

## **Australia meets important Kyoto milestone**

Climate Change Minister Penny Wong has announced Australia's Kyoto-compliant emissions trading registry is online and linked to the United Nations International Transactions Log. "With this trading registry up and running, Australia has achieved another important milestone in meeting its obligations under the Kyoto Protocol," says Senator Wong. The registry system, established as part of Australia's commitment under the Kyoto Protocol, will track and record all Australian trade in Kyoto units. "Australia needs these units to meet the Kyoto target of limiting our average annual emissions over the commitment period (2008-12) to 108 per cent of 1990 levels," says Wong. The registry will be further developed over 2009 to support Australia's Carbon Pollution Reduction Scheme, set for introduction in 2010.

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