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ETS – Emission Trading System A short history and outlook

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A rough history of ETS

Phase 1: 2005 - 2007:

- Majority free allowances for heavy industry.
- Allocation by Member State Governments under "NAPs".
- No carry over of Phase 1 allowances to Phase 2.
- Most allowances given for free by "grandfathering".

Phase 2: 2008-2012: As above with some learnings:

- Commission reduced over generous Phase 1 NAPs by about 7%.
- Allowances from Phase 3 could be carried over to Phase 3.
- Use of CDMs, JI credits allowed (Kyoto protocol mechanisms).

Phase 3: 2013-2020: more later.....

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What was learned from Phases 1 and 2 for Phase 3?

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- NAPs were too soft initially in Ph 1 and different Governments protected different favourite sectors => needed cross EU targets.
- Price dropped at end Ph1 ⇒ needed carry over between phases.
- If there is no international competition as in electricity sector (you cannot put it on a boat), then the allowance cost paid by the marginal producer will be passed through to the customer ⇒ default should be auctioning in future.
- But, market was started, priced carbon, created links to other regions via Kyoto mechanisms and seems to have contributed to emissions reductions in the EU.

CO₂ price and product prices both follow global crude price



increase as much as crude due to fear of too many phase II allowances

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Phase 3 ETS as part of the 2008 Climate and Energy (CARE) Package

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- 6 Directives of CARE rushed through in 2008 to allow EU to give clear signal of intentions to COP14 at Poznan.
- Addressed Phase 1 & 2 learnings and after heavy pressure from Industry and many Member States introduced protection for sectors exposed to Carbon Leakage.
- BUT, it left many major elements open to "Comitology":
 - Which Sectors were exposed.
 - Allocation rules for free allowances.
 - Auctioning rules.
 - Monitoring rules.
- These were substantive elements and are still not all fully resolved after 2+ years of detailed work by EU, Member States, Industry and many consultants.



CO2/GVA vs Trade Intensity



What are the key points on allocation that EUROPIA makes on behalf of Refining?

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- Free allowances to Energy Intensive Industries exposed to risk of carbon leakage (including refining) will be less than 30% of total ETS:
 - Still huge market for auctioned allowances whilst <u>partially protecting exposed</u> sectors through free allowances mostly by benchmarks.
- Refining has <u>one single performance based production benchmark for all</u> <u>98 EU</u> refineries:
 - Significant achievement to compare whole sector.
- Total free allocation to refining sector based on the benchmark will be <u>25%</u> <u>less than historical direct emissions (c.f. EU wide target -21%) from 2013:</u>
 - Increases to 30% if purchased electricity is included.
 - Average sector increase in operating costs is 13% even with partial free allowances: a tough competitive challenge.

EU refining sector was not over allocated allowances in 2008-2009:

– Less than 0.4% over allocation in Phase 2.

At least 70% of all ETS allowances will be auctioned, the balance allocated free mostly by challenging benchmarks



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	Mte	%	
Electricity (estimated)	1159	57	
Other ETS activities Potentially eligibles for free allowances	877	43	
Sectors > 30 MT CO2			
Iron & Steel	253	12	
Chemicals	168	8	
Cement	158	8	
Refineries	156	8	
Pulp & Paper	38	2	
Lime	32	2	
	805	40%	
To meet -21% reduction	184	30%	Max allo

Note: Some inconsistency as sector numbers include electricity generated on site Based on Ecofys estimated numbers from Nov 2009 report to E.Commission

Refining sector GHG emissions have a big spread The benchmark at average of top 10% means sector buys 30% of its needed allowances



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Refining sector performance curve: 2007/2008 Average



Source: CONCAWE

Installation allocation should decline gradually to the benchmark in 2020. Comitology decision for step reduction in 2013 is a major concern



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EU refineries will on average pay for 30% of their CO_2 emissions from 2013: \Rightarrow average 13% rise in operating costs and reduced competitiveness vs. non-EU sites





The data in each chart is presented in ascending order, and so the rank order may differ between charts. CO2 €30/T

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EU Refining had no significant over allocation of allowances in 2008-2009



150 Mt annual allowances for refining in EU ETS equal **8%** of overall EU wide ETS allowances. Approx **3%** of EU total emissions

The Net effect in 2008-2009 for EU Refining was an over allocation of **less than 0.2%** of its emissions.

Average of allocation in EU-27, 2008-2009



*Only 19 countries in the EU have refineries ; Bulgaria and Romania omitted as data incomplete.

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There is no evidence that Refining has gained "windfall profits" from pass through of allowance costs in Phase 2

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CE Delft concluded in May 2010 that energy intensive industry including refining, Iron and steel and chemicals passed through the prices of free allowances and gained windfall profits of \$14B in Phases 1&2 of ETS.

NERA Economic Consulting examined the methodology used to reach this finding and found several serious flaws, such as:

- Authors ignore obvious impacts of product prices such as price of input materials.
- Study selects other factors in an arbitrary fashion.
- The results of the highly theoretical analysis are misinterpreted.

NERA concludes that the **CE Delft study "provides no reliable basis** for claims of pass through of CO2 costs..." and that its "conclusions go beyond objective fact finding......to make unsupported claims on a contentious topic".

What next for ETS?

Preparations for Phase 3:

- Phase 3 allocation of allowances to installations now with Member States......finished by end 2011??
- Big overhang of surplus allowances from Phase 2 keeping allowance price lowish and stable for moment.
- No sign of other emissions markets linking up to the EU ETS.
- Review of sectors exposed to carbon leakage in 2014.

Discussions in EU on tightening the target:

- Is -21% by 2020 enough with EU reduction ambitions of -80% by 2050?
- Energy Intensive sectors strongly opposed to any EU tightening of target whilst no equivalence from competing regions.

⇒ Competitiveness issue still a major risk for international businesses.

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Free allowances of exposed sector will not undermine the ETS:

- But will partially mitigate the competitive impact on sectors exposed to international competition.
- 70% of all allowances will be auctioned.
- Application of a 10% best benchmark for Refining will still mean 25% reduction in free allowances:
 - 30% cost impact if purchased electricity included.
- If benchmark applies from 2013, this will entail a sudden and significant (13%) rise in operating costs across the sector:
 - Up to 50% for some sites.
- EU cannot afford to increase the 2020 target further unilaterally without losing more of its heavy industry.



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Thank you for your attention



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Energy is 50% of Refining cash costs and ETS costs will add significantly to these





CO2 cost: average 13% increase in costs

Freight costs for importing Refined products are similar to ETS costs

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