

**THE MINISTRY OF NATURAL RESOURCES  
AND ENVIRONMENT**

**DECISION No. 13/2004/QĐ-BTNMT of June  
16, 2004 defining the functions, tasks and  
powers of the Environment Department**

The Environment Department is an organization attached to the Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment, functioning to assist the *Minister in performing the State* management over environment in terms of policies, laws, strategies, plannings and plans.

This Decision prescribes the tasks, powers and organizational structure of the Environment Department, takes effect 15 days after its publication in the Official Gazette and replaces the Natural Resources and Environment Minister's Decision No. 109/2002/QĐ-BTNMT of December 31, 2002.