An extended abstract of the paper on the subject of:

PROBLEMS AND CONTRADICTIONS IN IMPLEMENTATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY POLICY IN UKRAINE

Problem statement. The subject of environmental safety is exceptionally topical for Ukraine since it is a component of the general system of the country’s national security, determining the degree of protection of an individual, the society and the state against unfavorable environmental impact caused by natural and anthropogenic factors. In recent years, environmental hazards have grown due to technogenic activity, unsafe natural processes, and the military conflict in the East of Ukraine, endangering human health and life in different Ukrainian regions.

Recent research and publications analysis. The modern Ukrainian and foreign scientists pay much attention to the environmental safety issues, in particular: the current conception of environmental safety is considered by Yu. Kholtuntsova, S. Kondratov, T. Ternova; the development and analysis of administration of the state environmental safety system are in the scientific focus of M. Hutsalo and O. Stepanenko.

The paper objective lies in researching the issues of the current Ukrainian environmental safety system. The present paper lays a main emphasis on environmental threats and unsatisfactory ecological situation in Ukraine.

The paper main body. Ukraine’s economy is characterized by an intensive use of resource- and power-consuming technological facilities, the construction of which was carried out with violation of design documentation, and maintenance –
without erection of the appropriate purification structures and without regard to environmental protection requirements. Serious disproportions in labor force allocation, which existed over a long period of time, resulted in a technogenic load on the environment in Ukraine that is 4 to 5 times higher than the same index in the advanced countries. In the context of Ukraine’s integration into the European space and intensified globalization, it is important to accelerate the processes of bringing the regulatory framework for environmental protection in compliance with the laws of the European Union.

Adaptation of the Ukrainian legislation to the international legal norms and the EU’s regulations constitutes an essential component of the state environmental policy implementation and its integration into other state policy sectors. Currently in Ukraine, there are no economic incentives for introduction of new environmental technologies, and the degree of employment of innovative resource-consuming and environmental protection technologies is very low, which also concerns the technologies for treatment, recycling and disposal of waste.

**Conclusions of the research.** However, long-term trends of environmental parameters worsening, deterioration of the natural environment’s functional resistance, and multiplying risks of emergencies caused by natural calamities both throughout the country and in some of its regions prove that there exist a number of serious problems in the sphere of state environmental policy implementation and its normative and legal regulation. This becomes a limiting factor for the socio-economic development of the society.