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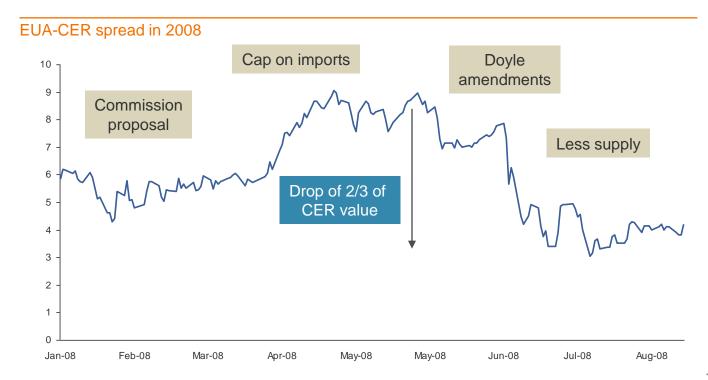


EUA-CER spread has been volatile in 2008

Conflicting drivers have pushed the spread up and back down over the last 8 months

- Upward drivers for CER prices
 - The pipeline of CDM projects could underdeliver
 - ▶ The EB is limiting number of projects which get approval
 - Smaller projects

- Downward drivers for CER prices
 - Cap on amount of CERs can be imported into the ETS
 - How much 'hot air' is purchased by governments for compliance
 - Qualitative restrictions for post-2012



Status of the discussion on the Commissions' proposed Directive

Some points seem to be agreed

- The 20% and 30% targets
- If an international deal is struck, the cap will increase to 30%: ½ of the additional demand can be met by imported credits
- All credits for utilities will be auctioned
- Cogeneration installations need to receive special treatment in recognition of their efficiency levels

Likely outcome

- Participants will be able to use more than 1.4bn tons of imports over the 2008-2020 timeframe
- Likely tightening of the quality requirements of imported credits
- Compensation for sectors exposed to international competition
- There will be no earmarking of auction revenues

What is being debated

- Amount and quality of import credits that can be imported into the ETS
- Auctioning
 - How to move from free allocation to auctioning for industry
 - Can be handled by a centralised agency
 - Should revenues from allocation be earmarked
- How to address carbon leakage
 - Which sectors are exposed
 - Appropriate compensation
- Which year is the base year to be used as reference for allocating credits: 2005 or 1990
- 10% of allowances will be distributed to Member States for the purposes of solidarity
- What is the smallest installation included in the ETS (currently it is 20MW)
- Include shipping in the ETS from 2015

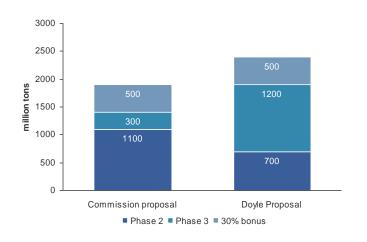


Expanded use of CDM credits on conditions of quality

Proposed amendments on imported credits

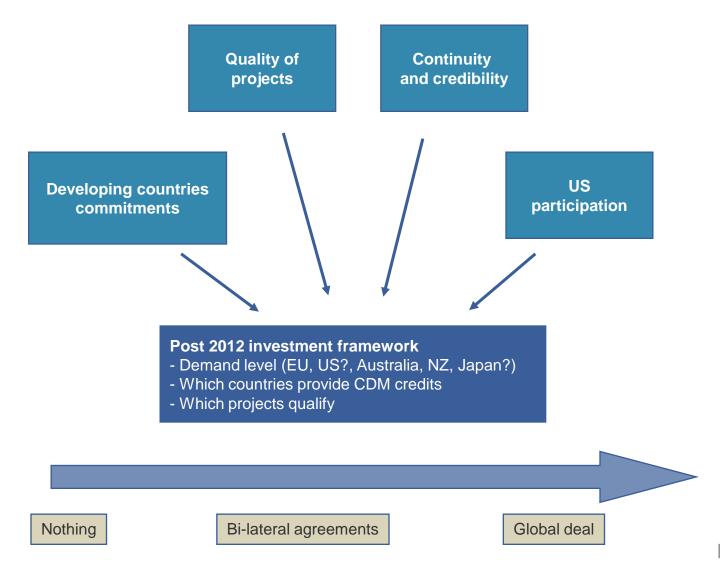
- Improve the quality of imported credits
 - ▶ Post 2012 imports used for compliance will have to be from high quality projects
 - Regardless of whether an international deal is struck or not
- Increase the quantity of imported credits
 - Only if an international deal is struck

Propose volume of imported credits in the Doyle amendments in the 2008-2020 timeframe



Source: CCC

Drivers for Post-2012 investment framework



Key points for policy makers

Cap

- Level of the cap is paramount
- ▶ Cap drives prices which will lead investment of the path to a low carbon economy

Auctioning

- Auctioning is the best method of allocation of credits
- Sectors exposed to international competition are entitled to special treatment

CDM

- Huge challenge to balance continuity and carbon market evolution
- Avoid retrospective regulation: do not refuse post-2012 first crediting period CERs
- ▶ Do not change Phase 2 rules
- ▶ Allow more volume to flow into Phase 3
- Create the transition towards increased quality projects

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