California-Québec Joint Auction Participant Training Presentation

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Introduction

- On January 1, 2014, the California Cap-and-Trade Program and Québec Cap-and-Trade System officially linked, enabling the mutual acceptance of compliance instruments (emission allowances and offset credits) issued by each jurisdiction to be used for compliance with each program.
- As a result of the linked jurisdiction programs, California (CA) and Québec (QC) will hold joint greenhouse gas (GHG) allowance auctions to allow market participants to acquire GHG allowances.

Auction Summary

- Auction Notices are posted 60 calendar days before each auction.
- The total number of GHG allowances that will be available for sale during each auction is provided in the Auction Notice posted prior to each auction.
- 2014 Annual Auction Reserve Price:
 - California: \$11.34 United States Dollars (USD) for both the Current Auction and Advance Auction; and
 - Québec: \$11.39 Canadian Dollars (CAD) for both the Current Auction and Advance Auction.
- The Auction Exchange Rate (USD to CAD) and the Auction Reserve Price (USD and CAD) for the joint auction will be displayed in the Auction Platform the business day prior to the auction.





Auction Summary: Eligibility

- California entities (CA entities): covered entities, optin covered entities, and voluntarily associated entities are eligible to participate.
- Québec entities (QC entities): emitters and participants are eligible to participate.

Note: In this presentation, the term "entity" refers to all entities and individuals registered under either the California Cap-and-Trade Program or Québec Cap-and-Trade System.





General Auction Schedule

Activities	Auction Time Period	Time - Pacific Time (PT) / Eastern Time (ET)
Auction Notice posted – Application period opens	60 days prior to auction	12:00 PM (Noon) PT / 3:00 PM ET
Deadline for making changes in CITSS and for submitting all hard copy documents accompanying these changes	No later than 40 days prior to auction	
Application period closes	30 days prior to auction	8:59 PM PT / 11:59 PM ET





General Auction Schedule

Activities	Auction Time Period	Time - Pacific Time (PT) / Eastern Time (ET)
All bid guarantees due to Financial Services Administrator	12 days prior to auction	No later than 2:00 PM PT / 5:00 PM ET
Auction participants approved and PAR and AARs notified	2 business days prior to auction	No later than 5:00 PM PT / 8:00 PM ET
Auction held	Date provided in Auction Notice	Bidding window 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM PT / 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM ET
Public notice of auction results released	5 business days after auction	12:00 PM (Noon) PT / 3:00 PM ET
Notification of the availability of auction results sent to qualified bidders	5 business days after auction	12:00 PM (Noon) PT / 3:00 PM ET







General Auction Schedule

Activities	Auction Time Period	Time - Pacific Time (PT) / Eastern Time (ET)
Financial settlement in cash due to Financial Services Administrator	7 days after notification of the availability of the financial settlement invoice	No later than 2:00 PM PT / 5:00 PM ET
Distribution of auction proceeds	Completed no later than 9 business days after financial settlement is due	
Transfer of allowances into CITSS Accounts	9 business days after financial settlement is due	12:00 PM (Noon) PT / 3:00 PM ET
Earliest date for bid guarantee expiration	26 days after auction	





Administrative Requirements: CITSS Account

Compliance Instrument Tracking System Service (CITSS)

- Before participating in an auction, an entity must have an approved CITSS account.
- The individuals that will be authorized to submit an application or confirm an intent to bid for an entity must be approved as either the Primary Account Representative (PAR) or an Alternate Account Representative (AAR).
- The entity must indicate an interest to participate in auctions by selecting the "Auction Participation" box on the Auction Tab in CITSS.





Administrative Requirements: Select CITSS "Auction Participation" Box

To be able to participate in an auction, all entities:

- Must indicate the entity's intent to participate in an upcoming auction by selecting the "Auction Participation" box in CITSS.
 - If box is already selected, no further action in CITSS is needed.
- To select the "Auction Participation" box in CITSS, step-bystep instructions are provided in CITSS User Guides.
 Contact CITSS Help Desk for further questions. Contact information is provided at the end of this presentation.





Administrative Requirements: Auction Platform Account

- The Auction Platform allows entity representatives to apply, post bids, review results, and download reports for an auction.
- Representatives that intend to act on an entity's behalf to submit an application or submit bids must have an active Auction Platform account.
 - If the representative previously activated an Auction Platform account, the previously established username and password can be used for account access.
 - If the representative has not previously been designated as the PAR or an AAR for an entity that indicated interest in auction participation, the representative will receive an email inviting him or her to activate his or her Auction Platform account.







Administrative Requirements: Auction Platform "Account Activation"

- A first time representative will receive an "Account Activation for Auction Platform" email from <u>auctionsupport@markit.com</u>.
- The account activation email will contain an activation link for the representative to activate his or her Auction Platform account by establishing security questions and an account password.
 - The activation link can only be used once and expires within 24 hours.
- The username for an Auction Platform account is the email address as listed in CITSS (e.g., john.doe@email.com).







Administrative Requirements: Auction Platform Account – Representatives of Multiple Entities

- Consistent with CITSS, the Auction Platform allows an individual to represent multiple entities as a PAR or AAR.
- Auction Platform Example: The "Select an Account" pop up displays multiple entities for users that are associated with more than one entity.

Select An Account	
Please select an account.	Select Participant Account
You are a Primary or Alternate Account Representative for multiple entities.	EDU1 EDU1 Oper - CA1004-1007
Select the participant account you are representing during this session in the Auction and Reserve	Entity02 Entity02 Oper - CA1017-1033
Sale Platform by clicking on the checkbox and clicking OK.	General04 General04 Oper - CA1025-1046
To change the Participant Account that you are	
representing, you must log out of the Auction and Reserve Sale Platform and log in again to select a	
different Participant Account.	
If you need further assistance in selecting the	
correct Participant Account, please contact Markit Support at auctionsupport@markit.com.	







Currency Management

- For a joint auction, both USD and CAD will be accepted, while all bid assessments and settlement price determinations, will be determined in USD.
- CA entities will submit bid guarantees, bids, and complete financial settlement in USD only.
- QC entities have the option of participating in the auction in either USD or CAD. The currency selected during the auction application or confirmation of intent to bid process will determine the currency of the bid guarantee and bids to be submitted, and completion of financial settlement.
 - No changes to the currency selection can be made once the application or confirmation of intent to bid is submitted.





Currency Management: Auction ExchangeRate

- To manage multiple currencies, an Auction Exchange Rate (FX Rate) is determined prior to each joint auction.
- The Auction Exchange Rate (USD to CAD) in effect the day of the joint auction and for financial settlement will be set the business day prior to the auction as the most recently available noon daily buying rate for U.S. and Canadian dollars as published by the Bank of Canada.
- In the Auction Platform, the Auction Exchange Rate is displayed as USD to CAD FX Rate.







Currency Management: CAD Bid Submission

- The value of all bids and bid guarantees submitted in CAD will be converted into USD in whole cents using the established Auction Exchange Rate to conduct the auction in a single currency, including the evaluation of bids on a common basis.
- The total cost of allowances awarded will be determined in USD and then converted to the CAD value using the Auction Exchange Rate so the entity can complete financial settlement in CAD.



Currency Management: Auction Reserve Price

- The Auction Reserve Price will be determined as the higher of the California or Québec Annual Auction Reserve Prices after applying the established Auction Exchange Rate.
- The Auction Reserve Price is the lowest price at which current and future vintage allowances offered in the auction will be sold.
- Bids submitted with a bid price below the Auction Reserve Price will not be accepted.
- The Auction Exchange Rate (USD to CAD) and the Auction Reserve Price (in USD and CAD) for the joint auction will be displayed in the Auction Platform the business day prior to the auction.

NOTE: The Annual Auction Reserve Prices for California and Québec are displayed as the "Announced Reserve Price" in the Auction Platform.







Currency Management: Auction Reserve Price (Example – Not for Actual Use)

Auction Exchange Rate	1.1000
California Annual Auction Reserve Price (USD)	11.34
California Annual Auction Reserve Price (CAD Value)	12.47
Québec Annual Auction Reserve Price (CAD)	11.39
Québec Annual Auction Reserve Price (USD Value)	10.35

- The bolded values in the table above indicate that in this example the California Annual Auction Reserve Price will be the Auction Reserve Price (\$11.34 USD and \$12.47 CAD).
- The Auction Exchange Rate of 1.1000 is for example purposes only and not representative of the actual anticipated exchange rate for any auction.

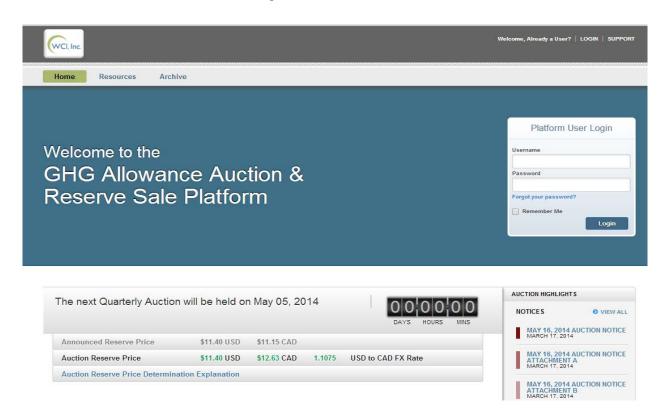






Currency Management: Auction Reserve Price

Auction Platform Example: Auction Reserve Price









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Auction Participation Process Steps 1 - 4

An entity will need to follow these general steps to participate in an auction:

- Step 1: Auction Application or Confirmation of Intent to Bid
- Step 2: Submit bid guarantee
- Step 3: Receive notice of entity's approval to participate
- Step 4: Participate in the auction





Step 1: Auction Application

- If an entity was not previously approved to participate in an auction, a PAR or AAR must submit an auction application through the Auction Platform.
- If an entity was previously approved to participate in an auction, a PAR or AAR must confirm the entity's intent to bid through the Auction Platform.
- For simplicity, the Auction Platform uses the term "application" whether an initial auction application or a confirmation of an intent to bid is submitted.





Step 1: Auction Application

- To apply to participate in the auction or confirm an intent to bid, the PAR or an AAR must complete the following steps in the Auction Platform:
 - **Step 1a:** Confirm intent to bid in the auction
 - Step 1b: Verify entity and account representative information
 - **Step 1c:** Submit bid guarantee form, currency, and return instructions
 - Step 1d: Complete attestation and submit auction application
- An application must be submitted or intent to bid confirmed in the Auction Platform by the PAR or an AAR by no later than the date and time provided in the Auction Notice.

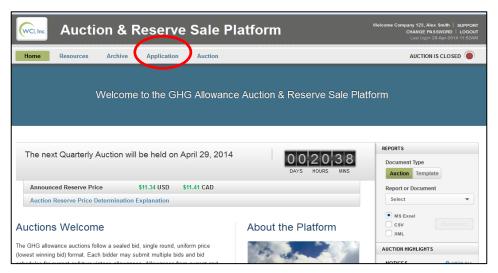




Step 1: Auction Application

Auction Platform Example: Application Tab

 To access the Auction Application, the PAR or an AAR will need to log in to the Auction Platform and proceed to the Application Tab on the top banner.



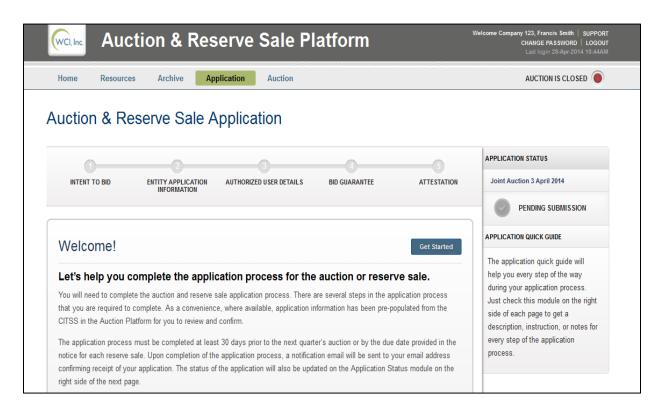






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Auction Platform Example: Application Pages





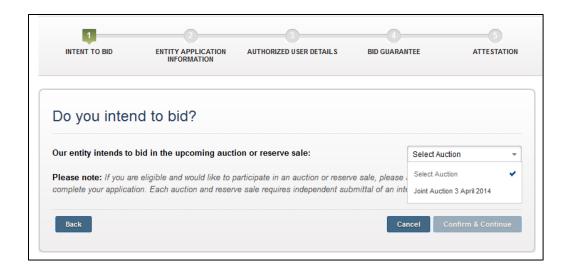




Step 1: Auction Application

Step 1a: Apply or Confirm Intent to Bid

 The representative will select the appropriate auction event from the drop down menu and select the "Confirm & Continue" button.







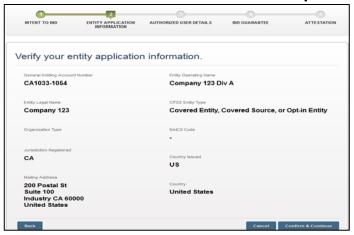


Step 1: Auction Application

Step 1b: Verify entity and account representative information

 Entity and account representative details will be prepopulated from CITSS account information. Confirm the accuracy of the data.

Auction Platform Examples:











Step 1: Auction Application

Step 1b: Verify entity and account representative information

- If changes to auction application information such as entity or account representative details are needed, changes must first be completed in CITSS.
- Material changes (e.g. entity's legal name) will require review and approval by the jurisdiction Registrar.
- To ensure information is accurately reflected in the Auction Platform, changes in CITSS must be approved prior to submission of the auction application.
 - All changes must be approved and the application submitted by no later than the date and time listed in the Auction Schedule.









Step 1: Auction Application

Step 1c: Submit bid guarantee form, currency, and return instructions – CA Entities

- CA Entities must submit bid guarantees in USD in one or a combination of the following forms:
 - Cash in the form of wire transfer.
 - An irrevocable letter of credit (LOC) from a financial institution with a U.S. banking license.
 - A bond issued by a financial institution with a U.S. banking license.
 - A surety bond issued by an institution named in the U.S.
 Treasury Department list of "Surety Companies
 Acceptable in Federal Bonds."



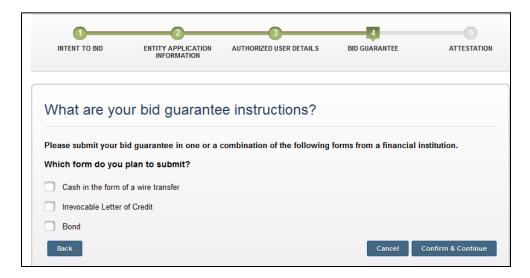




Step 1: Auction Application

Step 1c: Submit bid guarantee form, currency, and return instructions

Auction Platform Example: Form of Bid Guarantee









Step 1: Auction Application

Step 1c: Submit bid guarantee form, currency, and return instructions

 Once the bid guarantee selection is made, forms for return instructions will be automatically generated in the Auction Platform.

Beneficiary Account Name	Beneficiary Account Number
Beneficiary Bank Name	Beneficiary Bank's Routing Number
Additional Details MAX 280 CHARACTERS Explanation	

Same as mailing address		
Entity Legal Name	Individual Name	
Company 123		
Street Address	Street Address 2	
City	State	
Country	Zip Code	
Select Country 🔻		







Step 1: Auction Application

Step 1d: Complete Attestation and Submit Application

- The final step of the application or confirmation of intent to bid process is to certify to the Attestation. This step is required for all auction participants.
 - Representatives of CA entities should refer to the California Regulation and the ARB Auction webpage for further information regarding the Attestation requirements.
 - For CA entities, if disclosures or updates to previously submitted information are required, a representative may download the Auction Attestation Disclosure Form that may be used to submit the required information from the ARB Auction webpage.
- After selecting an answer to the Attestation, the representative must agree to the Auction Terms of Use and Privacy Policy, and can then submit the application.





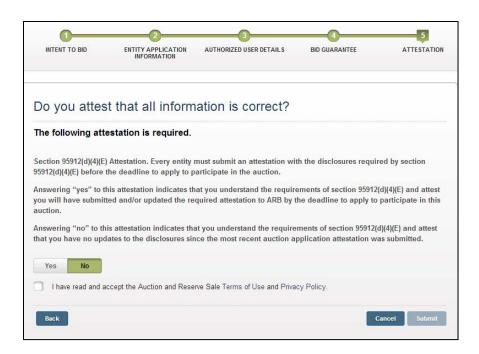


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Auction Platform Example (CA Entity): Attestation & Submit

Application





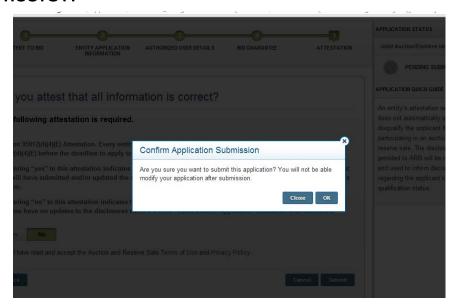




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Confirm Submission





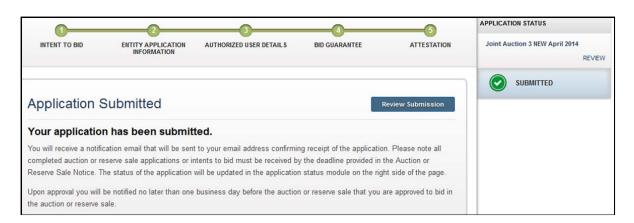




Step 1: Auction Application

Step 1d: Complete Attestation and Submit Application

- Once the PAR or AAR has submitted the application, the Application Status bar on the right hand side of the Auction Page will display as "Submitted" with a green checkmark.
 - PAR and AAR(s) will receive an email confirming submittal of the entity's application.









Step 2: Submit Bid Guarantee

- Entities submit a single bid guarantee that is first applied to the Current Auction. After the total cost for allowances awarded in the Current Auction is determined and deducted, any remaining bid guarantee will then be applied to bids in the Advance Auction, if the entity submits bids for both auctions.
 - Step 2a: Receive notice that a Financial Services Account has been established or verified
 - Step 2b: Download Financial Services Delivery Instructions
 - Step 2c: Submit bid guarantee to Financial Services Administrator
- The Financial Services Administrator will receive and maintain all bid guarantees submitted as financial security.







Step 2: Submit Bid Guarantee

Step 2a: Receive notice that a Financial Services Account has been established or verified

- Once an auction application or confirmation of intent to bid has been submitted, the Financial Services Administrator will complete the process to establish (first time participant) or confirm (previous participant) the entity's Financial Services Account.
 - A Financial Services Account is established and maintained by the Financial Services Administrator for the purpose of facilitating the bid guarantee and financial settlement processes.
 - An email from the <u>auctionsupport@markit.com</u> will be sent to entity representatives when a Financial Services Account has been established or verified, including directions to download the entity's Financial Services Delivery Instructions.







Step 2: Submit Bid Guarantee

Step 2b: Download Financial Services Delivery Instructions

- The Financial Services Delivery Instructions will include all the information needed to submit a bid guarantee, either cash or physical bid guarantee instrument, including the:
 - Financial Services Account Name;
 - Financial Services Account Number;
 - Wiring instructions for submitting cash by wire transfer; and
 - Mailing instructions for physical bid guarantee instruments.
- Additional details on submitting a bid guarantee are provided in the Auction Notice.



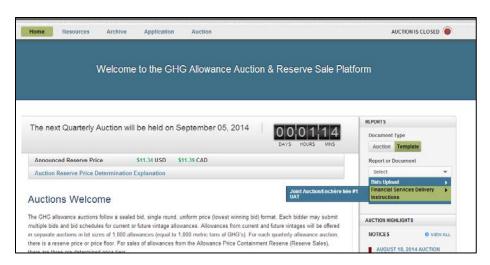


Step 2: Submit Bid Guarantee

Step 2b: Download Financial Services Delivery Instructions

 To download an entity's Financial Services Delivery Instructions, a PAR or AAR must log in to the Auction Platform, access the Reports Module - Templates, and select the appropriate event.

Auction Platform Example:









Step 2: Submit Bid Guarantee

Step 2c: Submit bid guarantee to Financial Services Administrator

- To submit a bid guarantee, an amount must be determined.
 - The amount of the bid guarantee provided to the Financial Services Administrator will be used to set bidding limitations in the auction.
 - The amount of the bid guarantee must be greater than or equal to the maximum value of the bids to be submitted.
 - For QC entities that select CAD as their currency during the auction application or confirmation of intent to bid process, the value of the bid guarantee and the maximum value of bids submitted during the auction will be evaluated in the USD equivalent of the CAD value submitted based on the Auction Exchange Rate.





Step 2: Submit Bid Guarantee

Step 2c: Submit bid guarantee to Financial Services Administrator

- Example: Determine Bid Guarantee Amount
 - An example process to determine the bid guarantee amount is provided below and in Attachment B of the Auction Notice.
 - Example: The recommended bid guarantee for Entity A is at least \$6,739,600 USD.

Entity Name	Bid Price (USD)			Cumulative Allowances	Total Costs ¹
Entity A	21.26	130	130,000	130,000	2,763,800
Entity A	17.29	190	190,000	320,000	5,532,800
Entity A	14.46	135	135,000	455,000	6,579,300
Entity A	11.62	125	125,000	580,000	6,739,600

• If the bid guarantee submitted has a value of \$10,000,000 USD, the Current Auction settlement price is \$11.62, and all allowances are awarded, then the bid guarantee remaining that would be applied to the Advance Auction would be: \$3,260,400 USD.

¹For simplicity, all currency amounts in this presentation other than Bid Price are shown in whole dollars.







Step 2: Submit Bid Guarantee

Step 2c: Submit bid guarantee to Financial Services Administrator

Submitting Cash Bid Guarantee

- Cash wire transfers must be received by the deadline date and time for receipt of bid guarantees as listed in the Auction Schedule provided in the Auction Notice.
- Instructions on how to submit a cash bid guarantee through wire transfer are provided in the entity's Financial Services Delivery Instructions.
 - The Financial Services Delivery Instructions are downloaded from the Auction Platform.
- Additional details are provided in Attachment A to the Auction Notice.





Step 2: Submit Bid Guarantee

Step 2c: Submit bid guarantee to Financial Services Administrator Submitting Physical Bid Guarantee Instruments

- Physical bid guarantee instruments must be received by the Financial Services Administrator in final form by the deadline date and time for receipt of bid guarantees as listed in the Auction Schedule provided in the Auction Notice
- CA entities may submit the following forms of physical bid guarantee instruments:
 - An irrevocable letter of credit (LOC) from a financial institution with a U.S. banking license.
 - A bond issued by a financial institution with a U.S. banking license.
 - A surety bond issued by an institution named in the U.S. Treasury Department list of "Surety Companies Acceptable in Federal Bonds."







Step 2: Submit Bid Guarantee

Step 2c: Submit bid guarantee to Financial Services Administrator Submitting Physical Bid Guarantee Instruments

- Required terms are provided in Attachment A to the Auction Notice.
- If submitting a physical bid guarantee instrument, entities are encouraged to submit a sample physical bid guarantee to the Financial Services
 Administrator for review.
- Entities that intend to submit a physical bid guarantee instrument are encouraged to remit it as soon as the PAR and AARs are notified that the entity's Financial Services Account has been established or verified by the Financial Services Administrator.
- Complete and proper addressing is critical to ensure receipt of all physical bid guarantee instruments by the deadline date and time.





Step 2: Submit Bid Guarantee

Step 2c: Submit bid guarantee to Financial Services Administrator Bid Guarantee Revisions

- The Financial Services Administrator will review and communicate to the entity representatives any deficiencies with bid guarantees submitted.
- If a submitted bid guarantee needs to be revised:
 - The entity would be notified by the Financial Services Administrator.
 - The entity would contact their financial institution and request an amendment to their bid guarantee.
 - All amendments MUST be completed and received by the Financial Services
 Administrator in advance of the bid guarantee submittal deadline.
- If an entity finds they need to revise a submitted bid guarantee, they should contact the Financial Services Administrator.







Step 2: Submit Bid Guarantee

Step 2c: Submit bid guarantee to Financial Services Administrator

- Final bid guarantees must be received by the Financial Services Administrator in final form by the deadline date and time as listed in the Auction Notice.
 - An entity is responsible to ensure proper addressing of a physical bid guarantee and complete wiring instructions for a cash wire transfer.
 - Entities should confirm receipt of bid guarantees with the Financial Services Administrator.
 - Emailed, scanned, and PDF versions of a bid guarantee or a bid guarantee amendment will not be accepted.
 - If a final bid guarantee is not submitted by the deadline, the auction application will be rejected.







Step 3: Receive Notice of Entity's Approval to Participate

- ARB and MDDELCC will approve or reject an auction applicants for auction participation. The PAR and all AARs for each entity will receive an email confirming approval or denial to participate in the auction.
 - An email from <u>auctionsupport@markit.com</u> will be sent within two business days of the scheduled auction date indicating an entity's auction participation has been approved or denied.





Step 4: Participate in the Auction

- The bidding window can be accessed by clicking on the Auction Tab on the top banner of the Auction Platform.
- Auction participants will be able to see whether the auction bidding window is open or closed on the right hand side of the top banner of the Auction Platform by either a green or red light.
 - A green light signifies the auction bidding window is open.
 - A red light signifies that the auction bidding window is closed.







- Bidders may submit bids manually or upload a bid schedule using the Bid Upload Template provided through the Auction Platform.
- For each bid the following information must be entered:
 - Bid Price in whole cents
 - Number of Bid Lots (1 lot = 1,000 GHG allowances)
 - Instrument Vintage (e.g. Current or 2017)
 - Currency
 - CA entities: bids must be entered in USD.
 - **QC entities**: bids must be entered in the same currency as selected during the auction application process (USD or CAD).

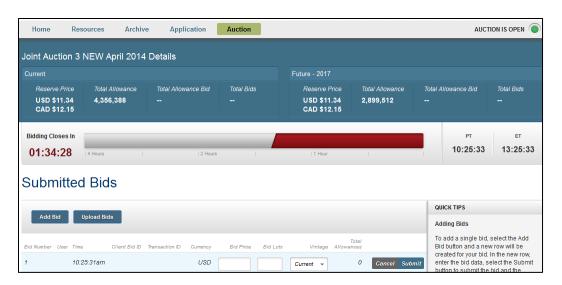






Auction Platform Example: Manual Bid Entry

- To manually submit a single bid, select the "Add Bid" button.
- Submitted bids can be manually revised or withdrawn during the 3-hour bidding window. After the bidding window closes, no further changes to bids are permissible.









Auction Platform Example: Bid Schedule Upload

- In addition to manual bid entry, multiple bids may also be submitted in a bid schedule upload process.
- A bid schedule is uploaded using a pre-formatted spreadsheet available in the Reports Module – Templates of the Auction Platform.
 - For each auction, a unique pre-formatted spreadsheet is available for download from the Auction Platform upon the opening of the auction application period.

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1	Auc	Auction and Reserve Sale Platform									
2	Auction Bid Upload Template										
3											
4	Currency:	Select the currency in which you would like to bid from the drop down.									
5	Bid Price:	Enter the price in whole dollars and whole cents.									
6	Bid Lots:	Enter the number of lots. Each lot is 1,000 allowances.									
7	Bid Allowances:	Total Bid Allowances is calculated as Bid Lots multiplied by 1,000.									
8	Instrument Vintage:	Select the allowance vintage from the drop down.									
9											
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14				0							



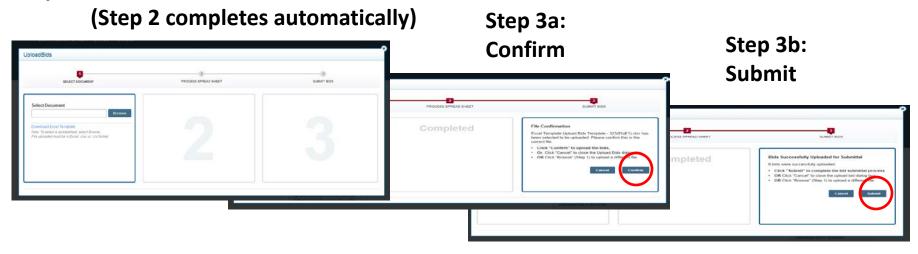




Auction Platform Example: Bid Schedule Upload Process

- The Upload Bids function is completed in 3 steps:
 - Step 1: Select Document Browse and Select Excel spreadsheet with bids
 - Step 2: Process Spreadsheet Upload Bids from the spreadsheet for submittal Note: This step is automatically completed by the Auction Platform.
 - Step 3: Confirm and Submit Bids Step 3a) Confirm the spreadsheet and
 Step 3b) Submit the bids uploaded from the selected spreadsheet

Step 1: Browse & Select



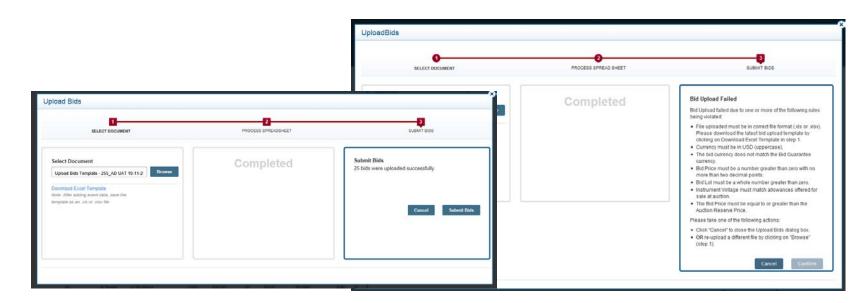






Auction Platform Example: "Bid Schedule Upload Confirmed"

- The Auction Platform will confirm a successful or failed bid schedule upload.
- Multiple Bid Upload Templates will be accepted by the Auction Platform, but each schedule must be uploaded one at a time.









Auction Platform Example: Editing or Deleting Bids

- During the bidding window a bid may be deleted or edited.
 - To delete, click the and then click "Yes" to confirm the bid removal.
 - To edit, click "Edit" and make required changes. Changes are confirmed by clicking "Submit," similar to the process of initial entry of the bid.



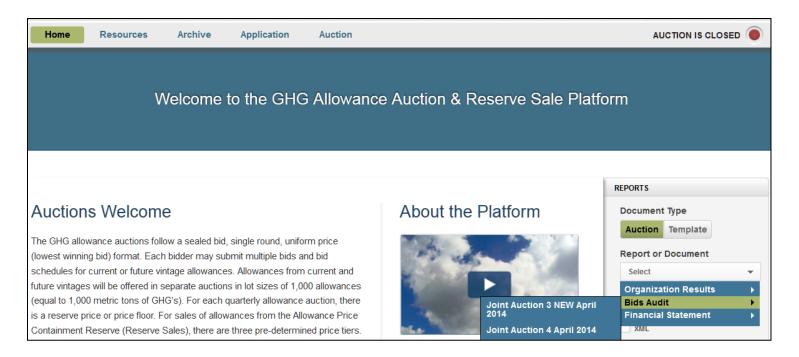






Confirmation of Bid Submission

 Bidders can access a Bids Audit Report from the Auction Platform's Reports module to confirm bids submitted and edited.







Example Bids Audit Report

 The example Bids Audit Report on this slide is based on the manual entry of three auction bids by an entity's representatives and one bid edit.

\mathcal{A}	А	В	С	D	Е	F	G	Н	1	J	K	L
1	Date	1/7/2014										
2	Auction	Auction Name										
3												
				Account Holding	Client	Transaction	Bid Submission					
4	Update Type	Update Time	Update By	Number	Bid ID	ID	Time	Currency	Bid Price	Bid Lots	Vintage	Total Allowances
5	Created	13:14:21 PT	johntest@company.com	CAXXXX-XXXX	90A3	5118	13:14:21 PT	USD	11.34	150	2014	150,000
6	Created	15:14:33 PT	sallytest@company.com	CAXXXX-XXXX	70B2	5377	15:14:33 PT	USD	12.44	100	2014	100,000
7	Updated	15:18:44 PT	sallytest@company.com	CAXXXX-XXXX	70B2	5899	15:18:44 PT	USD	12.44	200	2017	200,000
8	Created	16:44:13 PT	fredtest@company.com	CAXXXX-XXXX	D132	5877	16:44:13 PT	USD	13.01	350	2017	350,000
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Bidding Limitations

- The Auction Reserve Price effective during the joint auction is determined the business day prior to the auction.
 - Bids submitted with a bid price below the Auction Reserve Price will not be accepted.
- Auction bids are rejected in lots of 1,000 allowances, if bids:
 - Exceed the entity's purchase limit;
 - Exceed the entity's holding limit; or
 - Exceeds the value of the bid guarantee at the settlement price.
 - An entity's bid guarantee limitation is assessed at all potential settlement prices.
- Rejected bid quantities are not considered in determining the settlement price for an auction.







Bidding Limitations: Purchase Limits

Example Purchase Limit: CA Entities

- To determine an entity's specific purchase limit for a Current Auction, multiply the entity category's purchase limit by the total amount of allowances available for sale at auction.
 - Example Purchase Limit (Current Auction)
 - If the Total Number of Allowances for Sale = 3,900,000 allowances

CA Entity Category		Purchase Limit
Electrical Distribution Utility	40%	1,560,000
Covered Entity or Opt-In Covered Entity	20%	780,000
Voluntarily Associated Entity	4%	156,000

- The purchase limit for the Advance Auction is 25% for all entities.
 - Example Purchase Limit (Advance Auction)
 - If the Total Number of Allowances for Sale = 2,500,000 allowances, then the purchase limit for all entities = 2,500,000 *0.25 = 625,000 allowances.







Bidding Limitations: Holding Limits

- The holding limit is the maximum number of GHG allowances that may be held by an entity or jointly held by a group of entities with a direct corporate association.
- The holding limit does not apply to allowances held in the Limited Use Holding Account.
- There are separate holding limits applied to the Current and Advance Auctions.







Bidding Limitations: Holding Limits

Example Holding Limit

 To calculate an entity's holding limit, determine the following:

Holding Limit = 0.1 * Base + 0.025 * (Annual Allowance Budget – Base)

- "Base" equals 25 million metric tons of carbon dioxide equivalent (CO2e)
- "Annual Allowance Budget" is the number of allowances issued for the current budget year
- For 2014, the annual allowance budget for California and Québec is 182,900,000 allowances
- Example Holding Limit
 - 0.1 * 25,000,000 + 0.025 * (182,900,000-25,000,000)
 - 2014 Holding Limit = 6,447,500 allowances







Bidding Limitations: Holding Limit with Limited Exemption

- Covered entities may exclude a limited number of allowances from the current vintage holding limit calculation by placing them in their Compliance Account.
- The limited exemption is increased each year by the amount of emissions contained in the entity's verified emissions report and is decreased at the end of the year following the close of a compliance period, after the entity has completed its surrender obligation for the compliance period.
- Entities can hold more allowances in their Compliance
 Account than allowed under the limited exemption, but any
 allowances in excess of the limited exemption will count
 towards the entity's current vintage holding limit.





Bidding Limitations: Holding Limit Determination

Holding Limit Determination with Limited Exemption

- Holding Limit =
 6,447,500 + [Limited Exemption allowances in the Compliance Account]
- For example, if an entity's limited exemption is equal to 4,000,000 metric tons and it holds 1,000,000 allowances in its Compliance Account and an additional 2,000,000 vintage 2014 allowances in its holding account; in this case, the maximum number of allowances the entity can purchase and stay within the holding limit is:

$$6,447,500 + 4,000,000 - 1,000,000 - 2,000,000 = 7,447,500$$
 allowances.

 If the entity in the example above instead had a Compliance Account balance of 4,500,000 allowances, the entity may purchase the following maximum number of allowances without exceeding the holding limit:

$$6,447,500 + 4,000,000 - 4,500,000 - 2,000,000 = 3,947,500$$
 allowances.







Bidding Limitations: Management of Purchase Limits and Holding Limits

- ARB and MDDELCC provide the Auction Administrator the total number of allowances that may be successfully bid without exceeding the purchase limit and holding limit for the Current Auction and Advance Auction for each auction participant.
 - Data is transferred to the Auction Administrator the day prior to an auction based on balances in CITSS accounts at approximately at approximately 9:00 AM PT / 12:00 PM (Noon) ET the day prior to the auction.
 - The holding limit cap transmitted to the Auction Administrator is used solely for the purpose of administration of the holding limit bid limitation in the auction and will reflect the account balances in CITSS the day before the auction.
 - CITSS account holders are responsible to ensure that there will be no holding limit violation once allowances are transferred into CITSS accounts after financial settlement is complete.







Bidding Limitations

- In the following example, Entity D submitted two bids as provided below with a maximum value of \$28,963,200 USD.
 - Entity D submitted a bid guarantee of \$28,427,200 (USD).
 - Entity D has a purchase limit of 1,608,000 allowances.
 - Entity D has a holding limit of 6,447,000 allowances.

Entity D	Bid Price	Bid Lots	Bid Number	Cumulative	Bid Value at	
			of Allowances	Allowances	Bid Price	
Bid 1	\$20.19	900	900,000	900,000	\$18,171,000	
Bid 2	\$17.24	780	780,000	1,680,000	\$28,963,200	

- Entity D's second bid exceeds the bid guarantee limitation and the purchase limit limitation.
- Entity's D's second bid is rejected in lots of 1,000 allowances to 708 lots to meet both the bid guarantee and purchase limit bidding limitations.







Auction Conduct

- Pursuant to Section 95914(c) of the California Regulation and in Article 51 of Québec's Regulation, any CA or QC registered entity shall not release any confidential information related to its auction participation, including:
 - Intent to participate, or not participate, at auction, auction approval status, maintenance of continued auction approval;
 - Bidding strategy;
 - Bid price or bid quantity information;
 - Information on the bid guarantee provided to the Financial Services Administrator.





Auction Conduct

- The California and Québec Regulations require that any entity participating in an auction that has retained the services of a consultant or advisor regarding auction bidding strategy must ensure against the consultant or advisor transferring information to other auction participants or coordinating the bidding strategy among participants.
- The entity will inform the consultant or advisor of the prohibition of sharing information to other auction participants and ensure the consultant or advisor has read and acknowledged the prohibition under penalty of perjury.
- All auction applicants are required to inform their respective jurisdictions of the retention of an auction advisor or consultant, as specified in Attachment A to the Auction Notice.
- For an entity registered under the California Cap-and-Trade Program, the consultant or advisor must provide ARB with information as specified in the Regulation and described in the Auction Notice at least fifteen (15) days prior to an auction.





Market Monitoring

- ARB staff, MDDELCC staff, and the Market Monitor actively monitor the GHG allowance auctions, and provide ongoing monitoring of GHG allowance holdings and market activity.
- The Market Monitor reviews bidding activity and works with ARB and MDDELCC to identify any bidding or trends of concern that may indicate manipulative or anti-competitive bidding behavior.
- Any fraudulent, manipulative, collusive, or noncompetitive behavior may be investigated and prosecuted in accordance with all applicable laws and regulations.
- ARB and MDDELCC staff provide final auction monitoring results to the Executive Officer and the Environment Minister.







Auction Participant Training Agenda

- Section III: Auction Results & Financial Settlement
 - Settlement Price & Bid Fulfillment Determination
 - Auction Results
 - Financial Settlement
 - Question & Answer Session
 - Contact Information



Settlement Price & Bid Fulfillment Determination

- The settlement price determination process requires that the Auction Administrator:
 - Rank qualified bids from all bidders from the highest qualified bid price to the lowest qualified bid price using the USD value of the bids.
 - Allowances will be awarded to bidders, beginning with the highest qualified bid price and moving to successively lower qualified bid prices, until the entire supply of allowances is exhausted or all qualified bids have been filled.
 - Bid evaluation and settlement price determination for the Current Auction and Advance Auction are conducted separately, in consecutive order.
 - If total qualified allowances bid exceeds total allowances offered at the settlement price, a tiebreaker process is used.







Settlement Price & Bid Fulfillment Determination

Tiebreaker Process

- The tiebreaker process is used during the settlement price determination if the quantity of allowances bid for at a specific price exceeds the remaining allowances available for sale.
 - Each entity's share is determined based on the share of total allowances that can be awarded to an entity at the settlement price.
 - Number of allowances awarded is determined as share multiplied by allowances remaining available to be sold (rounded down to nearest whole allowance).
 - If there are allowances remaining as a result of rounding down, those allowances are awarded to entities by assigning a random number and distributing from the lowest to highest number.
 - Further descriptions of the tiebreaker process are provided in Attachment B to the Auction Notice.







Auction Results

- The Summary Results Report for an auction will be posted on the ARB and MDDELCC websites.
 - The date the posting is anticipated is in the Auction Notice.
 - The posting is anticipated to occur at 12:00 PM (Noon) PT.
 - In the event of a delay, a message will be posted on the jurisdictions' websites providing the new time for the release of the auction results.
- The Summary Results Report provides general results and statistics of the auction.
- The Summary Results Report will be available in English and French.





Auction Results: Auction Results Report

- Only qualified bid statistics will be provided
- Auction results will include the following:
 - Number of allowances available at auction
 - Number of allowances sold at auction
 - List of qualified bidders
 - Ratio of total quantity of qualified allowances bid to total allowances available for sale
 - Percent of allowances won by compliance entities (this category includes opt-in entities)
 - Auction Settlement Price
 - Auction Reserve Price
 - Herfindahl-Hirschman Index (HHI)
 - Bid Price Summary Statistics





Auction Results: Post Joint Auction Public Proceeds Report

- In addition to the Auction Summary Results Report,
 California will issue a Post Joint Auction Public Proceeds
 Report which will provide the following details:
 - the applicable exchange rate;
 - an explanation regarding final California auction proceeds; and,
 - the final amount of proceeds transferred to California.
- Refer to the Auction Schedule provided in the Auction Notice for the expected date that the Post Joint Auction Public Proceeds Report will be available.





Auction Results: Notification of Entity Results

- Auction participants will receive an email from <u>auctionsupport@markit.com</u> to notify them that the entity's results are available for the auction.
- The email notifying the representatives that results are available will include notification to download the entity's Organization Results Report from the Auction Platform.
 - Additionally, a Financial Statement is available for download in the Auction Platform which is the entity's financial settlement invoice.
- Receipt of the email informing the entity of the availability of the Organization Results Report constitutes delivery of the financial settlement invoice.



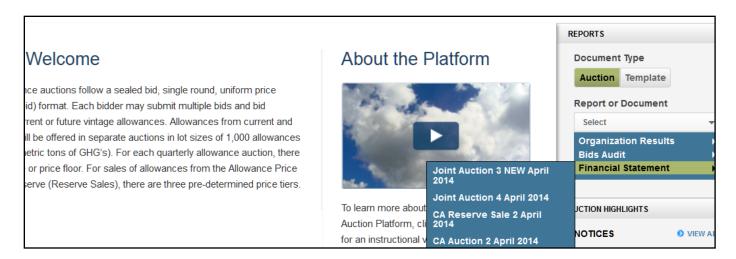




Financial Settlement

Auction Platform Example: Organization Results Report & Financial Statement

Successful bidders download their Organization Results
 Report and Financial Statement from the Auction Platform's
 Reports module.







Financial Settlement: Organization Results Report

The Organization Results Report for an entity includes:

- Auction Information
 - Settlement Price (Current and Advance)
 - Number of Successful Bids and Successful Bid Allowances (Current and Advance)
 - Total Bid Cost (Current, Advance, and Combined Total Cost)
- Account Information
 - Entity Information
 - Bid Guarantee Submitted by Type (cash, LOC, or bond)
 - Amount Due to Financial Services Administrator (if any)
 - Amount Due By Date (if an amount is due)
- Wiring Instructions for Submitting Payment
- Bid Information





Financial Settlement

- Successful bidders must download their Organization Results
 Report or Financial Statement to determine any amounts owed.
- For those entities that submitted cash bid guarantees, the Financial Services Administrator will use the cash submitted to settle for any amounts owed.
- Successful bidders that submitted a physical bid guarantee must submit cash by wire transfer as financial settlement for the amount owed, no later than 7 days after certification of an auction.
 - Deadline listed in the Auction Schedule provided in the Auction Notice.
- No bank/cashiers checks will be accepted.
- The Financial Services Administrator will draw down physical bid guarantees to cover any amounts due but not received by the deadline provided in the Auction Notice.







Financial Settlement: Bid Guarantee Return

- All bid guarantees for unsuccessful auction applicants or bidders, regardless of type, will be returned approximately 3 business days after the auction is certified.
- For successful bidders that submitted a cash bid guarantee, any unused cash bid guarantee will be returned no later than 15 business days after an auction is certified.
- For successful bidders that submitted a physical bid guarantee instrument, the physical bid guarantee instrument will be returned after payment for the amount owed is received by the Financial Services Administrator, expected to be no later than 15 business days after an auction is certified.





Question & Answer Session



Questions?

We will respond to any questions you may have at this time. Please submit your questions in writing using the webinar software.





Contact Information: Auction and Financial Administration Services

- Auction Administrator: Markit North America, Inc.
 - Email support: <u>auctionsupport@markit.com</u>
 - Call (877) 762-7548 from 8:00 AM to 6:00 PM PT
- Financial Services Administrator: Deutsche Bank National Trust Company
 - Email support: <u>db.wcisupport@db.com</u>
 - Call:
 - (212) 250-6645 from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM ET, or
 - (714) 247-6054 from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM PT







Contact Information

CITSS Registration and Account:

- Please contact CITSS Help Desk:
 - Email: <u>help@wci-citss.org</u>
 - Call toll-free: 1-866-682-7561

CA and QC Cap-and-Trade Programs:

- California registered entities:
 - Please contact the Air Resources Board at: (916) 322-7072
 - http://www.arb.ca.gov/auction
- Québec registered entities:
 - Please contact the MDDELCC at 1-800-561-1616 option 5
 - http://www.mddelcc.gouv.qc.ca/changements/carbone/documenta-tion-en.htm



