

EU - PRICE

15 January €4.13: EU allowances for both phases increased their value this morning, as both fuel prices and German power were on the rise.

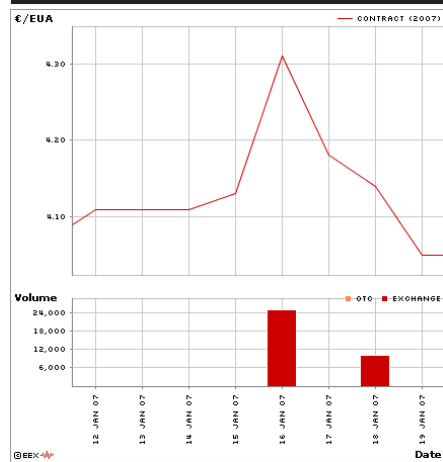
16 January €4.31: The price of European Union allowances ticked upwards during Tuesday morning trade in line with higher gas and power prices, even though the weather across much of Europe is likely to remain very mild compared to the mid-winter norm.

17 January €4.18: European CO2 allowances for delivery in 2008 were pummeled in early trading, while phase-one credits remained relatively stable.

18 January €4.14: Carbon allowances for both phases of the EU emissions trading scheme were shackled in tight ranges this morning, softening slightly compared to Wednesday.

19 January €4.05: European carbon allowances were little changed amid modest turnover early Friday, with some support found in the first-phase over-the-counter contract just below €4.00.

Carbon prices fall on soft NAP ruling: Second phase carbon prices of the European emissions trading scheme fell €0.40 in the wake of the European Commission's ruling on the national allocation plans submitted by the Netherlands and Belgium, as some traders had expected that Brussels officials would take a harder line.

Big spike, little movement

Limited range: EU carbon futures hovered between €4.00 and €4.30 as the European Commission took an easy-going approach to NAP submitted by Belgium and the Netherlands.

REGULATION

AGL wants "grandfathering": According to Jeff Dimery, general manager, Merchant Power, AGL Energy, in a submission to the discussion paper prepared by the National Emissions Trading Taskforce: "Possible Design for a National Greenhouse Gas Emissions Trading Scheme", AGL wanted a high level of grandfathering based upon historical emissions. Grandfathering means "allocating allowances under a cap-and-trade program to historically

operating units; and requiring new units to purchase allowances". AGL argued the Taskforce should set a reasonably high level of grandfathering based upon historical emissions; and later use other policy mechanisms (e.g. taxes, royalties) to offset any economic impacts associated with unforeseen consequences; and AGL strongly supports grandfathering of individual generation assets rather than generation portfolios. mm

AUS POLICY

Minister slams WA uranium lock: Federal Environment Minister Ian Campbell said on 14 January 2007 use of Western Australia's uranium reserves could prevent up to 6000 million tonnes of greenhouse gas emissions going into the atmosphere. He said the estimated potential greenhouse gas savings from Western Australia's 150,000 tonnes of known uranium reserves was "10 times what the whole of Australia emits in one year". A spokesperson for the West Australian Government on 14 January said the government's position had not changed in light of Senator Campbell's claims, reported *The Australian* (15/1/2007, p.4). "WA has an opportunity to be a great contributor to the global climate change challenge but sadly it is hell-bent on maintaining its farcical policy of locking up uranium reserves," he said. mm

Green query reveals standards botch: Senate Hansard, Thursday, 31 November 2006 reported the Minister for the Environment and Heritage's answers to Senator Bob Brown's question upon notice, on 12 October 2006. The question was "With reference to the environmental impact assessment under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999*, specifically for threatened species and ecological communities; what guidelines does the department provide on minimum survey standards for assessing the presence of threatened species or ecological communities for proponents referring proposed actions; and can copies be provided?" Senator Ian Campbell said: "The Department of the Environment and Heritage does not provide proponents with any minimum survey standards." Mm

ETS

MMA sets out scheme scenarios: McLennan Magasanik Associates (MMA), in a new paper titled "Explanation of results on electricity market impacts of emission trading", set out a simulation of the impact of an emission trading scheme on electricity markets. The models used indicated a high level of entry of renewable and gas-fired generation, but a low price. Mm

NETT likes NSW GGAS example: A plan to use the NSW Greenhouse Gas Abatement Scheme (GGAS) approach as a starting point was a key argument put by a background paper, prepared by Abatement Solutions Asia Pacific for the National

Emissions Trading Taskforce (NETT) Forest Sinks Industry Consultation Workshop on 15th December 2006. The objective of the paper was to inform workshop participants of the many design issues that relate to using afforestation/reforestation (A/R) offsets in the proposed National Emissions Trading Scheme (NETS). The NETT proposed to use the NSW Greenhouse Gas Abatement Scheme (GGAS) approach as a starting point, incorporating variations where necessary or desirable. The paper was not designed to be an exhaustive list of issues and formed only part of the industry engagement process. mm

WIND POWER

Wind Prospect NZ sees NET error: In a submission to the National Emissions Trading Taskforce (NETT) in December 2006, Wind Prospect NZ Ltd claimed that the NETT-modeller's proposed power price alone would not support new installations of renewable energy. Doreen Marchesan of Wind Prospect NZ said, "The NETT envisaged that the Scheme would cause a growth in renewable energy installations of over 400 per cent, and had predicted average electricity price under Scenarios 1 and 2 may rise to around \$40/MWhr by 2015". Marchesan said, "Even when we add the permit value predicted for the scheme in 2015 of \$19 ... the total price on offer still falls short of required prices for even the most economical renewable energy generation available today – i.e. wind (excluding existing hydro)". Marchesan added "In fact, wind power has actually

increased in cost by up to 20 per cent in the last 24 months due to unprecedented worldwide demand and a subsequent component supply shortage". <http://www.windprospect.com/mm>

NUCLEAR

Switkowski ignores alternatives: Nuclear power was the least-cost, low-emission technology that could provide baseload power, according to the final report by the nuclear energy review taskforce, chaired by former Telstra chief Ziggy Switkowski. However, this statement depends on excluding hydro as providing baseload power. In Chapter 4, Electricity Generation, the report said that generating plant with the lowest operating costs (e.g. coal-fired boiler/steam turbine) was the least responsive to load change, while those that were more responsive (e.g. open cycle gas turbines) were more expensive to run continuously. However, a footnote said hydro-electricity tended to be an exception to this rule, being almost instantly variable but with costs determined almost entirely by capital, rather than operating costs, which were minimal. Reference: Final report – "Uranium Mining, Processing and Nuclear Energy – Opportunities for Australia?" <http://www.dpmpc.gov.au> MM

SOLAR

California farm plans solar irrigation: US-based WorldWater and Power Corporation has started its largest solar

project so far – the \$US7.8 million Farm ACW avocado ranch project in Fallbrook, California, reported *Queensland Country Life* (12 October 2006, p.13). Construction for the system, about one megawatt in size, will be finished before the end of this year [2006]. Farm ACW is a leading avocado grower, with more than 50,000 trees, and is likely to become the largest farming operation in the world to be powered by solar energy. "All financing and permitting matters have finally been resolved after a year spent on several complex permit issues specific to this project," said Quentin Kelly, chair of WorldWater and Power. Mm

QUEENSLAND

CO2 dump loophole: Queensland legislation provides for CO2 dumps for hundreds of years and a loophole allows CO2 dump investors to abandon any responsibility they may have for the long-term monitoring and maintenance of the sequestered carbon dioxide, says a report to the Australian Greenhouse Office. In comparison, a petroleum leaseholder is required to prepare detailed environmental management and work plans prior to being granted a petroleum lease and will have statutory rehabilitation obligations in respect of the lease area. Reference: "A Report to the Australian Greenhouse Office on Property Rights and Associated Liability Issues, 2005", p.51. <http://www.greenhouse.gov.au/publications> VK

NSW

Climate change action plan: A confidential draft of NSW's first-ever climate change action plan, obtained by *The Daily Telegraph* under Freedom of Information, said there was a "vital need" to start factoring climate change into the future management of the state's natural resources, the newspaper said (3/1/2007, p. 9). NSW saw the fifth warmest year on record in 2006, with average temperatures up 0.84C on the historical mean. "An increasing number of species will be at risk of extinction in the wild during this century," the report stated. VK

Diesel derived emissions: A reliance on diesel-powered mining equipment, with no plan to use a dragline or electric shovels, has meant that the proposed Anvil Hill Project will rely on diesel usage at 78 per cent. The Scope 1 and 2 annual average greenhouse emissions for the mining operation are dominated by energy use with diesel at 39 per cent and electricity at 36 per cent. Document is available at: <http://www.umwelt.com.au/anvil-hill/docs/Appendix11-Energy-Greenhouse.pdf> VK

WA

Mystery bird deaths baffle: 5000 birds have dropped from the sky in the southeastern holiday town of Esperance in Western Australia, reported *The Australian* (11/1/2007, p.3). Autopsies have so far failed to find answers. The attitude of West Australian officials has been in stark contrast to their counterparts in Texas, who declared a major emergency during the week when

63 dead birds were found in a street in the city of Austin. VK

\$5m rural rebate: West Australian regional householders who buy energy-efficient appliances or insulation are eligible for cash-back rebates under a new scheme - the Regional Energy Efficiency Program - launched on 7 December by the WA Minister for Energy, Francis Logan. The Regional Energy Efficiency Program aims to encourage householders and businesses to adopt energy efficient products and practices. Rebates for the Regional Energy Efficiency Program apply to the purchase of fridges, freezers, refrigerative air-conditioners, ceiling insulation and energy controllers. Householders and businesses outside Western Australia's main electricity grid are eligible - about 110,000 people in 25 shires. mm

Govt cuts consumption and saves:

Western Australian government agencies participating in the State Government's Energy Smart Government program have saved \$10.9 million in energy costs and avoided nearly 40,000 tonnes of greenhouse gas emissions since the program started four years ago, according to a government statement. The Energy Smart Government program has been in place during a period of significant growth in Western Australia. Since the start of the program, energy consumption across the state has increased by 14 per cent. mm

SA

Kilburn levels unsafe: A community meeting was to be held [18/11/06] to

protest against pollution levels in Kilburn, South Australia, reported *The Advertiser* (18 November 2006, p.40). Federal Labor MP Kate Ellis said monitoring found particulate levels in Kilburn had exceeded safe daily levels four times in a three-month period. The monitoring found there was a 'high risk' that annual national environmental standards were being breached. VK

SA opens aerators in algae fight: In an attempt to control blue-green algae in the city's water precincts, Adelaide City Council switched on its 17 aerators in November [2006], a month ahead of schedule, reported *The Advertiser* (4 November 2006, p.44). City assets manager Michael Leyland says the aerators, pollutant traps and more than 3500 plants have contributed to the improvement in control and water quality. In the past, outbreaks of blue-green algae have occurred in the Torrens Lake in the heart of the city, resulting in it being closed to the public. Mm

PEOPLE & PROFITS

BP green spin false: Analysts and investors are starting to ask whether the oil and gas giant BP that John Browne built is fundamentally flawed, as they re-examine BP and the legacy of Browne, who announced on 12 January that he was stepping down sooner than expected, reported *The Australian Financial Review* (17/1/2007, p.11). Perhaps most damning, some have started to question whether BP under Browne was actually the environmentally friendly company that he said it was. BP, which started using

the phrase "Beyond Petroleum" in advertising in 2000, may have been so cost-focused that it created environmental problems, they say. BP has a "fundamental management problem" in communicating which value is the more important one, Amy Jaffe, the associate director of Rice University's energy program, says, as it rewards managers for cutting costs but does not find any way to reward them for protecting the environment. mm

CO2 DUMPS

Brazil, Indonesia nix dump credits:

Carbon capture and storage (CCS) was the focus of recent United Nations deliberations. The Secretariat briefed delegates on the in-session workshop on the IPCC Special Report on CCS held at SBSTA 24. Parties discussed various technical, legal and oceans-related matters. Noting the need to adequately address technical and operational issues, in particular permanence and leakage, Brazil and Indonesia opposed early application of CCS. The EU recognized geological CCS as part of a range of mitigation options but, with others, expressed serious concerns about ocean storage. mm

TREE-TRADES

Tree-trade rules under debate: In a background paper, prepared by Abatement Solutions Asia Pacific, for the National Emissions Trading Taskforce Forest Sinks Industry Consultation Workshop on 15 December 2006, it was stated that the duration of "permanence" in Afforestation/Reforestation (A/R)

activities was a key issue. That was "How long should a new tree grow to earn greenhouse credits". Given that the National Emissions Trading Scheme (NETS) Regulator would have legal identity and enforcement powers, the paper proposed that it would be simplest to follow the NSW Greenhouse Gas Abatement Scheme (GGAS) approach for obligations, structures and legal instruments (with appropriate adjustments for individual state and territory land title arrangements). mm

Carbon could fetch \$15.7bn: Soil carbon improvements could earn \$15.7 billion if sold at the current market rate of \$15 per tonne, says carbon campaigner and optimist Dr Christine Jones. Dr Jones sees money in carbon credits. She founded Carbon for Life, a body dedicated to developing better agriculture, and a better environment, through emphasising carbon's essential role in farming systems. "Soil represents the largest carbon sink over which we have control," Jones said. <http://www.greenhouse.crc.org.au> *The Land*, 30/11/2006, p.17 VK

CLIMATE CHANGE

ABARE backs PM's climate agenda:

Under one scenario provided by the Australian Bureau of Agriculture and Resource Economics, emissions would still rise by 25 per cent in the 40 years to 2050, rather than the 60 per cent cut favoured by progressive business and green groups, *The Australian Financial Review* reported (19/12/2006, p.3). Helal Ahammad from ABARE's climate change and trade modelling division said any scheme must include all the

world's major polluters because developing countries, which are not covered by the first stage of Kyoto, would soon account for 60 per cent of the world's emissions. They currently make up 40 per cent. The Prime Minister has used ABARE's modelling extensively over the last decade. "He will continue to be influenced by ABARE as it is very aware of his agenda to protect Australia's trade advantage in energy-intensive industries," said Phillip Toyne, a former deputy secretary of the Department of Environment. mm

Businesses concerned about climate:

Business leaders were united in their concern about the potential impact of climate warming and the need for an effective national emissions trading scheme within the next decade, according to a survey by accountants PricewaterhouseCoopers, *The Australian Financial Review* reported (20 December, 2006). The Commonwealth, State and Territorial Governments have more than 100 energy efficiency schemes. By next year there will be Commonwealth, NSW and Victorian mandatory greenhouse gas schemes. South Australia and Western Australia had announced targets with no details on delivery. Submissions to the Energy Reform Implementation Group (ERIG) showed the Energy Intensive Industries Alliance, representing aluminium, cement, paper and plastics companies, said attempts by State Governments to impose an emissions scheme "are a cause for substantial concern". The Energy Retailers Association of Australia told ERIG that the Federal Government's mandatory renewable energy target and a plethora

of state-based schemes created a highly disparate, fragmented and costly approach. mm

Snowy River to dry up? Global warming could spark a "calamitous" chain of events in the Snowy Mountains that would significantly increase the threat to water supplies already faced by towns as far away as Adelaide, a scientist warned on 11 January, reported *The Sydney Morning Herald* (12/1/2007, p. 3). The CSIRO reported this week that climate change could all but wipe out snow falls by 2050. The resulting loss of run-off from melting snow would seriously reduce water levels in the Snowy and Murrumbidgee Rivers. VK

Stern: Aus problems to worsen:

Australia's water problems could become at least seven times worse unless climate change was tackled, the author of a report on global warming said on 3 November, reported *The Canberra Times* (4 November 2006, p. 3). Former world bank economist Sir Nicholas Stern issued his 'Review on the Economics of Climate Change' this week [Nov 2006], saying global warming risked forcing the world into another depression on the scale of that of the 1930s. Sir Nicholas also said that if temperatures continued rising at the current rate, Australia's water problems would become more severe and coastal cities would be threatened by large sea-level rises. mm

OVERSEAS

Carbon neutral flights: Travellers buying airline tickets on the websites

Expedia and Travelocity, for example, can now pay extra to offset their share of the flight's emissions (\$US16.99 or \$21.77 on Expedia for a cross-USA flight), their money going into: subsidies for wind and biomass energy; planting or protection of forests (trees take carbon dioxide out of the air); or the installation of more energy-efficient light bulbs. *The Australian Financial Review*, 22-26/12/2006, p.25 VK

More permits than needed: For the first phase of the ETS, between 2005 and 2007, governments handed out more permits than were needed. When this became clear earlier this year [2006], the price of emission permits plummeted. Kate Hampton of Climate Change Capital, an investment bank that specialises in emissions trading, argued the commission had at least shown that it is determined to be a "credible regulator". That might encourage other countries to imitate the ETS, or even to join it, reported *The Economist* (2/12/2006, p.60). VK

US POLICY CHANGE?

Bush outlines global warming policy:

US President George W. Bush will spell out his administration's policy on global warming when he gives a State of the Union address next week, White House press secretary Tony Snow said at a press briefing Tuesday.

Agcert readies aggregates sites:

Agcert, the London-listed developer of greenhouse gas reduction projects, is building up a collection of US sites for future development in anticipation of mandatory carbon caps on greenhouse gas emissions at a federal level.

Annual 26.7 gigatonnes save by 2030:

The world can abate 26.7 gigatonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent (gtCO₂e) per year in 2030 at an average cost of €2 per tonne, Vattenfall said in a report.

US can avoid EU mistakes: Europe's mistakes in implementing its emissions trading system should guide the US in making a regime to cap carbon, the CEO of power company AES said at a conference today.

US Senate sees another carbon bill:

The US Congress saw the introduction of the third bill to curtail climate change in four days, as Senator Dianne Feinstein introduced what she termed as the "most aggressive emissions reduction bill supported by industry so far."

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Standards Australian relegated: The Energy Networks Association has expressed concern that the National Standards Framework does not appear to recognise the legitimacy of Standards Australia in setting Australian safety standards. The Council of Australian Governments (COAG) has requested the Australian Safety and Compensation Council (ASCC) to develop a National Standards Framework which includes development of a "core document" containing duties and other general provisions which will become the basis for all standards. Reference: ENA update, Newsletter of the Issue 25 - 21 December 2006, <http://www.ena.asn.au> VK

Visy wants liability reform: Packaging and recycling company Visy has made a

number of recommendations in its response to the proposal for a National Emissions Trading Scheme (NETS). Visy supported a cap and trade approach, but recommended careful consideration of how to extend the incentives-based principles and offsets arrangements inherent in the NSW GGAS to a future NETS. Such principles could be incorporated into a form of 'hybrid' cap and trade scheme. The key to success of a cap and trade scheme and linkage with other schemes would be to ensure certainty for investment linked with each scheme. Mm

AGL queries Emissions Taskforce: It is not clear why gas retailers have been selected as liable parties for imputed emissions arising from gas sales to customers, AGL Energy says in a submission on the National Emissions Trading Taskforce discussion paper: Possible Design for a National Greenhouse Gas Emissions Trading Scheme. Given that most gas production facilities would be producing more than 25kt of carbon dioxide equivalent, the scheme would already cover these sites, it says. It would be very easy to calculate the imputed emissions associated with sales by major gas producers. Furthermore, the number of companies being covered would also be significantly lower. mm

MECHANISMS - JI

Denmark signs China ERPA: The Danish Government today signed an emissions reduction purchase agreement (ERPA) for 630,000 certified

emissions reductions (CERs) from a bio energy project in China's Shandong Province.

Agcert bags carbon credits: Agcert, the London-listed developer of greenhouse gas reduction projects, has been issued with its first major batch of carbon credits by the executive board, the United Nations body that administers the Kyoto Protocol's clean development mechanism.

Dresdner Bank, Gazprombank JIs: Germany's Dresdner Bank and the Russian Gazprombank today announced the establishment of Carbon Trade & Finance, a joint venture which will invest in joint implementation (JI) projects.

Belarus Kyoto-bound: Belarus is set to ratify the Kyoto Protocol in one month's time, as the finalised documents are currently going through the bureaucratic mill. In the meantime the country is setting up a green investment scheme (GIS) to benefit from the protocol's flexible mechanisms.

Russia won't cap JI volumes: Proposals were to cap the amount of carbon credits that could be generated from joint implementation (JI) projects in carbon credits to projects that cut greenhouse gases under the terms of the Kyoto Protocol. Russia did not make it into the final version of the procedures currently making its way through the bureaucracy.

Asian call for Japan help: Southeast Asian countries have asked Japan for help on expanding the number of greenhouse gas emissions reduction projects in the region.

MECHANISMS - CDM

India OKs 46 projects: India has now approved 456 clean development mechanism projects (CDM) after the country's environment ministry gave the thumbs-up to 46 greenhouse reduction schemes in its latest monthly meeting.

Trading Emissions credits up: Trading Emissions PLC, the UK-headquarter-funded that aggregates carbon credits, said on Tuesday that its contracted volume of emissions reduction credits stood at almost 25,660,608 by the end of last year, up 2,378,175 from the end of September

UK DNA approves 21 new projects

The UK's designated national authority (DNA) has issued investor country approval to 21 projects in its latest update. The projects are aiming to deliver 27.9 million certified emission reductions (CERs) per year

Swedish DNA OKs four projects

Swedish authorities on Tuesday approved four new clean development mechanism (CDM) projects which will generate carbon credits under the Kyoto Protocol

EXCHANGE

Goldman Sachs ups Exchange stake

Shares in Climate Exchange PLC, the UK-listed company that owns the European Climate Exchange (ECX) and the Chicago Climate Exchange, rose around 5 per cent on Friday after the company disclosed that US investment bank Goldman Sachs has doubled its stake to 19 per cent

EC mulls US link-up: The European Commission is exploring the legal possibility of linking the European emissions trading system to the emerging regional systems in the US, Damien Meadows of the EU Environment Directorate General said.

POLICY - EU

German NAP deal by January end:

German Environment Minister Sigmar Gabriel yesterday said that he hoped to conclude by the end of January the ongoing negotiations with the European Commission (EC) on the amount of allowances to be allocated to German installations in phase two of Europe's carbon trading scheme.

Latvia to approve green scheme: The Latvian Parliament will vote on a green investment scheme in the middle of this year, and says several countries are interested in buying carbon credits.

Portugal electricity emissions down:

CO2 emissions from Portugal's electricity generating sector fell by around 3 million tonnes in 2006 according to latest estimates, as improved rainfall boosted hydro production and consumers managed to rein in consumption.

EC sets lower Dutch annual cap:

The Netherlands will be allowed to allocate 85.8 million allowances per year in the second phase of the EU emissions trading scheme, the European Commission has decided.

EC sets Belgian cap at 58.5m: Belgium will be allowed to allocate 58.5 million allowances per year in the second

phase of the EU emissions trading scheme, the European Commission has decided.

Austria hands phase 2 plan in: The Austrian Government yesterday sent its national allocation plan (NAP) for the second phase to the European Commission without major changes compared to the draft version, the country's ministry of environment said.

Ex-post adjustment verdict delay: The verdict in the case where Germany is challenging Brussels over ex-post adjustments in phase one of the EU emissions trading scheme (ETS) is not expected before this spring.

Latvian reserve to run dry: Latvia's reserve for new entrants to the EU emissions trading scheme (ETS) might not be big enough for the first phase of the scheme, according to an official.

Cyprus to resubmit higher cap NAP: Cyprus will resubmit its national allocation plan to the European Commission by the end of this month as the country raises the overall cap to take account of a recent decision to build two new desalination plants on the island, a move that is likely to boost power demand by 5 per cent, an government official said on Thursday.

Spain confident of NAP approval: The Spanish Government is confident that the European Commission will approve its national allocation plan for 2008-2012 without imposing major changes, head of climate change policy Arturo Gonzalo Aizpiri said yesterday.

Finland's power emissions double: Finland's emissions of carbon dioxide

(CO₂) from electricity generation soared to 21 million tonnes in 2006, up 11 million tonnes from the previous year, due to surging energy consumption in the Nordic region, according to the Association of Finnish Energy Industries.

Spanish GHG emissions down: Overall Spanish CO₂ emissions for 2006 "will show a considerable drop for the first time since 1990" as a result of a combination of circumstantial and structural factors, according to a leading emissions expert.

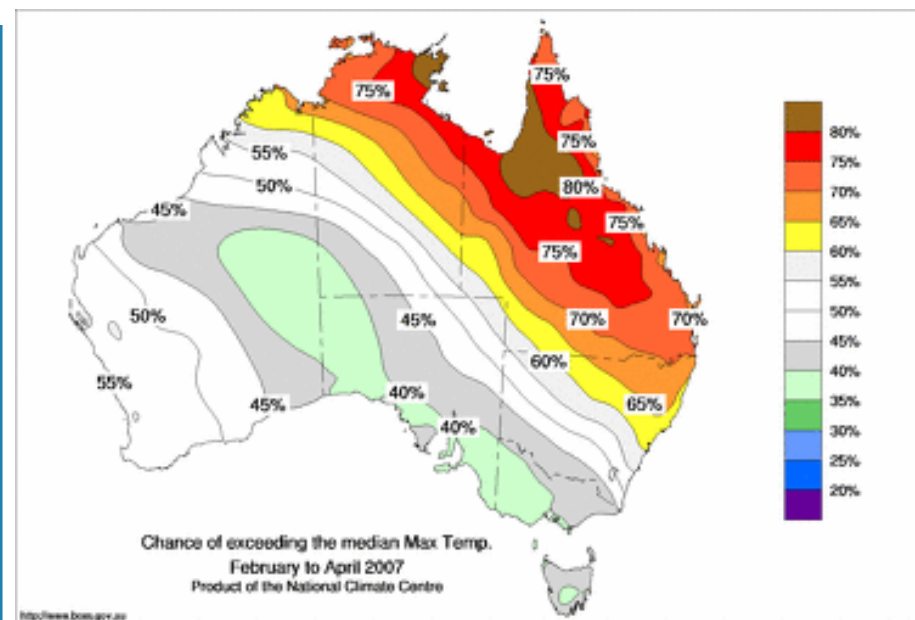
German wind power upped: The installed capacity of German wind power exceeded 20,000MW in 2006, according to analysis published today by the German wind energy institute.

Hungary cabinet approves NAP: Hungary's cabinet has approved a plan to allocate 30.733 million allowances annually in the 2008-2012 period to companies covered by the EU emissions trading scheme.

Austrian GHG emissions up in 2005: Greenhouse gas emissions in Austria increased 2.3 per cent from 2004 to 2005 according to new official data, taking the country further from its Kyoto target.

Denmark aims to double renewables: Denmark will double its share of renewable energy to 30 per cent, increase energy efficiency by 1.25 per cent per year and spend DKK1 billion on energy research each year, the Danish Government said in its energy plan.

Warmer in north & east, cooler in parts of west & south

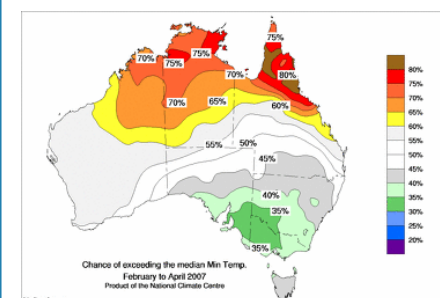


POLICY - CANADA

Canadian Libs vow Kyoto sign-up: Canadian Liberal leader Stephane Dion vowed on Tuesday to adopt a cap-and-trade system for greenhouse gas emissions and support green energy production if elected prime minister.

POLICY - US

Ten US firms back emissions cuts: Ten major US companies have teamed up with environmentalists, with the aim to slash greenhouse gas emissions 10 to 30 per cent over the next 15 years, according to a media report.



Massachusetts rejoins RGGI:

Massachusetts Governor Deval Patrick signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) bringing the northeastern US commonwealth back into the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI), a fledgling regional carbon trading system.

green tenders and events

Tenders

NAT: Department of the Environment and Heritage - Costing Study for the Development of an Environmental Sample Bank in Australia. No: 053/0607DEH. Contact: Tender Box - Tender Number 053/0607DEH, Tender Box - Reception Area, Ground Floor, John Gorton Building, Department of the Environment and Heritage, King Edward Terrace, Parkes ACT 2600, ph: (02) 6274 2385 (Attn: Chris Mobbs), email: chris.mobbs@deh.gov.au *Closing: 18 January 2007*

NAT: Department of the Environment and Heritage - Greenhouse Challenge plus Conference and Awards September 2007. No: 052/0607DEH. Contact: Tender Box - Tender Number 052/0607DEH, Department of the Environment and Heritage, Reception Area, Ground Floor, John Gorton Building, King Edward Terrace, PARKES ACT 2600, ph: (02) 6274 1762 (Attn: Kathryn Anthonisz), email: Kathryn.anthonisz@deh.gov.au *Closing: 1 February 2007*

SA: Department of Environment and Heritage - Review of Zero Waste SA's Financial Incentive Programs. No: ZWSA013918. Contact: Piero Fioretti, ph: (08) 8204 1962, website: <http://www.tenders.sa.gov.au> *Closing: 2 February 2007*

Public Notices

1 NSW: Cabinet Office - Review of the Dust Diseases Claims Resolution Process: Call for Submissions of Dust Diseases Tribunal Regulation 2007. The Government initiated a review of the Claims Resolution Process for dust diseases claims in August 2006 and an Issues Paper was released in October 2006. A Report has been prepared to outline the Current Review's conclusions in relation to the matters raised in the Issues Paper. The Dust Diseases Tribunal Regulation 2001 is due for Staged Repeal on 1 September 2007 in

accordance with the Subordinate Legislation Act. The objectives of the Regulation are 1) to ensure that dust diseases claims are resolved effectively, and efficiently; 2) to encourage early settlement and reduce legal and administrative costs; and 3) to ensure that users of the Tribunal system contribute equitably to the costs of operating the Tribunal. Accordingly the Government is releasing the proposed Dust Diseases Tribunal Regulation 2007, incorporating the minor changes recommended by the Report of the Current Review to the Claims Resolution Process, and a Regulatory Impact Statement. Contact: Legal Branch, The Cabinet Office, ph: (02) 9228 5599, website: <http://www.cabinet.nsw.gov.au> / <http://www.lawlink.nsw.gov.au/lpd> *Closing: 12 February 2007*

NSW: Country Energy - Amendment to Standard Form Customer Supply Contract under the Electricity Supply Act 1995 (NSW). What is happening? Country Energy's current Standard Form Customer Supply Contract July 2006 has been amended, effective 15 January 2007. The Standard Form Customer Supply Contract (SFCSC) contains the terms and conditions under which Country Energy provides electricity to its required customers. From 15 January 2007, the amended contract applies to all new and existing Country Energy customers, other than those who have entered into a Negotiated Customer Supply Contract with Country Energy. What does this mean? The amendment requires Country Energy to offer any new or moving residential customer a minimum of 10 per cent accredited GreenPower. Contact: Customer Service Centre, ph: 13 23 56, website: <http://www.countryenergy.com.au>

Employment

INT: University of Otago - Stuart Chair of Science Communication, New Zealand. To ensure that a newly formed Centre for Science Communication at the University of Otago is committed to excellence in

all its activities. Should have an exemplary international research reputation, a capacity to provide academic vision and strategic leadership, and the ability to work with staff from diverse academic and cultural backgrounds. Contact: Human Resources Division, ph: +64 3 479 8269, fax: +64 3 479 8279, email:

job.applications@otago.ac.nz website: <http://www.otago.ac.nz/jobs>

Closing: 31 January 2007

NAT: Department of the Environment and Heritage - Director. No: TBA. To coordinate and manage the activities of the section, including staff mentoring and supervision, program planning, budget management, and project and grant administration; provide high-level and strategic policy advice and analysis to the Department of the Environment and Heritage Executive and Minister's office on matters relating to environmental condition reporting; deliver the Australian Government's \$100 million Commonwealth Environment Research Facilities Programme, funding public good environmental research across Australia; work in partnership with other sections in the branch and cooperatively with other areas of the Department, other Government agencies and key external stakeholders to further develop whole-of-nation and whole-of-government approaches to information acquisition and management and represent the Australian Government and the Department of the Environment and Heritage, and liaise and negotiate on their behalf. Should have demonstrated ability to develop, implement and manage complex Government policies and programs, including legislation; leadership skills - including drive, initiative, the ability to manage and develop people, and to work cooperatively in a small team; communicates with influence - especially highly developed written and oral skills; strategic thinking - conceptual, analytical and planning skills of a high order, including judgement and flexible problem solving ability and sound networking skills - demonstrated high level representation, negotiation and liaison skills and the ability to implement linking strategies and actions required to achieve tangible results. Salary up to \$98.3k. Contact: Debra O'Connor, Environment Research & Information Branch, Policy Coordination Division, Department of Environment and Heritage, GPO Box 787, Canberra ACT 2601, ph: (02) 6274 2210

(Attn: Shane Cridland), email: Debra.OConnor@deh.gov.au *Closing: 29 January 2007*

NAT: Land & Water Australia - Research Program Officer, Natural Resource Management. No: RD026. To provide professional administrative and organisational services and advice to support the delivery of a number of natural resource management R&D programs. Should have excellent people and communication skills to work in a team environment with a number of specialist program coordinators, other staff and external stakeholders. Contact: Laura Varsanyi, Land & Water Australia, GPO Box 2182, Canberra ACT 2601, ph: (02) 6263 6050 (Attn: Laura Varsanyi), email: recruitment@lwa.gov.au website: <http://www.lwa.gov.au> *Closing: 25 January 2007*

ACT: Minerals Council of Australia - Assistant Director/Policy Officer Environmental Policy. Responsible for the development of policy and the promotion of good practice in relation to water, biodiversity and land management, materials stewardship and community and environmental health. Should have well developed interpersonal skills; demonstrate capabilities in strategic planning, issues management, negotiation and management of multiple projects supported by a high degree of commercial and political acumen; excellent writing, oratory and negotiation skills and analytical judgement and the ability to interpret and explain technical issues to a non-technical audience. Contact: The Chief Executive, Minerals Council of Australia, PO Box 4497, KINGSTON, ACT 2604, website: <http://www.minerals.org.au> *Closing: 2 February 2007*

NSW: Department of Environment and Conservation - Conservation Assessment Officer (Fauna Ecologist). No: DEC07-002. To improve fauna knowledge in North-West NSW; advise DEC and land managers on effective conservation mechanisms; model fauna habitats and contribute to spatial (GIS) decision support systems and track status of fauna and threatening processes. Should have demonstrated sound zoological knowledge and understanding of the ecology of the Australian fauna; demonstrated comprehensive knowledge and understanding of the roles that landscape function, ecological processes and natural resource management play in

determining the extent and condition of habitat for native animals in dry environments; demonstrated research and analytical abilities, and superior ability to analyse and manipulate spatial datasets within current GIS software applications; ability to translate scientific principles and information into practical and relevant management recommendations; knowledge of, and ability to interpret environmental legislation; well developed written, verbal and interpersonal communication skills and demonstrated organisational skills and capacity to prioritise a number of work projects concurrently. Salary up to \$81.4k. Contact: Recruitment Officer, Department of Environment and Conservation, Personnel Services Section, PO Box 1967, Hurstville NSW 2220, ph: (02) 6883 5330 (Attn: Jodie Saville), website: <http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au> *Closing: 26 January 2007*

NSW: Department of Natural Resources - Landcare Project Officer. No: CMA2006/195. To provide advice to community groups and landholders and coordinate indigenous vegetation seed collection, processing, storage, inventory and distribution. Should have ability to research, coordinate and initiate vegetation management and seedbank project; ability to prepare clear and concise reports within prescribed time limits; basic negotiation, facilitation and conflict resolution skills; ability to communicate information to a range of audiences on natural resource management; ability to develop and maintain networks with stakeholders; ability to use spreadsheets and data base computer programs for reporting; ability to work cooperatively as part of a team and Current driver's licence. Salary up to \$60.6k. Contact: Recruitment Services, PO Box 3720, Parramatta NSW 2124, ph: (02) 6491 8214 (Attn: Laura Babian), website: <http://www.jobs.nsw.gov.au> *Closing: 26 January 2007*

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NSW: Greenpeace - Media & Mobilisation Administrative Assistant (Part time). To support the Communications, Mass Networking and Political & Corporate Teams in implementation of communications objectives and strategies which involves administration support, research, compiling and maintaining information and a variety of other tasks. Should have strong administration skills, ability to manage a heavy workload, multiple

projects and to work to tight deadlines, be computer literate and self-motivated with excellent communication skills. Contact: Greenpeace, website: <http://www.greenpeace.org.au> *Closing: 28 January 2007*

QLD: Department of Natural Resources and Water - Manager, Vegetation Management Policy, Land and Vegetation Services. No: NRMW470/07. To manage the development, analysis, implementation and evaluation of major policy initiatives related to vegetation management and lead multidisciplinary project teams on vegetation management aspects of natural resource management on a state wide basis; coordinate the application, review and revision of vegetation management legislation within Queensland, including associated legislation such as the Integrated Planning Act 1997, to provide the head of power for delivery of the Government's vegetation management framework, its enforcement and associated functions and responsibilities; maintain up to date knowledge of current vegetation management issues and challenges facing the Department and its clients, in order to provide policy, strategic planning and quality assurance for vegetation management; provide authoritative specialist advice to Government, industry peak bodies and community organisations, on issues related to vegetation management in Queensland and ensure that appropriate policies and strategies are formulated for the research, extension and regulation necessary to facilitate delivery of the government's Vegetation Management framework and achieve economic and environmental benefits. Should have proven ability and skills in the areas of policy development, implementation and evaluation, and change management, with an ability to integrate policy development in the various aspects of vegetation management and to respond effectively to complex emergent situations; demonstrated knowledge and understanding of the key principles, issues and concepts associated with vegetation management and sustainable natural resource use and demonstrated negotiation, consultation and interpersonal skills with an ability to communicate across Government and provide timely authoritative advice to senior management and clients. Salary up to \$87.9k. Contact: Leslie Shirreffs, ph: (07) 3224 7895, website: <http://www.jobs.qld.gov.au> *Closing: 5 February 2007*

QLD: Department of Natural Resources and Water - Principal Advisor (Resource Condition). No: NRMW468/07. To manage the development of a property-level natural resource condition assessment process for State land to achieve a consistent approach to property-level assessment across Queensland; coordinate the development of policy, guidelines, manuals and training for the adoption of natural resource condition assessments within Natural Resources and Water and mechanisms to address remediation issues; provide training to other public and private sector personnel on the use and interpretation of guidelines and policies such as land condition assessment techniques and assessing compliance with duty of care; contribute to the implementation of the State Rural Leasehold Land Strategy through coordinating the activities of NRW, DPIF and EPA work units associated with land condition and biodiversity assessments and strategically direct project teams working on policy reforms and business improvement projects comprising NRMW business units and other agencies. Should have extensive knowledge and understanding of the key principles, issues and concepts associated with the sustainable management and use of State land, including knowledge of land management related legislation; proven project management skills and demonstrated ability to lead in multi-disciplinary teams and manage projects and resources in a complex organisational environment and high level analytical, research, and critical evaluation skills and demonstrated ability to examine complex problems in relation to natural resource management and state land management issues and to develop a range of strategies to address them. Salary up to \$80.4k. Contact: Wally Kearnan, ph: (07) 3405 5514, website: <http://www.jobs.qld.gov.au> *Closing: 5 February 2007*

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QLD: Department of Natural Resources and Water - Project Officer (Information Delivery). No: NRMW450/07. To develop a web based report delivery framework to provide stakeholders with useful, accessible knowledge and data to assist sustainable property management decisions. The types of information products delivered will include absolute or relative climate data (e.g. SILO datasets); simulated pasture and water balance variables (e.g. from the GRASP model or its spatial implementation forms, AussieGRASS and

PaddockGRASP); stocking rate estimates; derived satellite data (e.g. ground cover) and quantitative or qualitative field data. Stakeholders include departmental officers with particular reference to the Rural Leasehold Land Strategy, Queensland Government scientists, regional science and policy officers, regional Natural Resource Management groups and individual landholders; develop GIS information integration tools to support property monitoring and management and contribute to the design, development and implementation of protocols and tools for monitoring indicators of land condition. Should have extensive knowledge of CGI web based information delivery tools suitable for providing access to continuously updated spatial and textual data including for application to property and landscape scale monitoring and management; knowledge of, and proven experience in, the use of Geographic Information Systems (GIS), including Arc tools, and applications for interpretation and delivery of qualitative and quantitative data and knowledge of, or ability to rapidly acquire knowledge of, departmental reporting and publishing standards and ability to prepare web based reports and documents consistent with those standards. Salary up to \$62.5k. Contact: Beverley Henry, ph: (07) 3896 9612, website: <http://www.jobs.qld.gov.au> *Closing: 5 February 2007*

QLD: Department of Natural Resources and Water - Scientific Programmer. No: NRMW411/07. To provide high quality scientific programming support for spatial modellers, rangeland scientists and remote sensing scientists for developing and maintaining land and resource condition products and climate risk indicators in support of the Rural Leasehold Land Strategy; collaborate with principal and senior scientists and scientific programmer on continuing development of process models such as the CINRS' water balance and pasture growth models (e.g. GRASP, AussieGRASS, PaddockGRASP) and contribute to the integration of datasets (including model outputs; environmental data; animal numbers; climate data; seasonal outlooks; derived satellite data (e.g. AVHRR NDVI, groundcover); field observations) to develop meaningful climate risk assessments and tools relevant to management on landscape and property scales for implementation of the RLLS. Should have demonstrated knowledge of scientific programming languages such as C++, Fortran, AWK and Python, Unix scripting; the

Unix and Windows system environments; and experience in spatial data processing and systems analysis methodology; demonstrated skills in scientific data management, including the ability to generate and manipulate complex datasets, perform quantitative data analysis and develop software tools for data processing; proven ability to meet deadlines while maintaining high quality standards and proven ability to work independently or cooperatively in a multidisciplinary team environment. Salary up to \$62.5k. Contact: Stephen Jeffrey, ph: (07) 3896 9658, website: <http://www.jobs.qld.gov.au> *Closing: 5 February 2007*

QLD: Environmental Protection Agency - Principal Biodiversity Planning Officer. No: EN4/07. To lead, project manage and contribute to the development and review of planning schemes, strategies, policies and infrastructure plans, and review development applications in accordance with the EPA's policies and procedures; provide high level advice on biodiversity matters to and negotiate with governments, property owners and industry to ensure implementation of and compliance with legislative provisions and planning policies; investigate projects and provide advice and recommendations on environmental and natural resource planning and management and lead and assist in routine compliance investigations and environmental management/monitoring. Should have demonstrated high level ability to manage complex projects and lead and manage multidisciplinary teams and demonstrated high level knowledge of planning and natural resource and biodiversity principles, and knowledge, or demonstrated ability to rapidly acquire knowledge of planning and other relevant legislation including the Integrated Planning Act 1997, Environmental Protection Act 1994, Nature Conservation Act 1992 and Coastal Protection and Management Act 1995 and a sound understanding of government policy, statutory and decision-making processes. Salary up to \$68.9k. Contact: Robyn Hesse, ph: (07) 3224 6233, fax: (07) 3225 2237, email: jobvac.epa@csq.qld.gov.au *Closing: 29 January 2007*

QLD: Environmental Protection Agency - Principal Planning Officer. No: EN5/07. To lead, project manage and contribute to the development and review of planning schemes, strategies, policies

and infrastructure plans, and review development applications in accordance with the EPA's policies and procedures; provide high level advice on biodiversity matters to and negotiate with governments, property owners and industry to ensure implementation of and compliance with legislative provisions and planning policies; investigate projects and provide advice and recommendations on environmental and natural resource planning and management and lead and assist in routine compliance investigations and environmental management/monitoring. Should have demonstrated high level ability to manage complex projects and lead and manage multidisciplinary teams and demonstrated high level knowledge of planning and environmental or natural resource assessment, planning and management principles, and knowledge, or demonstrated ability to rapidly acquire knowledge of planning and other relevant legislation including the Integrated Planning Act 1997, Environmental Protection Act 1994 and Coastal Protection and Management Act 1995 and a sound understanding of government policy, statutory and decision-making processes. Salary up to \$68.9k. Contact: Robyn Hesse, ph: (07) 3224 6233, fax: (07) 3225 2237, email: jobvac.epa@csq.qld.gov.au *Closing: 29 January 2007*

QLD: Queensland Resources Council - Industry Policy Adviser. Responsible for the provision of advice on a broad range of matters affecting the growth and sustainability of the Queensland resources sector, including policy issues relating to water, energy, rail, ports, climate change and industry regulation. Relevant experience in the resources sector and/or in government in a policy advisory role will be highly regarded. Contact: Queensland Resources Council, email: andrewb@qrc.org.au website: <http://www.qrc.org.au> *Closing: 5 February 2007*

TAS: Department of Tourism, Arts and the Environment - Environment Officer. No: 334237. To undertake the environmental assessment and/or ongoing management of environmentally relevant activities, particularly in the areas of the chemical and mineral processing industries according to the objectives, principles and requirements of the Environmental Management and Pollution Control Act 1994 and other relevant legislation and policies. Should have a degree in Science, Engineering or Environmental Studies or an

equivalent qualification from a recognised tertiary institution and a current motor vehicle drivers licence. Salary up to \$57k. Contact: Carmel Keogh, Human Resources, Department of Tourism, Arts and the Environment, GPO Box 771, Hobart, Tas 7001, ph: (03) 6233 6418 (Attn: Sally Arnold, Administrative Assistant), email: Sally.Arnold@environment.tas.gov.au website: <http://www.environment.tas.gov.au> *Closing: 29 January 2007*

TAS: Resource Management and Conservation Biodiversity Conservation - Project Officer, "Seed Safe". No: 702465. To develop and undertake the "Seed Safe" seed collecting program for the Tasmanian Seed Conservation Centre (TSCC); assist in achieving ex-situ conservation outcomes for the State by participating in the implementation of seed biology research and other relevant programs and ensure seed collection targets are met for Tasmania's partnership project with the Kew Millennium Seed Bank. Salary up to \$57k. Contact: Stephen Harris, ph: (03) 6233 2543, email: Stephen.harris@dpiw.tas.gov.au website: <http://www.jobs.tas.gov.au>

VIC: Department of Sustainability and Environment - Coordinator, Statewide Prescribed Burning. No: DSE1516. To coordinate the prescribed burning program across the State, including burn planning, prescribed burning implementation and record management and manage the coordination and integration of strategic operational planning processes for hazard reduction and prescribed burning across the State and the coordination of regional Fire Operations Plans (FOP) processes, including prioritisation and coordination of the movement of resources to achieve targets. Salary up to \$81.7K. Contact: Department of Sustainability and Environment, website: <http://www.careers.vic.gov.au> or <http://www.dse.vic.gov.au> *Closing: 29 January 2007*

VIC: Department of Sustainability and Environment - Greenhouse/Environmental Sustainability Officer. No: DSE12613. Should have an environmental focus and expertise interested in contributing to and leading regional projects that deliver the Government's Greenhouse Strategy and other initiatives within the North West Region. Salary up to \$66.4k. Contact: Heather Shaw, ph:

(03) 5430 4527, website: <http://www.careers.vic.gov.au> *Closing: 26 January 2007*

VIC: Department of Sustainability and Environment - Principal Economist, Senior Economist & Economist, Environmental Economics Unit. No: DSE801138, DSE801139 & DSE801140. Should have strong communication, policy and environmental scanning skills and be effective team players capable of persevering with set goals, even in the face of obstacles. Salary up to \$110.8k. Contact: Ray Jeffery, ph: (03) 9637 8727, website: <http://www.careers.vic.gov.au> *Closing: 29 January 2007*

VIC: Sustainability Victoria - Manager, Energy. No: MAGE/3L/00223. Responsible for the development and deployment of strategies that increase the use of alternative energy supply sources and technologies and maximize energy efficiency and be responsible for the identification of new and emerging thinking, and optimizing the use of specialist local, national and international knowledge. Should have a strong reputation in the energy sector, with well-established networks; appropriate tertiary qualifications, in environmental science, engineering or a related field, and considerable experience providing high-level program, policy and strategy advice on energy supply and energy efficiency issues at senior levels. Contact: Alison Heller, ph: (03) 9622 2368, website: jobs.au.hudson.com/jobsearch

WA: Department of Environment and Conservation - Pollution Response Officer. No: DEC2504. To respond to, investigates, monitors, measures, evaluates, resolves and recommends solutions to resolve moderately complex pollution and environmental incidents (including emergencies), issues and complaints; inspect industrial and other premises and resolves pollution related issues; apply regulations and policies relevant to pollution management including the collection and collation of evidence of offences and presents evidence in court; liaise with and provides advice to industry, government departments, emergency services and community groups on specific environmental issues relating to pollution management; assist with the development of regulations, guidelines, and procedures; manage environmental pollution and to ensure safety and participate in the 24-hour emergency

response service. Should have demonstrated ability to apply technical knowledge to moderately complex environmental issues; demonstrated ability to apply legislation, regulations and procedures relevant to pollution management; knowledge of and experience in pollution monitoring techniques, law enforcement and the evaluation of evidence; sound knowledge of basic chemistry, pollution monitoring, industrial processes, the environmental effects of pollutants and related pollution prevention and control principles and techniques and a relevant degree from a recognised University or an appropriate equivalent qualification. Contact: Ken Raine / Jimmy Seow, ph: (08) 6364 6500, website: <http://www.wa.gov.au> *Closing: 5 February 2007*

WA: Department of Environment and Conservation - Program Leader, Nature Conservation. No: CLM0291328. Responsible for leading, coordinating and supervising the planning and implementation of the Regulations and Landscapes sub programs of the Nature Conservation Output within the Department's Great Southern District and also coordination of the management of the reserve system, environmental impact assessments and biophysical assessments within the Remnant Habitat sub program. Salary up to \$64.4K or \$75.1K (level 5 or 6). Contact: Greg Durell, ph: (08) 9881 9203, website: <http://www.jobs.wa.gov.au> *Closing: 29 January 2007*

WA: Department of Environment and Conservation - Regional Leader, Nature Conservation. No: DEC1264515. To provide leadership and coordination for the development and implementation of the Nature Conservation Output at a regional level. This position forms an important part of a multidisciplinary regional management team based in the progressive regional centre of Kalgoorlie. Salary up to \$75.1K or \$84.7K (Level 6 or 7). Contact: Ian Kealley, ph: (08) 9080 5555 (Attn: WA Jobs Board), ph: (08) 9334 0275, website: <http://www.jobs.wa.gov.au> *Closing: 29 January 2007*

WA: Rio Tinto Iron Ore - Environmental Advisor, Flora & Fauna. No: SJ10319. Responsible for ensuring regional fauna and vegetation programmes are implemented and project approval requirements are monitored to ensure statutory compliance. Should have experience in

environmental approvals and/or research coordination preferably within a mining or industry context and tertiary qualifications in environmental science or zoology as well as excellent communication and organisational skills. Experience with geographic information systems (GIS) will be highly regarded. Familiarity with vegetation, subterranean and short range endemic fauna issues is highly desirable. Contact: Rio Tinto Iron Ore, website: <http://www.riotintocareers.com.au> *Closing: 30 January 2007*

Conferences & Events

12-14 February 2007. International Symposium: Time To Adapt - Climate Change and the European Water Dimension. Berlin, Germany. Contact: Carolin Wolf, Conference Management, Ecologic, ph: +49-30-868-800, fax: +49-30-868-80200, email: info@climate-water-adaptation-berlin2007.org website: <http://www.climate-water-adaptation-berlin2007.org/contact.htm>

18-20 February 2007. Meeting of Poprc Intersessional Working Group Chairs. Geneva, Switzerland. Contact: Stockholm Convention Secretariat, ph: +41 22 917 8191, fax: +41 22 797 3460, email: ssc@pops.int website: <http://www.pops.int>

20-21 February 2007. Policy Interface in Fractice. Zagreb, Croatia. Contact: Ilpo Tikkanen / Brita Pajari, European Forest Institute, ph: +358 10 773 4377, email: Ilpo.Tikkanen@efi.int / Pajari.Brita@efi.int website: <http://www.efi.int/events/extra/2006/foperdecember2006>

26 February-2 March 2007. CSD Intergovernmental Preparatory Meeting. New York, U.S.A. Contact: UN Division for Sustainable Development, ph: +1 212 963 8102, fax: +1 212 963 4260, email: dsd@un.org website: <http://www.un.org>

4-11 March 2007. Second International Agarwood Conference. Bangkok, Thailand. Contact: Rainforest Project Foundation, ph: +31 20 624 8508, fax: +31 20 624 0588, email: trp@euronet.nl website: <http://www.therainforestproject.net>

12-16 March 2007. Eighteenth Session of the FAO Committee on Forestry (COFO). Rome, Italy. Contact: Douglas Kneeland, FAO Forestry Department, ph: +39 06 5705 3925, fax: +39 06 5705 5137, email: douglas.kneeland@fao.org website: <http://www.fao.org>

13-15 March 2007. Carbon Market Insights 2007. Copenhagen, Denmark. Contact: Point Carbon, ph: +47 2240 5340, fax: +47 2240 5341, email: conference@pointcarbon.com website: <http://www.pointcarbon.com>

19-23 March 2007. Rotterdam Convention Third Chemical Review Committee Meeting. Rome, Italy. Contact: Rotterdam Convention Secretariat, ph: +41 22 917 8296, fax: +41 22 917 8082, email: pic@pic.int website: <http://www.pic.int>

26-28 March 2007. Queensland Energy. Carlton Crest, Brisbane, Australia. Contact: Customer Service, IIR, ph: (02) 9080 4090, email: info@iir.com.au

26-30 March 2007. Spillcon 2007: Asia Pacific's Premier Marine Environmental Protection, Prevention and Response Conference. Burswood Entertainment Complex, Perth, Western Australia. Contact: Conference Coordination Service, GPO Box 2181, Canberra City ACT 2601, ph: (02) 6279 5616, fax: (02) 6279 5026, email: spillcon@amsa.gov.au

29-30 March 2007. Clean Coal 2007. Carlton Crest, Brisbane, Australia. Contact: Customer Service, IIR, ph: (02) 9080 4090, email: info@iir.com.au

16-27 April 2007. Seventh Session of the United Nations Forum on Forests. New York, U.S.A. Contact: UNFF Secretariat, ph: + 212 963 3160, fax: + 917 367 3186, email: unff@un.org website: <http://www.un.org>

25-27 April 2007. Second Meeting of the Open-Ended Ad Hoc Working Group on Non-Compliance. Dakar, Senegal. Contact: Stockholm Convention Secretariat, ph: +41 22 917 8191, fax: +41 22 797 3460, email: ssc@pops.int website: <http://www.chem.unep.ch>

30 April-3 May 2007. Meetings of the Intergovernmental Panel On Climate Change. Bangkok, Thailand. Contact: Rudie Bourgeois, IPCC Secretariat, ph: +41-22-730-8208, fax: +41-22-730-8025/13, email: IPCC-Sec@wmo.int website: <http://www.ipcc.ch/>

30 April-4 May 2007. Stockholm Convention COP-3. Dakar, Senegal. Contact: Stockholm Convention Secretariat, ph: +41 22 917 8191, fax: +41 22 797 3460, email: ssc@pops.int website: <http://www.pops.int>

1-3 May 2007. 8th Annual WA Power 2007. Sheraton Hotel, Perth, Australia. Contact: Heik-Heng Tan, ph: (02) 9005 0714, fax: (02) 9281 3950, email: teik-heng.tan@terrapinn.com

4 May 2007. 26th Session of The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change. Bangkok, Thailand. Contact: Rudie Bourgeois, IPCC Secretariat, ph: +41-22-730-8208, fax: +41-22-730-8025/13, email: IPCC-Sec@wmo.int website: <http://www.ipcc.ch/>

7-18 May 2007. 26th Sessions of The UNFCCC Subsidiary Bodies and Kyoto Protocol Ad Hoc Working Group. Bonn, Germany. Contact: UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) Secretariat, ph: +49-228-815-1000, fax: +49-228-815-1999, email: secretariat@unfccc.int website: <http://www.unfccc.int>

14-18 May 2007. World Trade Fair for Forestry and Wood Industries. Hannover, Germany. Contact: Anja Brokjans, ph: +49 511 31602, fax: +49 511 89 32631, email: anja.brokjans@messe.de website: <http://www.ligna.de>

20-22 June 2007. Expert Meeting on Regional Impacts, Adaptation, Vulnerability and Mitigation. Nadi, Fiji. Contact: IPCC Secretariat, ph: +41 22 730 8208, fax: +41 22 730 8025, email: ipcc-wgl@al.no.gov website: ipcc-wgl.ucar.edu/meeting/TGICA-Regional/

9-13 September 2007. IUAPPA World Clean Air Congress: Clean Air Partnerships: Coming together for the Future. Brisbane Convention and Exhibition Centre, Brisbane, Queensland, Australia. Contact: ICMS Pty Ltd, ph: (07) 3307 4000, fax: (07) 3844 0909, website: <http://www.iuappa2007.com>

31 October-2 November 2007. SSEE Conference 2007: International Conference on Engineering Sustainability. Perth, Western Australia. Contact: Keynote Conferences, ph: (08) 9382 3799, website: <http://www.keynotewa.com/ssee-07>

3-14 December 2007. Thirteenth Conference of the Parties to the UNFCCC and Third Meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol. Indonesia. Contact: UNFCCC Secretariat, ph: +49 228 815 1000, fax: +49 228 815 1999, email: secretariat@unfccc.int website: <http://www.unfccc.int>