DEALING WITH CARBON STANDARDS-HOW HAS IT BEEN FOR SUNRIPE LIMITED?

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OVERVIEW

- The genesis
- The methodology dilemma
- The challenges
- The Foot prints controversies
- Our views on the standards
- Opportunities for fresh vegetables producers, flowers producers,

manufacturers and the service industry.





The Feeding of the Nine Billion Global Food Security for the 21st Century



THE DRIVERS

- European retailers /customers
- Food Airfreight debate
- Governments/lobby groups/NEMA/LEAF standard
- Operation efficiency
- Global climate change
- Food insecurity













THE JOURNEY

Project (Carbon foot print) launch-January 2010



Organic and conventional products

Emissions comparison

Emissions & cost reduction strategies

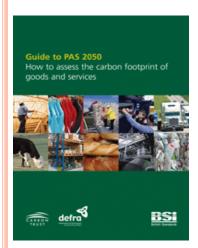


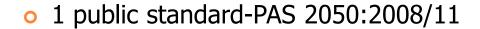


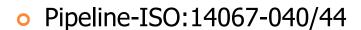




METHODOLOGY DILEMMA; WHICH STANDARD?













No standard for Africa





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THE LIFE CYCLE ASSESSMENT PROCESS

Phases		Issues/challenges	Impact on process	
1. Flow charts/process maps	'Cradle to gate' or 'Cradle to grave'	-Raw materials extraction	Increase	
		-Imports of inputs -fertilizer components,		
		packaging materials, pesticides		
		-Inputs Transportation emissions		
		-Consumption and disposal stages		
2. Boundaries	Prioritize the significant stages	-Product category rules as in PAS not	Uncertainty	
		available		
3. Data collection	Inputs/outputs quantification	-12 months data collection	Uncertainty	
		-Upstream inputs data inaccessible e.g		
		ferts origin, method of extraction,		
		-Pesticides		
		-Aircraft details		
		-Imports mileage		
		-staff training		

Phases		Issues/challenges	Impact on the process	е
4. Data analysis	Activity data x Emission factors	-No African based	Increased e.g electricity Uncertainty	
		-UK & Europe based Defra 09 & 10, Ecoinvent		
		database, etc		
		-Soft wares-Open LCA, Gabi, Simapro		
		-Software Expertise	Expensive	
		-Software and database costs- €11400		
		-Training- €1500	Simplified	
		-Staff training		
5. The product carbon foot print	Sum of all emissions	-Airfreight bellyhold/ cargo plane	Increase	
		-Radiative forcing	Uncertainty	
		-Land use change		
		-Tree planting for offset	Increase	
		-Carbon credits		
		-Exclude retail, consumer and disposal stages		

THE MILESTONES ACHIEVED

Product life Cycle stage	Cost savings achieved/product	% cost reduction	% emissions reduction
1. Irrigation water	60940.00	50	50% reduc. Water foot print
2. Electricity	451896.00	50	50
3.Packaging	1,517,800.00	50	10
4. Freight	1,095,200.00	60	2

- 5. The water footprint of the products also identified alongside
- 6. Staff capacity building on LCA data collection and analysis software
- 7. Website developed to share experience

OUR VIEWS ON CARBON STANDARDS

Carbon standards- good environmental management tools

Emissions hot spots and reduction strategies



Decision making tool

Benchmarks for operations efficiency



Business profitability-cost saving

Tools for environmental sustainability



IMPORTANT CONSIDERATIONS

Involvement in carbon standard setting-ISO 14067



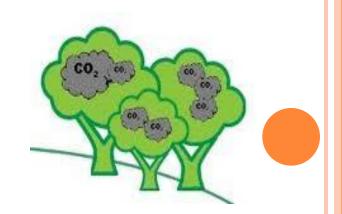
Significance of African specific Emission factors

Involvement in software development

Technical/capacity building needs

Tree planting as an offset strategy

Carbon credits



PRODUCERS, MANUFACTURERS AND INDUSTRY OPPORTUNITIES

- Business profitability
- Operations efficiency
- Save in costs
- Competitive advantage
- Technical capacity/workers trainings
- Reliable climate in future





THANK YOU

