



Investor Group on
Climate Change

Emissions Trading: Assessing the Impact on Earnings

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Are Investors interested in Climate Change & Emissions Trading?

Investor Group on Climate Change represents investors with over \$225 billion in FUM



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Are Investors interested in Climate Change & Emissions Trading?

Collaborative

- Institutional Investor Group on Climate Change (UK) – €3 trillion FUM
- Investor Network on Climate Risk (US) – US\$3 trillion FUM
- Carbon Disclosure Project – US\$41 trillion FUM
- Enhanced Analytic Initiative – €1.8 trillion FUM
- Principles for Responsible Investment – US\$8 trillion FUM
- Global Framework for Climate Risk Disclosure – Supported by those above

Individual

- Research – Goldman Sachs JBWere, Citigroup
- Climate Change Indices – Goldman Sachs JB Were Climate Leaders Index
– ABN AMRO Climate Change & Environment Index



Why are Investors interested?

Physical Risks - Increased frequency & intensity of extremes weather events, rising sea levels, floods, droughts & bushfires

- Infrastructure damage, disruptions to operations

Regulatory Risks - Carbon pricing, standards for lower emissions (infrastructure, products etc), measurement & reporting requirements

- Increasing operational & input costs

Market Related Risks – Impacts to supply and demand

- Disruption to supply or increased costs
- Changing market demand caused by: weather related disruptions; increasing prices; shift to low emissions products





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Emissions Trading

Government consideration of emissions trading

- States and Territories – National Emissions Trading Taskforce
 - Commenced January 2004
 - Discussion Paper August 2006
 - Final report second half 2007
- Commonwealth Government – Task Group on Emissions Trading
 - Commenced December 2006
 - Issues Paper February 2007
 - Final Report 31 May 2007

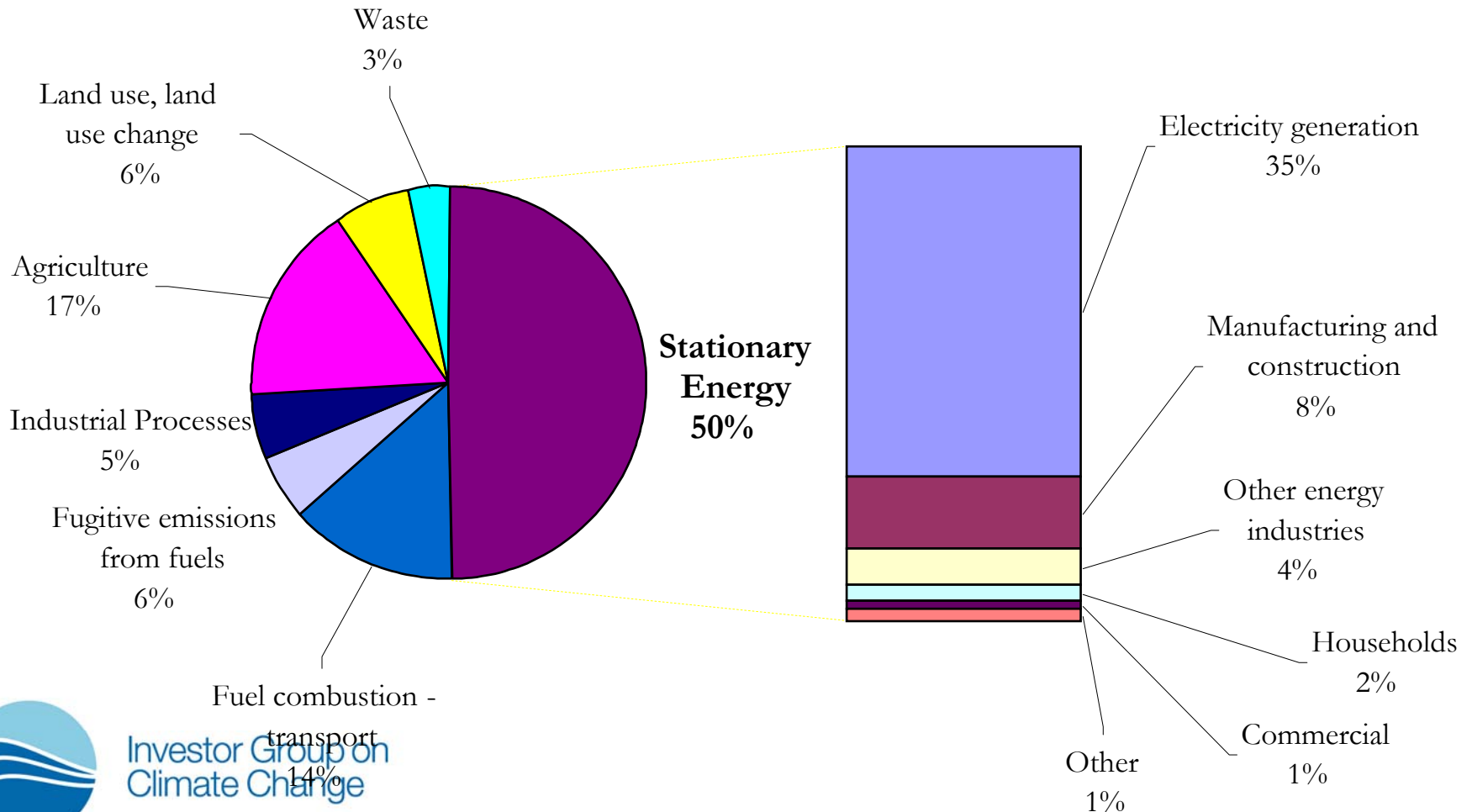


Emissions trading basics

- Identify the emissions that are to be covered
- Set the “cap”
- Issue permits
- Monitor compliance
- Permits can be traded



Australia's emissions in 2004



Designing the scheme caps

- 10 years of known, firm caps
- Gateways for 10 further years beyond firm caps
- Firm caps extended annually
- Gateways updated every five years, extending them for a further five years



Design issues for permits

- Annual permits
- Secure property right
- Allocate for future years by 'date stamping'
- Unlimited banking
- No borrowing (1% of liability from next year's permits?)



Permit allocation principles

- Distributional issue
- Assistance for those most adversely affected
- Avoid perverse incentives or market power



Permit allocation proposals

- Free allocation to those disproportionately harmed
- Free allocation to trade exposed, highly carbon price sensitive industry
- Remaining permits auctioned



Offsets

- International offsets
- Domestic offsets
 - Not from covered sectors



Penalty or 'emissions fee' for non-compliance

■ Penalty level

- set at a level to ensure compliance
- ceiling on scheme costs
- subject of further modelling

■ No make-good provision – could be reviewed

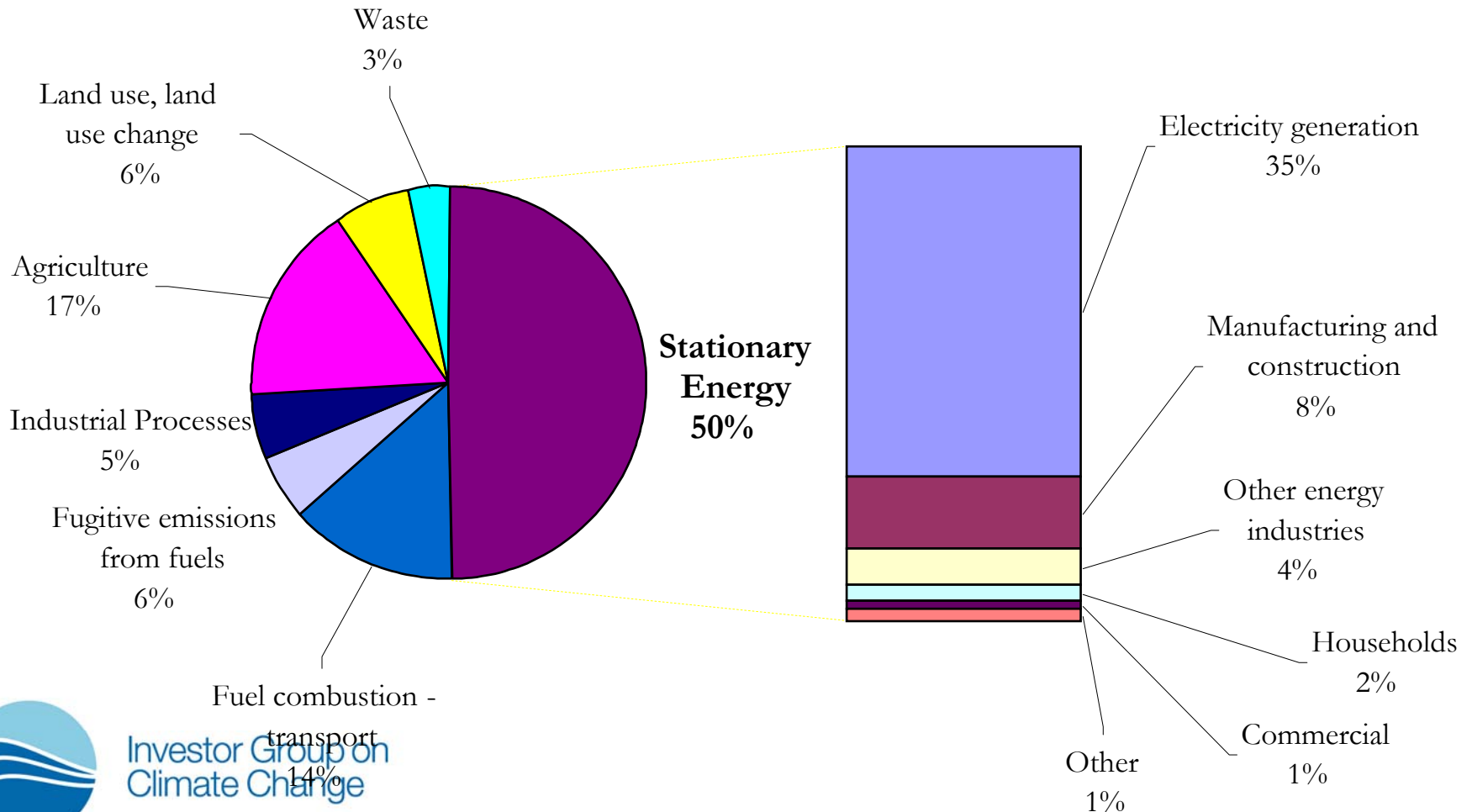




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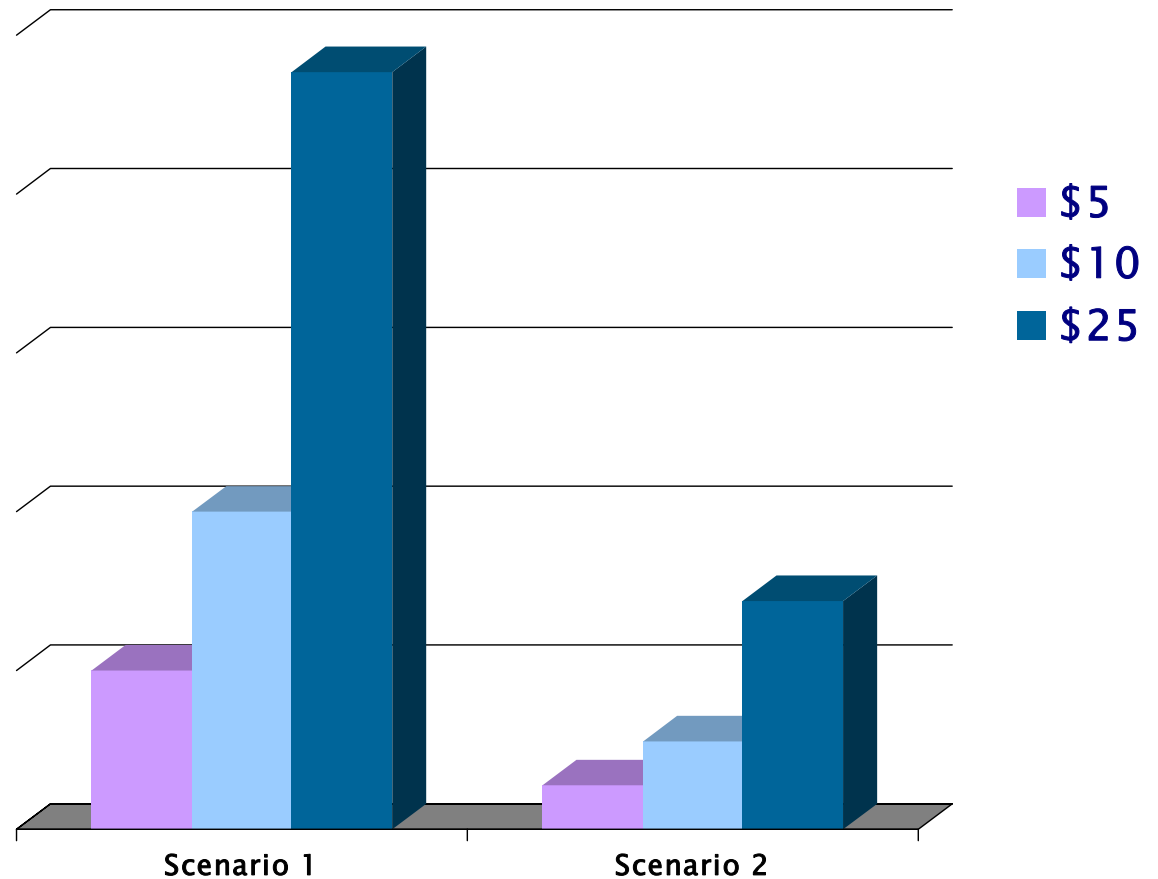
Emissions Coverage

Australia's emissions in 2004



Impact of Emissions Coverage

Exclusion of process emissions reduces liable emissions for the sector by 70%



Only difference between Scenario 1 & 2 is the exclusion of process emissions





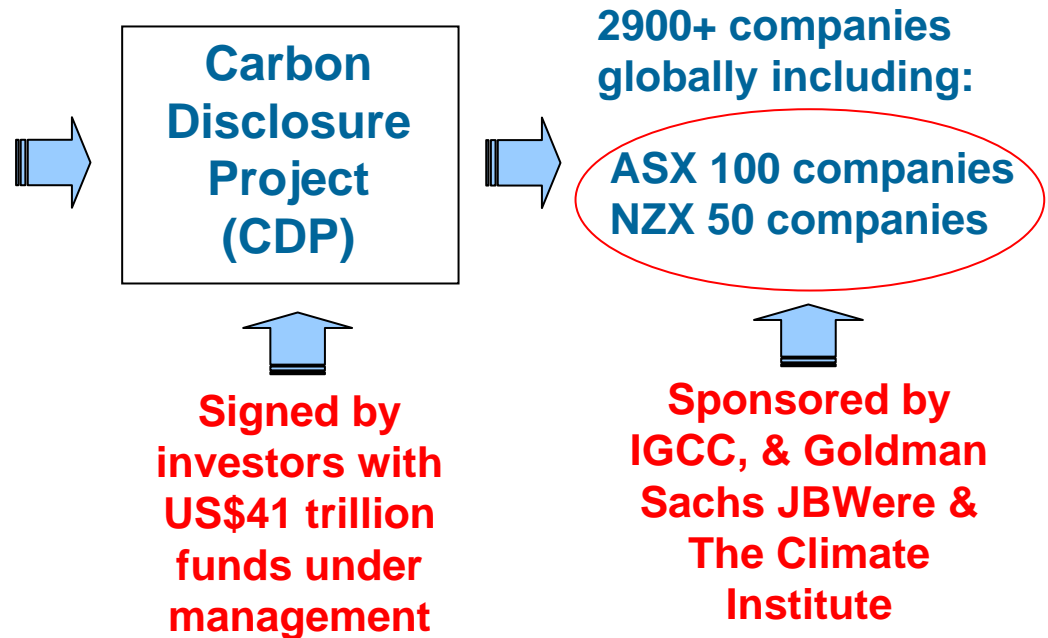
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Emissions Data

What information is needed?

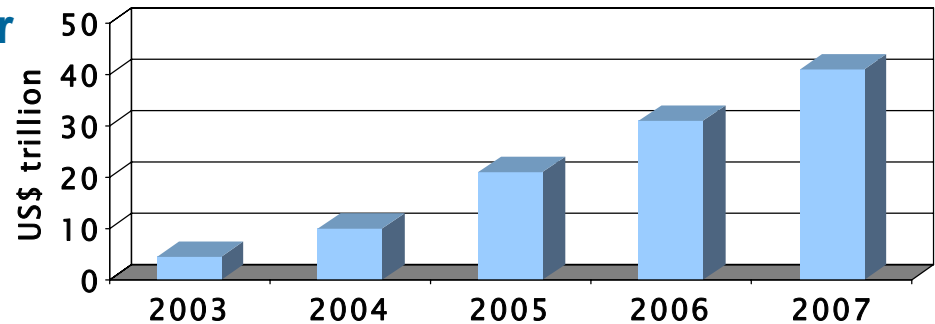
Including

- Detailed greenhouse gas emissions inventory
- Energy costs
- Energy intensity of product
- Mitigation strategies
- Revenue generation opportunities



Carbon Disclosure Project

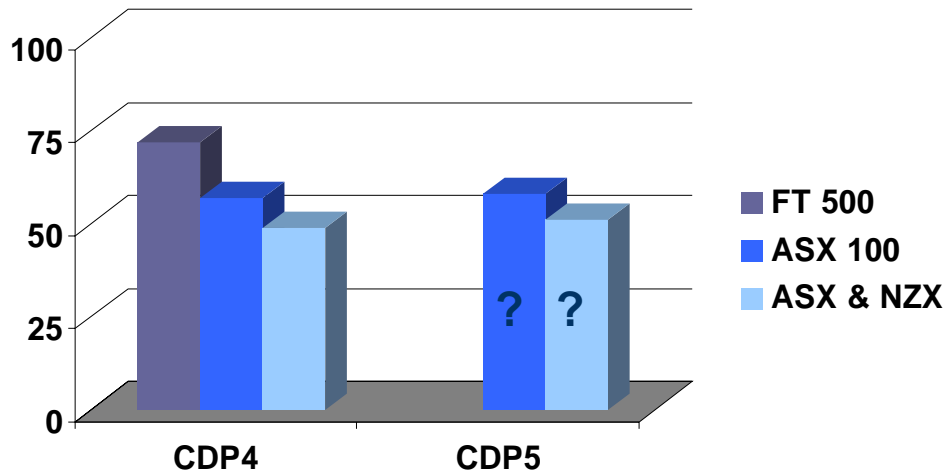
CDP Signatory FUM



Growing investor backing

Lagging company response

Company Response Rates (%)



CDP4 (2006)
Only 6 companies disclosed full emissions profile from owned & controlled entities (with 3rd party verification)





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Mandatory Reporting



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Permit Allocation

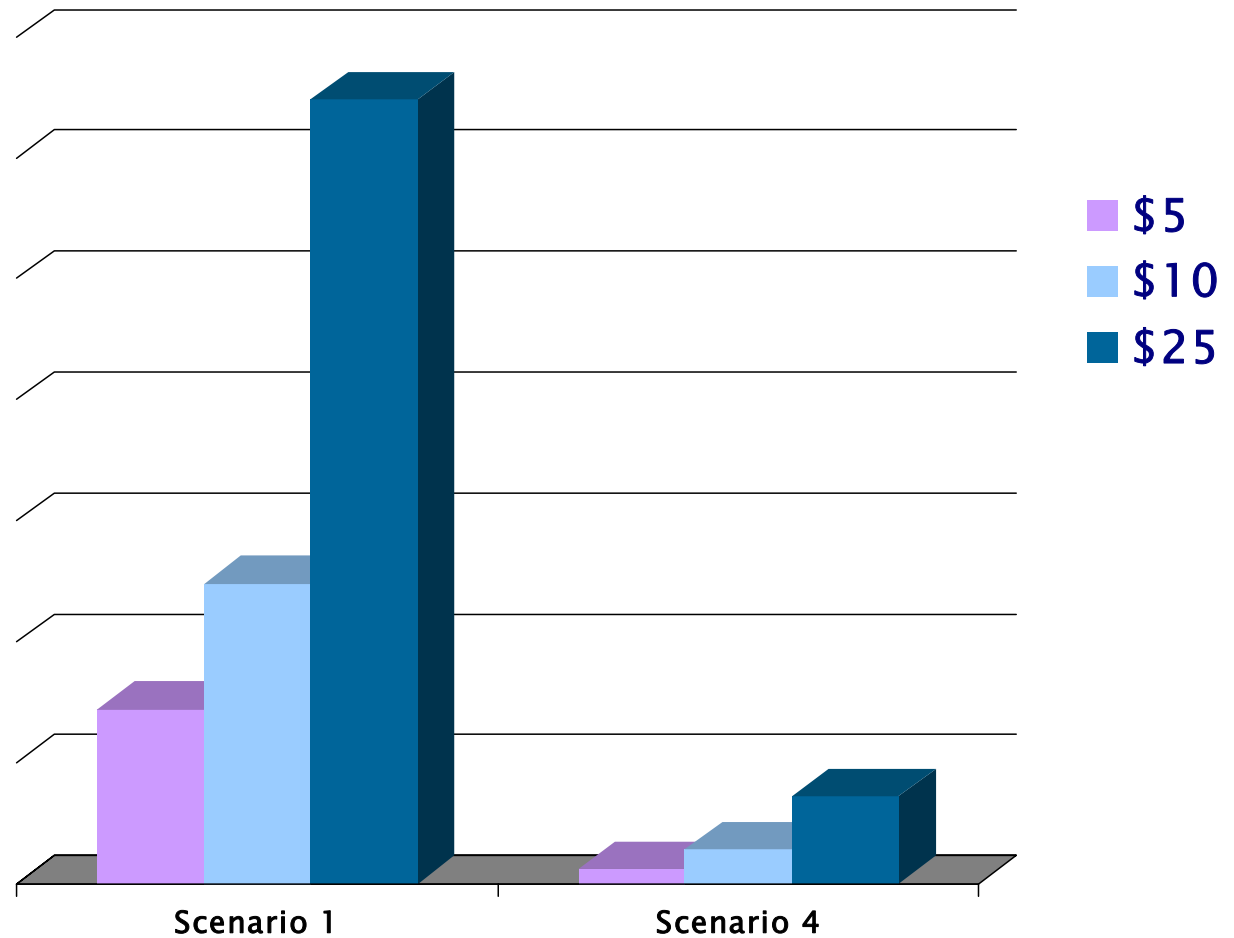
Permit allocation

- Compensation
 - Disproportionate or total?
 - Process?
- Trade-exposed, emissions intensive industries
 - Tied to output
 - Moved towards best practice benchmarks
 - Up front or annual?
 - Subject to review of international circumstances
 - Within cap or extra?
- Auction remaining permits



Impact of Permit Allocation

Shift from 100%
auctioning of
permits to 90%
free allocation





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Opportunities

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- Energy efficiency
- Low emissions technologies
- Offsets
- International trade in carbon credits



Investment Opportunities?



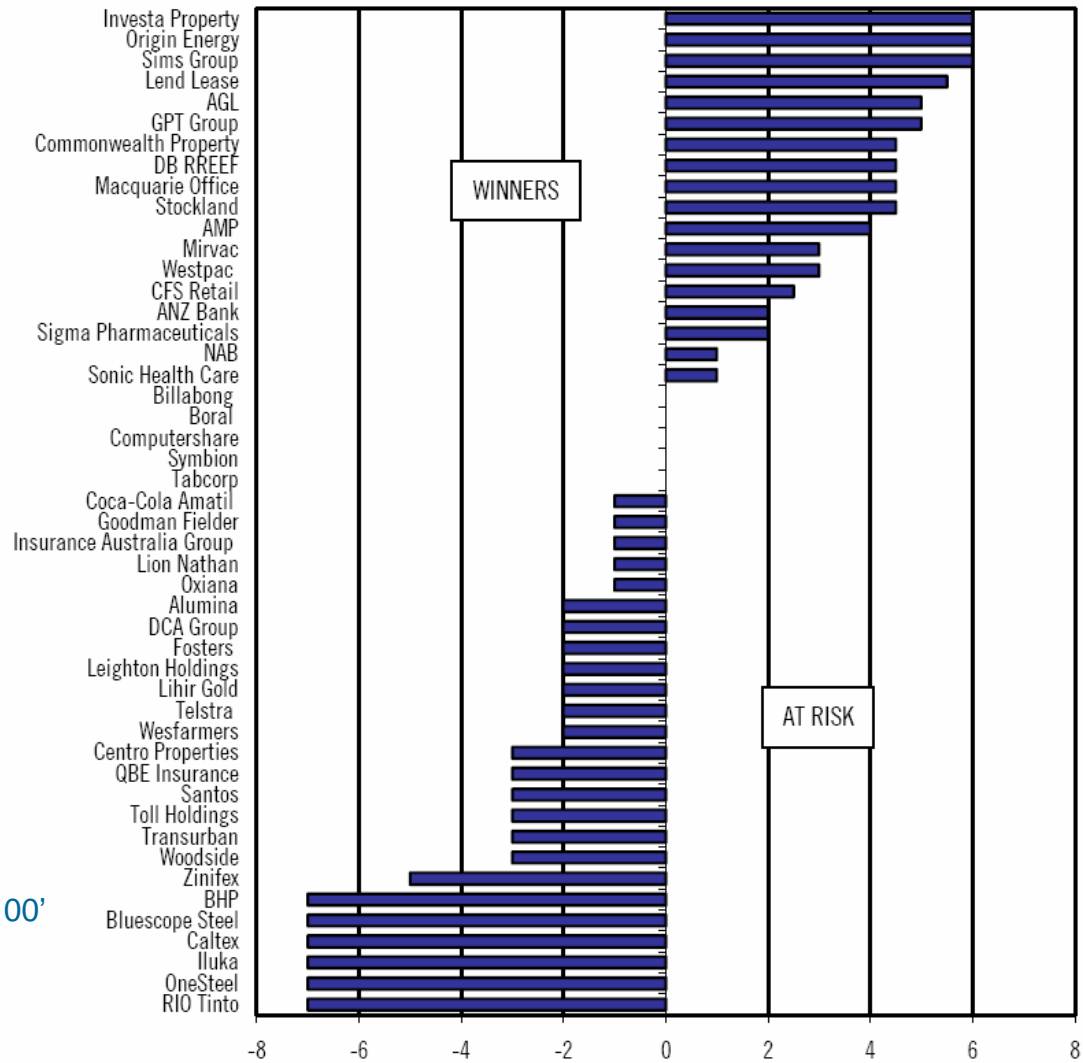
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The 'Citigroup approach': Winners and companies most "at risk"

Figure 1. Winners and Companies Most "At Risk"



Source: 'Climate Change & the ASX100'
Citigroup
30 November 2006





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What can you do?

What companies can do to address risks associated with climate change and emissions trading?

ACT

- Disclose investment relevant climate change information including detailed emissions inventory
- Disclose actions to manage and mitigate climate change risks
- Disclose opportunities for reduced risks and new or enhanced revenue streams

ENGAGE

- Investors to improve awareness of climate change management and actions
- Government to introduce well designed regulatory frameworks to reduce the overall cost of emissions reductions & improve investor certainty



What investors can do to address risks associated with climate change and emissions trading?

ACT

- Join the Investor Group on Climate Change
- Sign up to the Carbon Disclosure Project (& other initiatives)
- Begin to incorporate climate change into analysis
 - Sustainability funds, alternative energy funds, across all funds
 - talk to IGCC members about their approach & review soon to be released research

ENGAGE

- Investment managers to incorporate climate change in analysis
- Companies to disclose investment relevant climate change information & actively manage and mitigate climate change risks
- Government to introduce well designed regulatory frameworks to reduce the overall cost of emissions reductions & improve investor certainty

