

Refining Fitness Check

Looking ahead:

Concaawe's estimate of the forward cost of EU legislation

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- ▶ **ETS** (Emissions Trading System): Phase III free allowances significantly reduced by refining benchmark and cross-sectoral correction factor
- ▶ **IED** (Industrial Emissions Directive): More stringent air and water emission limit values -> Compliance by 2018
- ▶ **REACH**: Administrative burden and license fees
- ▶ **RED** (Renewable Energy Directive): Loss of demand and refining throughput, replaced by biofuels
- ▶ **SLFD** (Sulphur in Liquid Fuels Directive): Marine Fuels sulphur reduction requires major capital investment and increased operating costs

What is the combined impact on costs?





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**The estimated forward
cost of EU legislation
for the EU refining
industry**



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- ▶ EU ETS Phase III runs from 2013 to 2020
- ▶ Emission allowances are distributed by auction in this period
- ▶ Refining is among the sectors qualifying for free allowances, based on a sectoral benchmark
- ▶ Cross-sectoral correction factor (CSCF) cuts the total free allocation over 2013-2020 period by 11.6% (about 95 Mt CO₂)
- ▶ Free allowances for EU refining in 2013 were estimated at 67% of refining emissions*, reducing to 58% in 2020 (instead of a constant 71% without the CSCF)
- ▶ About 60 Mt allowances to be purchased by EU refineries in 2020

CO2 price in 2020		Low	High
	€/t	16.5	30.0
Estimated cost to EU refiners (purchase of CO2 allowances)	G€/a	0.99	1.80
	\$/bbl	0.31	0.57

* EU refining emissions were assumed to remain constant at 144 Mt/a CO₂



- ▶ The IED sets emission limit values on the effluents of industrial installations to air and water
- ▶ Compliance with the range of Associated Emission Levels (AELs) achievable with the Best Available Techniques (hence BAT-AELs) is required by October 2018
- ▶ Many refineries will need to invest: Electrostatic precipitators, Wet gas scrubbers, Super Claus, Selective Catalytic Reduction,
- ▶ Water Framework Directive may lead to additional water effluent treatment measures, over and above the IED requirements.

Cost scenario in 2020		Low	High
Emissions to air (SO ₂ , NO _x and dust only)			
Estimated cost (capital and operating cost)	G€/a \$/bbl	1.35 0.43	4.5 1.43
Emissions to water			
Estimated cost (capital and operating cost)	M€/a \$/bbl	25 0.01	not estimated
Total estimated cost to EU refiners	G€/a	1.37	4.5
	\$/bbl	0.44	1.43

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- ▶ Significant additional burden on product suppliers into the EU market
 - ▶ Development of methodologies required for the assessment of UVCBs * and in the preparation of the registration dossiers
 - ▶ Registration fees
- ▶ Total of these costs incurred for all EU refineries estimated at 130 M€
- ▶ Potential costs for additional testing estimated at 50 M€
- ▶ On-going costs of about 50 M€/a for additional admin personnel.

Cumulative once-off costs 2010-2020	M€	180
Capital charge	M€/a	27
On-going cost	M€/a	50
Total estimated cost to EU refiners	M€/a	77
	\$/bbl	0.02

* **REACH**: Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and restriction of Chemicals

** **UVCB**: Substance of Unknown or Variable composition, Complex reaction products or Biological materials



- ▶ RED forces the introduction of biofuels and renewables into transport fuels
- ▶ Ethanol displaces refined gasoline from the demand pool
- ▶ Gasoline export market is assumed to be saturated
- ▶ A reduced production of refined gasoline would require a reduction in crude throughput: by about 18 Mt/a in 2010, increasing to 45 Mt/a in 2020
- ▶ Cost impact on refining can be estimated as a loss of margin due to reduced throughput
- ▶ Calculation uses notional average EU refining net margin of 3 \$/bbl (**NOT** to be taken as representative of current or historic margins)

Total estimated cost to EU refiners (2020)	G€/a	0.70
	\$/bbl	0.22



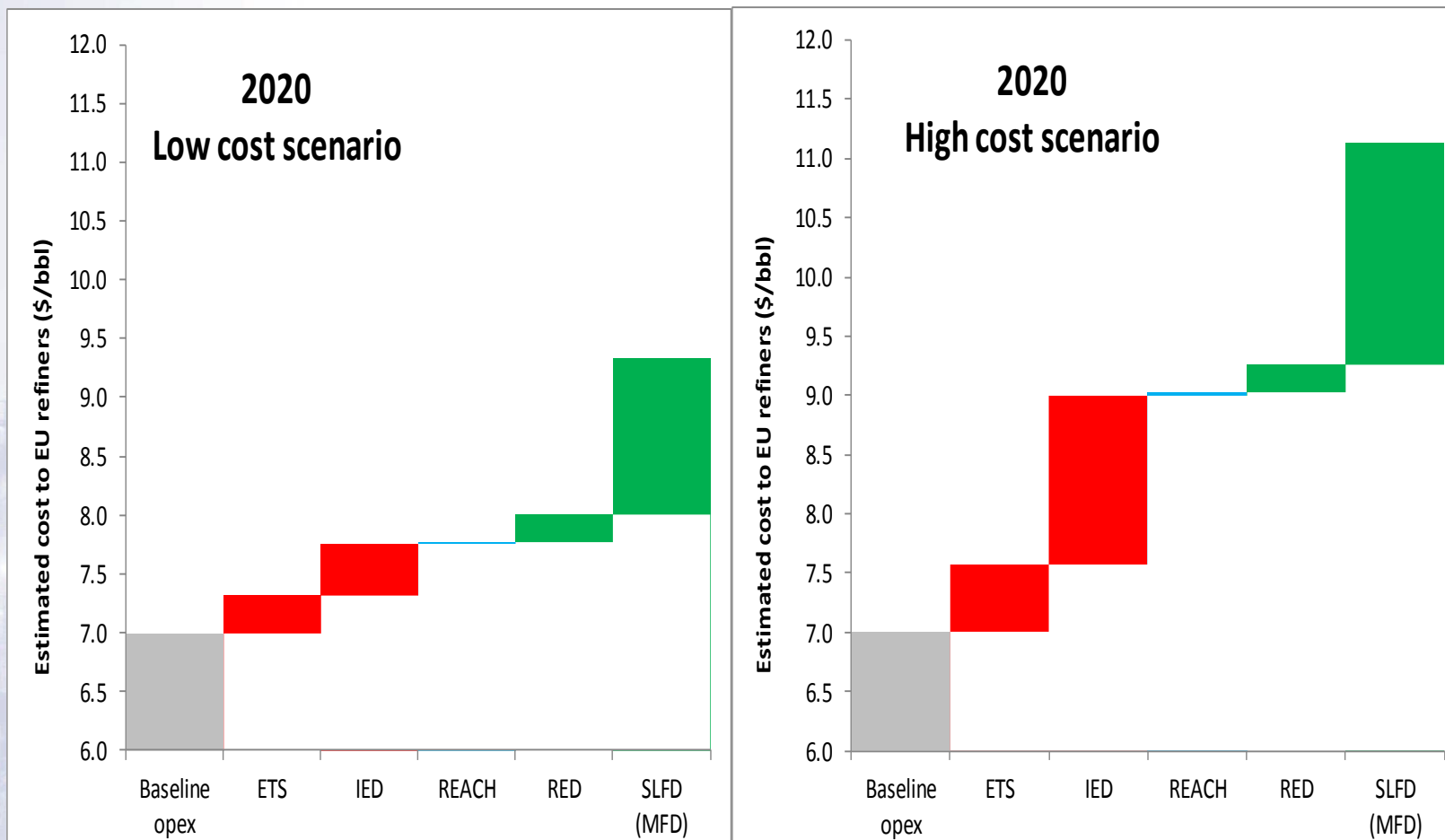
- ▶ Concaawe 2013 study estimated the costs of EU refining investments required to meet reduced Marine Fuels %S limits:
 - ▶ **10 G€** for the ECA 0.1% S limit in 2015
 - ▶ **15 G€** for the 0.5% S limit, assuming all non-ECA bunker fuel sold in the EU meets that specification in 2020
- ▶ Refiners also face a sizeable extra energy bill as well as carbon costs
- ▶ Uncertainties on timing of the IMO 0.5% global limit and alternative abatement measures for ships (scrubbers, LNG, etc.)
- ▶ Some compensating incremental revenue from higher value refined products but very difficult to predict

% of non-ECA EU bunker fuel @ 0.5% S		Low (50%)	High: (100%)
Estimated cumulative investment 2010-2020	G€	17.5	25.0
Capital charge	G€/a	2.63	3.75
Estimated additional operating costs	G€/a	1.61	2.19
Total estimated cost to EU refiners	G€/a	4.23	5.94
	\$/bbl	1.34	1.89

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Cumulative cost impact of EU legislation in 2020



- ▶ The cumulative cost of meeting all these legislative challenges in 2020 is in the region of **2.5 - 4 \$/bbl** (including annualised investment costs)

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- ▶ EU legislation will impact EU refineries' costs
 - ▶ Increased investment costs: new process equipment, new emissions abatement equipment
 - ▶ Increased operating costs: energy, hydrogen, additional treatment chemicals and catalysts
- ▶ Uncertainties could make it difficult to economically justify additional refining investments

⇒ **Competitiveness of EU refineries will continue to be under pressure**



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