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Emissions Trading & Carbon Offset

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Why should you care about climate change?

That is because it affects YOUR future.



+6 A2 A1B +5-B1 +4 Observations Average warming in Japan (°C) +3 +2Wasanawa +1-2 1900 2000 2100 Year

Projected changes

Fig. 3.2.5 Projected average temperature in Japan

(Scenarios)

A: Society that emphasizes economic growth

B: Sustainable society in harmony with the environment

1: Case in which regional disparity narrows and globalization advances

2: Case in which regional uniqueness intensifies

二酸化炭素濃度(ppm)

Source: JMA



Projected impact of climate change in Japan - Food

Climate change will impact our daily lives. It has already changed the yield of food production, and will change the distribution of suitable land for cultivation and fishing.

Observed changes



Figure 1 White immature grains from irrigated rice (Morita. 2005)



Figure 2 Ukikawa symptoms in mandarin oranges due to high temperatures and heavy rain Photographs provided by: Fruit Tree Research Division, Agricultural Technology Research Center, Hiroshima Prefectural Technology Research Institute





Projected impact of climate change in Japan – Tidal wave

Climate change may change Japan's landscape. Bay areas may sink under water.



図 I-IV-5 2100 年気候時における三大湾奥部における高潮浸水深



What is emissions trading?

Emissions trading is one of the most effective ways of reducing GHG emissions. It was introduced by the Kyoto Protocol as one of market-based mechanisms to achieve Kyoto targets.



History of international discussions & commitments

The three Kyoto mechanisms:

- 1. Emissions Trading
- 2. Clean Development Mechanism (CDM)
- 3. Joint Implementation (JI)

The Kyoto mechanisms:

- ✓ Stimulate sustainable development through technology transfer and investment
- Help countries with Kyoto commitments to meet their targets by reducing emissions or removing carbon from the atmosphere in other countries in a cost-effective way
- Encourage the private sector and developing countries to contribute to emission reduction efforts

Emissions trading is an approach to reduce emissions by providing economic incentives for achieving emissions reductions



The purpose of emissions trading system

The introduction of emissions trading system has been discussed in Japan for very good reasons listed below.



Source: http://www.env.go.jp/earth/ondanka/det/capandtrade/about1003.pdf



Benefits of emissions trading system (1)

Emissions trading is more efficient and effective than simple regulation and voluntary commitment.





Benefits of emissions trading system (2)

Emissions trading makes it possible to reduce emissions from sectors that can reduce emissions at lower cost.



Source: http://www.env.go.jp/earth/ondanka/det/capandtrade/about1003.pdf



Carbon tax vs. emissions trading

Both approaches are market-based, but they function differently. Emissions trading has an advantage over carbon tax, as it fixes the quantity of emissions, hence fixing environmental outcomes.

Carbon tax:

Carbon taxes are "priced-based" policy instruments. Taxes increase the prices of certain goods and services, thereby decreasing the quantity demanded, which is called the "price effect." Carbon taxes fix the marginal cost for carbon emissions and allow quantities emitted to adjust.

- ✓A carbon tax would offer a broader scope for emissions reductions, including individuals.
- ✓A system of tradable permits entails significant transaction costs, taxes involve little transaction cost, over all stages of their lifetime.
- ✓ Carbon taxes have dynamic efficiency advantages that trading lacks because taxes offer a permanent incentive to reduce emissions.
- ✓ Taxes are not susceptible to strategic behavior by firms or nongovernmental organizations which may harm the contractual environment of the market.
- ✓ Emissions trading proposals are highly complicated and technical, unlike taxes which are an extremely familiar instrument to policymakers.

Emissions trading:

Tradable permits, emissions trading is considered a "quantity-based" policy instrument. They fix the total amount of carbon emitted and allow price levels to fluctuate according to market forces.

- ✓ A well functioning emissions trading system allows emissions reductions to take place wherever abatement costs are lowest, regardless of international borders.
- Emissions trading has the advantage of fixing a certain environmental outcome - the aggregate emissions levels are fixed, and companies/countries pay the market rate for the rights to pollute.
- Emissions trading is more appealing to private industry. By decreasing emissions, firms can actually profit by selling their excess greenhouse gas allowances.
- Emissions trading is better equipped than taxes to deal with all six GHGs included in the Kyoto Protocol and sinks (e.g. trees which absorb and store carbon) in one comprehensive strategy.
- Permits adjust automatically for inflation and external price shocks, while taxes do not.

Source: http://www.globalpolicy.org/component/content/article/216/45883.html



History of discussions over emissions trading

The introduction of emissions trading has been discussed by the government over 10 years...



Central environment Council, Japan's governmental advisory body on environment policy, established an ETS Subcommittee for designing the scheme (Apr.2010 ~)

...but it has not been implemented

due to the strong opposition from manufacturing companies.



Why not emissions trading?

Emissions trading has been avoided in Japan, because it is very effective in reducing GHG emissions!



新連載:国内政策を本音で語る(1) なぜ排出量取引の導入を 「排除」したいのか?





理論的には、環境税と排出量取引によって同等の政策的 効果、つまりここでは温室効果ガス排出量の削減効果が得 られることはどの教科書にも書いてあることである。排出量取 引の導入によって所与の排出量削減という政策効果を実現 できたとしたら、そこで取引される排出枠の価格は、その排 出量削減の実現のために必要な環境税の税率によってもた らされる化石燃料価格の上昇分と同値となる。したがって、 温室効果ガスの排出に対するコスト化という点では同じ帰結 が導出される。

ところが、両者はその制度導入段階での政治的な障壁が 異なる。排出削減を導出するために必要な化石燃料価格の 上昇率をあらかじめ政治的に確定させなければならない税 に対して、排出量取引では価格上昇が導入時には必ずしも 明らかではなく事後的に顕在化するという違いである。 同じ排出量削減を政策的に実現するために、どちらが導入段階での障壁がより高いかと言えば、それは税である。例 えば、現在の経済状況の中で、我が国において高い税率の 環境税をこのタイミングであらたに創設することは政治的に 不可能に近いと考えられる。しかし、税率を大きく下げてしま えば状況は激変する。税率を下げてしまうことによって税導 入の障壁は大幅に低下し、むしろ地球温暖化対策としての 環境税の導入を成し遂げたという「実績」をアピールしたい 政策側と、低い税率による実質的な「排出削減の実効性の 低さ」を求めたい排出側のニーズとが絶妙にマッチし、税が 積極的に好まれる状況が成立し得るのである。そして、その 結果として、本来の政策目的であるはずの大幅な排出削減 は実現しない。 税導入については、低い税率によってその政策的効果を 弱めてしまうことが極めて容易であり、むしろ政治的にはそう ならざるを得ない、という現実が実は広く認識されており、排 出削減効果に対するこの「税の実効性の低さ」が「排出量 取引の実効性の高さ」との比較において排出者に好まれて いると考えられる。つまり、経済学的には等価の結果をもた らすはずの税と排出量取引だが、税の場合は低い税率の 導入に留まざるを得ないという現実を多くは見透かしてお り、その意味において、税がセカンドベストな選択肢として支 持され、排出量取引導入を排除するという行動に結びつい ているのではないだろうか。

こう考えてみると、税と比較して、排出量取引はその導入 による排出量削減の「実効性の高さ」こそが実は特徴である と言える。そして、まさにそれ故に、その導入は忌み嫌われ ることになる。

(一部抜粋)



Why not emissions trading? – other reasons

Emissions trading is not favored by companies because it is operationally cumbersome! also companies are in fear of losing money from trading...



環境税と排出量取引制度を比較した場合、環境税が好まれる傾向が見られた。理由としては、 第一に環境税は金額の予測が可能であり、取引に失敗するリスクが無いこと、第二に、環 境税は消費税のように新しい国の税金として費用計上が出来、かつクレジットの取引に失 敗した際に、株主含め利害関係者に対して説明をする責任がないこと、第三に、排出量取 引の場合、取引価格の設定や社内での責任の所属等、解決しなくてはいけない事項が多々 あり手間がかかるのに対し、環境税の場合、現状の経営スタイルを維持できること等が挙 げられた。環境税の国境税調整は、貿易に依存せざるえない日本経済にとって海外からよ り大きな制約を課せられるきっかけを与えかねないと不評であり、日本はあくまでも海外 (特に欧米)と協調した路線を取るべきという意見が大半であった。

... This is unique in Japan, and not common in Europe and North America.



Carbon leakage & international competitiveness

Japanese manufacturing companies are afraid of losing their competitiveness due to the introduction of carbon constraints...

Carbon leakage is likely to occur:

- if carbon costs are high and cannot be passed on consumers via product price increases
- if climate policy commitment is globally incomplete
- if production is exposed to international competition

Carbon leakage is less likely to occur:

- if carbon costs can be passed on consumers
- if climate policy commitment is globally complete
- if products are highly specialized

排出量取引と国際競争力	東北大学 東北大学	明日香壽川 金本圭一朗
-現状と対策-	東北大字	匾冋春
<要約> 本研究では、排出量取引制度を含む環境規制が企業活動に与える影 結果を整理すると同時に、EU 域内排出量取引制度 (EU ETS) などの分 同じ方法論を用いて、日本における炭素集約産業および国際競争産業 製品レベルで具体的に明らかにした。	、響に関する 分析に用い を、産業部	5先行研究の られたものと 8門あるいは
3) セメント、石油化学、ソーダ工業、紙パルプなどの産業部門に属する数 い、4) 日本国内製の熱延薄板の場合、排出枠が有償(炭素価格 3000円 れ、これが機会費用として 100%製品価格に転嫁された場合でも、予想 需給変化、そして貿易パターンの変化の度合いは、実際に過去 10 年間 などの変化に比較すれば小さく、国内製品の需要減少は、EU および米 同様の先行研究の結果とほぼ同じレベルである約-3%程度と推算される に中国でのエネルギー効率の改善やエネルギー価格の上昇を考慮する よる国際競争力喪失や炭素リーケージのリスクは過大評価されている可 明らかになった。	日本におい 製品の炭素で されるた し/t-CO ₂) される た 観 の 、 5) 製 制 の た 版 数 の の の し た の 2 の 2 の 2 の の の の の の の の の の の の の	て集割価易品相約 、 ((((((()) () () () () () () () () () () () () ()) () ()) ()) () () ()) ()) ()) ()) ()) ()) ()) ()) ())))

...but studies have shown

that the negative impact to Japanese industries will be very small, and those that might suffer from carbon constraints can be protected by policy measures.



Carbon leakage & international competitiveness

Steel and cement industries may be affected due to their high levels of carbon intensity and trade exposure. But the overall impact to the Japanese economy is limited.



The projected impact of carbon constrains to Japanese industries

Source: http://www.cneas.tohoku.ac.jp/labs/china/asuka/database.html



Carbon leakage & international competitiveness

Projected price change is 1.25% on average, which is not particularly large compared with other countries, such as the US where the introduction of emissions trading is also discussed.

The projected price change after the introduction of carbon constraints



Source: http://www.cneas.tohoku.ac.jp/labs/china/asuka/database.html



Carbon leakage and international competitiveness

Industry-analysts consider that steel and chemical companies may be affected by carbon constraints, but firms with highly specialized technologies and products may transfer the cost increases to customers.



炭素リーケージについては、エネルギー、不動産、建設、運輸などの内需産業に関しては、基本的に起こらない。また国内企業に対するソリューション提供型ビジネスを展開する IT サ ービス業、コスト高であっても国内生産の基本方針を掲げる半導体製造装置メーカー・太 陽電池製造装置メーカー、また国内で資源循環型ビジネスを展開する段ボール業界では起 こりづらい。しかし炭素制約の影響を強く受けるであろう鉄鋼、化学、自動車産業、また 従前より海外 OEM 生産の進んでいる家電業界については、起こりえるとのことである。

価格転嫁については、類稀な技術を有し特に国内市場において高い競争力を誇る鉄鋼、燃料費 調整制度の適用が可能なエネルギー業界や燃油サーチャージ制のある空運・海運・航空貨 物業界、また一部プロジェクトではあるが原価スライド方式が導入されている建設業界、 輸入製品の存在しない紙パ(段ボール)業界、またグローバル産業ではあるが輸送が困難であ り現地生産・消費が基本であるガラス産業においては、概ね可能な様である。しかし自動 車、化学、紙パ(印刷用紙)、太陽電池、家電、不動産、陸運(トラック輸送)業界においては、 現在のようにデフレ傾向が強く、かつ海外企業との価格競争が強い状況下で原材料の価格 上昇を最終的に消費者に転嫁することは、極めて難しいようである。

This is basically in line with the theory and findings by the previous studies. The key for Japanese companies to avoid the loss of international competitiveness is to have the specialty in their business!



(Ref.) Carbon leakage & international competitiveness

There are a variety of policy tools to alleviate carbon leakage.

カテゴリー	緩和策オプション名	概要	メリット	デメリット	採用国(制度)
1.炭素⊐ス ト負担削減	排出枠の無償割当	排出枠を無償で割当	実施が容易(1国だけで可能)	効率性低下。行政コスト高い	EU、米国、豪州
	減税(生産コスト構造改善)	法人税や社会保障費な どの引き下げ	実施が容易(1国だけで可能)	効率性低下。行政コスト高い	豪州
	補助金(設備投資補助)	省エネ設備投資などへ の補助	実施が容易(1国だけで可能)	効率性低下。行政コスト高い	EU、米国、豪州
	国際オフセット	国際排出量取引や CDM の活用	実施が容易(既存のメカニズム)	CDMでは、地球全体の温室効果ガ ス排出削減は実現されない。資金の 国庫流出というイメージがある	
2.炭 素コス ト差異削減	貿易措置	国境で炭素費用の差異 を調整	非炭素制約国に対して炭素制約を 実質的に課す。国内での排出量取 引制度導入などの政治的受容性を 高める	対象国や製品の決定、炭素含有量 の計算などが困難。WTOルールや「 共通だが差異のある責任」原則との 整合性も課題	EU、米国が示唆
3.炭素⊐ス ト共通化	セクトラル・コミットメン ト	途上国の特定産業部門 にコミットメント賦課	非炭素制約国に対して炭素制約を 実質的に課す	途上国のコミットメントが必要。ペン チマークの数値の決定が困難	EUや 日本が途上国に 要求
	途上国の自主輸出規制	途上国政府が輸出税な どを賦課	非炭素制約国に対して炭素制約を 実質的に課す。自主的なものである ため、制裁を受ける、あるいは与え るというイメージは避けられる	途上国のコミットメントが必要。 UNFCCCのもとでの持続的かつ法 的拘束力があるコミットメントではな いため、国際的に認知されにくい	中国
	消費ベース・アカウンティ ング	消費側に製品製造の際 の温室効果ガス排出の 責任を賦課。	非炭素制約国に対して炭素制約を 実質的に課す。消費側の責任を明 確にする	国際協調が必要。データ取得可能 性が乏しい。現在のアカウンティング システムを・根本的に変える必要が ある	研究者提案レベル。た だし、一般的にカーボ ン・フットプリントに 対する認識は高まりつ つある



Local to National - Tokyo's Cap & Trade Program

Tokyo Metropolitan Government introduced an emissions trading system, prior to the national government. Tokyo-ETS is the world's first "urban" cap & trade program to cover emissions from office buildings.



- ✓ Japanese local governments have the authority to take legislative action when the national government does not have specific policies & measures. Using this opening, Tokyo introduced this innovative C&T program.
- ✓ Based on its experience of running Tokyo ETS, Tokyo now proposes the national government in designing the nation-wide ETS. This might be the way to go!



Saitama Prefecture has announced that it will follow this Tokyo's cap& trade program

starting from next April.



What is happening overseas? (1)

Emissions trading systems are becoming widely accepted internationally.



- (http://www.westernclimateinitiative.org/) (Arizona, British Columbia, California, Manitoba, New Mexico, Oregon, Washingtonなど)
- オーストラリア、ニュージーランドも



What is happening overseas? (2)

Emissions reductions may compliment economic growth. What we need is the political will to make a transition to a low carbon economy!

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What's missing from the Japanese politics?

Feedback from YOU!



Japanese politicians do not have incentives to act for young people...

Demographics forecast in Japan

We are facing a massive demographic change, which forces us to change our socio-economic systems...







... YOU should go for voting, so you alleviate the burden on your generation.



デフレの正体



Alternative path? – Voluntary carbon offset

Voluntary carbon offset may be a more efficient way of reducing emissions internationally, as the progress of discussions over the compliance market has been very slow...

Pros:

- 1. The voluntary market enables those in unregulated sectors or countries that have not ratified Kyoto Protocol, such as the US, to offset their emissions.
- 2. Because the voluntary market is not subject to the same level of oversight, management, and regulation as the compliance market, project developers may implement projects more flexibly that might otherwise not be viable (e.g. projects that are too small or too disaggregated).
- 3. By decreasing the costs of emissions reductions, the speed of carbon offsetting and trading can be accelerated.

Cons:

Lack of regulation

 ✓ Several certification standards exist. However, no single standard governs the carbon offsetting. This causes a lot of variations in calculations, and some offset providers have been criticized that their carbon reduction claims are exaggerated or misleading. There are widespread instances of people and organizations buying worthless credits that do not yield any carbon emissions reductions have happened. Furthermore, there is a shortage of verification, making it difficult for buyers to assess the true value of carbon credits.

Popular carbon offset project types :

- 1. Renewable energy, such as wind farms, biomass energy, hydroelectric dams
- 2. Energy efficiency projects
- 3. Destruction of industrial pollutants or agricultural byproducts
- 4. Destruction of landfill methane
- 5. Forestry projects.



Carbon Offset Practice – Airline Industry



British Airways introduced a voluntary passenger carbon offset scheme in 2005, as a pioneer in the airline industry

Climate change - carbon offsetting

British Airways was the first airline to introduce a voluntary passenger carbon offset scheme in 2005 and were also the first airline to achieve the UK Governments Quality of Assurance.

We strive to make it as easy as possible for you to offset the impact of your journey when buying a ticket with us on ba.com.

Contributions are automatically calculated based on the volume of carbon dioxide your flight produces and the cost of carbon per tonne at the time of your booking. Payments can be made safely and securely via credit or debit card, with the money raised going to help fund hydro-electric power plants and wind farms around the world.

These projects are certified Carbon Emission Reduction projects and as well as offsetting your carbon they also have health and social benefits. So by making a contribution you can have a positive effect on communities as well as balancing the emissions from your flight.





Carbon Offset Practice – Airline Industry



Virgin Atlantic works with myclimate to offer a carbon offset option to customers.



OUR GOLD STANDARD CARBON OFFSET SCHEME

There are lots of things you can do to reduce your carbon footprint other than carbon offsetting - cycling or using public transport, insulating your home, turning your heating down or using energy efficient light bulbs.

For those emissions you cannot reduce, you can try carbon offsetting with our Gold Standard Offset Scheme.

Upon submitting your details for this scheme, you will be referred to myclimate's external website, where your carbon offset donation will be processed. Please note, Virgin Atlantic Airways is not responsible for the content of external internet sites. If you experience any issues whilst on myclimate's website please <u>contact myclimate by clicking here</u>.

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● Round Trip ○ One Way





Carbon offset projects

myclimate develops and supports projects around the world that directly reduce greenhouse gases and in doing so directly protect the climate. myclimate carbon offset projects fulfil the highest standards (CDM, Gold Standard). They not only reduce climate-impacting emissions, but also contribute to sustainable development in the project regions.





Carbon Offset Practice – Airline Industry



ANA launched a carbon offset program using J-VER credits

The Regenerate Japan's Forests Plan.

Your carbon offset can help regenerate the forests of Japan.





ANA Carbon Offset Program

ANA Group launched its ANA Carbon Offset Program on October 1, 2009, for all domestic flights, as one of its customerparticipatory environmental activities.

This is a joint program with **more trees**, founded by Japanese musician Ryuichi Sakamoto. Of the many efforts ANA Group makes for the reduction of CO2 emissions, this program is one that customers can join in at any time, by calculating their own emission amount for each domestic flight trip they made (*1). Payments are made by credit card, and customers can offset emissions of past trips as well as planned future trips.

Carbon offset payments made by customers will be used as forest absorption credit from Japanese forests (J-VER) (*2), will help grow and rejuvenate Japanese forests, and will contribute to the prevention of global warming.

Participate in the Carbon Offset Program		
Depart from	Tokyo(Haneda) 🔽	
Arrive at	Tokyo(Haneda)	
Depart on	Jan 💌 4 💌 2011	
Number of Passengers	1	
-	⊙One-way CRound-trip	
Calculate CO2 Emission Carbon Offset Amount		
«Carbon offsets can only be purchased by credit card.		



Carbon Offset Practice – Hotel Industry



Six Senses started charging a carbon tax to customers to offset customers' flightrelated emissions. This practice has been awarded by the World Travel & Tourism

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WORLD TRAVEL & TOURISM COUNCIL (2009)



SIX SENSES RESORTS & SPAS, THAILAND & GLOBAL GLOBAL TOURISM BUSINESS AWARD FINALIST 2007 & WINNER 2008

Six Senses with its brand name Soneva, a resort and spa management and development company established in 1995, is headquartered in Bangkok, Thailand. It has ten resorts and 16 spas worldwide and host approximately 400,000 guests per year. Its mission statement. 'To create innovative and enriching experiences in a sustainable environment'. establishes environmental responsibility as a core value, and has led Six Senses to create its Social and Environmental Programme as a key operating standard across the company.

Based at head office, the Social and Environment Conscience Programme



For example, at Soneva Fushi and Soneva Gili, two small island properties located in the Maldives, motorised traffic is excluded on the islands, with 75% of the islands left undeveloped and forested and bike baths extensively wandering under the tree cover. Each guest and staff member is issued with a bicycle, and all services are delivered via bicycle or trolley.

Under an innovative and market-leading policy, all guests at Six Senses' resorts are now levied a 2% 'carbon tax' to neutralise the carbon emissions created through travel to the destination and while staying at the destination. Six Senses' staff are well cared for with a comprehensive staff incentive scheme, including sharing in a percentage of resort revenues. In addition, capacity-building training, including for environmental awareness, and the opportunity to work at Soneva resorts globally, are also offered to resort staff At Soneva Fushi, the majority of the staff are local and live on site, with opportunities for career development and enhancement. Many Maldivians hold supervisory and senior guest relations positions.

Six Senses Resorts & Spas Carbon Offset Programme

Six Senses Carbon Offset Programme, with the assistance of Converging World, is designed to offset all guest flight carbon emissions in addition to all carbon emissions arising from Six Senses resort operations and host travel. The non-profit programme offsets carbon emissions by replacing coal fired power plants with Suzlon® wind turbines in south India. Funds generated from this sustainable green energy are used to implement various social and environmental projects.

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Carbon Offset Practice – Hotel Industry

Marriott Hotels offsets its emissions through protection of rainforest.

GLOBAL TOURISM BUSINESS AWARD

In 2007, Marriott began a partnership with Conservation International to map the company's carbon footprint and develop a five-point environmental strategy for full sustainability. It includes:

WINNER 2009

- Carbon offsets through the protection of rainforest
- Further reductions in fuel and water consumption by 25% per available ٠ room over the next ten years - as well as the installation of solar power in up to 40 hotels by 2017
- Engaging the company's top 40 vendors to supply greener products ٠ across 12 categories of Marriott's US\$10 billion supply chain
- Creation of green construction standards for hotel developers to achieve LEED certification from the US Green Building Council
- Educating and inspiring company employees and guests to support the environment, including through green meetings and events.

The plan is part of Marriott's long-term system-wide environmental policy and focuses on efforts to reduce and offset Marriott's global footprint, which was calculated at 3 million metric tons of CO2 emissions annually - or 69.5 pounds per available room. The calculation was certified in autumn 2008 to Climate, Community and Biodiversity (CCB) Standards.

Marriot has a company Global Green Council in place to advance its sustainability initiatives. Nowhere is this better demonstrated than in its US\$2 million investment in the Amazonas Sustainable Foundation which, together with the State of Amazonas in Brazil, helped to establish, monitor and enforce the protection of 1.4 million acres (589,000 hectares) of endangered rainforest in the Juma Sustainable Development Reserve. The Juma Project acts as a sink for carbon emissions through the avoided deforestation of old growth rainforest until 2050. Additional benefits include forest conservation, an improved quality of life for the local population, and biodiversity protection.











Thank you!

More information on emissions trading and carbon offset: http://www.env.go.jp/en/earth/ets/mkt_mech.html