

# EcoSecurities Group plc

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# **EcoSecurities**

#### EcoSecurities is a leading aggregator of carbon credits in the global carbon market

- Founded in 1997 and involved in many firsts, including first UN-registered project (NovaGerar) and first to receive CERs (La Esperanza)
- "Leading Greenhouse Gas Advisory Firm Worldwide" Environmental Finance (01-07)
- More than advisory: carbon credit portfolio (30 April, 2008):
  - 434 projects (119 Registered Clean Development Mechanism)
  - 18 technologies, 36 countries
- Growing portfolio of voluntary projects (VCS, CCAR, US and international)

#### **Financial Metrics:**

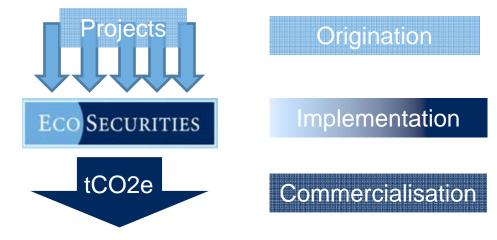
- Public listing on the AIM of the London Stock Exchange (ECO.L)
- 300 employees world-wide in 25 countries

# **Role of an Aggregator**

#### **Services to Projects**

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- Technical assistance with physical project Maximize reductions and accuracy of measurement
- Technical assistance with validation and verification Maximize speed to market and standard selection (VERs)
- EcoSecurities can invest or sign ERPA/VERPA offtake agreement (which can help a project with financing)



#### **Services to Buyers**

- Underwrite risk of delays and failure during the project development cycle
- Underwrite risk of project operation and offset verification



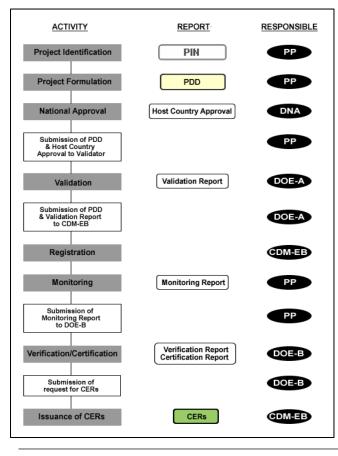
# Origination



**Issues:** Cost, Additionality, Monitoring and measurement, Permanence, Conformance with existing standards, Scale, etc.



### Implementation



Converting project operations to CERs, VERs

A carbon credit standard is a set of rules that:

- Qualify = <u>Validation</u> by an approved DOE, followed by Registration
- Quantify = <u>Verification</u> by an approved DOE, followed by Issuance

Higher "quality" standards generally qualify fewer projects and require more complex quantification

- Additionality
- Baseline

New project types require new methodology development (Eco – 13)

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#### Timing and Risk

- Sale can occur at many points of development/operation/issuance continuum
- Matched (project specific) or portfolio, guaranteed or contingent
- Typical sale: ERPA providing for forward delivery post verification

#### Pricing

- Market price: typically a price for issued CERs for December delivery
- Secondary vs. Primary spread = project and implementation risk
- Transactions may occur at a discount (earlier delivery or contingencies)
- Or a premium (e.g. renewable CERs for voluntary buyers)

#### **Structure Examples**

- Origination facility
- Tranched CER sale
- Source VER Portfolios



# **Pre-Compliance Approaches**

#### **Early action**

- Footprinting
- Passing through VERs/CERs to customers
  - NetJets Europe
  - Source Portfolios
- Plan/execute direct reductions, contract for origination facilities, etc.
- Hedging via exchanges

#### Develop projects in-house

- finding and contracting
- validation, monitoring and verification
- development, operation, nondiversification risk (sector, standard)

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