## **Update on China National ETS**

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### China's national ETS: an overview

#### Coverage

- 8 sectors covering the power sector and the main manufacturers
  - electricity/heat, iron & steel, non-ferrous metal, construction material, petrochemical engineering, chemical engineering, and civil aviation.
- Emission: direct emissions from the burning of the fossil fuels and indirect emissions associated with the uses of electricity and heat
- Threshold for participation
  - 26000 tons CO2 emissions per year
  - Number of entities covered: approximately 7500
- Total emissions (direct): 4.5 billion tons or a half of China's total energy-related emissions
- Cap-setting approach: A hybrid of the top-down approach and the bottom-up approach
- Allowance allocation methods
  - Primary allocation method: Output-based free allocation
  - Auction is to be encouraged.



#### Implementation roadmap of China's national ETS



It will start with the *power generation* and ultimately extend to 8 sectors, covering one half of China's energy-related carbon emissions by 2025.



## Highlights of This Year's Development

#### Emissions Data Reporting

- Improved technical guidance for reporting with an emphasis on monitoring plan
- Cap-setting and Allowance Allocation
  - Directive on Cap-setting and Allowance Allocation will be released shortly
  - Technical Guidance on Trial Allowance Allocation for the Power Generation Sector has been released this month and will be used for the trial allocation to be started this month, covering about 2000 enterprises
- Registration and Trading System Construction
  - Will be completed and put in use by the end of this year
- Last minute training program tailored for the ETS operation
  - Managers from around 2000 enterprises
  - Provincial and city level government officials



# Technical Guidance on Trial Allowance Allocation for the Power Generation

- Option 1: three benchmarks
  - 1. Coal-fired power generation units
  - 2. Coal-fired Circulating Fluidized Bed (CFB) power generation units
  - 3. Gas-fired power generation units
- Option 2: four benchmarks
  - Coal-fired power generation units with installed capacity over 300 MW
  - 2. Coal-fired power generation units with installed capacity≤300 MW
  - 3. Coal-fired CFB power generation units
  - 4. Gas-fired power generation units
- Special arrangement for encouraging gas-fired power generation
  - Entities with allowance surplus can sell the those surplus allowance to the market
  - No punishment for the entities with allowance deficit



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