



Incentives to improve the reduction of GHG in buildings in Mexico. Opportunities of cooperation and market development in North America.

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Background



- Opportunities identified by CEC
- "The North American Mosaic: An Overview of Key Environmental Issues", June 2008
- "Green Buildings in North America, opportunities and challenges", Report by the Secretariat under Article 13 of the North American Environmental Cooperation Agreement, 2008

... further background (in Mexico)



- SEMARNAT (Environment Ministry)
- CONAVI (Housing Commission)
- Special Program for Sustainable Housing Development, 2008

Totals:



- ☐ GEI for world 70 Gt CO₂/yr
 - 30% natural processes
 - 70% man made (transport)
- NA: 14% of world total
 - Mexico contributes 0.1% of world total, and
 - □ 7% of NA.



Relative figures:

- Mexico is number 13 worldwide
- It has high carbon intensity
- There are data to reduce GHG emissions in accordance with 2050 world targets
- The key element to dig over the required resources will be NA market development.

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Differences



- Mexico can introduce "green" technology in new houses
- NA policy has special interest in retrofitting occupied dwellings
- Mexico is equipped with INFONAVIT and a complex system of private credit for new houses and improvements.

CEC proposal



- Share resources and information
- Promote international commerce in environmentally friendly products based on proven (although sub utilized) technologies
- Promote ecological labeling programs, as in refrigerators and HVAC systems
- Foster transnational practices of shared research and development, and
- Disseminate data arising from R&D and training.

Housing



- There is a tremendous deficit in housing
- Standard feed: 3 kW
- Ecological feed : 1 kW
- Possible PV complement: 1 kW
- Mean reduction: 1 kW
- Eco housing: 20% of 150 000 in 2008 up to 4 million in 2020.

Regions



Joint Public Advisory Committee (JPAC) Comité Consultivo Público Conjunto (CCPC) Comité consultatif public mixte (CCPM)



GHG savings targets



- 4 MtCO_{2e}/yr in 4 million houses
- Can be multiplied by 10
- □ The stated Mexican integral target to 2020 is to avoid 100 MtCO_{2e}/yr
- Target for NA: 100 120
- The rate of growth will largely depend on financial stimuli and new rules.

Mexican capacity



- R&D capacity: 25 000 experts, 15 000 in environment, biology and health (one half certified)
- Eco tourism of biodiversity
- 3 million km² of territorial seas
- The values of environmental care are widely shared from old.

Measures



- Improve the CDMs
- Adopt diverse ecotechnologies
- Fine tune and disseminate standards
- Privilege sustainable housing
- Mature a NA sustainable financial process, strongly based on social savings mechanisms.





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