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***Environmental Compliance and Enforcement
Indicators in Argentina. Primary Concerns***

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I- Current situation

II- Challenges for developing and implementing ECE indicators

III- Key issues for developing and implementing ECE indicators

I. Current situation

I.A- Legal Aspects

1994 Constitutional amendment:

- Section 41 Human right to a healthy environment, sustainable development, minimum standards for environmental protection
- Section 43 Environmental injunction (amparo ambiental)

I. Current situation

I.A - 2002 New environmental legal framework

- **General Environmental Law (GEL)**
- Access to environmental information
 - National information system
 - National year report
 - General obligations to provide information
- Public participation on environmental decision-making
- EIA
- Access to Justice and Environmental Damage
- **Specific laws on industrial waste, PCBs, water resources**
- - Existing natural resources and environmental legislation and regulations - need to be re-designed &/or updated

I.B- Institutional Aspects

- Federal, Provincial and Municipal Environmental Authorities
- Intergovernmental and administrative coordination
- Federal environmental system (Council of Environmental Authorities - COFEMA)

I.C- Civil Society concerns

- Consensus building projects regarding law making and implementation
- Important role regarding:
 - Access to information
 - Public participation
 - Access to justice

II- Challenges for developing and implementing ECE indicators

- Incipient Access Culture
- National Information Integrated System to be implemented
- Need of Environmental Strategic Plans
- Need of Environmental Compliance and Enforcement Programs
- Select and work on the adequate methodology
- Optimize existing resources

III- Key issues

- Consideration of activities and/or programs
- Involvement of officials and main stakeholders
- Nation- provinces- municipalities distribution of environmental powers
- ECE and access indicators during the development and implementation phases
- Systematization of information- opportunity
- Good governance: transparency, compliance and enforcement