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Tax Credit Incentives for Carbon Sequestration: Potentially the Most Impactful U.S. Policy to Battle Climate Change

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The Bipartisan Budget Act of 2018¹ expanded the §45Q² tax credit, the most important federal incentive for encouraging private investment in the development and use of carbon capture technologies and facilities. Tax credits for the capture and long-term, permanent storage of carbon oxides generate a competitive financial return and have a positive environmental impact on the world. In addition, reducing CO₂ emissions mitigates climate change and help keep the increase in global average temperature to well below 2°C above pre-industrial levels. Keeping global average temperature below 2°C above preindustrial levels is a fundamental goal of the Paris Climate Agreement, the highest priority environmental, social, and governance (ESG) issue facing investors.

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