

EU ETS Aviation Newsletter

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EU Emissions Trading System (EU ETS) – This newsletter contains an important update for aircraft operators on the Special Reserve.

2012 emissions reporting

We would like to thank all those operators who reported their 2012 emissions and surrendered their allowances on time. Over 99 percent of the carbon dioxide (CO₂) emissions we expected have been accounted for.

If you have yet to report your 2012 emissions, have them proposed in the Registry or surrender your allowances please do this as a matter of urgency. Operators should be aware that Phase II allowances are no longer valid for surrender. Any remaining Phase II allowances within an operators Registry account will be automatically replaced with Phase III allowances during July.

Improvement Reports

If your verifier has identified any non-conformities, misstatements or recommended improvements within your 2012 verified emissions report, you must submit an improvement report to us by **30 June 2013** to identify how these will be addressed.

If you are required to submit an improvement report, there will be a task in your ETSWAP work queue to do this. Improvement reports do not have to be verified prior to submission.

Return of 'stop the clock' allowances

Thank you to all those operators who returned the required proportion of allowances in conjunction with the Commission's 'Stop the clock' derogation.

Issue of 2013 free allowances

No date has yet been given by the European Commission to issue the allocation of free allowances due to aircraft operators for 2013.

EU ETS Aviation - Special Reserve

For Phase III of EU ETS, three per cent of the total quantity of aviation allowances will be set aside in a 'special reserve' for aircraft operators. The 'special reserve' is reserved for new operators who commenced flight activity

after 2010 or operators who have had a growth in tonne-kilometre (tkm) activity in excess of 18% on average annually between 2010 and 2014. The timetable for the 'special reserve' is:

2013: 31 August - deadline for tkm plan application to Competent Authority (CA)

2014: Monitoring of tkm data.

2015: 31 March - deadline for tkm report submission to CA; 30 June - deadline for eligibility application to CA; 30 December - deadline for submission of applications to the Commission.

2016: 30 June - deadline for benchmark decision; three months after the decision - calculation and publication of allocation.

2017: 28 February: aviation allowances from the Special Reserve issued.

European Commission ETS consultation

The European Commission is seeking input on international and EU policies tackling climate change impacts from international aviation emissions. The consultation seeks views on: policy options currently being developed at the International Civil Aviation Organisation (ICAO); and options to reduce the administrative effort for small emitters.

The consultation document can be found [online](#) and will end on 13 September 2013.

ETSWAP and Internet Explorer 6 (IE6)

An essential upgrade to ETSWAP security may have an adverse effect for anyone accessing the application using Internet Explorer 6 (IE6). ETSWAP support for IE6 will be withdrawn by the end of July 2013. It is strongly recommended that anyone using IE6 should upgrade to a more recent version (or an alternative browser) as soon as possible to avoid any impact.

Further information

If you have a query regarding EU ETS Aviation please contact the ET Aviation [helpdesk](#).