

# WCI, Inc. Overview

Oregon Legislature's Joint Committee on Carbon Reduction

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# WCI, Inc. Background



- Incorporated in 2011 as a 501(c)3 non-profit corporation
- Provide technical and administrative services to U.S.
   States & Canadian Provinces implementing greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions trading programs
- Fully funded by the Participating Jurisdictions that use the services it provides: the State of California (CA) & the Provinces of Quebec (QC), Ontario (ON) and Nova Scotia (NS)

# Relationship Between WCI, Inc. & the Jurisdictions



 WCI, Inc. provides services as requested & specified by the Participating Jurisdictions

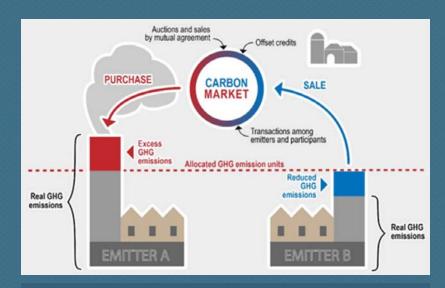
 Participating Jurisdictions retain all policy control & full authority over their programs

WCI, Inc. is governed by its Board of Directors

## WCI Carbon Market Overview



- Largest Carbon Market in North America
- A Green Economy Growth
   Tool for Participating
   Jurisdictions
  - Reduce GHG emissions
  - Stimulate Jurisdiction Economy and Create Jobs
  - Encourage the efficient use
     of energy while promoting
     renewable energy &
     energy efficiency



General information on the programs of the Participating Jurisdictions:

- Québec (view)
- Ontario (view)
- California (<u>view</u>)



- Cap-and-Trade Services
  - Allowance Registry (CITSS)
  - Auction Administration
  - Financial Services
  - Market Monitoring
- Administrative Services

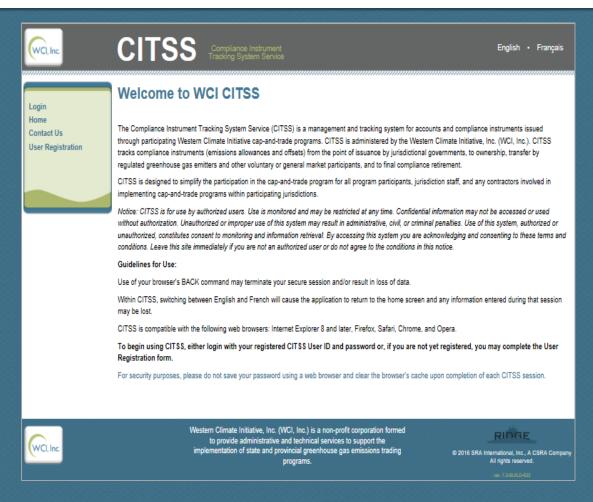
# Allowance Registry (CITSS)



- User Registration
   Regulated Emitters & Voluntary
   Participants
- Tracking of compliance instruments
   Issuance, Ownership, Transfers &

**Final Compliance Retirements** 

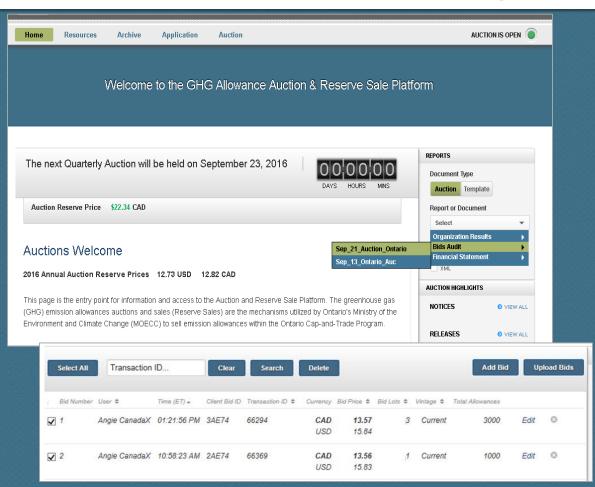
- Auction Application
- Market Monitoring
- Integrity, Efficiency,
   Reliability & Security



## Auction Administration



- Bidding Window
- Bidding in the Auction
   Entry, Edit, Delete & Confirm a Bid
- Bidding Limitations
   Minimum Price, Bid Guarantee,
   Purchase Limit, Holding Limit
- Exchange Rate
- Settlement Price
- Auction Results
- Complete Payment
- Integrity, Efficiency,
   Reliability & Security



## Financial Services



#### Main Tasks

- Before Auction
  - Applicant Account Verification & Opening
- Before & After Auction
  - Review and Manage Bid Guarantees
     Cash, Letters of Credit, Letter of Guarantee & Bonds (CA)
- After Auction
  - Auction Financial Settlement
  - Currency Exchange (CAD & USD)
  - Payment of Proceeds (Consignors & Jurisdictions)

# Market Monitoring



- An independent contractor working closely with Jurisdictions to review, monitor & report on:
  - Auction performance, bids & results (in real time)
     to confirm the auction process and procedures complied with the
     requirements of Participating Jurisdictions
  - Relevant activities including holdings & transactions in CITSS, the secondary, derivative & associated markets
  - Participant corporate structure (ownership & affiliates)
  - Deviations from the requirements or inappropriate market activity –
    fraud, manipulation, collusion or anti-competitive behavior subject to
    the laws & regulations in force under each Participating Jurisdiction's
    program

## WCI, Inc. – How We Work



- Board of Directors
  - Agendas & Minutes
- Board Committees
  - Executive, Finance & Audit
- Technical Services
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> Party Service Providers
  - WCI, Inc. Project Managers and Business Analyst
- Administrative Services
  - Supported by WCI, Inc. staff in California & Quebec
  - Professional Support (legal counsel, accountants, auditor, IT & translation)
- Working Groups (include jurisdiction participation)
  - Auction & Monitoring Working Group
  - Tracking System Working Group
  - Management Working Group
  - Procurement

# WCI, Inc. Policies & Corporate Documents



- Incorporation Documents
  - Articles of Incorporation
  - Corporate By-laws
- Policies of the Corporation
  - Accounting Policies and Procedures
  - Audit Committee Charter
  - Ethical Guidelines and Conflict of Interest Policy
  - Employee Handbooks (CA & QC)
  - Funds Management Policy
  - Open Meeting Policy
  - Procurement Policy
  - Records Availability Policy
  - Retention of Business Records Policy
  - Whistleblower Protection Policy

- Contract & RFPs
  - Open Contracts / Closed Contracts
  - Open and Forthcoming RFPs / Closed RFPs
- Board Meeting Agendas & Minutes
- Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
- Jurisdiction Agreements
- Budget, Tax Filings & Audit Documents

All WCI, Inc. Official Documents <a href="http://wci-inc.org/documents.php">http://wci-inc.org/documents.php</a>

## Additional Information



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