



# ENVIRONMENTAL CHINA

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Welcome to *Environmental China*, PACE's e-mail newsletter devoted to giving interested readers a comprehensive update of news concerning China's environment. This newsletter will be sorted first with an Opinion section, and then a rundown of news divided into Public/NGOs, Government, and Corporations, with news about each sector's involvement in China's environment. Articles within each section is sorted chronologically. Any comments, suggestions or questions can be directed to [cc.huang2@gmail.com](mailto:cc.huang2@gmail.com).

## OPINION

[Growth is good but it must be green](#) (China Daily, 3/26/2009) With the onslaught of the financial crisis last October, politicians and economists immediately began to blame Americans for consuming too much and Chinese for saving too much. Whoever is at fault, China has quickly learned that it can no longer depend on growing exports to drive its economy.

[Opportunities abound in China's environmental monitoring sector](#) (Interfax-China, 3/23/2009) Environmental monitoring is becoming an increasingly important sector of the environmental protection industry as the Chinese government pays more attention to emission control and reduction.

[Small-scale agriculture: A viable solution for China's food and environmental concerns?](#) (The Green Leap Forward, 3/18/2009)

## PUBLIC/NGOS

[China's green push starts at the bottom](#) (BBC, 3/28/2009) Local farmers use to muck to create energy, reveals a trend toward environmentally friendly practices that might be more difficult for the government to understand.

[Jet Li moves One Foundation toward combating climate change](#) (China Daily, 3/26/2009) Kungfu star Jet Li is leading his One Foundation in a new direction - that is, raising public awareness about combating climate change and is teaming up with Tony Blair's Climate Group to launch a low-carbon city project in Guiyang, Guizhou.

[Pupil's attend environmentally- friendly education activity](#) (Xinhua News, 3/26/2009) Photo Gallery: Pupils attend environmentally- friendly education activity to observe plants in Yichang, Hubei.

[Tibet: No; Climate Change, Yes!](#) (NBC News, 3/25/2009) On Monday Greenpeace China turned Yongdingmen, one of Beijing's ancient city gates, into a gigantic countdown clock ticking down to the United Nations' Climate Change Conference to be held in Copenhagen in December.

[Better to light a candle then curse the crisis](#) (Shanghai Daily, 3/24/2009) Chinese from all across the country turn off their lights for an hour for Earth Hour, an hour celebrated across the world to increase awareness for conservation.

[5<sup>th</sup> World Water Forum calls for joint action on water challenges](#) (Xinhua News, 3/22/2009) The 5th World Water Forum, the largest water-related event in the world, concluded in Turkey on Sunday, or the World Water Day, with firm commitments of tackling global water challenges jointly in the context of sustainable development.

## **GOVERNMENT**

[China makes additional investment in pollution control in Songhua River Basin](#) (Xinhua News, 3/25/2009) China will add 36 pollution control projects with an investment of nearly 1.8 billion yuan (26.3 million U.S. dollars) for pollution control in Songhua River Basin in the northeastern Jilin Province.

[Top state-controlled think tank proposes greenhouse gas trading plan](#) (China Daily, 3/25/2009) A top Chinese State think tank has proposed a global greenhouse gas trading plan to reflect the different historic emissions of rich and poor nations.

[China and the Copenhagen Climate Change Agreement](#) (Mark's China Blog, 3/26/2009) Over the past few days, I've been reading some of the back-and-forth and jockeying for position among the global players in preparation for the [United Nations Climate Change Conference](#) in Copenhagen later this year. From what I'm reading, a lot of people are hopeful that Copenhagen will provide a sustainable framework for growth over the coming century.

[Minister of water resources: China to continue efforts in sustainable water system](#) (Xinhua News, 3/22/2009) China will continue its efforts in infrastructure and water-related systems to enable sustainable development, Chinese Minister of Water Resources Chen Lei said Saturday on the eve of 17th World Water Day in an exclusive interview with Xinhua.

## **CORPORATIONS**

[Research report on Chinese solid waste disposal industry](#) (Business Wire, 3/26/2009) Reportlinker. com announces that a new market research report is available in its catalogue on the Chinese solid waste disposal industry.

[Multiple Certification for Fuji Xerox recycling site in China](#) (ChinaCSR.com, 3/26/2009) Fuji Xerox Eco-Manufacturing (Suzhou) has been granted quality and environmental certification for its integrated recycling system in China.

[GD Power to spend 660 million yuan on alternative energy projects](#) (China Daily, 3/26/2009) GD Power Development Co, a major power producer and heating supplier in the country, announced on Thursday that it will pour 660 million yuan (\$96.63 million) into several alternative energy projects through its subsidiary to further diversify its business portfolio.

[Auto Zone China: Aims for 10 Million New Cars in 2009, but \\$1.5 Billion goes to energy vehicles](#) (SUSTY, 3/26/2009) The central government has promised 10 billion yuan (US\$1.5 billion) [funding for development and deployment of alternative energy vehicle technologies](#), including hybrid, all electric, and fuel cell vehicles, as well as standards that require more energy efficient manufacturing facilities.

[Airbus: Expands Environmental Certification to US, China](#) (Wall Street Journal, 3/25/2009) Aircraft maker Airbus said Wednesday Airbus Americas and

Airbus China Beijing Campus have achieved certification according to the ISO 14001 standard for Environmental Management Systems.

[Lax environmental laws give Chinese steel unfair edge](#) (The Intelligencer, 3/25/2009) China's lack of substantial environmental laws gives it an unfair advantage in the steel industry - a gap that could widen if future global-warming laws don't address China, according to leaders in the U.S. steel industry.

[Hebei invests in wind power](#) (JLM Pacific Epoch, 3/25/2009) Hebei Provincial Construction Investment Corporation (HPCIC) plans to build wind power projects totaling 400MW and already has 100MW built or under construction, reports Shanghai Securities News quoting HPCIC General Manager Wang Yongzhong.

[State Grid issues guidelines for CSR](#) (China Daily, 3/23/2009) State Grid Corporation of China (SGCC), the first Chinese enterprise to formulate a corporate social responsibility (CSR) report in 2005, took the lead again in recently issuing a Guidance for the Implementation of CSR, thoroughly illustrating how the State-owned enterprise fulfills its social responsibilities.