# Singapore's Measurement, Reporting & Verification Framework

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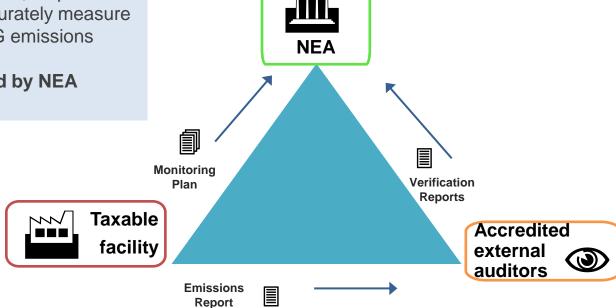
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## **MRV Framework**

- Monitoring Plan (MP) documents the facility's methods, steps and procedures to accurately measure and report all GHG emissions
- MPs are validated by NEA



- The accredited external auditor verifies the Emissions Report (ER) to a reasonable level of assurance based on MP
- The verified emissions form the basis for the assessment of the taxable facility's carbon tax liability

- Third-party verification of Emissions Report (ER) ensures independent assurance that the GHG emissions measured & reported are accurate
- Accredited external auditors submit:

   (1) Notice of verification (2)
   Verification plan summary and (3)

   Verification report to NEA
- Accreditation of external auditors conducted by an inter-agency Accreditation Working Committee (AWC) led by NEA
- Surveillance of accredited external auditors' performance done by NEA

# **M&R** Requirements – Submission Documents for Taxable Facilities

Monitoring Plan	Emissions Report
<ul> <li>Frequency: dynamic, whenever there are changes to processes or GHG computation methodologies, facility to update MP and seek NEA's approval.</li> <li>Documents the methods, steps and procedures to accurately measure and report GHG emissions</li> <li>Emission sources and streams</li> <li>Emissions quantification methodology</li> <li>QC / QA procedures</li> <li>Serves as the blueprint for emissions monitoring and third-party verification</li> <li>Macros-enabled Microsoft Excel Template</li> <li>Validation (including site visit) by NEA. Validation checklist comprises ~100 questions for admin checks and ~ 60 for technical checks</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Frequency: annual</li> <li>Contains actual emissions data <ul> <li>Activity data</li> <li>Conversion factors (e.g. NCV, CO<sub>2</sub> EF)</li> </ul> </li> <li>Web-based form in EDMA, exportable to facilitate verification</li> <li>Auto-population of fuel combustion data with ECA EUR</li> <li>Verified by an external auditor to a reasonable level of assurance* <ul> <li>List of accredited verifiers is published on NEA website</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

#### Notes

Both reckonable & non-reckonable emissions to be reported, but only reckonable emissions to be verified by the third-party verifier.

## **Key M&R Elements**

#### Emission sources and emission streams

Emission quantification methods
1) Calculation approach 2) Material balance 3) Direct measurement

#### **Tiers**

methods for estimating activity data and conversion factors of increasing complexity and accuracy

- choice of default or site-specific factors through sampling/analysis, online metering
  - choice of sampling/analysis (and frequency), online metering
    - choice of engineering estimates, invoices, etc

### Emissions quantification approach

- calculation formulae and data aggregation steps
- how activity data and conversion factors are determined
  - assumptions involved

Alternative approach treatment of missing data

Uncertainty assessment
- parameter level, stream level, aggregated facility-level uncertainty

Quality Management Framework

Quality control / quality assurance procedures to ensure data quality and emissions accuracy

## **Verification**

**Verification** is an independent & objective assessment of the:

- (i) Implementation of the validated Monitoring Plan (MP), including the Quality Management Framework (QMF); and
- (ii) Robustness / accuracy of data in the Emissions Report (ER).

The verification team is to assess the following to a <u>reasonable level of assurance</u> during verification

(i) Only reckonable emissions need to be verified, while the non-reckonable emissions will be checked by NEA

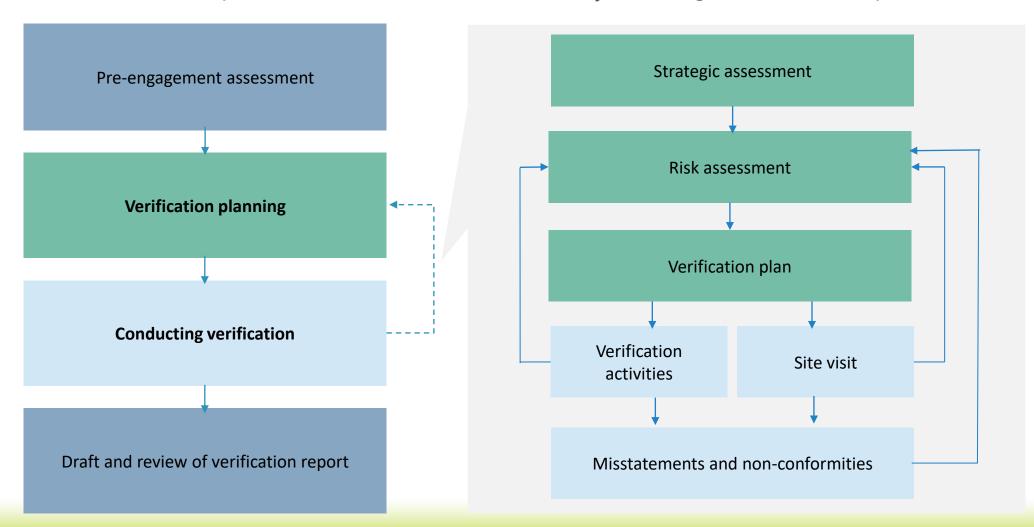
- Data reported in the ER were collected in compliance with the approved MP

- Data reported in the ER are complete, reliable, accurate and free from material misstatement(s)

- The ER complies with the M&R requirements

## **Verification Process**

Accredited auditors are required to conduct their verification by following the verification process.



## References

- For further information on the implementation of Singapore's carbon tax, please visit our website:
  - GHG Measurement and Reporting requirements



GHG Verification and Accreditation requirements



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