

MIT-CTL Study on the EPA SmartWay Program

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Carbon-Efficient Supply Chains

Challenges facing our society

- Rising energy demand and decreasing supply
- Impacts of climate change
- Strategies to reduce greenhouse gas emissions
- Addressing issue from supply chain perspective



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Research has focused on:
Methodology and strategies
Reporting and labeling



CO2 Labels Proposed for Beer Cans by '09







Kilograms CO2 Equivalent 3.08	122
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Total C: Energy Sources	243
Fransportation	100.
Fossil Fuel (Diesei)	1200
Electricity Production	409
Ecosil Evol (Natural Gas)	750
Fossil Fuel (Coal)	00
Other	1
Total C: Non-Energy Sources 28	4000000
Enteric Fermentation 81.00 (1)	85400000
Manure 25.80 (Bc00p568
Other 5.2g (120gCO2E)
Carbon/Broduct Batio	23.7
Carbon/Product Hallo	
Localism Rating	-



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Objectives of Study

- Understanding factors contributing to success of the SmartWay program
- Possible implementations in other countries or in broader scopes
- Policies to ensure that success is sustained over the long run





System Dynamics

- Approach to studying complex systems
 - Non-linear responses
 - Internal feedback loops
 - Time delays
- Developing model structure
- Performing simulations to test policies and understanding change over time



System Dynamics

Approach to studying complex systems Causal loops Consumer Confusion Consumer Demand for В Education Sustainable Products Uncontrolled R Market Labeling Consumer Saturation **Purchasing Power** Corporate Prevalence of Innovation Labels

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System Dynamics

Approach to studying complex systems Stock and flow diagrams





SmartWay Model

- Work in progress
- Reiterative process
 - Initial framework developed in May
 - Visit to SmartWay team in June
 - Interviews with partners in Sep/Oct



Carrier Stocks and Flows





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Reinforcing Loop 1: Word of Mouth



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Reinforcing Loop 2: Strategy Validation



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Balancing Loop 1: Resource Dilution



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Balancing Loop 2: Brand Dilution



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Shipper Stocks and Flows



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Reinforcing Loop 3: Consumers





Shipper Balancing Loops





Stock and Flow Diagram



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Baseline Simulation







CO2 Emissions Reductions : Baseline

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Total Shipper Partners : Baseline

- Rapid initial growth
 - Word of mouth
 - Advertising
 - Recruitment
 - Shipper pressure
- Saturation
 - Limited program resources

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No Shipper Scenario







- Slow initial growth
 - Importance of shipper influence
- Larger long term CO₂ reductions
 - Focus on carrier emission potential
 - But assuming resource constraint





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Double Partner Budget











Total Shipper Partners



Ability to handle more partners

- But for a limited time
- Funding opportunities are limited





Reduction in Service Level



CO2 Emissions Reductions







- Generic partner management
 - Less staff/resource intensive
- Reduced initial attractiveness

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Large Carrier Focus **Total Carrier Partners Total Shipper Partners** 2,000 800 Companies Companies 1,000 400 0 0 8 16 24 32 40 0 8 16 24 32 0 Time (Quarter) Time (Quarter) Total Carrier Partners : Baseline Total Shipper Partners : Baseline -Total Carrier Partners : Double Partner Budget Total Shipper Partners : Double Partner Budget Total Carrier Partners : Large Carrier Focus Total Shipper Partners : Large Carrier Focus

CO2 Emissions Reductions



Focus on larger carrier partners

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- □ Fleet size > 1000
- Greater reduction potential
- Less direct involvement with smaller partners

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Observations

- Importance of shipper participation in program
- Value of knowledge sharing in partnership for technology diffusion
- Provision of quality tools and services
- Dilution of brand not as significant
- Advantages of voluntary private public partnerships



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SmartWay System Model 1/2





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Causal Loop Diagram

