jilin Province, Agricultural products processing industry, The discussion of environmental cost, Necessity, Urgency

1. Introduction

There are 12 industries related to agricultural products processing industry statistically in China, includes: foods processing industry, food manufacturing industry, beverage manufacturing industry, tobacco processing industry, textile industry, garment and other fibre products manufacturing industry, leather, fur, feather and their products industry, wood processing and bamboo, rattan, brown and grass products industry, furniture manufacturing industry, paper and paper products industry, printing industry, rubber products industry. There is severe environmental pollution in these types of enterprises and thus forms the environmental cost of the industrial development. In the types of enterprises, such industries as corn further-processing industry, paper-making industry, leather industry, textile industry and beverage manufacturing industry have more severe environmental pollution.

Tannery wastewater is one of important sources that pollutes water environment in China. In 20 industries whose pollution is more severe, the leather industry ranks the fifth. Using current technology, to process one ton of raw material skin every time, water consumption is 70-85m³ and all kinds of chemical materials consumption is 600-700 kg, what's more, about 30% of collagen from skin is discard as solid wastes, leading to resources waste while causing environmental pollution.

Paper making industry is a light industry with large output and water consumption, and severe pollution, whose water pollution ranks top in various industries. If the wastewater in paper making industry is not been disposed effectively and discharge into rivers, the organic compound in wastewater will consumes oxygen in the water so that such aquatic organism as fish and shellfish die from lack of oxygen. It's easy to cause death of fish once slender fiber suspending in water blocks gill arch. There are still some cancerogenic, teratogenic and mutagenic poisonous and harmful substances, which may pass the food chain on into human bodies and thus further do harm to people's health. According to statistics, to produce a ton of paper, wastewater discharge is about 60-220 tons, biochemical oxygen demand(BOD) is about 3.6-30 kg, and chemical oxygen demand (COD) is about 6-135kg.

The industrial pollution in corn deep-processing enterprises is the pollution of water quality mainly. Because in the process of production, sulfuric acid and sulphurous acid are used to steep raw materials and hydrochloric acid and NaH₂PO₄ are also used in some technology, a great deal of acid waste water with a large number of organic matter is produced. In current situations of production, the main pollutants in waste water are COD and NH₃-N, and the PH value of water is 3-4 generally. If the waste water is discharged without disposal, water quality will lose its basic functions.

China is a country with large wine industry, with the development of social economy and improvement of people's life level, the demand of wine is increasing. The production of wine takes water as medium, and a great deal of process water and clean water are needed during brewing. The fermentation process produces various

amino acids and protein, which are discharged with waste water and form pollution sources, cause very serious pollution to China's water environment and are one of main sources of China's water pollution.

Waste water is the foremost environmental problem in textile industry. Textile industry is one of industries with large water usage and displacement. Textile waste water mainly includes: printing and dyeing wastewater, chemical fibre production wastewater, wool washing wastewater, flax-degumming wastewater and chemical fibre pulp mill wastewater. Printing and dyeing wastewater is main pollution source in textile industry. According to incomplete statistics, daily discharge amount of waste water in China's printing and dyeing enterprises is about 3-4 million tons. Once printing and dyeing factory produces 100m textile, it will produce 3-5 tons of pollution wastewater. The discharged wastewater contains matter brought by fibre raw materials, and pulp, oil, dye and chemical auxiliaries used in the processing process, which have following characteristics: 1) COD changes a lot, high to 2000-3000mg/L, BOD is also high to 2000-3000mg/L. 2) high PH value, for example, the pH of sulfur dyes and vat dyes wastewater can reach about ten; 3) large chromaticity, high content of organic matters, with a great deal of dye, auxiliaries and pulp and great viscosity in the wastewater; 4) water temperature and water yield change a lot, the changes of kinds and output of processing products cause water temperature is over 40 °C generally, and thus influence the deposal effects of wastewater.

In addition, traditional printing and dyeing process produce a lot of poisonous sewage. After processing some poisonous dyestuff or auxiliaries attached to the textile do harm to people's healthiness. For example, azo dye, formaldehyde, fluorescent whitening agent and softening agent have sensitization; polyvinyl alcohol and polypropylene pulp is difficultly biodegradable; the pollution of chlorine bleach is severe; some aromatic amine dyes may cause cancer; there are poisonous heavy metals; all kinds of finishing agent and textile auxiliaries with formaldehyde do harm to human bodies. If this kind of wastewater is not disposed or directly discharge without reaching stipulated emission standards, it not only does hard to people's healthiness, but also destroys water bodies, soil and ecological system seriously.

2. Low level of fiscal revenue aggravates the urgency of environmental cost control of agricultural product processing industry

Table 1 is the expenditure used in the aspect of environment protection in 2005, 2006, 2007. From the table we can see, most part of the expenditure used in environment protection and urban water resources construction in China is from local finance.

But fiscal revenue in Jilin Province is still very low currently, table 2.1, 2.2, 2.3, 3.1, 3.2, 3.3, 4.1, 4.2, 4.3 is the sequence of fiscal revenue in each province, autonomous region and municipality directly under the central government in 2005, 2006, 2007 in China respectively. Jilin Province ranks 24.

This shows, if Jilin Province doesn't control its environmental pollution, with national concern about people's life and its importance to the environmental problems, related governing laws will come on gradually. Until then, Jilin Province still has to spend a lot of financial resources on restoring and managing environment, invested fiscal revenue may be larger than current control cost, even exceeds the limit that the government can endure.

3. The advantages of Jilin Province as main grain-producing area aggravates the urgency of environmental cost control of agricultural product processing industry

Jilin Province is an agricultural province with fertile soil, particularly suitable for the plants such as grain bean, oil-bearing crop, beet, tobacco, potato, ginseng, medicine and fruits. The planting area is 395.9 million hectares, rich in corn, soybeans, rice. Commissariat of average per capita, food goods rate, the volume of exports of food, corn export volume list on the top two for several years. (Table 5.1, 5.2 are the sequences of commissariat of average per capita in 2007 in China)

Long-term backward economy makes the desire of Jilin Province to develop agricultural product processing industry more urgent. Therefore, in the industry planning, Jilin Province fixes agricultural product processing industry as the third pillar industry inferior to automobile and petroleum, which decides the pollution contribution value of agricultural product processing industry in Jilin Province is higher than other provinces inevitably.

4. Vulnerable resource endowment becomes the constraint factors of the development of agricultural product processing industry in Jilin Province

4.1 Jilin Province is short of water and its distribution is uneven

4.1.1 Jilin Province is very short of water

Agricultural product processing industry mainly causes water pollution, but from the resource endowment of Jilin province we can see it's an area very short of water. According to China Statistical Yearbook in 2008, the water resources in total amount in 2007 in Jilin Province is 34.6 billion cubic meters, the amount of surface water resource is 30.15 billion cubic meters, the amount of groundwater is 8.63 billion cubic meters, and the amount of surface water and groundwater replication is 4.78 billion cubic meters, but average of water per capita is only 1269 cubic meters/per, accounting for 66.22% of national average water 1916.3 cubic meters/per, which

belongs to a province very short of water.

From the results of analysis of table 6.1, 6.2, 7.1 and 7.2 we can see the total amount of water resource in Jilin Province ranks 21 in 31 provinces, autonomous regions and municipalities, the amount of water per capita ranks 17, which belongs to a province short of water in the country short of water, very short of water resource.

4.1.2 Uneven distribution of water resources aggravates the situation short of water in Jilin Province

From the distribution of water resources in Jilin Province, the eastern area has much water but little land, the middle area has little water but much land, and the western area has more wind and sand, is dry, very short of water. There's the phenomenon of uneven distribution of water resources, characterized by structural shortage of water. From administrative districts we can see the water resource in each district is also uneven in Jilin province. Table 8 is water resource evaluation form of each district in Jilin Province, showing the middle area of Jilin Province is very short of water.

The middle are of Jilin is just the important producing field of agricultural products and agricultural product processing industry get together here. Comparatively speaking, the water in the area is much poor. It's necessary to implement environmental cost control for development.

4.2 The climate condition of Jilin is not conducive to the self-purification of contaminated water

From the climate condition, Jilin Province is located in the middle of northeastern China, and is in the northern temperate monsoon region. Its geographic coordinate is between east longitude 121° 38' -131° 19' and northern latitude 40° 52' -46° 18'. The climate is located in low temperate continental monsoon climate zone, with four distinct seasons, hot rainy season, and obvious alternations of four seasons. Spring, dry and windy; summer, heat and rainy; winter, cold and long; the icy season of rivers can reach 4-5 months, when the runoff generally accounts for 5%-10% of annual runoff. Generally from the end of January to February annually, the largest ice thickness and smallest runoff appear, when is called the low water period of rivers. From May to the first ten days of June annually, cold high pressure moves northward while rainy season has not come, the rivers come into medium season again. The environmental degradation and self-purification capacity during annual period of icy season and medium season are very low.

5. Conclusions

Through the analysis above we can see, environmental cost control of agricultural product processing industry in Jilin province is especially necessary compared with southern area. If the problem of out of control in environmental cost is not solved, it's will influence the sustainable development of agricultural product processing industry in Jilin province inevitably.

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Table 1. Expenditure used in environment protection and urban water resources construction in 2005, 2006, 2007 in China (billion yuan)

		From local finance	From state finance
2005	132.97	132.97	0
2006	161.24	161.24	0
2007	995.82	180.14	14.21

Data source: China Statistical Yearbook in 2006, 2007, 2008

Table 2.1 the sequence of fiscal revenue in each province, autonomous region and municipality directly under the central government in 2005 (million yuan)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Guangdong	Shanghai	Jiangsu	Shandong	Zhejiang	Beijing	Liaoning	Henan	Hebei	Sichuan	Fujian
18072044	14173976	13226753	10731250	10668964	9192098	6752768	5376514	5157017	4796635	4326003

Table 2.2 the sequence of fiscal revenue in each province, autonomous region and municipality directly under the central government in 2005 (million yuan)

12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
Hunan	Hubei	Shanxi	Anhui	Tianjin	Heilongjiang	Yunnan	Guangxi	Inner Mongolia	Shaanxi	Chongqing
3952651	3755217	3683437	3340170	3318507	3182056	3126490	2830359	2774553	2753183	2568072

Table 2.3 the sequence of fiscal revenue in each province, autonomous region and municipality directly under the central government in 2005 (million yuan)

23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31
Jiangxi	Jilin	Guizhou	Xinjiang	Gansu	Hainan	Ningxia	Qinghai	Xizang
2529236	2071520	1824963	1803184	1235026	686802	477216	338222	120312

Data source: China Statistical Yearbook in 2006, 2007, 2008

Table 3.1 the sequence of fiscal revenue in each province, autonomous region and municipality directly under the central government in 2006 (million yuan)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Guangdong	Jiangsu	Shanghai	Shandong	Zhejiang	Beijing	Liaoning	Henan	Hebei	Sichuan	Shanxi
21794608	16566820	15760742	13562526	12982044	11171514	8186718	6791715	6205340	6075850	5833752

Table 3.2 the sequence of fiscal revenue in each province, autonomous region and municipality directly under the central government in 2006 (million yuan)

12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
Fujian	Hunan	Hubei	Anhui	Tianjin	Heilongjiang	Yunnan	Shaanxi	Inner Mongolia	Guangxi	Chongqing
5411707	4779274	4760823	4280265	4170479	3868440	3799702	3624805	3433774	3425788	3177165

Table 3.3 the sequence of fiscal revenue in each province, autonomous region and municipality directly under the central government in 2006 (million yuan)

23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31
Jiangxi	Jilin	Guizhou	Xinjiang	Gansu	Hainan	Ningxia	Qinghai	Xizang
3055214	2452045	2268157	2194628	1412152	818139	613570	422437	145607

Data source: China Statistical Yearbook in 2006, 2007, 2008

Table 4.1 the sequence of fiscal revenue in each province, autonomous region and municipality directly under the central government in 2007 (million yuan)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Guangdong	Shanghai	Jiangsu	Zhejiang	Beijing	Shandong	Liaoning	Sichuan	Henan	Hebei	Fujian
24154724	19754796	18947700	15353548	14356708	13083516	8156685	6289529	6250156	6182963	5940236

Table 4.2 the sequence of fiscal revenue in each province, autonomous region and municipality directly under the central government in 2007 (million yuan)

12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
Tianjin	Hubei	Shanxi	Hunan	Anhui	Yunnan	Shaanxi	Inner Mongolia	Heilongjiang	Chongqing	Guangxi
4383644	4339759	4305002	4106600	4018799	3786361	3555047	3479057	3349661	2944592	2826809

Table 4.3 the sequence of fiscal revenue in each province, autonomous region and municipality directly under the central government in 2007 (million yuan)

23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31
Jiangxi	Jilin	Xinjiang	Guizhou	Gansu	Hainan	Ningxia	Qinghai	Xizang
2818573	2373862	2206460	2118512	1420532	879935	585871	432855	116667

Data source: China Statistical Yearbook in 2006, 2007, 2008

Table 5.1 the sequences of commissariat of average per capita in each province, autonomous region and municipality directly under the central government and national average commissariat in 2007 in China (Kg)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Heilongjiang	Jilin	Inner Mongolia	Henan	Ningxia	Anhui	Shandong	Jiangxi	Liaoning	Hunan	Xinjiang	Jiangsu	Hebei	Chongqing	Hubei	National average
906	900	754	559	533	475	444	437	428	424	418	413	411	387	384	381

Table 5.2 the sequences of commissariat of average per capita in each province, autonomous region and municipality directly under the central government and national average commissariat in 2007 in China (Kg)

17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32
Sichuan	Xizang	Yunnan	Gansu	Shaanxi	Guangxi	Guizhou	Shaanxi	Hainan	Qinghai	Fujian	Zhejiang	Guangdong	Tianjin	Beijing	Shanghai
372	332	325	316	298	294	293	285	211	193	178	145	137	134	64	59

Data source: China Statistical Yearbook in 2006, 2007, 2008

Table 6.1 The sequence of the water resources in total amount of each province, autonomous region and municipality directly under the central government in 2007(a hundred million cubic meters)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Xizang	Sichuan	Yunnan	Guangdong	Hunan	Guangxi	Jiangxi	Fujian	Guizhou	Hubei	Zhejiang	Xinjiang	Anhui	Chongqing	Qinghai	Jiangsu
4214	2298	2255	15812	14265	13863	1113	10729	10546	10151	821	868	725	66	6616	487

Table 6.2 The sequence of the water resources in total amount of each province, autonomous region and municipality directly under the central government in 2007(a hundred million cubic meters)

17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31
Heilongjiang	Henan	Shandong	Shaanxi	Jilin	Inner Mongolia	Hainan	Liaoning	Gansu	Hebei	Shaanxi	Shanghai	Beijing	Tianjin	Ningxia
4918	4652	387.1	377	346	2959	2835	261.7	228.7	1198	1034	345	238	113	104

Data source: China Statistical Yearbook in 2006, 2007, 2008

Table 7.1 the sequence of the amount of water per capita in each province, autonomous region and municipality directly under the central government in 2007(cubic meters/per)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Xizang	Qinghai	Yunnan	Xinjiang	Hainan	Fujian	Guangxi	Sichuan	Guizhou	Jiangxi	Chongqing	Hubei	Hubei	Zhejiang	Guangdong	Heilongjiang
1592	1225	509	468	373	307	224	226	262	256	256	241	182	172	163	124

Table 7.2 the sequence of the amount of water per capita in each province, autonomous region and municipality directly under the central government in 2007(cubic meters/per)

17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31
Jilin	Inner Mongolia	Anhui	Shaanxi	Gansu	Jiangsu	Liaoning	Henan	Shandong	Shanxi	Shanghai	Hebei	Ningxia	Beijing	Tianjin
1292	1222	1162	1077	878	633	608	461	446	366	1875	1731	1711	142	103

Data source: China Statistical Yearbook in 2006, 2007, 2008

Table 8. Water resource evaluation form of each district in Jilin Province

district	Land area(km ²)	The total amount of water(one hundred cubic meters)	Population in 2003(thousand)	The amount of water per capita (m ³)	Degree of water shortage
Changchun	18881	27.46	742	370	extreme water shortage
Jilin	27100	70.58	451.4	1564	Moderate water shortage
Siping	14037	16.45	326.7	504	Serious water shortage
Liaoyuan	5130	7.63	126	606	Serious water shortage
Tonghua	15100	55.30	226.2	2445	Light water shortage
Baishan	17852	71.51	133.2	5369	
Songyuan	21000	13.83	279.4	495	extreme water shortage
Baicheng	25600	20.09	204.1	984	Serious water shortage
Yanbian	42700	115.98	218.6	5306	
Total	187400	398.83	2707.6	1473	Moderate water shortage

Note: International water shortage standards: according to the amount of water per capita, 2000-3000 cubic meters is light water shortage, 1000-2000 cubic meters is moderate water shortage, 500-1000 cubic meters is serious water shortage; less than 500 cubic meters is extreme water shortage.

Data source: municipal urban system planning of Jilin Province (2005-2020) edited by the editorial board of Local chronicles in Jilin Province, Jilin People Press, October 2005.