

Agenda

Generator Connections Liaison Group Meeting #46

Wednesday 07 June 2017, 10.00 - 12.30

EirGrid offices, Ballsbridge

10.00 Introduction

10.10 Updates:

- CER
- SOs - Processing (mods & non-GPA offers)
- Industry - Expected connections in 2017

10.30 Hybrid Technical Policy

TSO presentation on hybrids in the system (e.g. market arrangements, dispatch, etc)

10.50 Section 34 Disputes

CER update on industry proposals for a Guidance Document on dispute resolutions

10.55 Contestability of Commissioning

Update on progress on the consultation to date

11.10 Enduring Connection Policy Update

CER update on enduring connection policy (ECP) and the proposed ruleset for Step 1 of ECP

12.15 AOB/outstanding actions from last minutes

Attendance by Liaison Group Members or Approved Substitute

Name	Present	Company / Organisation	Member (M) or Substitute (S)
Philip Newsome	Y	CER	M
Malgorzata Sadowska	Y	CER	M
Nick Fullerton	N	EirGrid	M
Shane Maher	Y	EirGrid	M
Siobhan O'Shea	Y	EirGrid	M
Dervla Murphy	Y	EirGrid	M
Joe Duignan	Y	ESB Networks	M
Ivan Codd	N	ESB Networks	M
Pat Dowling	Y	ESB Networks	M
Mary Power	N	ESB Networks	S
Warren Deacon	Y	ESB GWM	S
Donal Smith	Y	Switched In Consulting	M
Rory Mullan	N	Mullan Grid Consulting	M
Stella Burke	N	IWEA	M
Margaret Riordan	Y	Brookfield Renewable	M
Peter Kavanagh	Y	ISEA	M
Brian Linton	N	Energia	M
Tom Bruton	N	BioXL (on behalf of IrBEA)	M
Lisa Fahy	Y	SSE	S

Additional Attendees

Name	Company / Organisation
Grattan Healy	IWFA
Nick Rackard	IrBEA
Conor O'Doherty	SONI

A. Introduction

The CER as Chair (Philip Newsome) opened the meeting, welcomed the attendees and all attendees introduced themselves.

B. Updates

B.1. CER Updates

- Decision Paper on *Connection Policy Transitional Arrangements - Partial Capacity Release* was published on 19 April 2017. This included an extension to the deadline for full capacity release.
- Decision Paper on the *Publication of Additional Information on Generation Connection Applications* was published on 1 June 2017.
- CER looking for feedback on the release of the TSO/DSO application lists for the previous two years in a CSV format, as requested by one of the respondents to the [CER consultation](#). It was discussed whether one update based on data from two years would be a 'catch-all' and going forward info would be published more regularly. SOs to consider before the next LG meeting.
- The following update was circulated by email to the LG on 08.06.2017



Update for GCLG meeting - June 2017.

B.2. SOs Updates

- An update on the following was presented by SOs:

- Gate 3 Project Status Update



DSO_TSO Gate 3 LG Update - SO updates

- Processing of Modifications and Non-GPA offers

B.3 Industry Updates

- Industry raised a question about competition between modifications for projects under construction and new non-GPA applications. The SOs and CER advised that CER has advised that modifications to contracted parties are prioritised in advance of starting processing the next non-GPA application at that node.

C. Hybrid Technical Policy

The following slides on Hybrid Technical policy were presented:



Issues with Hybrid Units - Liaison Group

Working Group to be set up prior to next LG meeting with TOR agreed and first meeting held.

D. Section 34 Disputes

The CER gave an update on the progression of current disputes. It was indicated that the rate of disputes being raised is increasing. A CER Guidance Document on dispute resolution was requested by the Group.

E. Contestability of Commissioning

The following slides on Contestability of Commissioning were presented:



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The timeline for the publication of the CER determination was discussed however at present ECP takes priority.

F. Enduring Connection Policy (ECP) Update


- SOs gave a high level update on the principles of ECP
- The following slides were presented



Enduring Connection Policy - Liaison Group

G. AOB/outstanding actions from last minutes

No	Action:	Owner	Comments
11-13	<p>Increasing Capacity Behind Connection Points</p> <p>IWEA presentation to the SOs for consideration to be followed by focussed meeting of industry reps and SO reps to review practical options in more detail</p>	Industry/CER/SOs	Open
14	<p>Request to Share Connection Points</p> <p>CER requested that Industry further elaborate on some of the possible solutions proposed. Once this has been completed, Industry to issue a short paper detailing these possible solutions along with a copy of the presentation given by industry at LG#44 to the SOs for consideration</p>		

	 IWEA slides - connection point pr		
Update: It was discussed at LG meeting #45 that these agenda items fall into 3 overarching issues: (1) multiple parties behind connection points; (2) hybrid plants and rule changes to facilitate more options to over install; and (3) hybrid plants and the corresponding ruleset / implementation of rules. CER & SOs advised that ECP is the priority at the moment and the above actions will be considered post issuance of the ECP consultation. Action: To be reviewed again post issuance of ECP consultation.			
15	Emerging Technology Definition Industry to confirm if different definitions of Emerging Technology are likely to cause issues and CER to confirm decision in relation to CER/09/099.	Industry/CER	Open Request for industry feedback
Update: TSO have requested clarification on the definition of Emerging Technology in relation to the RfG code (which is very limiting) and CER/09/099. How long is technology emerging? Will this be dealt within the ECP?			
20	Section 34 Disputes CER to consider if improvements can be made to process and more information disclosed	CER	Open CER to consider
Update: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - SOs are happy for dispute numbers to be made available to industry, but that CER should be the party to share this information if they deem it appropriate - Industry requested if a Guidance Document on dispute resolutions could be provided which would aid all parties, by reducing the number of duplicate disputes being launched. Action: CER to consider above proposals.			
23	Construction Related Information Flows Industry to revert with some specific cases where communications on projects under construction between TSO, ESNB and customers is not working as well as it should	Industry	Open Request for industry feedback

Update:

Industry were to provide examples for the LG, however industry advised that IWEA was meeting with the ESBN and EirGrid in the coming period and would be discussing this issue directly with them.

Action: Industry to raise any issues directly with ESBN and EirGrid.

25	2017 Connections IWEA to update on expected connections in 2017	IWEA	Open Request for industry (IWEA) update
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Update:

Further to the REFIT 2 extension granted, IWEA will update on the expected connections in 2017 at the next LG.

Next Meeting

Next meeting (#47) will take place in the ESB Networks Offices, Leopardstown on Wednesday, 6th September 2017. **TBC by DSO**

Appendix 1: Closed Action Items

No.	Actions:	Owner	Status
10	Disclosure of Applications Publication of additional information (node, technology type) on generation applications	CER	Closed
16	Further detail on DS3 work stream CER to provide a more detailed update on DS3 work stream – including DS3 selection criteria and prioritisation rule list.	CER	Closed
Update: An Information Paper on the Future Approach to DS3 System Service Procurement was published on the SEM Committee website in March.			
17	CER Priority List SOs and Industry to provide feedback on ranking of CER work streams.	SOs and Industry	Closed
21	Enduring Connection Policy Industry requested review of timeline for next consultation	CER	Closed
Update: The CER advised that it is engaging with the system operators on the draft ruleset and is considering prioritising certain issues within the ECP.			
22	Interim Processing Arrangements Industry requested CER consider planning permission as a filter for new applications	CER	Closed
Update: Update given by SO's on the high level principles of Step 1 of ECP including the use of a planning filter for applications.			
24	DS3 Transitional Arrangements SOs to update on progress at next meeting	SOs	Closed
Update: Update given by SO's on the high level principles of how DS3 services will be prioritised as part of Step 1 of ECP.			