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SO Update on Offer Acceptance

	DSO	TSO
Offers accepted	12	5
MW Accepted	124.4	426
Modifications Requested	10	6

Status of CER's Gate 3 related Work streams

The following is a list of the progress on key tasks relating to the CER's ongoing Gate 3 inter-related work-streams since the last scheduled Gate 3 Liaison Group meeting which was held on 4th October 2011:

1. Tie-Breaks

The RAs published a consultation paper on 26th August 2011, in conjunction with the decision on Scheduling and Dispatch. Essentially this consultation on tie-breaks fell out of that decision paper. Receipt of responses for the tie-breaks consultation was extended from Friday 23 September 2011 to Wednesday 14 October 2011. During the consultation phase the RAs also published a short Clarification note. The RAs are currently drafting the decision paper and working towards submission of end November SEMC.

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2. Modification Fees

The CER published a consultation on Modification Fees on 3rd November 2011 – the consultation is open for a period of four weeks to 2nd December 2011. The CER will also have a review of the proposed modification fees carried out by its consultant during the consultation period. A decision is anticipated in January 2012.

3. Capacity Payments Mechanism (CPM)

An initial consultation on the scope of the medium term review of CPM was held in 2009 with an [Information Note](#) published in November 2009. Work packages 1-5 ([SEM-10-046](#)) and package 7 ([SEM-10-068](#)) were consulted on in the second half of 2010. The consultation ([SEM-11-019](#)) on the remaining work packages closed on 4th July 2011. A Draft Decision ([SEM-11-088](#)) was published on 15th November 2011 which sets out the SEM Committee's response to the comments received and presents the draft conclusions of the SEM Committee in the matters addressed by the three CPM Medium Term Review discussion papers. Views are invited regarding all aspects of the proposals put forward in this draft decision paper by the end of 2011.

4. Transmission Connection Agreement Review

On 16th December 2010, CER published for consultation ([CER/10/232](#)) a suite of documents which collectively detail EirGrid's proposed amendments to the existing connection agreements. The consultation closed on 18th February 2011. Meetings will be held with the CER, TSO, TAO and each respondent during the months of November/December 2011. The CER will make its decision after these discussions.

5. Financing of SO Preferred Connection Method in Contestable Builds

The CER ([CER/11/027](#)) published on 11th February 2011 a paper from the System Operators setting out proposals to address financing issues faced by IPPs when choosing the "Contestable Build" option, such as the higher level of borrowing required when financing cost for the extra capital raised.

The consultation closed on 11th March 2011. The Decision paper was published by the CER on 26th October 2011.

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	CER Workstream	Workstream Description	Consultation Paper			Decision from CER		
			Due Date	Revised Due Date	Status	Due Date	Revised Due-Date	Status
a.	Capacity Payment Mechanism (CPM)	Medium Term Review of CPM	Q4 2010	April 2011	Three Consultation Papers published on the CPM MTR to date. Draft Decision (SEM-11-088) Published 15 th November. Closes 22 nd December.			Decision expected in late 2011
b.	Transmission Connection Agreement Review		December 2010		Consultation (CER/10/232) From 16.12.2010 To: 04.02.2011	May 2011	December 2011	Meetings to be held with respondents during November/ December
c.	Financing of SO Preferred Connection Method in Contestable Builds	Financing of difference between SO preferred method and LCC.	February 2011	February 2011	Consultation (CER/11/027) published on 11 th February 2011 until 11 March 2011	April 2011	October 2011	Decision paper published on 26 October 2011

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d.	Modification Fees	Consultation	November 2011		Consultation (CER/11/194) published 3 rd November closing 2 nd December	Jan 2012		On track for decision in Jan 2012
e.	Tie Breaks				Consultation published on 26 th August, receipt of responses extended from Friday 23 September 2011 to Wednesday 14 October 2011. Clarification note published on 12 October 2011.	Dec 2012		RAs currently drafting decision paper.