

Workshop on considering CCS as a CDM project activity unfccc.int

Summary of SBSTA workshop on CCS Overview of IPCC material relevant to CDM

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IPCC products useful for CDM?

IPCC Special Report on CCS:

• Information base in the field of energy requirements, permanence of storage, monitoring techniques

2006 IPCC Revised Guidelines for Inventories

- Good practices on reporting capture of CO₂
- Tier 1 estimates of transport leakage
- Good practices for site characterisation, leakage estimates, monitoring, reporting
- No site selection criteria





CO₂ capture and storage system





Sources and storage opportunities both m Annex I and non-Annex-I countries



Global distribution of large stationary sources of CO₂ (Based on a compilation of publicly available information on global emission sources, IEA GHG 2002)



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Prospective areas in sedimentary basins where suitable saline formations, oil or gas fields, or coal beds may be found. Locations for storage in coal beds are only partly included. Prospectivity is a qualitative assessment of the likelihood that a suitable storage location is present in a given area based on the available information. This figure should be taken as a guide only, because it is based on partial data, the quality of which may vary from region to region, and which may change over time and with new information (Courtesy of Geoscience Australia).





Energy requirements

- Additional energy use of 10 40%
- Capture efficiency: 85 95%
- Net CO₂ reduction: 80 90%
- Assuming the CO₂ from the energy supplier is also captured and stored



CO2 produced (kg/kWh)





Biomass would lead to negative emissions





Transport and injection of CO₂

IPCC Revised Guidelines for Inventories:

- Tier 1 emission factor for transport:
 0.00014 0.014 GgCO₂/km/yr (median: 0.0014)
- Good practice for injection: no Tier 1 or 2 available, so direct measurement at the injection well





Geological storage: types of storage



Enhanced Oil or Gas recovery

Revenues from storage, proven caprock, limited potential, well characterised, experience gas/oil industry Well characterised, proven caprock, large storage potential, experience gas/oil industry



Geological storage: seepage

IPCC Special Report on CO₂ capture and storage:

- Fraction retained in appropriately selected and managed geological reservoirs is
 - very likely to exceed 99% over 100 years, and
 - is likely to exceed 99% over 1,000 years.

"Likely" is a probability between 66 and 90%, "very likely" of 90 to 99%

• appropriate site selection, a monitoring program to detect problems, a regulatory system, remediation methods [..], risks are comparable to risks of current activities (natural gas storage, EOR, disposal of acid gas)





Geological storage: seepage

IPCC Revised Guidelines on Inventories:

Site characterisation: Identify geology of storage site, local and regional hydrogeology and seepage pathways

Risk of seepage: Evaluate potential for seepage based on site characterisation and realistic models that predict CO_2 movement

Monitoring plan: Adequate measurement based on seepage pathways identified. Validate update models if necessary

Report CO₂ injected and emissions from storage site



Geological storage: site characterisation

Site-specific characterisation essential

Reservoir: Thick, impermeable caprock, lateral continuity, not many faults

IPCC Special Report on CCS:

- Focus on reservoir and sealing, but also strata above and caprock
- Direct and indirect data

IPCC Revised Guidelines for Inventories:

- Potential seepage pathways (faults, old wells, etc)
- Quantify CO₂ migration
- Sufficient data to represent in geological model of the site and surrounding area and numerical model







A: CO₂ pressure exceeds capillary pressure, through sandstone

- B: CO₂ leaks from upper formation into fault
- C: Gap in caprock allows migration into upper formation

D: CO₂ migration, increases reservoir pressure and fault permeability IPCC SRCCS, 2005







E: CO₂ escapes via poorly plugged abandoned well

F: CO₂ dissolves in formation water and diffuses out of closure

G: Dissolved CO₂ escapes to atmosphere or ocean



IPCC SRCCS, 2005



Geological storage: monitoring

Monitoring low share in costs $(0.1 - 0.3 \text{ US}/\text{tCO}_2)$ IPCC Revised Guidelines for Inventories:

- Monitoring should consistent with outcome site characterisation and expected seepage pathways
- Annex 1 lists techniques for
 - Deep subsurface (200 5000 m)
 - Shallow subsurface (up to 200 m)
 - Near-surface (up to 10 m)







Geological storage: monitoring

Monitoring techniques:

- Should include provisions for:
 - Measurement of background CO₂ fluxes
 - Continuous measurement of CO₂ injected
 - Determination of emissions from injection system
 - Determination flux of CO_2 through seabed or ground surface
 - Surface measurements at storage site and potential CO₂ exit points
 - Technical improvements and periodic verification
- Post-injection: take into account forward modelling

