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#### **ACRONYMS AND INITIALISMS**

**AVA** Account viewing agent

**Emitter** Any person covered by section 2 or section 2.1 of the *Regulation* 

respecting a cap-and-trade system for greenhouse gas emission

allowances

**MELCC** Ministère de l'Environnement et de la Lutte contre les changements

climatiques

**Participant** A participating natural person or legal entity

**AR** Account representative

**PAR** Primary account representative (resource person)

**Regulation** Regulation respecting a cap-and-trade system for greenhouse gas

emission allowances

**C&T system** GHG emission cap-and-trade system

CITSS Compliance Instrument Tracking System Service

**WCI, Inc.** Western Climate Initiative, Inc.

#### 1. Introduction

The CITSS User Manual has been elaborated to support the users of the Compliance Instrument Tracking System Service (CITSS) who must carry out various actions under the Québec government's GHG emission cap-and-trade (C&T) system.

The system's numerous functions include the issuance by the government of emission allowances, recording the ownership of emission allowances and account information, performing and recording emission allowance transfers, and facilitating the verification of compliance.

The CITSS User Manual is divided into volumes elaborated specifically according to the types of operations that users will have to perform in the system. Seven volumes have been elaborated:

Volume 1 User Registration

Volume 2 User Profile Management

Volume 3 Opening an Account

Volume 4 Account Management

**Volume 5** Emission Allowance Transfers

Volume 6 Compliance Management

Volume 7 Registration for Government Sales

Additional volumes and updated versions will be published where warranted.

#### 1.1 Access to CITSS

You can directly access CITSS at https://www.wci-citss.org.

The CITSS homepage is the point of entry to carry out any operation in the system. To have access to user profiles, open an account and access accounts linked to the users, the latter must, if they already possess a valid user ID, click on "Login" in the left-hand menu and enter their personal access information (user ID and password). To obtain a user ID, please refer to volume 1 of the CITSS User Manual.

#### General guidelines

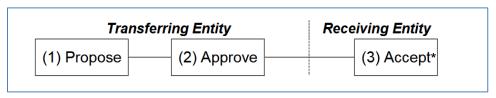
- CITSS is compatible with the main web browsers but certain functions differ slightly from one browser to the next. The CITSS website homepage indicates the compatible browsers.
- As a security precaution, it is recommended to erase the browsing history if several people use the computer on which a profile has been created or on which a user navigates in CITSS. It is also recommended that you clear the browser's cache upon completion of each CITSS session.
- CITSS is accessible 24 hours a day, seven days a week (except during periodic maintenance).

#### 2. General Transfer Process

#### 2.1 Transfer Process Steps

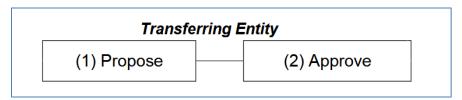
The CITSS system's emission allowance transfer process involves two or three steps: Propose, Approve, and Accept (if required). The transfer process between emitters and participants is depicted in Table 1. The transfer process from an emitter's compliance account or via a clearing house is depicted in Table 2. The acceptance step is not required for general account transfers to an emitter's compliance account nor for transfers to and from a clearing house account.

Table 1: Transfer process between entities and to the minister's retirement account



<sup>\*</sup> For tranfers to the minister's retirement account, a jurisdiction administrator has to accept the transfer.

Table 2: Transfer process to a compliance account or to and from a clearing house account



#### 2.2 Transfer Time Limits

Transferring emission allowances in the CITSS system is a three-step process that must be completed within specific timeframes. Therefore:

- All transfers must be proposed by an account representative (PAR or AR) of the transferring entity,
- then **approved** by another AR or PAR of the transferring entity **within two days** of the transfer proposal,
- and finally accepted by an AR or PAR of the receiving entity within three days of the transfer proposal.

Table 3 depicts the process.

If the above deadlines are not met, the transfer process expires, which permanently cancels the transfer in the CITSS system. Should the transfer expire, the emission allowances are not transferred. An AR/PAR must propose a new transfer if it still needs to be made.

Table 3: Transfer Process

Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday
Transfer Request Proposed	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3
A representative of the transferring entity Proposes a transfer request.  The three-day period begins at midnight (12 a.m.) ET of the day following Proposal of the transfer request.	A second representative of th Approve the Proposed transfe days after it is proposed, i.e.,	er request no later than two	When applicable, a representative of the receiving entity must Accept the transfer request within three days, i.e., not later than 11:59 p.m. on Day 3.  If the transfer request is not Accepted by the end of Day 3, the CITSS automatically expires the transfer request.
The transfer status is PROPOSED		atus changes to	The transfer status changes to COMPLETE

During the transfer process, the emission allowances being transferred remain the property of the transferring entity and are only collected at the end of the process. They are, however, subtracted from the available balance in the transferring entity's account to indicate that they are awaiting transfer. That way, the available balance corresponds to the balance of the account from which the emission allowances are deducted.

All scheduling within the CITSS is based on prevailing Eastern Time (ET), i.e., Eastern Time with seasonal adjustments for daylight savings. A "day" begins at midnight (12:00 a.m.) and lasts until 11:59 p.m. the next evening. Each requirement period begins at midnight (12:00 a.m.) ET, i.e., Day 1 is the first 24 hour day following the Settlement Date or following the day that the transfer request is proposed.

There are no requirements to prevent the shortest possible completion of the transfer process, i.e., all three steps (Propose, Approve, and Accept) could be completed on the same day.

#### 2.3 Naming Conventions

The following terms are used to describe the transfer process:

#### Transferring Entity

The source of the emission allowances, i.e. the account from which the emission allowances are deducted. Emission allowances are transferred from the transferring entity's account to the receiving entity's account.

#### **Receiving Entity**

The account into which emission allowances are transferred, i.e., the beneficiary of the transfer. Emission allowances are transferred from the transferring entity's account to the receiving entity's account.

#### **Agreement Date**

The date when a contract or agreement to transfer emission allowances is accepted by the parties. It's the date a written contract or agreement is signed to assign present or future emission allowances, for example under a futures contract. The agreement date and the transaction date may be different. Regardless of the contract's transaction date, the transfer takes effect as soon as the status of the transfer changes to "Completed" in the CITSS system.

#### **Transaction Date**

The expected date when the accepted terms of the agreement will be completed. This is usually the date of transfer and payment.

#### **Contract Expiration Date**

For transfers involving a stock exchange, clearing house, or other transaction service, the contract expiration date is the date the contract expires. It is the same date when the price for emission allowance transfers is established.

#### 2.4 Transfer Statuses

#### **Proposed**

The transfer request has been proposed by a PAR or AAR and is awaiting approval from another account representative of the transferring entity. If this is a transfer between entities, the transfer request is not yet viewable by the representatives of the receiving entity while it is in this status.

#### **Approved**

The transfer request has been approved by a second account representative (PAR or AAR) of the transferring entity. If this is a two-step transfer (transfer between accounts of the same entity, or to or from an exchange clearing account), the transfer is now complete. If the transfer is between entities, the representatives of the receiving entity have been notified of the transfer request and the transfer is viewable as a pending transfer on the homepage of the account representatives of the receiving entity. An account representative of the receiving entity must now either accept or decline the transfer request.

#### Complete

The transfer is complete and the emission allowances have been transferred from the transferring entity's account to the receiving entity's account. The transfer of emission allowances is complete when the transfer is accepted by the AR/PAR of the receiving entity. For transfers that do not require acceptance, i.e., those made to a compliance account or to or from a clearing house account, emission allowances are transferred as soon as the transfer is approved by the transferring entity's AR/PAR.

#### Cancelled

A transfer request was cancelled by the account representative of the transferring entity that initially proposed the transfer. Only the representative that entered the initial proposal can cancel the proposed transfer. If the proposed transfer was to another entity, the representatives of the receiving entity were not notified of the proposed transfer or cancellation. The compliance instruments have not been transferred.

#### **Denied**

The transfer request was denied by a second account representative of the transferring entity (following proposal). The representatives of the transferring entity were notified that the proposed transfer was denied. If the proposed transfer was to another entity, the representatives of the receiving entity were not notified of the proposed transfer or the subsequent denial. The compliance instruments have not been transferred.

#### **Declined**

The transfer request was declined by an account representative of the receiving entity. The representatives of both the transferring and acquiring entities were notified of the action by email. The compliance instruments have not been transferred.

#### **Expired**

Either the transfer request was not approved before midnight (Eastern Time) of the second calendar day following proposal or the transfer request or was not accepted before midnight (Eastern Time) of the third calendar day following proposal of the transfer request. The compliance instruments have not been transferred. If the transfer still needs to be recorded, a new transfer proposal must be entered by a representative of the transferring entity.

#### 3. Transfer Proposals

#### 3.1 Selecting Emission Allowances to be Transferred

The **My Accounts** box lists the accounts with a PAR, AR, or AVA user. This section contains information on each account, including the legal and business names of the emitter or participant, the type of account, its number, its status, and the participating government.

- STEP 1 Access the general account of the receiving entity by clicking on the "View" button to the right of the account (Figure 1).
- STEP 2 Select the emission allowances to be transferred by clicking on the "Initiate Transfer" button on the same line as the allowance to transfer (Figure 2).

The General Account page, shown in Figure 2, provides information about the selected account. There are two tabs: Holdings and Transfers.

The Holdings tab provides a detailed list of the emission allowances in the account, organized by Vintage, Jurisdiction, Type, Sub-Type, Offset Type, Project ID, and Quantity. Note that some of these columns (Sub-Type, Offset Type, and Project ID) apply only to offset credits and will remain empty for the listed emission units.

The Transfers tab provides a transfer history that the AR/PAR can also view by clicking on the "Transfer History" link on the Reports page in the menu on the left of the screen.

Last successful login: 2018-11-21 16:09:32 EST Welcome to WCI CITSS Last failed login: 2015-11-26 16:10:45 EST Log Out My Accounts Contact Us My User Profile Name **Operating Name** Jurisdiction Actions Account Registration Dénomination commerciale QC01124 General QC01124-41655 Québec Active View CC01124 Dénomination commerciale QC01124 Compliance QC01124-61654 Québec Active Representative Reports Entreprise QC01124 View 2 records Glossary **Pending Transfers** Receiving Account Transferring Account Name Last Updated 114818 Entreprise QC01124 (QC01124-41655) General Entreprise QC01010 (QC01010-41028) General 2018-11-21

Figure 1: Access the transferring entity's general account

Entreprise QC01124 General Account (QC01124-41655) Log Out Home Your account information is provided below. Select "Account Detail" to view or change entity and account representative information. To initiate a Contact Us compliance instrument transfer from this account, select "Initiate Transfer" from the Holdings tab. To view the transfer history for this account, select the My User Profile Transfers tab. Account Registration Account Number QC01124-41655 Representative Reports Account Status Active Account Balance 214.649 Glossary 214 649 Available Account Balance Account Detail Holdings Initiate Transfer Jurisdiction Offset Type Offset Project Quantity Туре 2014 Allowance 5,620 2015 Allowance 66,933 Initiate 2016 Allowance 142,096

Figure 2: Select emission allowances to transfer

#### 3.2 Selecting the Transfer Type

After selecting the emission allowances to transfer, you are taken to the Select Type of Transfer page and asked to choose the type of transfer (Figure 3).

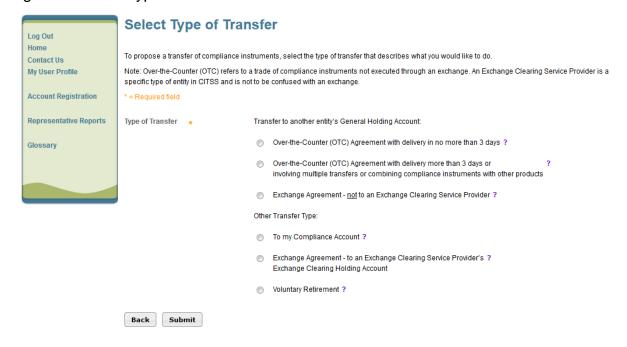
**STEP 1** Select the appropriate type of transfer from among six possible options.

Skip to the section of the guide that discusses the transfer type you selected, as shown in Table 4.

Table 4: Guide sections for different transfer types

Over-the-Counter (OTC) Agreement with delivery in no more than 3 days	$\rightarrow$	Section 3.3.1
Over-the-Counter (OTC) Agreement with delivery more than 3 days or involving multiple transfers or combining compliance instruments with other products	$\rightarrow$	Section 3.3.2
Exchange Agreement (not to an Exchange Clearing Service Provider)	$\rightarrow$	Section 3.3.3
To Compliance Account	$\rightarrow$	Section 3.3.4
Exchange Agreement to a Clearing House	$\rightarrow$	Section 3.3.5
Voluntary Retirement	$\rightarrow$	Section 3.3.6

Figure 3: Select Type of Transfer





Hover over the question mark (?) following the name of each transfer type for a definition.

#### 3.3 Information Entry

# 3.3.1 Over-the-Counter (OTC) Agreement with delivery in no more than 3 days

This transfer type allows users to transfer emission allowances to the general account of another entity as part of a mutual agreement under which the transaction is expected to take place no more than three days after entering into the agreement.

#### **Transfer Proposal**

- **STEP 1** Fill out all fields marked with an asterisk (\*) to propose a transfer (Figure 4).
- STEP 2 Make sure the information about the transfer is accurate and complete by entering the password in the field below the certificate.
- STEP 3 Click on the "Submit" button at the bottom of the screen to submit the transfer proposal.



Section 8 describes how to obtain the receiving entity's general account number and the entity reference code.

## Figure 4: Entering transfer information: Over-the-Counter (OTC) Agreement with delivery in no more than 3 days



#### Transfer to General Account-OTC with Delivery in No More Than 3 Days

You may use this page to propose a transfer of compliance instruments to another entity's General Holding Account for an over-the-counter (OTC) agreement for which delivery will take place no more than three days from the date the parties enter into the transaction agreement. Compliance instruments will not be transferred in CITSS until the following steps have been completed:

Step 1: A PAR or AAR from the transferring entity proposes the transfer request in CITSS. After selecting Submit, Step 1 will be completed and the transfer request will be proposed. The account representatives for the transferring entity will be notified via email.

Step 2: A PAR or AAR from the transferring account approves the transfer request in CITSS. Except for individual account holders, the approving representative must be different than the PAR or AAR who proposes the transfer request. The transfer request must be approved by midnight (Eastern Time) of the second calendar day following proposal of the transfer request. After selecting Process Transfer, Step 2 will be completed and the transfer request will be approved. The account representatives for the transferring and receiving entity will be notified via email.

Step 3: A PAR or AAR from the receiving entity accepts the transfer request in CITSS. The transfer request must be accepted by midnight (Eastern Time) of the third calendar day following proposal of the transfer request. After selecting Process Transfer, Step 3 will be completed and the transfer request will be accepted. The account representatives for the transferring and receiving entity will be notified via email.

Entities may enter a price of zero if the transaction agreement does not contain a price for compliance instruments and the proposed transfer.

- is between entities with a direct corporate association.
- . is part of a transaction agreement that combines compliance instruments and other products without pricing information.
- by a California entity meets the criteria stipulated in the California Cap-and-Trade regulation. Refer to the Regulation for guidance before entering \$0 as the price.

Refer to the Regulation for specific requirements.



#### Receiving Account and Transfer Information

Account Number	*	?
Entity Reference Code	*	?
Quantity	*	?
Agreement Date	*	21 • November • 2018 • ?
Expected Termination Date		<b>▼ ▼</b> ?
Expected Termination Date Not Specified		?
Price \$	*	qcuser61451 ?
If the price is \$0.00, transfer:		
Select		▼]
Currency		Select → ?
Comment		

By clicking on the Submit button, I certify under sanctions defined in Québec regulation on cap-and-trade (R.R.Q., c. Q-2, r. 46.1), that I am authorized to make this request on behalf of the entity that owns the compliance instruments held in this account. I certify that I have personally examined, and I am familiar with, the statements and information submitted in this page, and that they are true, accurate, and complete.

Password		*	•••••
Cancel	Submit		

#### **Transferring Entity Account Information**

The CITSS system automatically enters the transferring entity's account data based on previous selections.

#### **Receiving Entity Account and Transfer Information**

The AR/PAR must enter the transfer data in the following corresponding fields:

#### **Account Number**

This is the receiving entity's account number. Contact one of the receiving entity's AR/PARs to obtain the account number. The account number consists of a two-letter abbreviation for the participating government (for example, "QC" for Québec) followed by two series of four digits separated by a hyphen (for example, QC1234-1234).

#### **Entity Reference Code**

This is the receiving entity's reference code. Contact one of the receiving entity's AR/PARs to obtain the entity reference code. The entity reference code is made up of eight numbers. It is part of the general information provided on the entity's Account Detail page.

#### Quantity

The amount of emission allowances to be transferred. The quantity may not exceed the available balance in the account that is displayed in the transferring account details (Figure 4). Enter a whole number in the "Quantity" field.

#### Agreement Date

The agreement date is the date a contract or agreement is accepted by the parties for the present or future transfer of emission allowances, for example under a futures contract. The agreement date and the transaction date may be different.

#### **Expected Termination Date**

The transaction date is the date when the accepted terms of the agreement are completed. This is usually the date of transfer and payment.

#### **Expected Termination Date Not Specified**

Check this box only if the transaction date is not specified in the agreement.

#### **Price**

The average price, in dollars and cents separated by a period, for each emission allowance (not the total price of the transaction). The average price is required for transfers to another entity registered in the CITSS system. The price may be zero if the agreement does not contain a price for emission allowances and the proposed transfer is between entities that are part of the same corporate association group or the agreement provides for a tie-in sale that includes products other than emission allowances without specifying the price.

#### If the price is \$0.00, transfer

Choose one of the two possible options from the drop-down menu only if the price entered is zero. The price may be zero if the agreement does not contain a price for emission allowances and if the proposed transfer:

- Is between entities that are part of the same corporate association group
- Is a tie-in sale agreement that includes products other than emission allowances without specifying the price

#### Currency

You must specify the currency when entering a price. USD is the United States dollar. CAD is the Canadian dollar.

#### **Viewing the Transfer Request**

Users are taken to the Compliance Instrument Transfer Detail page, shown in Figure 5, after they submit a transfer proposal.

The transfer history table at the bottom of the screen shows the date and time each proposal was submitted and the name of the AR/PAR that submitted it. A transfer proposal may be cancelled at any time by the AR/PAR that submitted it, until it has been approved and the status says "Proposed."

#### **Approval of the Transfer Request**

When a transfer has been proposed by a transferring entity's AR/PAR, another AR/PAR of the transferring entity must approve the transfer proposal. See section 4.

# Figure 5: Compliance Instrument Transfer Detail - Over-the-Counter (OTC) Agreement with delivery in no more than 3 days

#### **Compliance Instrument Transfer Detail**

Detailed transfer information for this transfer, identified by the unique Transfer ID, is provided below. The status of this transfer request (Proposed, Approved, Accepted) is dependent on which steps in the transfer process have been completed by the account representatives for the transferring and receiving entities. The transfer request must be Approved by midnight (Eastern Time) of the second calendar day following the transfer proposal. The request can only be Approved by a different account representative than the individual that proposed the transfer request. The transfer request must be Accepted by an account representative of the receiving entity by midnight (Eastern Time) of the third calendar day following the transfer proposal.

Account Number	QC01124-41655
Account Type	General
Transfer ID	114818
Туре	General - OTC <= 3 Days
Compliance Instrument	2014 Allowance
Transfer Status	Proposed?
Agreement Date	2018-11-21
Expected Termination Date	
Expected Termination Date Not Specified	Yes
Price	\$16.00
Currency	USD
If the price is \$0.00, transfer	
Quantity	1,000

#### Accounts

	Transferring Account	Receiving Account
Legal Name	Entreprise QC01124	Entreprise QC01010
Operating Name	Dénomination commerciale QC01124	Dénomination commerciale QC01010
Account Number	QC01124-41655	QC01010-41028
Account Type	General	General

#### Transfer Event History

Event	Event Date	Comment	Action By
Proposal	2018-11-21 16:16:36 EST		Prénom61451 Nom61451

Back

Cancel Proposed Transfer

# 3.3.2 Over-the-Counter (OTC) Agreement with delivery more than 3 days or involving multiple transfers or combining compliance instruments with other products

This transfer type allows users to transfer emission allowances to the general account of another entity as part of a mutual agreement under which the transaction is expected to take place more than three days after entering into the agreement, or if it involves the transfer of several allowances, or if the allowances are tied to other products being purchased or sold.

#### **Transfer Proposal**

- Fill out all fields marked with an asterisk (\*) to propose a transfer (Figure 6 and Figure 7).
- STEP 2 Make sure the information about the transfer is accurate and complete by entering the password in the field below the certificate.
- STEP 3 Click on the "Submit" button at the bottom of the screen to submit the transfer proposal.



Section 8 describes how to obtain the receiving entity's general account number and the entity reference code.

### Figure 6: Entering transfer information: Over-the-Counter (OTC) Agreement with delivery more than 3 days (upper part)



#### Transfer to General Acct-OTC More Than 3 Days or Multiple or Combined

You may use this page to propose a transfer of compliance instruments to another entity's General Holding Account for an over-the-counter (OTC) agreement for which delivery is to take place more than three days from the date of the transaction agreement or that involves multiple transfers of instruments over time or combines instrument requirements with other product sales or purchases. Compliance instruments will not be transferred in CITSS until the following steps have been completed:

Step 1: A PAR or AAR from the transferring entity proposes the transfer request in CITSS. After selecting Submit, Step 1 will be completed and the transfer request will be proposed. The account representatives for the transferring entity will be notified via email.

Step 2: A PAR or AAR from the transferring account approves the transfer request in CITSS. Except for individual account holders, the approving representative must be different than the PAR or AAR who proposes the transfer request. The transfer request must be approved by midnight (Eastern Time) of the second calendar day following proposal of the transfer request. After selecting Process Transfer, Step 2 will be completed and the transfer request will be approved. The account representatives for the transferring and receiving entity will be notified via email.

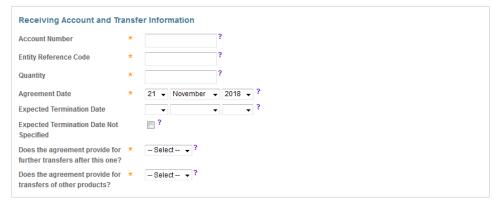
Step 3: A PAR or AAR from the receiving entity accepts the transfer request in CITSS. The transfer request must be accepted by midnight (Eastern Time) of the third calendar day following proposal of the transfer request. After selecting Process Transfer, Step 3 will be completed and the transfer request will be accepted. The account representatives for the transferring and receiving entity will be notified via email.

Entities may enter a price of zero if the transaction agreement does not contain a price for compliance instruments and the proposed transfer.

- is between entities with a direct corporate association.
- is part of a transaction agreement that combines compliance instruments and other products without pricing information.
- by a California entity meets the criteria stipulated in the California Cap-and-Trade regulation. Refer to the Regulation for guidance before entering \$0 as the price.

Refer to the Regulation for specific requirements





#### **Transferring Entity Account Information**

The CITSS system automatically enters the transferring entity's account data based on previous selections.

#### **Receiving Entity Account and Transfer Information**

The AR/PAR must enter the transfer data in the following corresponding fields:

#### Account number

This is the receiving entity's account number. Contact one of the receiving entity's AR/PARs to obtain the account number. The account number consists of a two-letter abbreviation for the participating government (for example, "QC" for Québec) followed by two series of four digits separated by a hyphen (for example, QC1234-1234).

#### **Entity Reference Code**

This is the receiving entity's reference code. Contact one of the receiving entity's AR/PARs to obtain the entity reference code. The entity reference code is made up of eight numbers.

#### Quantity

The amount of emission allowances to be transferred. This quantity may not exceed the available balance in the account that is displayed in the transferring account details (Figure 6). Enter a whole number in the "Quantity" field.

#### Agreement Date

The agreement date is the date a contract or agreement is accepted by the parties for the present or future transfer of emission allowances, for example under a futures contract. The agreement date and the transaction date may be different.

#### Transaction Date

The transaction date is the date when the accepted terms of the agreement are completed. This is usually the date of transfer and payment.

#### Expected Transaction Date Not Specified

Check this box only if the transaction date is not specified in the agreement.

#### Does the agreement provide for further transfers after this one?

If the agreement provides for further emission allowance transfers after this one, select "Yes." If the agreement does not provide for further emission allowance transfers after this one, select "No."

#### Does the agreement provide for transfers of other products?

If the agreement provides for transfers of other products with the emission allowances, select "Yes." If the agreement only provides for the transfer of emission allowances, select "No."

#### **Pricing information**

Complete one of the following price information options (see Figure 7):

#### 1. Fixed Price

#### Fixed Price \$

If the agreement provides for a fixed average price per emission allowance, enter the average price, in dollars and cents separated by a period, for each emission allowance

(not the total transaction price). The average price is required for transfers to other entities. The price may be zero if the agreement does not contain a price for emission allowances and the proposed transfer is between entities that are part of the same corporate association group or the agreement provides for a tie-in sale that includes products other than emission allowances without specifying the price.

#### If the price is \$0.00, transfer:

Choose one of the two possible options from the drop-down menu only if the price entered is zero. The price may be zero if the agreement does not contain a price for emission allowances and if the proposed transfer:

- Is between entities that are part of the same corporate association group
- Is a tie-in sale agreement that includes products other than emission allowances without specifying the price.

#### 2. Cost Base + Margin

#### Cost Base \$

If the agreement provides for a base price and a margin, enter the average base price here (not the total transaction price) in dollars and cents, separated by a period.

#### Margin \$

If the agreement provides for a base price and a margin, enter the average margin here (not the total margin for the transaction) in dollars and cents, separated by a period.

#### Currency

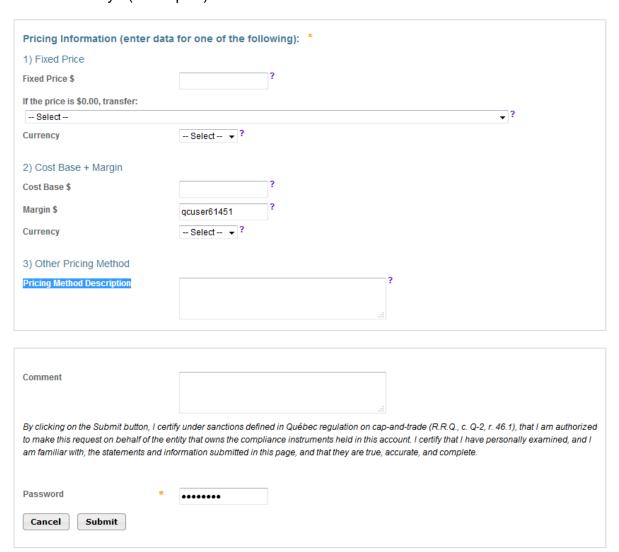
You must specify the currency when entering a price. USD is the United States dollar. CAD is the Canadian dollar.

#### 3. Other Pricing Method

#### **Pricing Method Description**

If the agreement does not specify a fixed price or a base price and a margin, enter a brief description of the pricing method here.

Figure 7: Entering transfer information: Over-the-Counter (OTC) Agreement with delivery more than 3 days (lower part)



#### Viewing the Transfer Request

Users are taken to the Emission Allowance Transfer Details page, shown in Figure 8, after they submit a transfer proposal.

The transfer history table at the bottom of the screen shows the date and time each proposal was submitted and the name of the AR/PAR that submitted it. A transfer proposal may be cancelled at any time by the AR/PAR that submitted it, as long as the status says "Proposed."

#### **Approval of the Transfer Request**

When a transfer has been proposed by a transferring entity's AR/PAR, another AR/PAR of the transferring entity must approve the transfer proposal. See section 4.

# Figure 8: Compliance Instrument Transfer Detail - Over-the-Counter (OTC) Agreement with delivery more than 3 days



#### **Compliance Instrument Transfer Detail**

Detailed transfer information for this transfer, identified by the unique Transfer ID, is provided below. The status of this transfer request (Proposed, Approved, Accepted) is dependent on which steps in the transfer process have been completed by the account representatives for the transferring and receiving entities. The transfer request must be Approved by midnight (Eastern Time) of the second calendard day following the transfer proposal. The request can only be Approved by a different account representative than the individual that proposed the transfer request. The transfer request must be Accepted by an account representative of the receiving entity by midnight (Eastern Time) of the third calendar day following the transfer proposal.

Account Number	QC01124-41655
Account Type	General
Transfer ID	114818
Туре	General - OTC > 3 Days/Multiple/Combined
Compliance Instrument	2015 Allowance
Transfer Status	Proposed?
Agreement Date	2018-11-15
Expected Termination Date	
Expected Termination Date Not Specified	Yes
Does the agreement provide for further transfers after this one?	No
Does the agreement provide for transfers of other products?	No
Fixed Price	\$22.00
Currency	CAD
If the price is \$0.00, transfer	
Cost Base	
Margin	
Pricing Method Description	
Quantity	5,000

#### Accounts

	Transferring Account	Receiving Account
Legal Name	Entreprise QC01124	Entreprise QC01010
Operating Name	Dénomination commerciale QC01124	Dénomination commerciale QC01010
Account Number	QC01124-41655	QC01010-41028
Account Type	General	General

#### Transfer Event History

Event	Event Date	Comment	Action By
Proposal	2018-11-26 11:17:41 EST		Prénom61451 Nom61451

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#### 3.3.3 Exchange Agreement (not to an Exchange Clearing Service Provider)

This transfer type allows users to transfer emission allowances to the general account of another **entity** as part of an agreement **involving a stock exchange or other transaction service**.

**NOTE:** Do not choose this option to make a transfer to a clearing house.

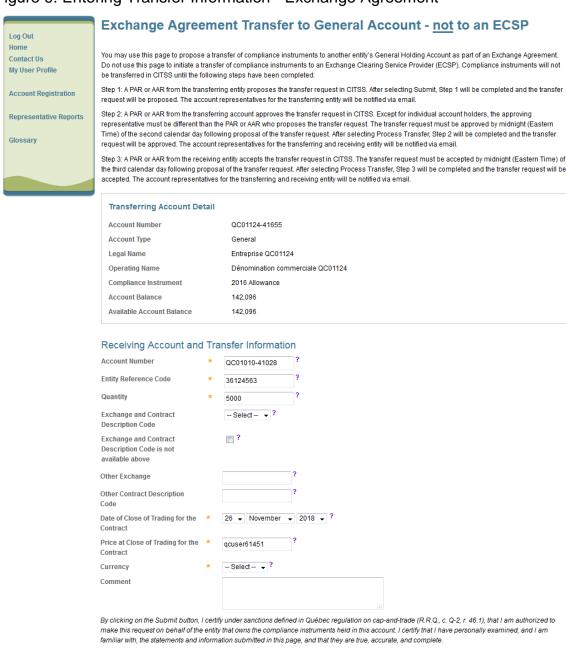
#### **Transfer Proposal**

- Fill out all fields marked with an asterisk (\*) to propose a transfer (Figure 9).
- STEP 2 Make sure the information about the transfer is accurate and complete by entering the password in the field below the certificate.
- STEP 3 Click on the "Submit" button at the bottom of the screen to submit the transfer proposal.



Section 8 describes how to obtain the receiving entity's general account number and the entity reference code.

Figure 9: Entering Transfer Information - Exchange Agreement



#### **Transferring Entity Account Information**

Cancel Submit

Password

The CITSS system automatically enters the transferring entity's account data based on previous selections.

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#### **Receiving Entity Account and Transfer Information**

The AR/PAR must enter the transfer data in the following corresponding fields:

#### Account number

This is the receiving entity's account number. Contact one of the receiving entity's AR/PARs to obtain this number. The account number consists of a two-letter abbreviation for the participating government (for example, "QC" for Québec) followed by two series of four digits separated by a hyphen (for example, QC1234-1234).

#### **Entity Reference Code**

This is the receiving entity's reference code. Contact one of the receiving entity's AR/PARs to obtain the reference code. The entity reference code is made up of eight numbers.

#### Quantity

The amount of emission allowances to be transferred. The quantity may not exceed the available balance in the account that is displayed in the transferring account details (Figure 9). Enter a whole number in the "Quantity" field.

#### Exchange and Contract DescriptionCode

Choose the exchange code used to trade the transaction's emission allowances, as well as the code that the stock exchange has assigned to the contract. If the exchange code and the contract code do not appear in the list of options, see the following field.

#### Exchange and Contract Description Code is not available above

Check this box only if the exchange and contract description codes are not available in the drop-down menu above. If you check this box, enter the required information in the "Other Exchange" and "Other Contract Description Code" fields below.

#### Other Exchange

Enter the other exchange only if you have checked the "Exchange and Contract Description Code is not available above" box.

#### Other Contract Description code

Enter the other contract description code only if you have checked the "Exchange and Contract Description Code is not available above" box.

#### Date of Close of Trading for the Contract

The date of close of trading for the contract is the date when the contract expires. It is also the date when the price for the transfer of emission allowances is established.

#### Price at Close of Trading for the Contract

The price at close of trading for the contract is the price of emission allowances for the contract code established when the stock exchange closes the day the contract expires.

#### Currency

You must specify the currency when entering a price.USD is the United States dollar. CAD is the Canadian dollar.

#### **Viewing the Transfer Request**

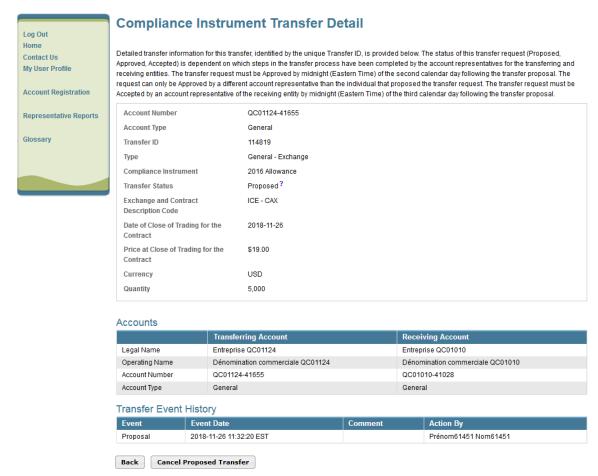
Users are taken to the Emission Allowance Transfer Details page, shown in Figure 10, after they submit a transfer proposal.

The transfer history table at the bottom of the screen shows the date and time each proposal was submitted and the name of the AR/PAR that submitted it. A transfer proposal may be cancelled at any time by the AR/PAR that submitted it, as long as the status says "Proposed."

#### **Approval of the Transfer Request**

When a transfer has been proposed by a transferring entity's AR/PAR, another AR/PAR of the transferring entity must approve the transfer proposal. See section 4.

Figure 10: Compliance Instrument Transfer Detail - Exchange Agreement



#### 3.3.4 Transfer To Compliance Account

This transfer type allows users to transfer emission allowances from an emitter's general account to their compliance account.

Each emitter has a compliance account to cover their emissions at the end of each compliance period. Transfers to a compliance account are **irreversible** and emission allowances transferred there **can no longer be transferred by the emitter. Emission allowances may not be transferred to the compliance account of another emitter.** 

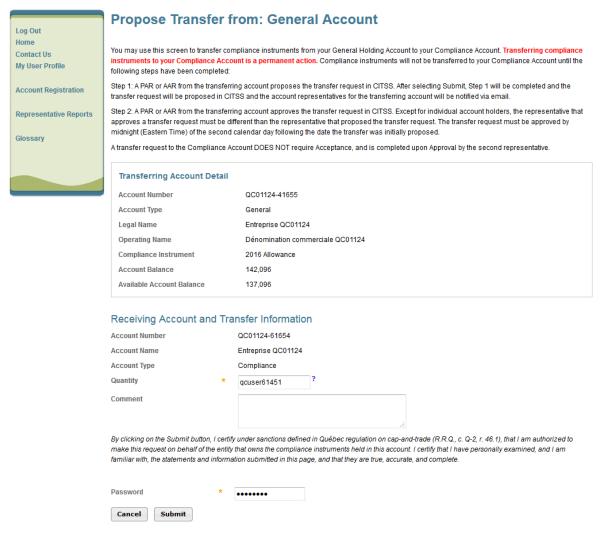
#### **Transfer Proposal**

- Fill out all fields marked with an asterisk (\*) to propose a transfer (Figure 11).
- STEP 2 Make sure the information about the transfer is accurate and complete by entering the password in the field below the certificate.
- STEP 3 Click on the "Submit" button at the bottom of the screen to submit the transfer proposal.



Section 8 describes how to obtain the receiving entity's general account number and the entity reference code.

Figure 11: Entering Transfer Information in a Compliance Account



#### **Transferring Entity Account Information**

The CITSS system automatically enters the transferring entity's account data based on previous selections.

#### **Receiving Entity Account and Transfer Information**

The AR/PAR must enter the transfer data in the following corresponding field:

#### Quantity of Emission Allowances to Transfer

Enter the amount of emission allowances to be transferred. This quantity may not exceed the available balance in the account that is displayed in the transferring account details (Figure 11). The number entered must be a whole number.

#### Viewing the Transfer Request

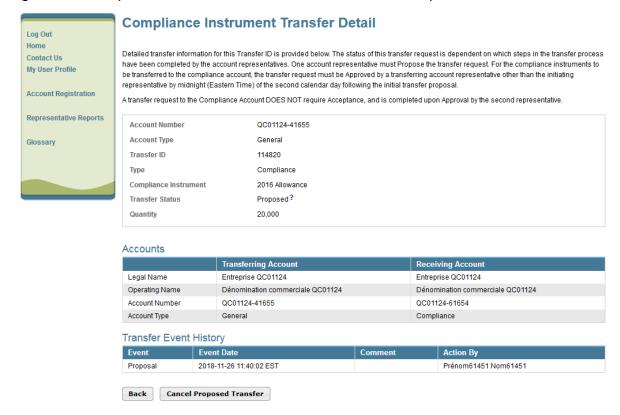
Users are taken to the Emission Allowance Transfer Details page, shown in Figure 12, after they submit a transfer proposal.

The transfer history table at the bottom of the screen shows the date and time each proposal was submitted and the name of the AR/PAR that submitted it. A transfer proposal may be cancelled at any time by the AR/PAR that submitted it, as long as the status says "Proposed."

#### **Approval of the Transfer Request**

When a transfer has been proposed by a transferring entity's AR/PAR, another AR/PAR of the transferring entity must approve the transfer proposal. See section 4.

Figure 12: Compliance Instrument Transfer Detail - To Compliance Account



#### 3.3.5 Exchange Agreement to a Clearing House

This transfer type allows users to transfer emission allowances from an emitter's general account to a clearing house.

#### **Transfer Proposal**

- **STEP 1** Fill out all fields marked with an asterisk (\*) to propose a transfer (Figure 13).
- STEP 2 Make sure the information about the transfer is accurate and complete by entering the password in the field below the certificate.
- STEP 3 Click on the "Submit" button at the bottom of the screen to submit the transfer proposal.



Section 8 describes how to obtain the receiving entity's general account number and the entity reference code.

Figure 13: Entering Transfer Information - Exchange Agreement to a Clearing House **Exchange Agreement Transfer to an ECSP** You may use this page to propose a transfer of compliance instruments to an Exchange Clearing Service Provider's (ECSP) Exchange Clearing Holding **Contact Us** Account as part of an Exchange Agreement. The ECSP takes temporary possession of compliance instruments in its Exchange Clearing Holding Account My User Profile for the purpose of clearing transactions between two entities registered in CITSS. The ECSP must be registered in CITSS. Compliance instruments will not be transferred to the ECSP's Exchange Clearing Holding Account until the following steps have been completed: Account Registration Step 1: A PAR or AAR from the transferring account proposes the transfer request in CITSS. After selecting Submit, Step 1 will be completed and the transfer request will be proposed in CITSS and the account representatives for the transferring entity will be notified via email Representative Reports Step 2: A PAR or AAR from the transferring account approves the transfer request in CITSS. Except for individual account holders, the approving representative must be different than the PAR or AAR who proposes the transfer request. The transfer request must be approved by midnight (Eastern Time) of the second calendar day following the date the transfer was initially proposed. After selecting Process Transfer, Step 2 will be completed and the transfer request will be approved. The account representatives for the transferring and receiving entity will be notified via email A transfer request to an Exchange Clearing Service Provider DOES NOT require Acceptance, and is completed upon Approval by the second Transferring Account Detail Account Number QC01124-41655 Account Type General **Legal Name** Entreprise QC01124 Operating Name Dénomination commerciale QC01124 Compliance Instrument 2016 Allowance Account Balance 142,096 Available Account Balance 117,096 Receiving Account and Transfer Information Account Number Entity Reference Code Quantity -- Select -- ▼ ? Exchange and Contract Description Code Exchange and Contract **?** Description Code is not available above Other Exchange Other Contract Description Date of Close of Trading for the 

\* 26 → November → 2018 → ? Price at Close of Trading for the \* qcuser61451 -- Select -- ▼ ? Currency By clicking on the Submit button I certify under sanctions defined in Québec regulation on cap-and-trade (R.R.Q., c. Q-2, r. 46.1), that I am authorized to make this request on behalf of the entity that owns the compliance instruments held in this account. I certify that I have personally examined, and I am familiar with, the statements and information submitted in this page, and that they are true, accurate, and complete. ••••• Cancel Submit

#### **Transferring Entity Account Information**

The CITSS system automatically enters the transferring entity's account data based on previous selections.

#### **Receiving Entity Account and Transfer Information**

The AR/PAR must enter the transfer data in the following corresponding fields:

#### Account Number

This is the receiving entity's account number. Contact one of the receiving entity's AR/PARs to obtain the account number. The account number consists of a two-letter abbreviation for the participating government (for example, "QC" for Québec) followed by two series of four digits separated by a hyphen (for example, QC1234-1234).

#### **Entity Reference Code**

This is the receiving entity's reference code. Contact one of the receiving entity's AR/PARs to obtain the entity reference code. The entity reference code is made up of eight numbers.

#### Quantity

The amount of emission allowances to be transferred. This quantity may not exceed the available balance in the account that is displayed in the transferring account details (Figure 13). Enter a whole number in the "Quantity" field.

#### Exchange and Contract Description Code

Choose the exchange code used to trade the transaction's emission allowances, as well as the code that the stock exchange has assigned to the contract. If the exchange code and the contract code do not appear in the list of options, see the following field.

**Exchange and Contract Description Code is not available above** Check this box only if the exchange and contract description codes are not available in the drop-down menu above. If you check this box, enter the required information in the "Other Exchange" and "Other Contract Description Code" fields below.

#### Other Exchange

Enter the other exchange only if you have checked the "Exchange and Contract Description Code is not available above" box.

#### Other Contract Description Code

Enter the other contract description code only if you have checked the "Exchange and Contract Description Code is not available above" box.

#### Date of Close of trading for the Contract

The date of close of trading for the contract is the date when the contract expires. It is also the date when the price for the transfer of emission allowances is established.

#### Price at Close of Trading for the Contract

The price at close of trading for the contract is the price of emission allowances for the contract code established when the stock exchange closes the day the contract expires.

#### Currency

You must specify the currency when entering a price. USD is the United States dollar. CAD is the Canadian dollar.

#### **Viewing the Transfer Request**

Users are taken to the Emission Allowance Transfer Details page, shown in Figure 14, after they submit a transfer proposal.

The transfer history table at the bottom of the screen shows the date and time each proposal was submitted and the name of the AR/PAR that submitted it. A transfer proposal may be cancelled at any time by the AR/PAR that submitted it, as long as the status says "Proposed."

#### **Approval of the Transfer Request**

When a transfer has been proposed by a transferring entity's AR/PAR, another AR/PAR of the transferring entity must approve the transfer proposal. See section 4.

# Figure 14: Compliance Instrument Transfer Detail - Exchange Agreement to a Clearing House

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#### **Compliance Instrument Transfer Detail**

Detailed transfer information for this Transfer ID is provided below. The status of this transfer request is dependent on which steps in the transfer process have been completed by the account representatives. One account representative must Propose the transfer request to the exchange clearing entity, For the allowances to be transferred to the exchange clearing entity, the transfer request must be Approved by a transferring account representative other than the initial ting representative by the end of the second calendar day following the initial transfer proposal. A transfer request to an exchange clearing service provider DOES NOT require Acceptance, and is completed upon Approval by the second representative.

Account Number	QC01124-41655
Account Type	General
Transfer ID	114821
Туре	To Clearing Provider
Compliance Instrument	2016 Allowance
Transfer Status	Proposed?
Exchange and Contract Description Code	ICE - CAL
Date of Close of Trading for the Contract	2018-11-26
Price at Close of Trading for the Contract	\$20.00
Currency	CAD
Quantity	75,000

#### Accounts

	Transferring Account	Receiving Account
Legal Name	Entreprise QC01124	Victoriaville Org.
Operating Name	Dénomination commerciale QC01124	Quebec Org Account 2
Account Number	QC01124-41655	QC990-990
Account Type	General	Exchange Clearing Holding

#### Transfer Event History

Event	Event Date	Comment	Action By
Proposal	2018-11-26 13:55:57 EST		Prénom61451 Nom61451

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#### 3.3.6 Voluntary Retirement

This transfer type allows users to transfer emission allowances to the ministry's retirement account.

The voluntary retirement of emission allowances is a **permanent act** and **does not meet the emitter's regulatory compliance obligations** with respect to its greenhouse gas emissions.

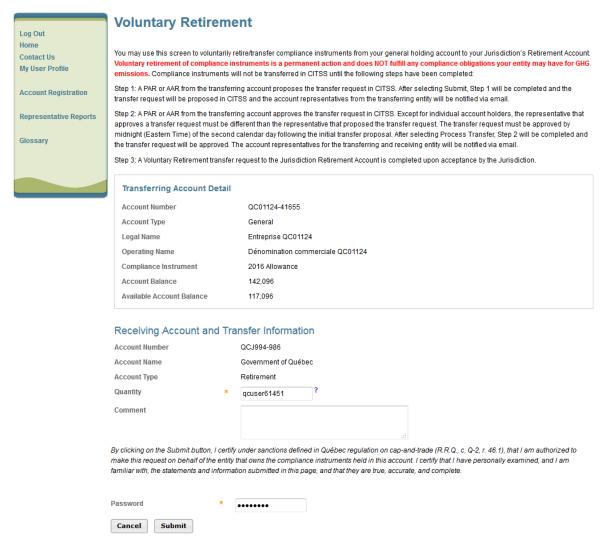
#### **Transfer Proposal**

- **STEP 1** Fill out all fields marked with an asterisk (\*) to propose a transfer (Figure 15).
- STEP 2 Make sure the information about the transfer is accurate and complete by entering the password in the field below the certificate.
- STEP 3 Click on the "Submit" button at the bottom of the screen to submit the transfer proposal.



Section 8 describes how to obtain the receiving entity's general account number and the entity reference code.

Figure 15: Entering Voluntary Retirement Information



## **Transferring Entity Account Information**

The CITSS system automatically enters the transferring entity's account data based on previous selections.

# **Receiving Entity Account and Transfer Information**

The AR/PAR must enter the transfer data in the following corresponding field:

## Quantity

The amount of emission allowances to be transferred. The quantity may not exceed the available balance in the account that is displayed in the transferring account details (Figure 15). Enter a whole number in the "Quantity" field.

## **Viewing the Transfer Request**

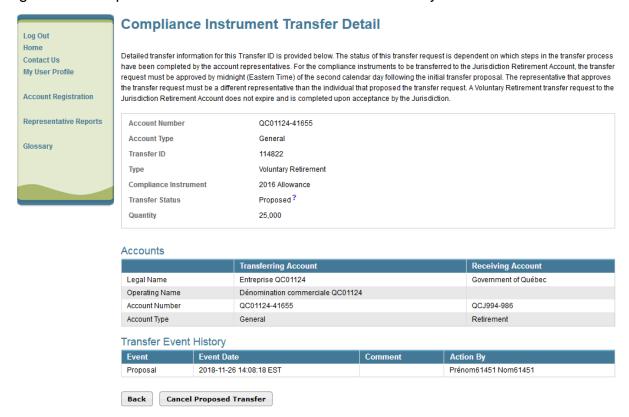
Users are taken to the Emission Allowance Transfer Details page, shown in Figure 16, after they submit a transfer proposal.

The transfer history table at the bottom of the screen shows the date and time each proposal was submitted and the name of the AR/PAR that submitted it. A transfer proposal may be cancelled at any time by the AR/PAR that submitted it, as long as the status says "Proposed."

# **Approval of the Transfer Request**

When a transfer has been proposed by a transferring entity's AR/PAR, another AR/PAR of the transferring entity must approve the transfer proposal. See section 4.

Figure 16: Compliance Instrument Transfer Detail - Voluntary Retirement



# 4. Transfer Approval

When an AR/PAR submits a transfer proposal, the status is listed as "Proposed" in the Pending Transfers table on the homepage for all the transferring entity's AR/PARs. AR/PARs are also notified via email that a transfer proposal is awaiting approval.

A different AR/PAR of the transferring entity than the one that proposed the transfer must approve the transfer proposal. A participant who is a natural person and therefore the sole representative of their account may propose transfers they wish to make themselves.

The user's homepage has two boxes (My Accounts and Pending Transfers) that contain key information.

The **Pending Transfers** box lists transfers that are not completed and involve accounts for which the user is the PAR, AR, or AVA. Pending transfers will have the status "Proposed" or "Approved."

Transfers with the status "Proposed" are awaiting approval from one of the transferring entity's AR/PARs.

- STEP 1 Select the transfer you would like to approve. Each transfer in the Pending Transfers box has an ID number. To approve a transfer, click on the number of the transfer you would like to approve (see the transfer numbers in Figure 17). The Compliance Instrument Transfer Detail page will appear (Figure 18).
- **STEP 2 Verify the transfer proposal.** The Compliance Instrument Transfer Detail page, shown in Figure 18, displays the data for the selected transfer.

The Transfer Event History table at the bottom of the screen shows the date and time each transfer proposal was submitted and the name of the AR/PAR that submitted it. A transfer proposal may be cancelled at any time by the AR/PAR that submitted it, as long as the status says "Proposed."

- **STEP 3** Approve the transfer proposal. To approve a transfer proposal, check the "Approve" box at the bottom of the page in the Approve/Deny Transfer table. You can also deny the transfer proposal by clicking on the "Deny" box.
- STEP 4 Add comments, if needed. In this field you can add a comment to justify the choice you made. All PAR/ARs and AVAs of the transferring entity and the receiving entity can see the comments. A comment must be added if the transfer is denied. The PAR/AR and AVAs of the receiving entity cannot see the comments and will not be notified that the transfer was denied.
- STEP 5 Make sure the information about the transfer is accurate and complete by entering the password in the field below the certificate.
- **STEP 6** Approve the transfer proposal by clicking on the "Process Transfer" button at the bottom of the screen.

Figure 17: CITSS system user homepage

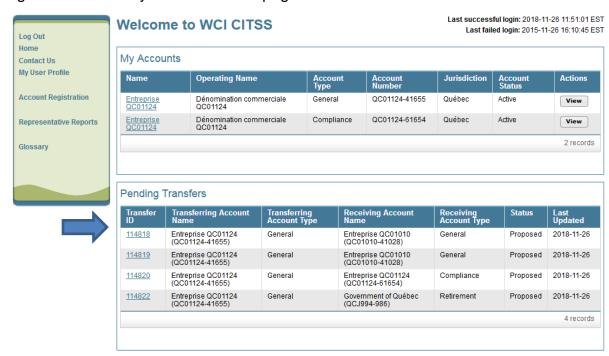


Figure 18: Compliance Instrument Transfer Detail



### **Compliance Instrument Transfer Detail**

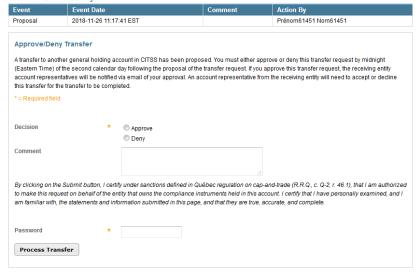
Detailed transfer information for this transfer, identified by the unique Transfer ID, is provided below. The status of this transfer request (Proposed, Approved, Accepted) is dependent on which steps in the transfer process have been completed by the account representatives for the transferring and receiving entities. The transfer request must be Approved by midright (Eastern Time) of the second calendar day following the transfer proposal. The request can only be Approved by a different account representative than the individual that proposed the transfer request. The transfer request must be Accepted by an account representative of the receiving entity by midnight (Eastern Time) of the third calendar day following the transfer proposal.



#### Accounts

	Transferring Account	Receiving Account
Legal Name	Entreprise QC01124	Entreprise QC01010
Operating Name	Dénomination commerciale QC01124	Dénomination commerciale QC01010
Account Number	QC01124-41655	QC01010-41028
Account Type	General	General

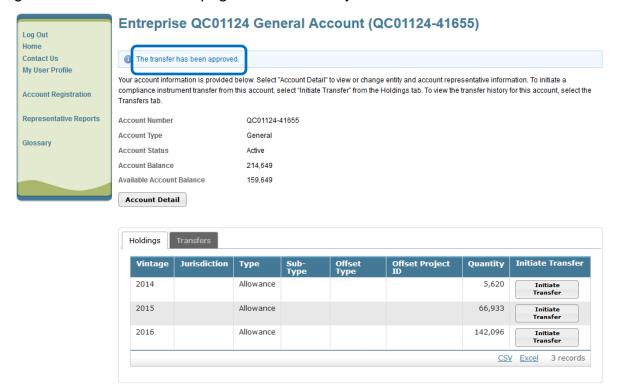
#### Transfer Event History



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Once the transfer proposal is approved, the CITSS system redirects the AR/PAR to the transferring entity's account page (Figure 19). In the example, the message "The transfer has been approved" is displayed. The CITSS system saves the changes made and the status of the transfer changes to "Approved."

Figure 19: General Account page of the CITSS system



If a PAR/AR of the receiving entity does not need to accept the transfer (depending on the type of transfer), the system saves the approval data and transfers the emission allowances, and the status of the transfer changes to "Complete."

# 5. Transfer Acceptance

Once the transfer is approved, it must be accepted by an PAR/AR of the **receiving entity**.

Transfers between an emitter's accounts (from their general account to their compliance account) and transfers to a clearing house account are marked **Complete** as soon as they are approved by the second AR/PAR of the transferring entity.

The **Pending Transfers** box on the homepage lists transfers that are not completed on accounts where the user is the PAR, AR, or AVA. Pending transfers will have the status "Proposed" or "Approved."

Transfers with the status "Approved" are awaiting acceptance from one of the receiving entity's AR/PARs.

- STEP 1 Select the transfer you would like to accept. Each of the transfers listed under "Pending Transfers" has an ID number. To accept a transfer, click on the number of the transfer you would like to accept (see the transfer numbers in Figure 20). The Compliance Instrument Transfer Detail page will appear (Figure 21).
- **STEP 2 Verify the transfer.** The Compliance Instrument Transfer Detail page, shown in Figure 21, displays the data for the selected transfer.

The Transfer Event History table at the bottom of the screen shows the date and time each transfer was proposed and approved and the names of the AR/PARs that completed each step of the process.

- **STEP 3** Accept the transfer. To accept a transfer, check the "Accepted" box at the bottom of the page in the Accept/Decline Transfer table. You can also decline the transfer by checking the "Declined" box.
- STEP 4 Add comments, if needed. In this field you can add a comment to justify the choice you made. All PAR/ARs and AVAs of the transferring entity and the receiving entity can see the comments. You must add a comment if the transfer is declined.
- STEP 5 Make sure the information about the transfer is accurate and complete by entering the password in the field below the certificate.
- STEP 6 Confirm the transfer is accepted. To confirm that you accept the transfer, click on the "Process Transfer" button at the bottom of the screen.

Figure 20: CITSS system user homepage

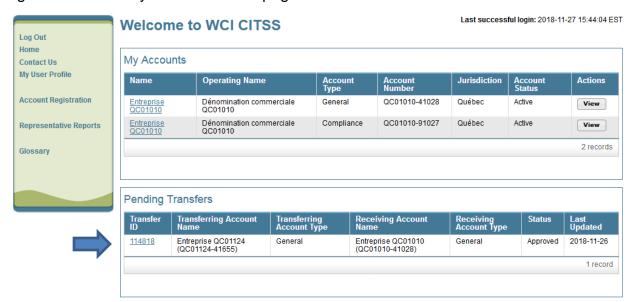


Figure 21: Emission Allowance Transfer Details



## **Compliance Instrument Transfer Detail**

Detailed transfer information for this transfer, identified by the unique Transfer ID, is provided below. The status of this transfer request (Proposed, Approved, Accepted) is dependent on which steps in the transfer process have been completed by the account representatives for the transferring and receiving entities. The transfer request must be Approved by midnight (Eastern Time) of the second calendar day following the transfer proposal. The request can only be Approved by a different account representative than the individual that proposed the transfer request. The transfer request must be Accepted by an account representative of the receiving entity by midnight (Eastern Time) of the third calendar day following the transfer proposal.

Account Type General	
T	
Transfer ID 114818	
Type General - OTC > 3 Days/Multiple/Combined	
Compliance Instrument 2015 Allowance	
Transfer Status Approved?	
Agreement Date 2018-11-15	
Expected Termination Date	
Expected Termination Date Not Yes Specified	
Does the agreement provide for No further transfers after this one?	
Does the agreement provide for No transfers of other products?	
Fixed Price \$22.00	
Currency CAD	
If the price is \$0.00, transfer	
Cost Base	
Margin	
Pricing Method Description	
Quantity 5,000	

#### Accounts

	Transferring Account	Receiving Account
Legal Name	Entreprise QC01124	Entreprise QC01010
Operating Name	Dénomination commerciale QC01124	Dénomination commerciale QC01010
Account Number	QC01124-41655	QC01010-41028
Account Type	General	General

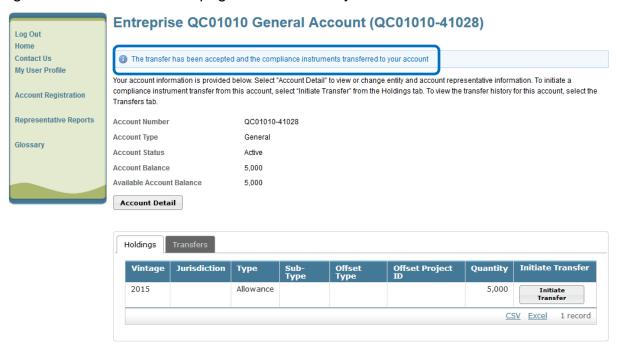
#### Transfer Event History

Event	Event Date		Comment	Action By
Proposal	2018-11-26 1	1:17:41 EST		
Approval	2018-11-26 1	4:16:56 EST		
	transfer comp	liance instruments to your account. As the	-	
proposal of the transfer request in CITSS. When you accept or decline this transfer request, the PAR and the AARs of the transferring account and the receiving account will be notified via email of your decision. Compliance instruments will not be transferred in CITSS until you, or another PAR or AAR from your entity, accept this transfer request in CITSS.				_
* = Required field  Decision	*			
Decision	•	O Accepted Declined		
Comment			ai	
By clicking on the Submit button, I certify under sanctions defined in Québec regulation on cap-and-trade (R.R.Q., c. Q-2, r. 46.1), that I am authorized to make this request on behalf of the entity that owns the compliance instruments held in this account. I certify that I have personally examined, and I am familiar with, the statements and information submitted in this page, and that they are true, accurate, and complete.				
Password	*			
Process Transfer				

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Once the transfer is accepted, the CITSS system redirects the AR/PAR to the transferring entity's account page. In this example, the response provided reads "The transfer has been accepted and the compliance instruments transferred to your account" (Figure 22). The CITSS system saves the action and the transfer is marked "Complete."

Figure 22: General Account page of the CITSS system



# 6. Transfer History

PARs, ARs, and AVAs have two options to access the transfer history of the accounts they are associated with, depending on the nature of the information they would like to consult. The first option is to consult the full list of transfers for all the accounts they are associated with (section 6.1). The second option is to consult only the transfers related to a specific account (section 6.2). To obtain the details of a specific transfer, users must click on the ID number (section 6.3).

# **6.1 Access to Transfer History for All Accounts**

STEP 1 Select "Representative Reports" in the menu on the left of the user homepage. The Representative Reports page will appear. Click on the "Continue" button that corresponds to the Transfer History in the Action column of the Transfer and Balance Reports box (Figure 23).

On the Transfer History for All Accounts page (Figure 24), the user can generate personalized transfer histories using the search function. Transfers can be located by status, type, name, number, and account type.

Once you have selected the desired criteria, click "Search" to start the search.

The transfer list is displayed at the bottom of the screen. It provides the following key information about each transfer:

- Transfer ID
- Status
- Transfer Type
- Transferring Account Name
- Transferring Account Type
- Receiving Account Name
- Receiving Account Type
- Last Updated Date

Click "Clear" to erase all the selected criteria and start a new search. If you do not fill in any of the fields, all the transfers related to the emitter or participant accounts they represent will be displayed.

The list can be extracted in Excel or CSV format by clicking on the links under the table on the right.

Figure 23: Transfer and Balance Reports



## **Representative Reports**

This page allows a user to view or download Representative Reports. Representative Reports provide information to support user management of CITSS accounts. Most Representative Reports are configurable, allowing users to select criteria for custom reports. The Transfer History lists compliance instrument transfers. The Transfer Event Audit Report lists more detailed information about each transfer. The Entity Account Balance Report lists account balances. The Entity Monthly Statement provides a statement of account balances and transfers. The Emissions Report presents facility emissions. The True-Up Quantity Report lists the true-up quantity assigned by year. The Compliance Obligations Report allows access to detailed information and status for current or past compliance obligations. The Compliance Obligation (Data Export) Report presents approved compliance obligations. The Eligible Instruments for Retirement Report provides a list of compliance instruments that can be used during a selected obligation period. The Notifications Report provides information about current or past notifications. To prepare a Representative Report, select the "Continue" button in the Action column on the right. CITSS will open a report screen to select criteria for the selected report.

#### Transfer and Balance Reports

Report Name	Action
Transfer History	Continue
Transfer Event Audit Report	Continue
Entity Account Balance Report	Continue
Entity Monthly Statement	Continue

#### **Compliance Reports**

Report Name	Action
Emissions	Continue
True-Up Quantity	Continue
Compliance Obligations	Continue
Compliance Obligations (Data Export)	Continue
Eligible Instruments for Retirement	Continue
Notifications	Continue

**Transfer History for All Accounts** Log Out Home This page lists all compliance instrument transfers for your accounts. Select the Transfer ID number to view more details on the individual compliance Contact Us instrument transfer. Compliance instruments are not transferred in CITSS until the transfer status is listed as "Complete." My User Profile Account Registration Approved Representative Reports Cancelled Complete Transfer Type Administrative Compliance Transferring Account Name Transferring Account Number Transferring Account Type • (c) Annual Allocation Holding (g) Annual Allocation Holding Allocation Receiving Account Name Receiving Account Number Receiving Account Type (c) Annual Allocation Holding (g) Annual Allocation Holding Allocation Last Updated Date From Last Updated Date To Results per page 10 Clear Search 114818 2018-11-27 15:55:33 Complete General - OTC > 3 Entreprise QC01124 General Entreprise QC01010 General 5.000 Days/Multiple /Combined (QC01124-41655) (QC01010-41028)

Figure 24: Transfer History for All Accounts

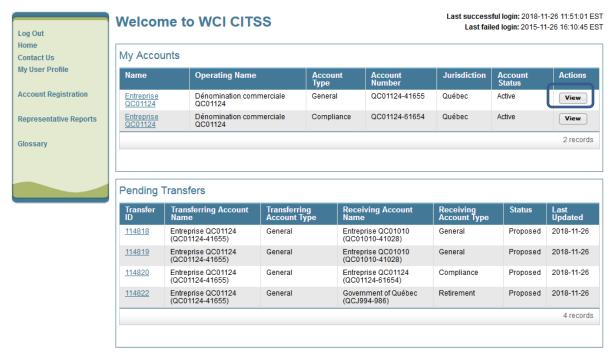
# 6.2 Access to Transfer History for one Account

In this example, the user wants to see the transfer history for the general account.

STEP 1 Select the desired account. Click the "View" button that corresponds to the desired account in the Action column of the My Accounts box on the homepage (Figure 25).

In the example shown in Figure 26, the user has access to general account QC01010-41028 of Entreprise QC01010. At the bottom of the page are the Holdings and Transfers tabs. The Holdings tab is displayed by default.

Figure 25: CITSS system user homepage



**STEP 2 Select the Transfers tab.** Click on the Transfers tab to see the account's transfer history.

The account's transfer list is displayed at the bottom of the screen. It provides the following key information about each transfer:

- Transfer ID
- Last Updated
- Status
- Transferring Account Name
- Receiving Account Name
- Quantity Proposed
- Quantity Transferred

The list can be extracted in Excel or CSV format by clicking on the links under the table on the right.

Entreprise QC01010 General Account (QC01010-41028) Log Out Home Your account information is provided below Select "Account Detail" to view or change entity and account representative information. To initiate a Contact Us compliance instrument transfer from this account, select "initiate Transfer" from the Holdings tab. To view the transfer history for this account, select the My User Profile Transfers tab Account Registration Account Number QC01010-41028 Account Type General Representative Reports Account Status Active Glossarv Available Account Balance 5 000 Account Detail Transfers Receiving Account Quantity Status 5,000 114818 2018-11-27 Complete 5.000

Figure 26: General Account Page (transfer tab)

## 6.3 Obtain Transfer Details

To obtain full details on a transfer, click on the transfer ID number in the left column of the transfer history, available on the Transfer History for All Accounts page (section 6.1) or on the page of a specific account (section 6.2).

As shown in Figure 27, the Transfer Event History table on the Compliance Instrument Transfer Detail page lists each event, the date and time of the transfer, any associated comments, and the author.

The Event column lists different steps of the transfer process: proposal, approval, acceptance, and a fourth step, completion, which corresponds to the date the transfer is completed. The date and time of events are in Eastern Time (ET), in standard or daylight savings time depending on the season.

All AR/PAR and AVA accounts of the transferring and receiving entities can view comments made during the various events. However, the names of the AR/PARs involved in various events will not be disclosed to the AR, PAR, and AVA on other accounts, unless they are users that are authorized to act on both accounts. As a result, the name of the transferring entity's AR/PAR involved in the proposal and approval steps of the transfer will not be accessible to the receiving entity's PAR, AR, and AVA. The name of the account representative who accepts the transfer on behalf of the receiving entity will also not be disclosed to the transferring entity's PAR, AR, and AVA.

Figure 27: Compliance Instrument Transfer Detail Page



# **Compliance Instrument Transfer Detail**

Detailed transfer information for this transfer, identified by the unique Transfer ID, is provided below. The status of this transfer request (Proposed, Approved, Accepted) is dependent on which steps in the transfer process have been completed by the account representatives for the transferring and receiving entities. The transfer request must be Approved by midnight (Eastern Time) of the second calendar day following the transfer proposal. The request can only be Approved by a different account representative than the individual that proposed the transfer request. The transfer proposal. Accepted by an account representative of the receiving entity by midnight (Eastern Time) of the third calendar day following the transfer proposal.

Account Number	QC01124-41655
Account Type	General
Transfer ID	114818
Туре	General - OTC > 3 Days/Multiple/Combined
Compliance Instrument	2015 Allowance
Transfer Status	Complete ?
Agreement Date	2018-11-15
Expected Termination Date	
Expected Termination Date Not Specified	Yes
Does the agreement provide for further transfers after this one?	No
Does the agreement provide for transfers of other products?	No
Fixed Price	\$22.00
Currency	CAD
If the price is \$0.00, transfer	
Cost Base	
Margin	
Pricing Method Description	
Quantity	5,000

#### Accounts

	Transferring Account	Receiving Account
Legal Name	Entreprise QC01124	Entreprise QC01010
Operating Name	Dénomination commerciale QC01124	Dénomination commerciale QC01010
Account Number	QC01124-41655	QC01010-41028
Account Type	General	General

#### Transfer Event History

Event	Event Date	Comment	Action By
Proposal	2018-11-26 11:17:41 EST		Prénom61451 Nom61451
Approval	2018-11-26 14:16:56 EST		Prénom61448 Nom61448
Acceptance	2018-11-27 15:55:32 EST		
Completion	2018-11-27 15:55:33 EST		

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# 7. Presentation of Emission Allowance Accounts

The CITSS system lets users register emission allowance ownership and account information. It also lets users register emission allowances and transfer them between emitters, participants, and the ministry. Each emitter or participant in the CITSS system has accounts and the type of account depends on the type of entity. In addition, the ministry has several accounts to manage the issuance, allocation, sale, and retirement of emission allowances in the CITSS system.

# 7.1 Emitter and Participant Accounts

In Québec, the CITSS system includes two types of accounts, the general account and the compliance account, that are assigned according to the type of entity.

#### **General Account**

Each emitter and participant in the CITSS system has a general account for their emission allowances. Emission allowances are currently transferred (purchased/sold) between the general accounts of emitters and participants.

# **Compliance Account**

Only emitters have compliance accounts. The compliance account allows emitters to remit the emission allowances necessary to cover their GHG emissions under the requirements of the Regulation.

# 7.2 Clearing House Account

Clearing houses registered in the CITSS system have a clearing house account, allowing them to temporarily hold emission allowances, in order to clear transactions on a multilateral basis as a central counterparty.

### 7.3 Account Statuses

The status of an account determines whether or not emission allowances can be transferred from that account. The status also determines whether the CITSS system sends information to the administrator of the ministry's auction and private sale as part of the auction registration process. The C&T system registrar can assign seven different statuses to the accounts.

#### Active

The regular status of an account. Accounts with this status can transfer and receive emission allowances.

## Restricted: cannot transfer

Emission allowances can be received, but not transferred.

## Restricted: cannot receive

Emission allowances can be transferred, but not received.

#### Restricted: cannot transfer or receive

Accounts with this status cannot transfer or receive emission allowances.

# Suspended

Accounts with this status cannot transfer or receive emission allowances. Additional regulatory requirements and restrictions apply to suspended accounts.

#### Inactive

Accounts with this status cannot transfer or receive emission allowances. This status does not appear automatically after a period of inactivity; it must be manually selected by the C&T system registrar. The account must also be manually reactivated by the C&T system registrar to become active again.

#### Closed

Accounts with this status cannot transfer or receive emission allowances. This status must be manually selected by the C&T system registrar.

**NOTE**: If an emitter's or participant's account status is active, restricted – cannot transfer, restricted – cannot receive, or restricted – cannot transfer or receive and the emitter or participant has consented to share information on the CITSS Government sales notification page, its general information and that of its account representatives **will be transferred** to the government sales administrator and the government mandated financial services administrator. If an emitter or participant account status is suspended, inactive, or closed and the emitter or participant has consented to share information on the CITSS Government sales notification page, its general information and that of its account representatives **WILL NOT BE TRANSFERRED** to the government sales administrator and the government mandated financial services administrator.

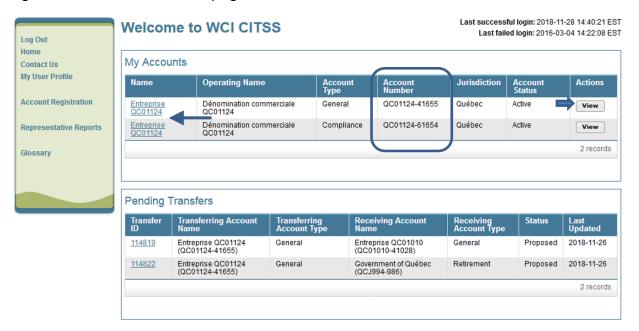
# 8. Location of the entity's account number and reference code

When transferring to another emitter or participant, the transferring entity's AR/PAR must provide the account number and reference code of the entity of the emitter, participant, or clearing house it represents to the transferring entity's AR/PAR.

The account number is located on the CITSS user's homepage, as shown in the blue box on the Figure 28.

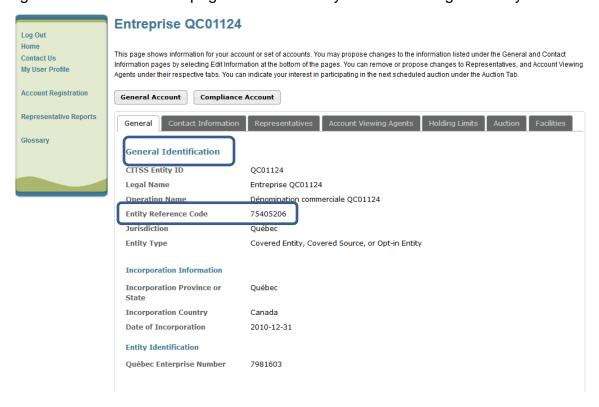
The entity reference code can be found on the Account Detail page for each account. To access it, the AR/PAR must select the entity from the user's homepage by clicking on its name in the Name column (see the blue arrow on Figure 28).

Figure 28: CITSS user homepage with account numbers



The AR/PAR is then directed to the entity's detail page. The entity reference code can be found on the Account Detail page shown in Figure 29, under the General tab, which is displayed by default.

Figure 29: Account Detail page of the CITSS system containing the entity reference code



# 9. CITSS Support Services

For questions concerning the GHG emission cap-and-trade system (C&T system) or to obtain assistance regarding CITSS or user registration, you can consult the carbon market section of the Ministère de l'Environnement et de la Lutte contre les changements climatiques website devoted to the system:

http://www.environnement.gouv.gc.ca/changements/carbone/transferts-droits-en.htm

You can also contact the CITSS support service at 418-521-3868, ext. 7074, toll-free at 1-800-561-1616, ext. 7074, or by email (registraireqc-spede@environnement.gouv.qc.ca).