

METHANE TO MARKETS MINISTERIAL MEETING

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BARRIERS AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR LANDFILL GAS CAPTURE AND USE

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- Introduction
- UK/EU requirements landfill gas (LFG) management
- UK financial opportunities
- Overseas financial opportunities





- Methane, 21 x GWP (Global Warming Potential) than carbon dioxide.
- GHG (Greenhouse Gases) absorb infra-red radiation from Earth's surface and radiate heat.
- Lead to climate change.







Kyoto Protocol Commitments (1997)

Kyoto	- 5.2% reduction	below 1990	levels by 2008-12
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- EU 8% reduction below 1990 levels by 2008-12
- UK 12.5% reduction below 1990 levels by 2008-12
 - 15.4% reduction below 1990 levels by 2015
- UK goals 20% reduction below 1990 levels by 2010
 - 60% reduction below 1990 levels by 2050





UK Government Facts and Predictions

- 1960 7M affected by world flooding
- 2003 150M affected by world flooding
- \$55Bn damage extreme weather events 2002
- 6°C global warming 21 century, 88cm sea level rise, threaten 100M people
- GHG increase, 10% since 1990
- UK, 5% GHG reduction since 1997, 17% economic growth
- UK, 27% of GHG from methane emissions





EU, UK Regulatory Requirements Landfill Directive

Legislation	Implications
Council Directive 1999/31/EC of 26 April 1999 on the landfill of waste	Seeks to harmonise landfill standards across the EU, and reduce the amount of biodegradable municipal waste (BMW) landfilled for reasons of sustainability
Condition	Aim
6	"Landfill should be adequately monitored and managed to prevent or reduce potential adverse effects on the environment and risks to human health"





EU, UK Regulatory Requirements Landfill Directive

Condition	Aim
11	"to lay down technical standards for landfill of waste at Community level"
16	"to reduce the product of methane gas from landfills, <i>inter alia</i> , in order to reduce global warming, through the reduction of the landfill of biodegradable waste and the requirements to introduce landfill gas control





Landfill Gas Management

Hierarchy	Systems
Utilise	Contain
Flare	Collect
Oxidise	Extract
Vent	Combust





- 1989, UK Electricity Act Non-Fossil Fuel Obligation (NFFO) Orders
- 2000, UK Utilities Act, Renewables Obligation (RO) Order 2002 and Climate Change Levy (CCL), managed by OFGEM (Office for Gas & Electricity Markets)
- Jan 2005, EU Emissions Trading Scheme (ETS), 'cap and trade' through 'National Allocation Plans' (NAP)





NFFO	DATE	CONTRACTS	MW	PRICE
1	1990 – 98	-	35Mw	5.7 – 6.4p/Kwh(10.3 – 11.5cc/Kwh)
2	1991 – 98	-	48Mw	4.8 – 5.7p/Kwh (8.6 – 10.3cc/Kwh)
3	1994 (15 year)	177	389Mw	4.2 – 4.8p/Kwh (7.6 – 8.9cc/Kwh)
4	1997 (15 year)	60	148Mw	2.8 – 3.2p/Kwh (5.0 – 5.8cc/Kwh)
5	1998 (15 year)	75	159Mw	2.6 -2.9p/Kwh (4.7 – 5.2cc/Kwh)

UK electricity cost around 2.5p/kwh (4.5cc/kwh)





ROCs, Renewable Obligation Certificates

- ROCs came into force 1st April 2002, Government's mechanism for increasing electricity from renewable sources
- Regional Electricity Companies (RECs) have targets for non-fossil fuel electricity and have to pay any shortfall as a Fossil Fuel Levy (FFL)/ROC buy out price
- REC buy ROCs from OFGEM
- OFGEM buys ROCs under Replacement Fuel Purchase Agreements from Registered contractors, and is the wholesaler for ROCs
- There are regular auctions for ROCs





ROCs

Each bid; irreversible offer

0.1p to 20p/Kwh

(0.18cc to 36cc/Kwh)

0.05p (0.09cc) rate of bidding

Auctions, £50MWh average

Technology	August 2004		
Biomass	5.79p/Kwh(10.4cc)		
Hydro	7.66p/Kwh(13.8cc)		
LFG	7.80p/Kwh(14.1cc)		
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Wind	7.31p/Kwh(13.2cc)		











ROC Issue from April 2002 to August 2004 by Technology and Country

	England	Wales	Scotland	TOTAL
Co-firing of biomass with fossil fuel	1,216,200		134,447	1,350,647
Landfill gas	5,996,243	131,194	243,748	6,371,185
Biomass	1,497,705		55,205	1,552,910
Sewage gas	404,238			404,238
Biomass and waste using ACT	8,491			8,491
On-shore wind	657,863	768,677	1,041,277	2,467,817
Off-shore wind	6,449	60,709		67,158
Hydro <20 MW DNC	50,950	236,782	1,678,377	1,966,109
Micro hydro	1,400	815	78,292	80,507
TOTAL	9,839,539	1,198,177	3,231,346	14,269,062





Financial Opportunities, Overseas

- CDM Countries, no legislation to combust LFG, qualify for Emission Reductions (ERs)
- PCF Prototype Carbon Fund, purchase ERs through World Bank
- ERs Paid for LFG combustion and fossil fuel saving
- EU Feed-in tariffs





Case Study, eThekiwi Municipality, Durban Solid Waste, South Africa

- Bisasar Road, 21Mm³ by 2016, 3,500tp day.
- Mariannhill, 4.4Mm³ by 2024, 700tp day.
- La Mercy, 1.3Mm³ by 2006, 300tp day.
- Sites historically dilute and disperse.
- New phases now lined.
- Restored with natural soil materials





Bisasar Road Landfill





Mariannhill Landfill







CDM PCF Process

- PIN
- PCN
- Baseline Study
- Methodology Approval
- Term Sheet
- ERPA
- EIA
- ERPA Final signing.





EMISSION REDUCTIONS



7.75 MILLION TONNES, 21 YEARS





Emission Reductions

- ER_y = (MDproject_y MDbaseline_y) x GWP_CH₄ + ES_y x Elgrid_y
 - $ER emission reduction (tCO_{2e})$
 - MD = methane destroyed (t)
 - GWP _ CH₄ = global warming potential of methane (CO_{2e})
 - ES = electricity generated, (MWh)
 - Elgrid = EO_2 equivalent per MWh (t CO_{2e} /MWh)







- \$3.75/t CO₂eq (per tonne carbon dioxide equivalent).
- \$0.20/t CO₂eq social benefit fund (advance payment).







Thank you



Questions



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