

Carbon Competitiveness Incentive Regulation

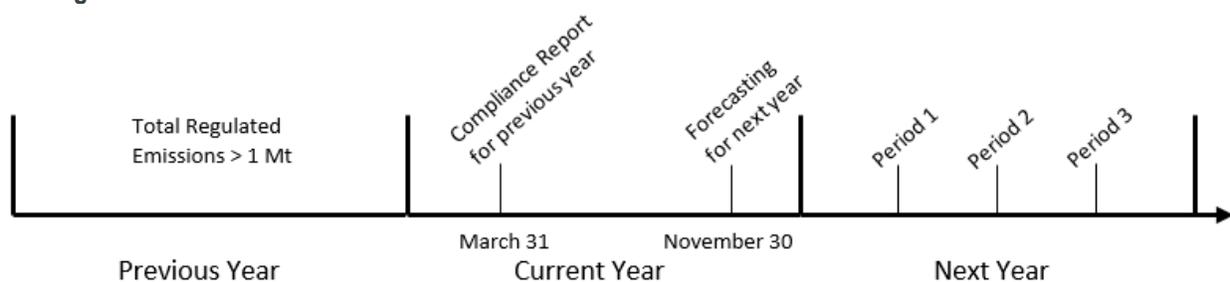
Interim Reporting and Annual Forecasting

The Carbon Competitiveness Incentive Regulation requires facilities exceeding one megatonne (Mt) of CO₂e to report quarterly and provide annual forecasting of emissions, production, and credit usage. Quarterly reporting improves forecasting for emissions and revenue for budgeting purposes. It also allows for revision of rolling estimations to ensure the best available information is shared with government as soon as possible.

Reporting and Forecasting Requirements

- Quarterly estimates of year-to-date compliance obligation and payment for the following year must be submitted by November 30. You can revise this estimate at each quarter.
- Quarterly interim reports are required which cover the period from January 1st to the end of each quarter. Incremental compliance reconciliation is required with each interim report which includes incremental true-up from the previous payment or credit usage. The ratio of credit usage stated in the forecast, by period, should be consistent in the interim report.
- The final, verified report is required by March 31 of the following year, with any remaining true up for the compliance owed for the full year. For example, a facility reporting total regulated emissions over 1 Mt CO₂e in 2017 must submit a forecast by November 30, 2018, for the 2019 forecasting year, plus quarterly reports in 2019. An annual compliance report for 2019 is due March 31, 2020.

Forecasting timeline



Quarterly reporting schedule

Submission	Determined By	Due Date
Annual Emissions and Production forecast (for next year)	Best estimation, certified	November 30 of current year *
Period 1 Report and Compliance True Up	Compliance with Q1 quarter actuals	May 15 of current compliance year
Period 2 Report and Compliance True Up	Compliance with Q1 Q2 quarters actuals	August 15 of current compliance year
Period 3 Report and Compliance True Up	Compliance with Q1 Q2 Q3 quarters actuals	November 15 of current compliance year
Annual Final Verified Compliance Report and Compliance True Up	Compliance with verified year-end results by quarter	March 31 of following compliance year

*Special consideration is for 2018 only. Forecasts for 2018 must be submitted by January 15, 2018.

Forecast Requirements

- A forecasting facility is required to submit a forecast for the next year if the previous year total regulated emissions are more than one megatonne. Conversely, if the previous year total regulated emissions fall below one megatonne, then the facility is not required to submit a forecast for the next year.
- Formulate the annual forecast with the best estimate possible, including anticipated expansions or turnarounds. Year-to-date quarterly compliance true-up must reflect year-to-date actuals and should reasonably match year-to-date quarterly quantities provided in the annual forecast.
- While unexpected events can occur during the forecast year, facilities must explain discrepancies in the quarterly reports and, where possible, the impacts to the forecast. Also explain facility improvements that will result in reductions in emission intensities. Along with any quarterly reporting, the facility may request to alter the forecast for the remaining quarter(s).
- The Director can request information in support of the above situations.
- An official of the reporting facility must certify the forecast.

Verification Requirements

- Provide third-party verification for the entire year by reporting period along with the March 31 report for the prior year.
- Third-party verification of quarterly reporting may be required through a supplemental information request. The Director may also require third-party verification of quarterly reporting in the subsequent year.