



# Welcome to the National Grid Customer Seminar



Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2015  
London

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## Safety Moment

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# Agenda

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- Introduction Nicola Paton
- Connections Update Julian Leslie
- Customer Policy Update Richard Smith
- Charging and Capacity Developments Patrick Hynes
- Electricity Market Reform Update Ian Nicholas & Paul Mullen
- ITPR Ben Graff
- BREAK
- System Operability Framework Update Vandad Hamidi
- ETYS Update Stewart Whyte
- Transmission Owner Update NGET – Duncan Hughes  
SHE – Danny McMillan  
SPT – Cathie Hill
- LUNCH
- Round Tables and Interactive Zones

## Round Table Sessions & Interactive Zones

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1. Customer Policy
2. Charging and Capacity Development
3. ITPR - Onshore Competition
4. ITPR - Network Options Assessment
5. SP Transmission Construction Update
6. SHE Transmission Connections Update
7. National Grid Electricity Transmission
8. Network Development & Operability
9. Ancillary Services
10. Market Outlook
11. EMR
12. Customer Connections

# Mobile Interaction

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- Use phone to scan QR Code found on feedback forms on tables
- Will go to online feedback form



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**Customer Seminar February / March 2015**

We are continually seeking to improve the quality of these events and therefore, your feedback is important to us. Please can you take a few minutes to review and respond to the questions below in relation to the presentations, interactive zones, round table surgeries and the venue. Many thanks.

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Job Title:

**\* 2. Which event did you attend?**

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# Connections Update



Julian Leslie  
Electricity Customer Manager

## Topics

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- Team developments
- Customer survey
- EU Code update
- Contracted generation developments
- EMR results



# Team Developments

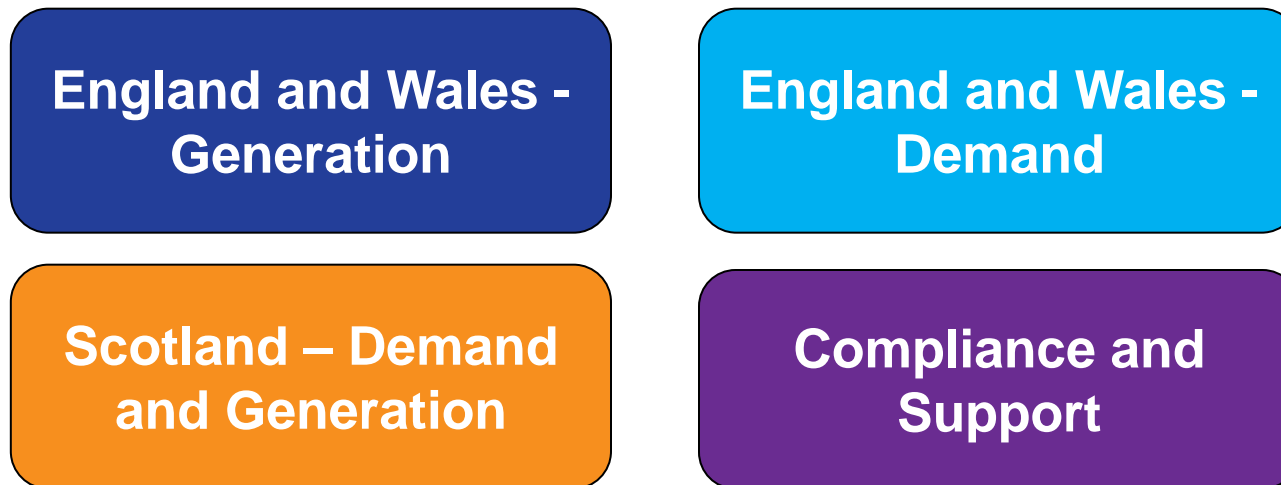
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- Workload
  - Scottish onshore wind new offers
  - Mod apps
  - New connections – compliance
  - Offshore wind transitions almost complete

## New structure and resource

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- Change to team structure



- Additional resource in Compliance and Support and Scotland

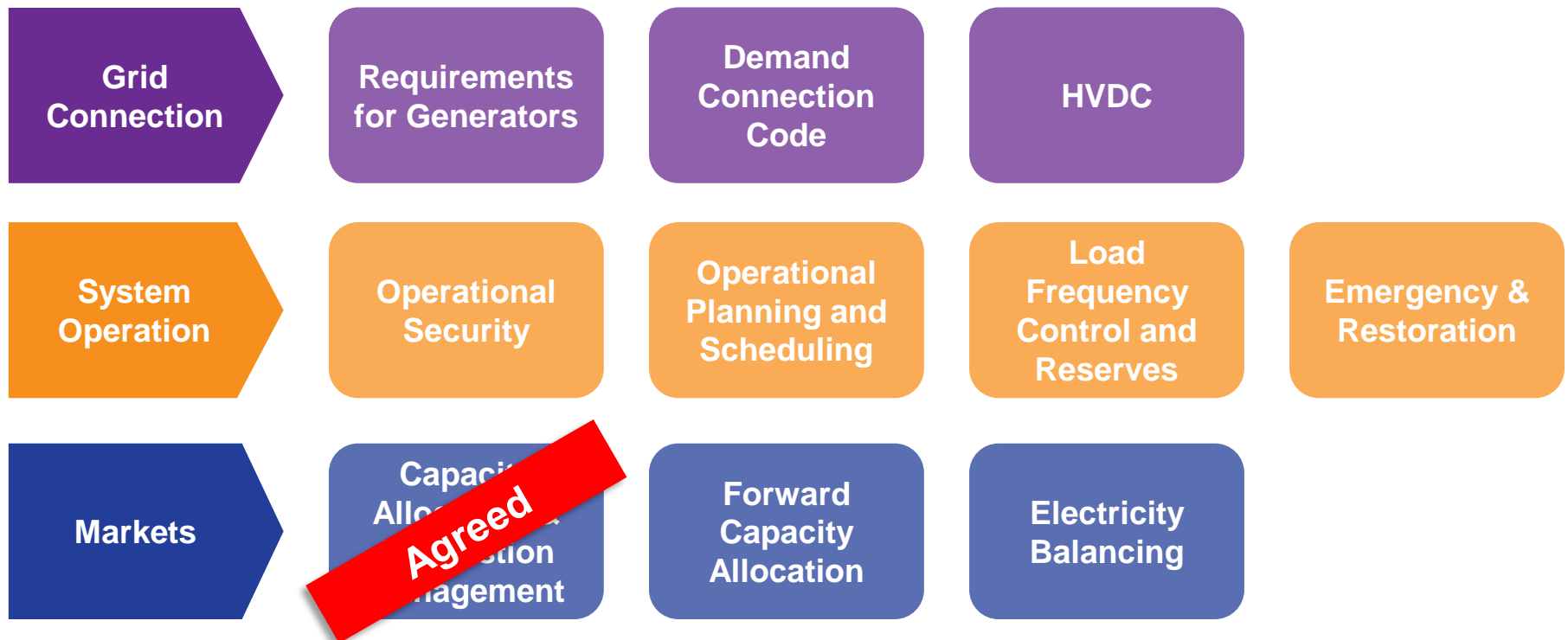
# Customer Survey

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- We need your help
- Your answers to the survey do help us to identify and prioritise improvement areas
- Last October for the Connections Process
  - Nearly 100 eligible customers
  - Only 30 responses
- Next phase of interviews starts 8<sup>th</sup> March and finishes on 2<sup>nd</sup> April
- Reschedule at a time to suit you

## Latest Status on European Network Codes

- A suite of European Legislation entering in to force from 2015 onwards
- Will take precedence over all existing GB arrangements



## Focus on Requirements for Generators

- RFG is expected to be the next European Network Code to be adopted through Comitology in around June 2015
- Commission and member states are now agreeing the final text

### When does it apply?

- **Applies to new generators who let major contracts 24 months after entry in to force of the Code**
- Does not apply retrospectively unless a need is demonstrated (needs a CBA, consultation and NRA approval). No areas currently identified

### How to get involved

- Engage with GC0048 Workgroup which is defining changes to Grid/D-Code via [grid.code@nationalgrid.com](mailto:grid.code@nationalgrid.com)
- Engage with DECC to inform GB's negotiating position for Comitology

# Key Topics in RFG:

## Pertinent Technical Requirements

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- Many requirements in RFG are the same or similar for Large generators. Greater potential impact for Small, Medium and D-connected generators
  - Type A and B (800 W – 50 MW<sup>†</sup>) requirements are akin to a **'product standard'**
  - Type C and D (>50 MW) requirements typically need **active management** of the generator
- Pertinent topics are:
  - New **Fault Ride Through** Requirements for Type B+ (>1MW)
  - Mandatory **Frequency Response** for Type C+ (>50MW)
  - National choice of **parameters** affecting all Types, where ranges are specified in the RFG

<sup>†</sup> All banding thresholds are still subject to agreement.

## To learn more and get involved ....

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- Come along to the **Joint European Stakeholder Group**

A single monthly meeting covering all European issues including European Network Code development and implementation

Supported by DECC, Ofgem, National Grid and others

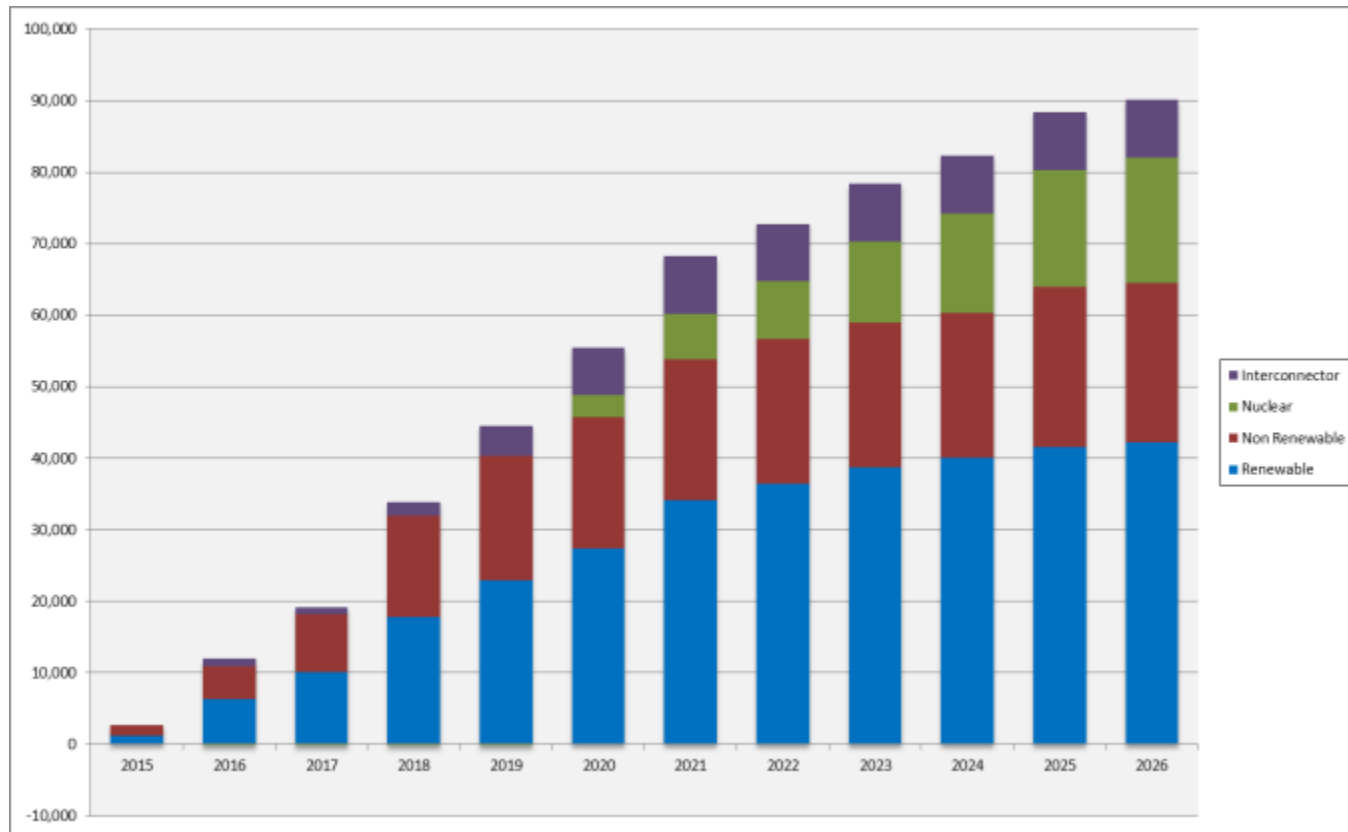
- Grid-Code / D-Code **GC0048 Workgroup** on RFG

- Sign-up for the **Weekly Email Newsletter Update**

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# Contracted Generation



- 27.5GW Renewables by 2020, 10GW Consented
- 13 to 15GW required to meet 2020



## EMR Results

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- Capacity Mechanism
  - 1.8GW Trafford Power successful
  - 5.2GW of new generation unsuccessful
  - 6.6GW of existing generation unsuccessful
  - May result in early closure of existing
  - Delays/terminations of future new capacity
- Contract for Difference
  - Complete on morning of 26th

# Customer Policy Update



Richard Smith  
Customer Policy Development Manager

## Current Work Areas

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- Queue Review
  - To date management within Queue at transmission level
  - Now looking at wider process and embedded interactions
  
- CMP 192 Review
  - Reviewed CMP192 following implementation
  - Currently quantifying total value at risk between spend and liability

## Current Work Areas

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- Non-Firm Policy
  - Use CUSC/SQSS definitions
  - Minded to only offer to consented projects
  
- Active Network Management
  - In principle we support ANM, but it should not impact on our ability to operate the system

## Current Work Areas

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- Investment Ahead of TEC (Delay Charge/Backfeed)
  - Proposal based on CEC before TEC
  - Will roll out interim in near future
  - Do we formalise in CUSC
  
- Distributed Generation National Grid Application Process
  - Statement of Works – CMP238
  - Looking at wider process

# Current Work Areas

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- High Volts
  - Engaging with DNO's to look at technical issues
- Outage Cancellations
  - We are now experiencing constraints on parts of the system which have led to outages being cancelled
- Refurbished Assets
  - Refurbishment rather than replacement of assets being explored as an option
  - How do we reflect this in Connection Offers

# Stakeholder Engagement

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- Are there any other issues we should be looking at?

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# Charging & Capacity Developments



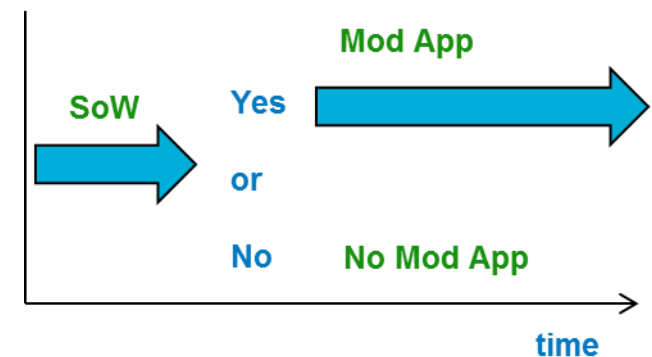
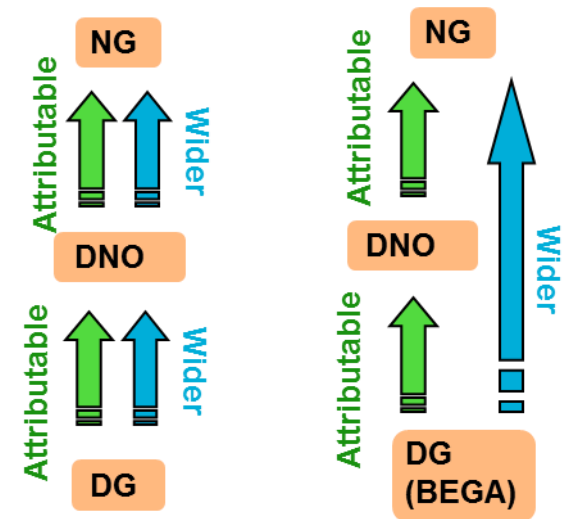
Patrick Hynes

Electricity Charging and Capacity Development Manager



# Ongoing modification proposals

- **CMP223: Arrangements for Relevant Distributed Generators Under the Enduring Generation User Commitment**
  - Passing lower securities through DNOs to embedded generation
  
- **CMP238 – Application of Statement of Works Process when a Modification Application is made**
  - Removing the need to go through SoW process prior to a Modification Application





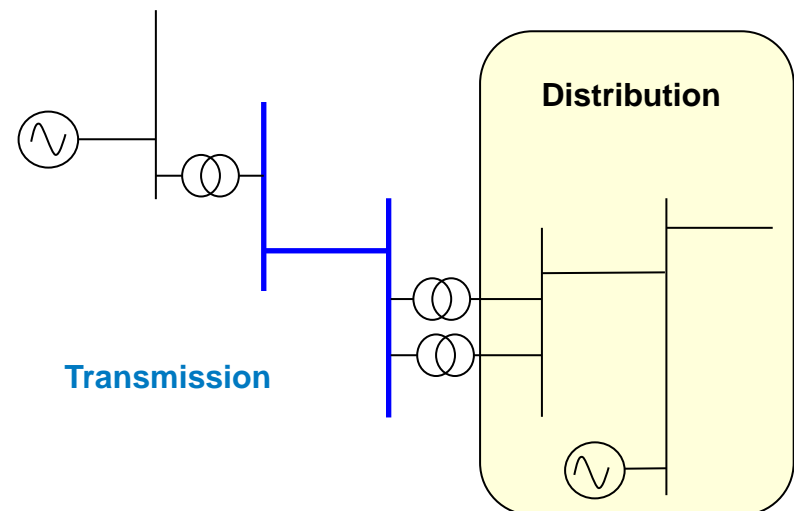
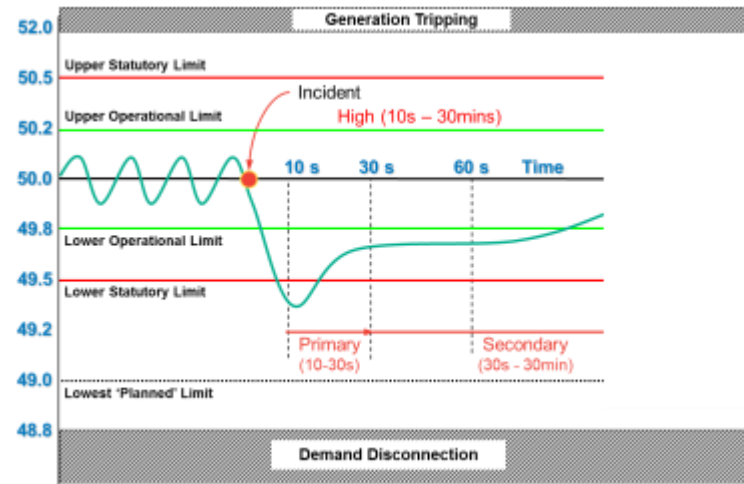
# Ongoing modification proposals

## ■ CMP237 – Response Energy Payment for Low Fuel Cost Generation

- Recognising that current arrangements need to be updated to cover low fuel cost stations

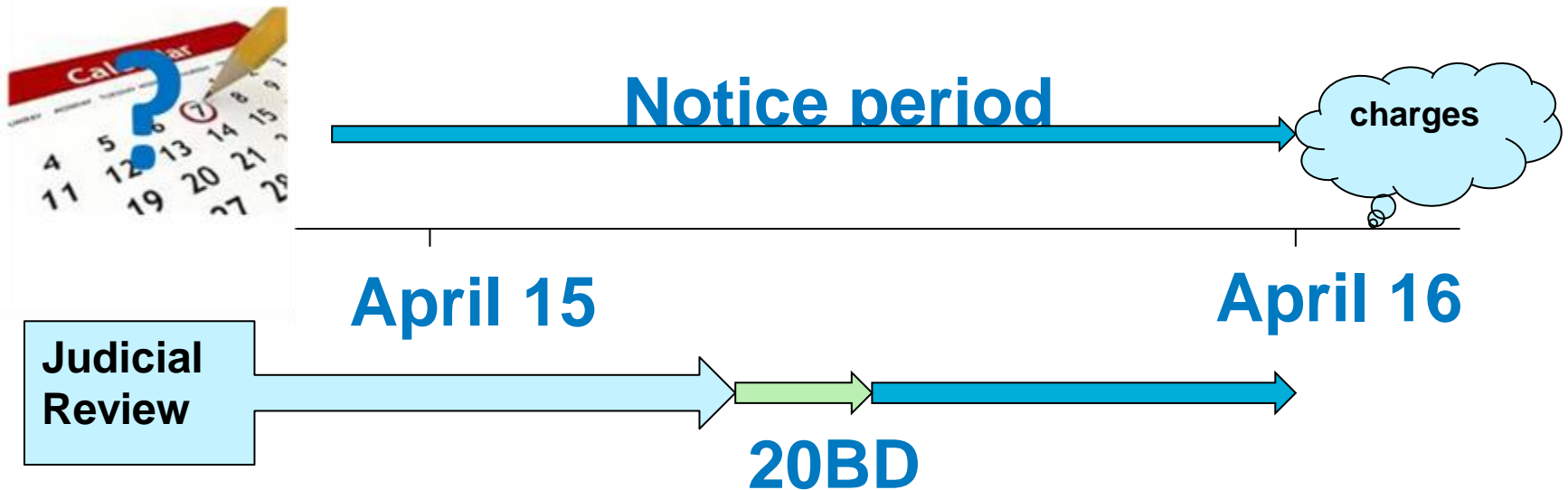
## ■ CMP239 – Grandfathering Arrangements for the Small Generator Discount

- Currently a separate time limited condition
- Including this in charging methodology to make it enduring for existing parties.



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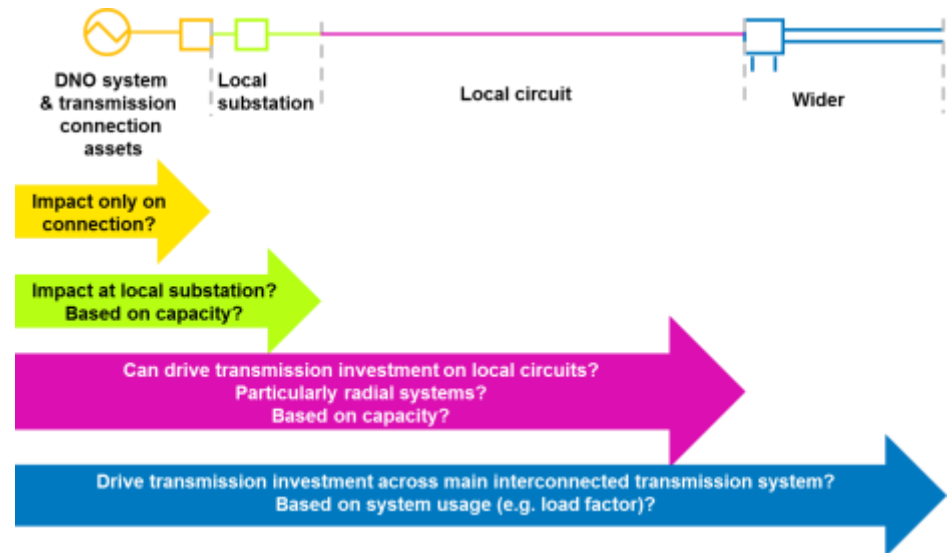
- **CMP240 – Amending the Cancellation Charge liability within a CMP213 Judicial Review Period**
  - With the ongoing JR, flexing the date when closure decision needs to be given without incurring cancellation charge



# Ongoing Strategic Issues Update

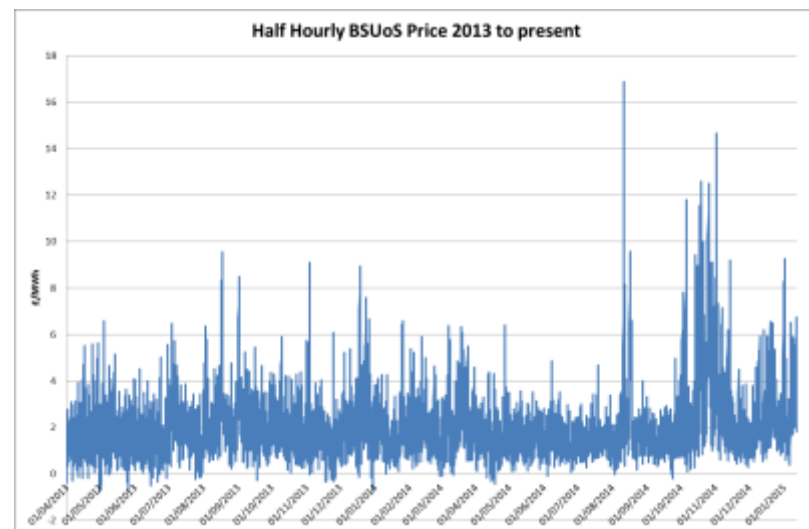
## ■ Exporting GSPs

- What signals should be sent to exporting GSPs
- Definition of capacity and associated rights
- Appropriate party



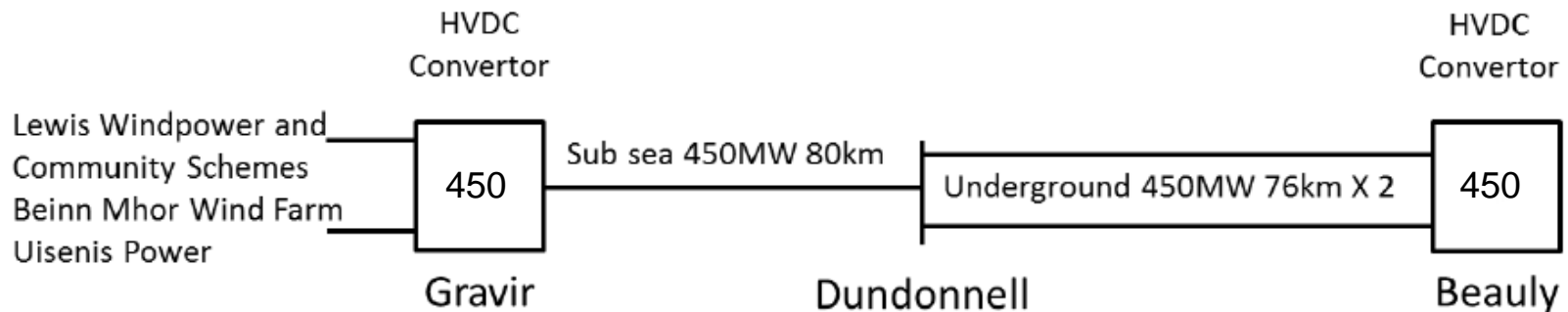
## ■ BSUoS Stability

- Investigating alternative models for recovering BSUoS
- Objective is to improve predictability and / or stability



# Treatments of anticipatory investments

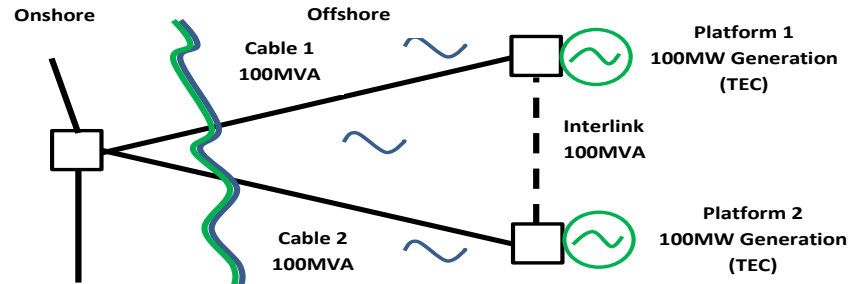
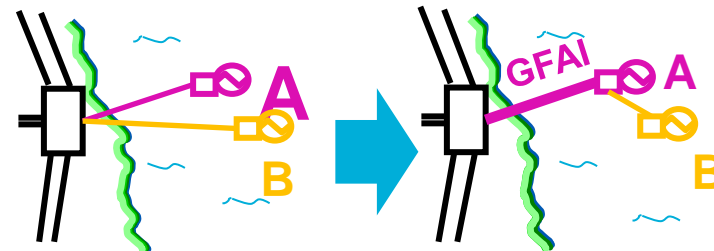
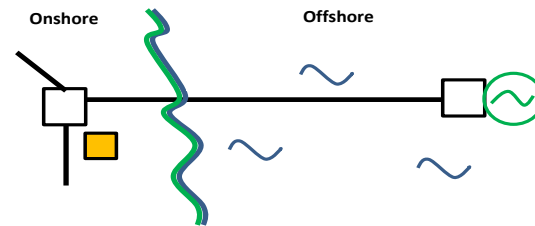
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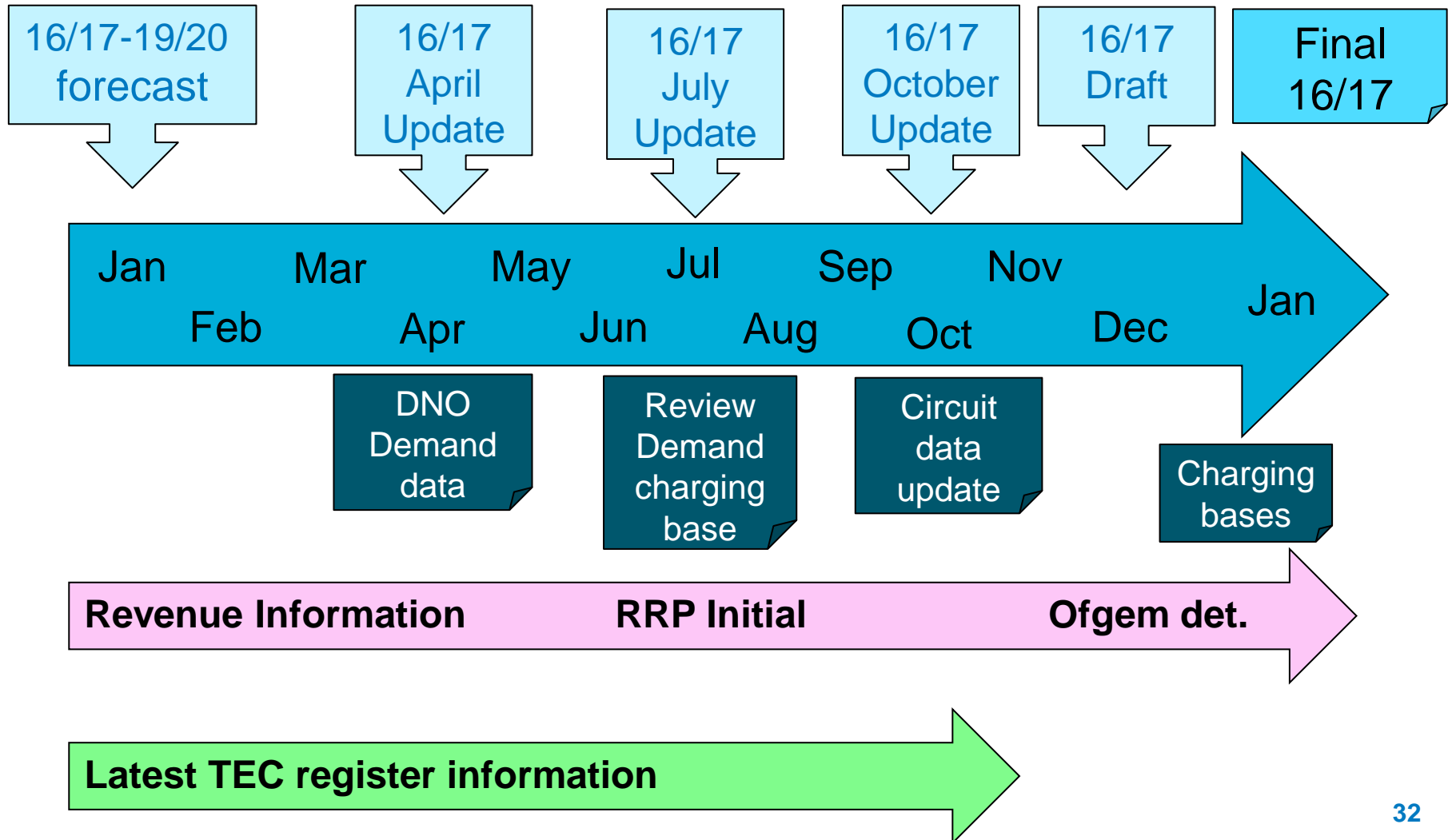
- Proposed link consists of 2 x underground cables
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> cable understood to be purely anticipatory investment
- Current methodology looks at overall cost
- How should the additional cost be dealt with

# Further offshore considerations

- Tender fee reconciliations
- Bespoke elective spares
- User commitment for shared offshore works (GFAI)
- Interlinks



# Tariff forecast calendar





## EMR Update



Ian Nicholas - EMR Delivery Manager &  
Paul Mullen - EMR Delivery Manager

# Capacity Market

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**Ian Nicholas**  
EMR Delivery Manager

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# Why EMR? – the changing energy landscape

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Power station closures  
**~25%**  
of total capacity by 2020  
vs 2010 levels



## Capacity Market

To provide reliable and flexible security of supply


Decarbonise electricity  
**80%**  
CO2 reduction by  
2050



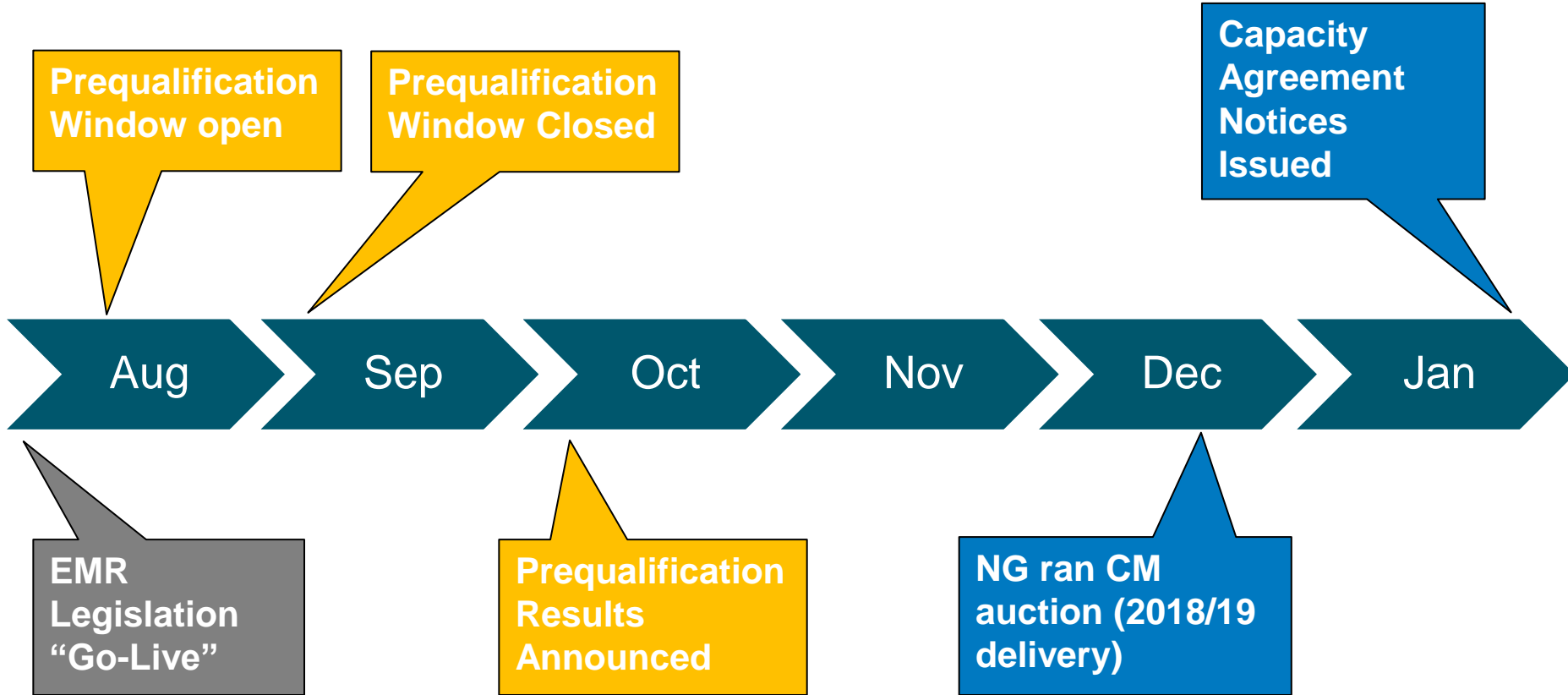
## Contracts for Difference

To incentivise low carbon investment and manage emissions

Energy from renewables  
**~15%**  
of total supplies by 2020

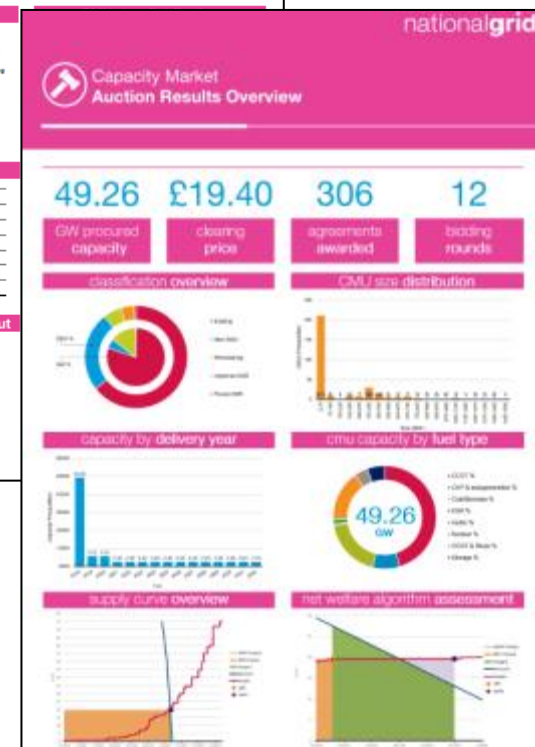
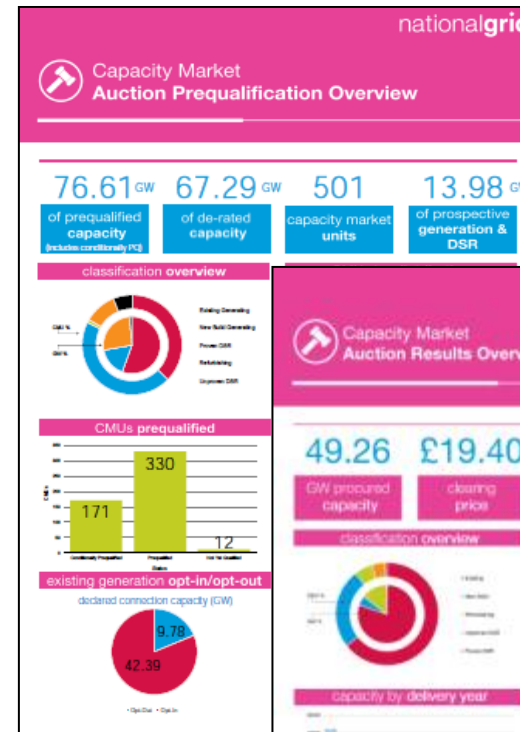


# Capacity Market Timeline 2014/15

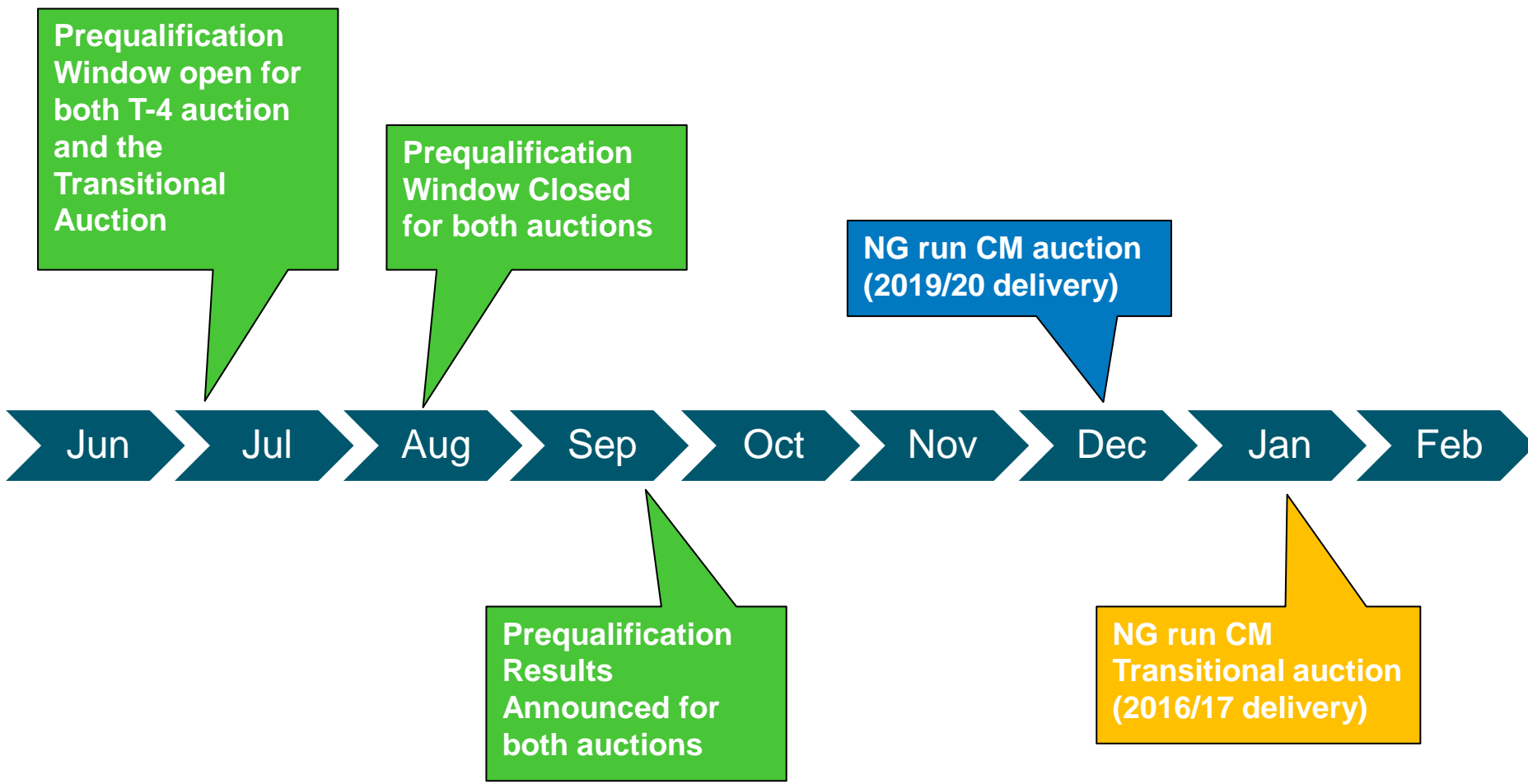


# 2014 Capacity Market Summary

- **67.29GW** of Capacity Prequalified for the 2014 Auction representing 501 Capacity Market Units
- Auction held over three days and 12 rounds in December 2014
- **49.26GW** of Capacity Procured representing 306 Capacity Market Units
- Clearing Price of **£19.40/kW** and total expenditure in 2018/19 of approx. **£950million** (2012 prices)



# Capacity Market Provisional Timeline 2015/16





# Contracts for Difference

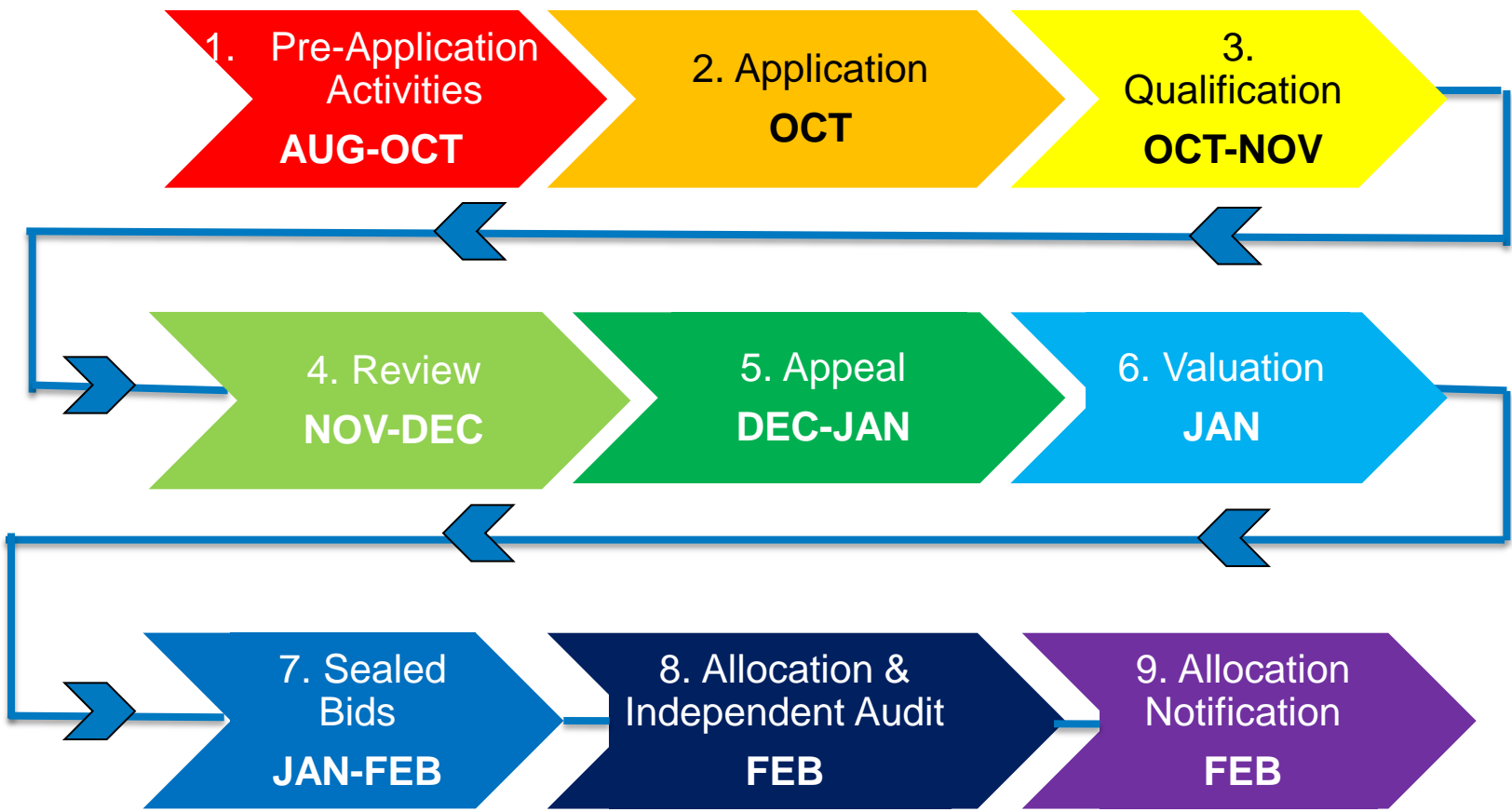
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# CfD Process – End to End





## CfD Process – Next Round

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**Non Delivery Disincentive**

**Budget: £50 million already indicated  
for established technologies**

**Implementation Events from late spring 2015**

# ITPR



Ben Graff  
Transmission Strategy Manager

# What is Integrated Transmission Planning and Regulation (ITPR)?

- ITPR is a project initiated by Ofgem in early 2012 to consider how to achieve **coordination of network investment** with multiple Transmission Owners with differing objectives/drivers and how to **deliver this investment efficiently and economically**

## Conflicts of Interest

Broader advisory role to TOs, developers and Ofgem

Identification of Interconnection opportunities

Network Options Assessment (NOA) methodology

Coordinating other aspects of system planning

Facilitating onshore competition

Greater role developing needs cases for strategic investment

# Where are we on our ITPR Implementation journey?

## There are many uncertainties

Policy requires further development

Final conclusions due in Spring

Licence drafting requires further development

Implementation timescales still to be confirmed

We approach these uncertainties collectively in the following ways

Proactively creating hypothesis around what the outputs look like

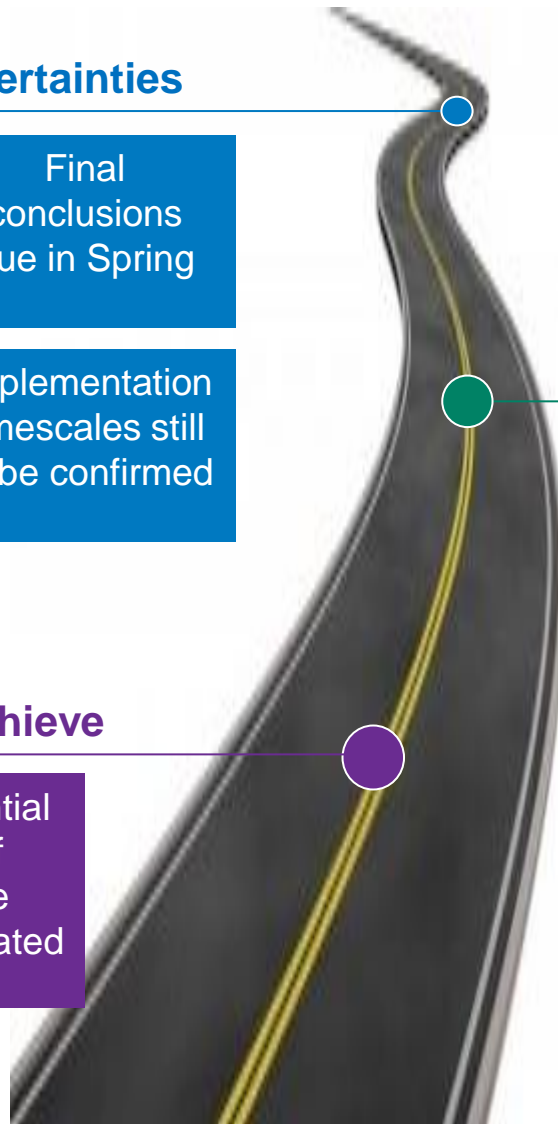
Testing these hypothesis with each other and landing on a way forward

Flushing out differences in understanding, to agree timely implementation

## What are we trying to achieve

Ensure 2015 and 2016 obligations can be met and that outputs work for all

Ensure potential conflicts of interest are properly mitigated



# The main NOA output will be delivered in a two year phased approach agreed with stakeholders...

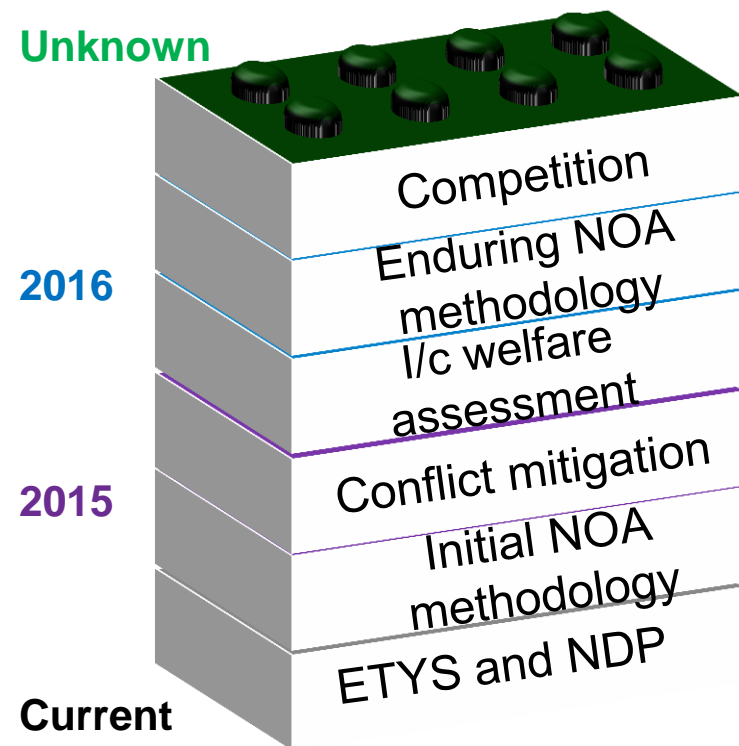
## Round Tables

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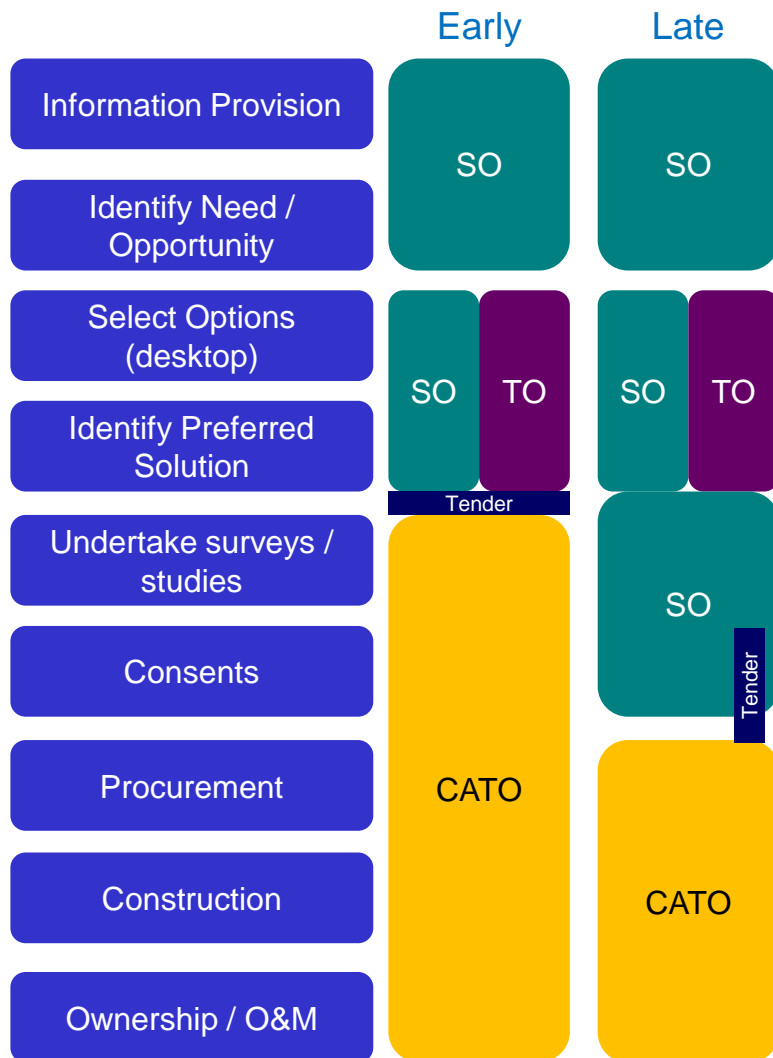
- Onshore Competition Table
- Network Options Assessment (NOA) Table

### Session 3:

- General ITPR Discussion



# Ofgem have proposed two models for onshore competitive tendering



## Early Model:

- SO develop the project to the point where a high level specification could be prepared
- SO undertakes some early development activity e.g. determining the capacity needed and connection and interface points
- Model preferred in our consultation response

## Late Model:

- SO undertakes all pre-construction activities including more detailed routing and securing consents for the project

# We are committed to doing the right thing. Effectively managing conflicts of interest is key for successful implementation

## Business separation and information ring-fencing

- Business and legal separation from associated competitive businesses
- Ring-fencing of sensitive information related to the enhanced SO role

## Transparency and information provision

- Publication of and consultation on methodologies for the NOA process
- Publication of annual NOA report
- Transparency on business structures

## Annual compliance statement

- Summary of measures employed to ensure business compliance
- Submitted to Ofgem and published on our external website
- Aims to increase transparency of activities

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## Coffee Break



Please sign up for Round Table surgeries and take a look at the Interactive Zones

# System Operability Framework Update



Vandad Hamidi  
SMARTer System Performance Team Manager

# What's happening in GB?

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## Islanded AC Power System

## Changes in the Energy Landscape

### Generation

Increase in non-synchronous generation

Closure of conventional plants

### Demand Side

Increase in Embedded non-synchronous generation

Change in Demand type (LED lights – Heat Pump)

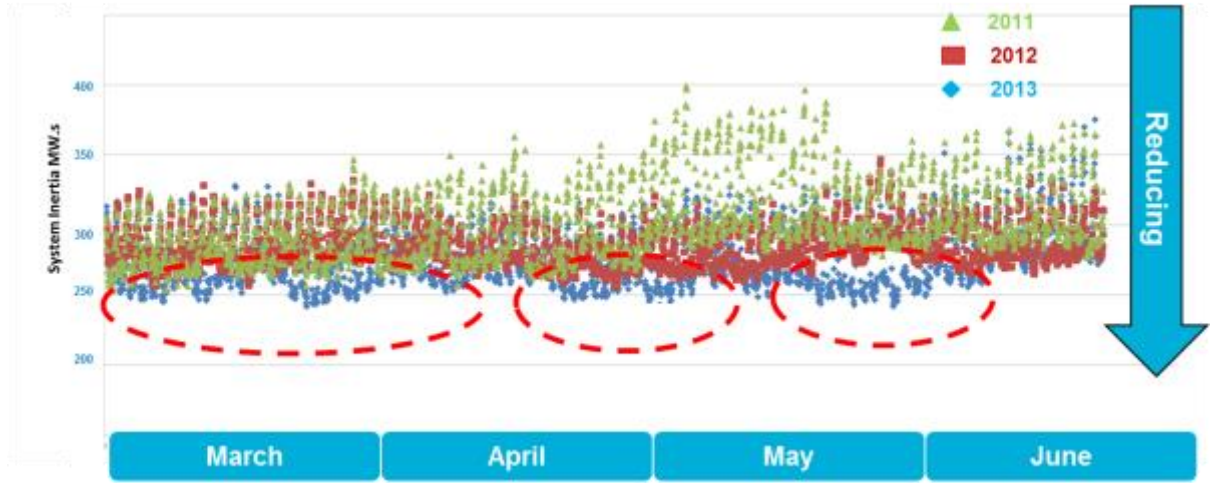
### Network

First Embedded HVDC Link (parallel to AC)

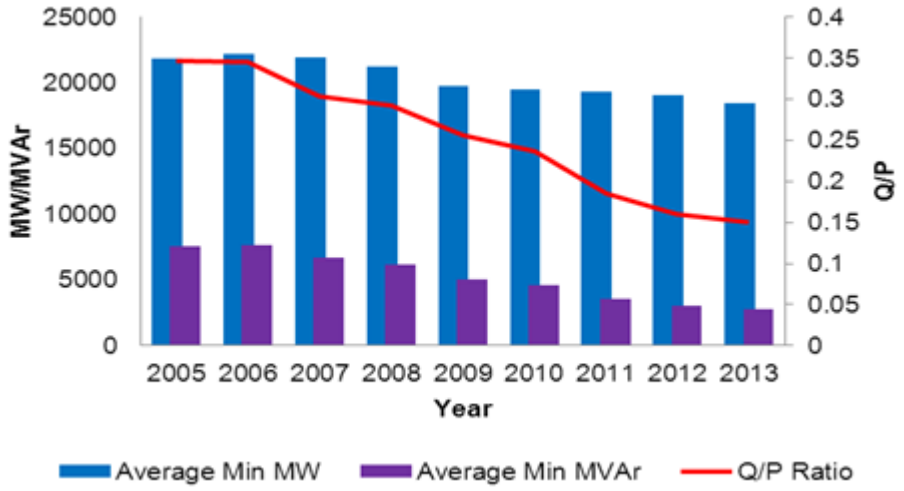
Thyristor Controlled Series Compensation (TCSC)

# And the impact?

System Inertia

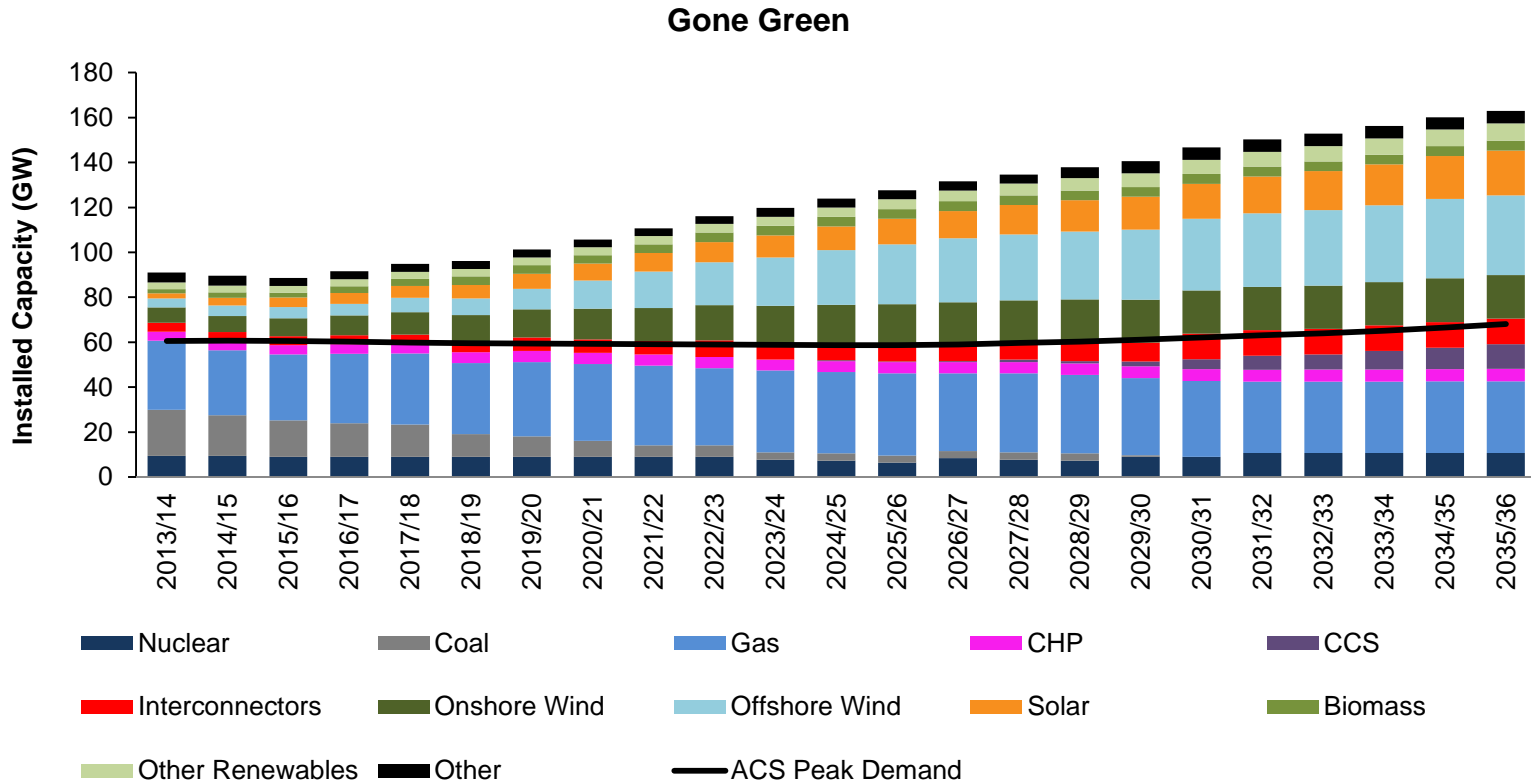


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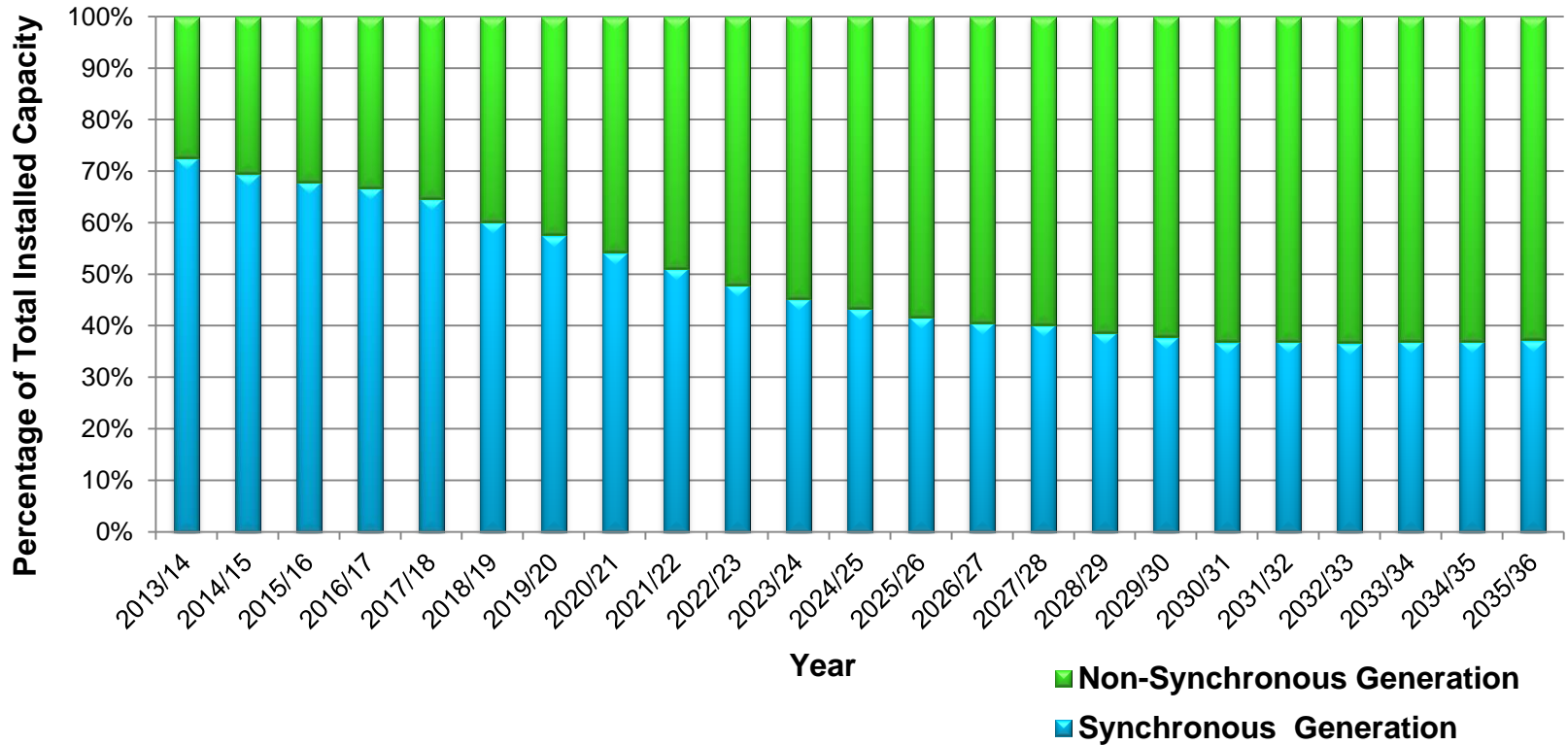
# The scale of change

## Generation Mix (Gone Green Scenario)



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**Power grids were designed to operate with 100% synchronous generation!**

# Example - System Inertia & Frequency Containment

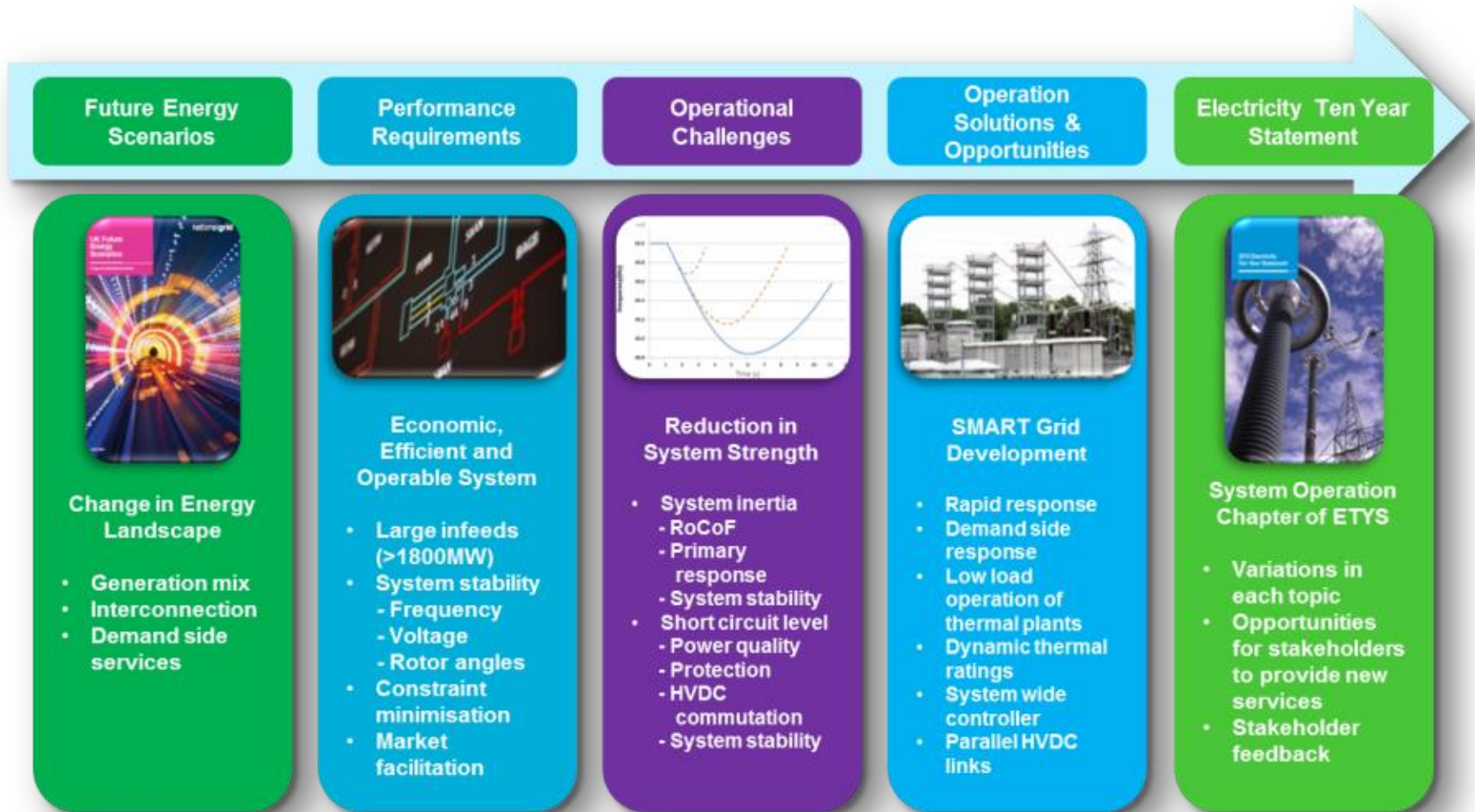
	<b>Solution</b>	<b>Cost (2020 Gone Green)</b>
<b>Conventional Services</b>	<b>Constrain generators</b>	<b>Extra £600m</b>
	<b>Constrain largest infeed/outfeed</b>	<b>Extra £130m-£270m</b> (depending on when the large infeeds are connected)
	<b>Carry larger volumes of response</b>	<b>Extra £210m</b>

	<b>Solution</b>
<b>New Services</b>	<b>Enhanced Frequency Control (Fast Response or synthetic inertia)</b>
	<b>Low Load Operation of Thermal Plants</b>
	<b>Synchronous Compensator</b>



# System Operability Framework (SOF)

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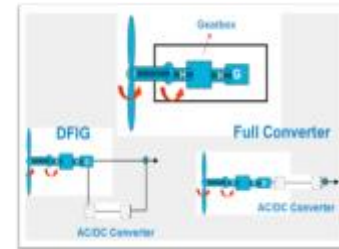
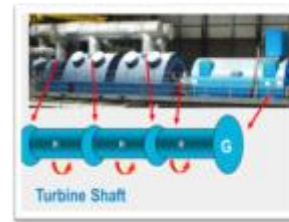


# SMART Frequency Control Project

## (Enhanced Frequency Control Capability, EFCC)

- Why SMART Frequency Control?

- Change in generation mix

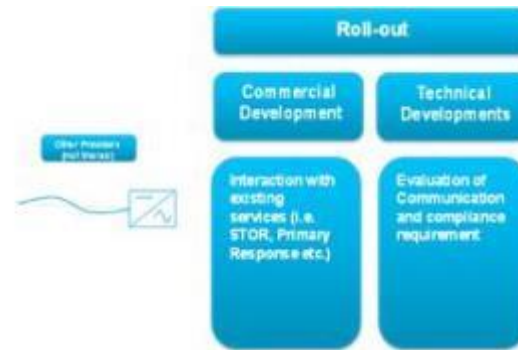
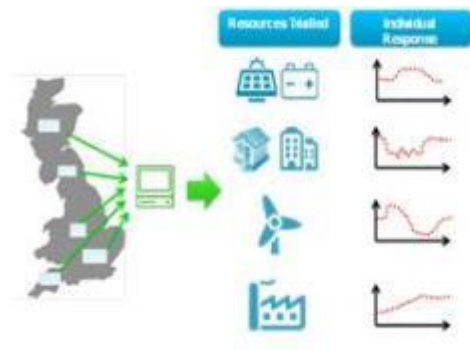


- Benefit of SMART Frequency Control

- A potential saving of up to £200m per annum by 2020 to be passed to the consumers

- New balancing services commercial framework for rapid frequency response

- Objective



- Collaboration

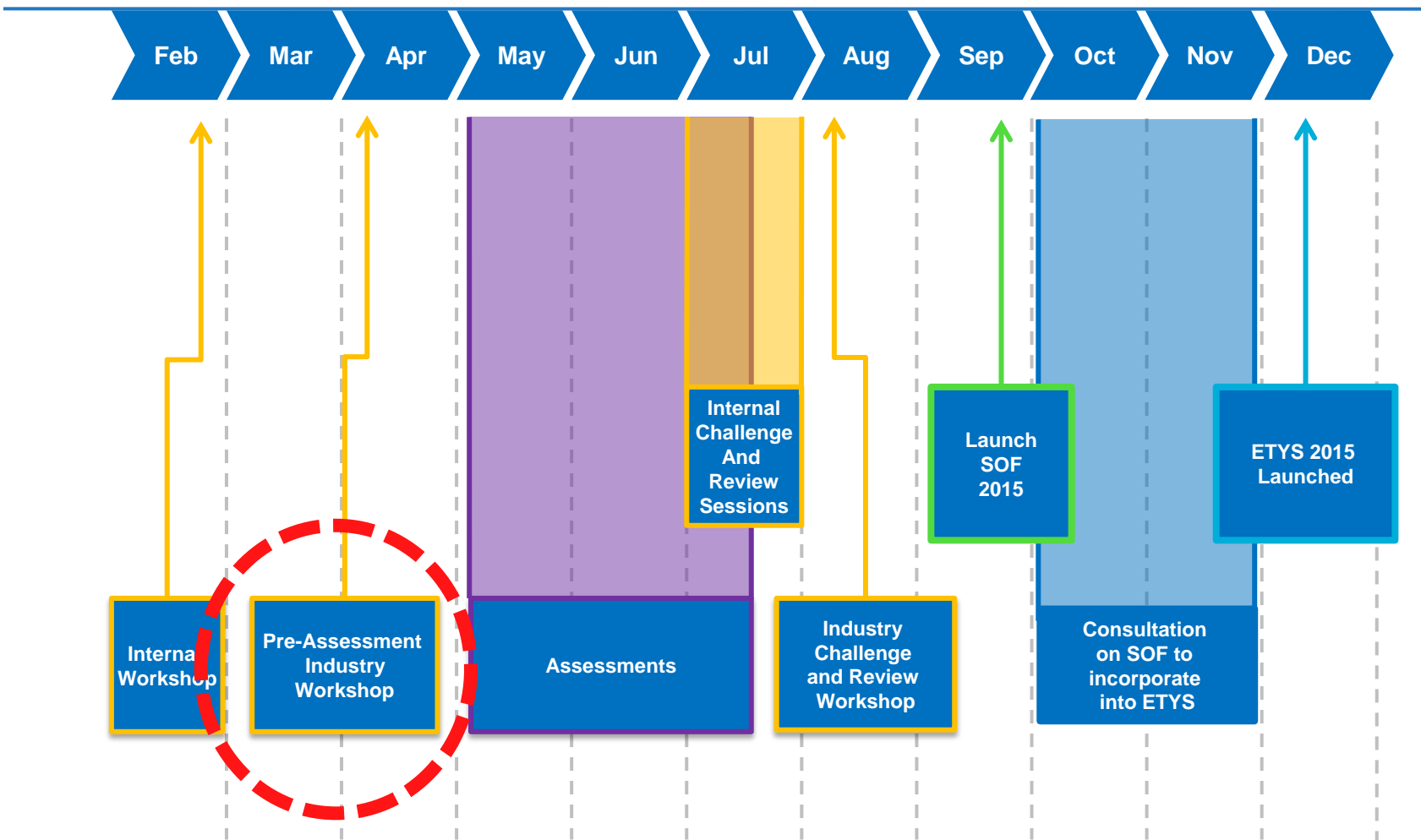


# SOF and the interaction with market players

<b>Who?</b> <b>How?</b>	<b>Service Providers</b> (Generators, Aggregators, Interconnectors)	Onshore and Offshore Transmission Owners	Distribution Network Operators	Manufacturers and Technology Providers
Design of the new balancing services	Future revenue streams	Future compliance	DSO services	Future products / Compliance
Coordinate the use of existing capability	Additional incentives	Coordination of resources	Coordination of resources	Retrofit vs new design
R&D and joint innovation projects	Collaboration and engagement	Collaboration and engagement	Collaboration and engagement	Collaboration and engagement

**SOF aims to provide necessary input into commercial and regulatory frameworks to ensure future grid operability**

# High Level Development Timeline



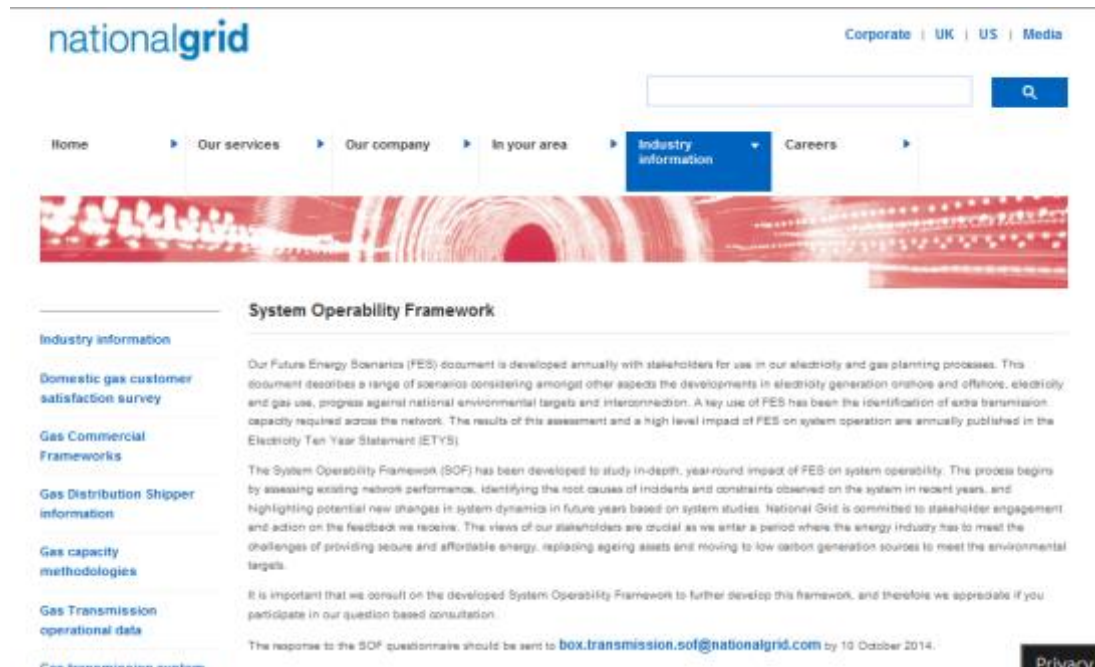
**9<sup>th</sup> April 2015 – Warwick**

# System Operability Framework

Thank you for your attention

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The screenshot shows the National Grid website's 'Industry information' page for the 'System Operability Framework'. The page features a navigation menu with 'Home', 'Our services', 'Our company', 'In your area', 'Industry information', and 'Careers'. A search bar is located in the top right. The main content area includes a red banner image and a section titled 'System Operability Framework'. The text describes the Future Energy Scenarios (FES) document and the SOF framework, mentioning stakeholder consultation and a questionnaire. A contact email, [box.transmission.sof@nationalgrid.com](mailto:box.transmission.sof@nationalgrid.com), is provided for responses. A 'Privacy' link is visible in the bottom right corner.

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### System Operability Framework

Our Future Energy Scenarios (FES) document is developed annually with stakeholders for use in our electricity and gas planning processes. This document describes a range of scenarios considering amongst other aspects the developments in electricity generation onshore and offshore, electricity and gas use, progress against national environmental targets and interconnection. A key use of FES has been the identification of extra transmission capacity required across the network. The results of this assessment and a high level impact of FES on system operation are annually published in the Electricity Ten Year Statement (ETYS).

The System Operability Framework (SOF) has been developed to study in-depth, year-round impact of FES on system operability. The process begins by assessing existing network performance, identifying the root causes of incidents and constraints observed on the system in recent years, and highlighting potential new changes in system dynamics in future years based on system studies. National Grid is committed to stakeholder engagement and action on the feedback we receive. The views of our stakeholders are crucial as we enter a period where the energy industry has to meet the challenges of providing secure and affordable energy, replacing ageing assets and moving to low carbon generation sources to meet the environmental targets.

It is important that we consult on the developed System Operability Framework to further develop this framework, and therefore we appreciate if you participate in our question based consultation.

The response to the SOF questionnaire should be sent to [box.transmission.sof@nationalgrid.com](mailto:box.transmission.sof@nationalgrid.com) by 10 October 2014.

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<http://www2.nationalgrid.com/UK/Industry-information/Future-of-Energy/System-Operability-Framework/>

# Electricity Ten Year Statement Update



Stewart Whyte  
Network Development Strategy Manager

# Agenda

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- Background
- Network Development Policy
- 2014 Outcomes
- Document Launch
- Identification of opportunities
- Customer Capacity Tool

# ETYS Chapters

## Network Development Inputs

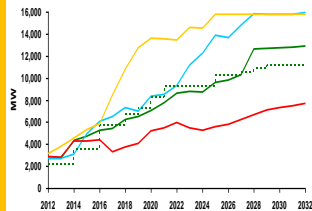
Stakeholder engagement process



UK Generation and demand Scenarios

## Network Capability and Requirements

Identify future transmission capability requirements



## Network Development and Opportunities

Identify future transmission solutions

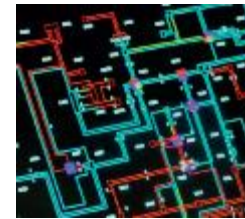


Selection of preferred option

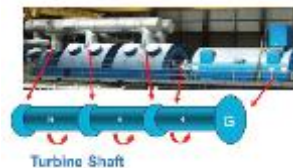
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## System Operation

Operational chapter



Articulation of key Operational challenges today and in the future



## Stakeholder Engagement

ETYS 2015 Engagement timeline



Summary of ETYS 2014 Engagement

“When looking for opportunities in the future it would be useful to understand today’s challenges and the potential future challenges in a more holistic way.”

# Network Development Policy

What Does the Future Generation & Demand background look like?

How does it affect the network?

What options do we have to accommodate for future requirements?

Decision on options

Publish results end November (licence obligation)

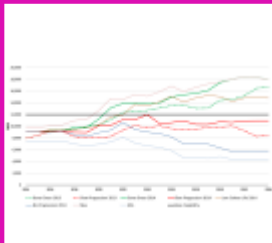
## Input



Stakeholder Engagement Process

UK Generation and Demand Scenarios

## Requirements



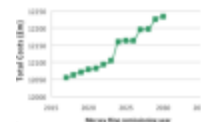
Identify Future Transmission Capability Requirements

## Solutions

Identify Future Transmission Solutions



Calculate Operational Costs for Transmission Solutions



## Select

Development of Options

Option	Capital Cost (£bn)	Operational Cost (£bn/yr)	CO2 (£bn/yr)	CO2e (£bn/yr)
Option 1	100	10	10	10
Option 2	120	12	12	12
Option 3	150	15	15	15
Option 4	180	18	18	18
Option 5	200	20	20	20

Selection of preferred options

## Output

Electricity Ten Year Statement (ETYS)



Capital Plan





# England and Wales NDP 2014 Recommendations

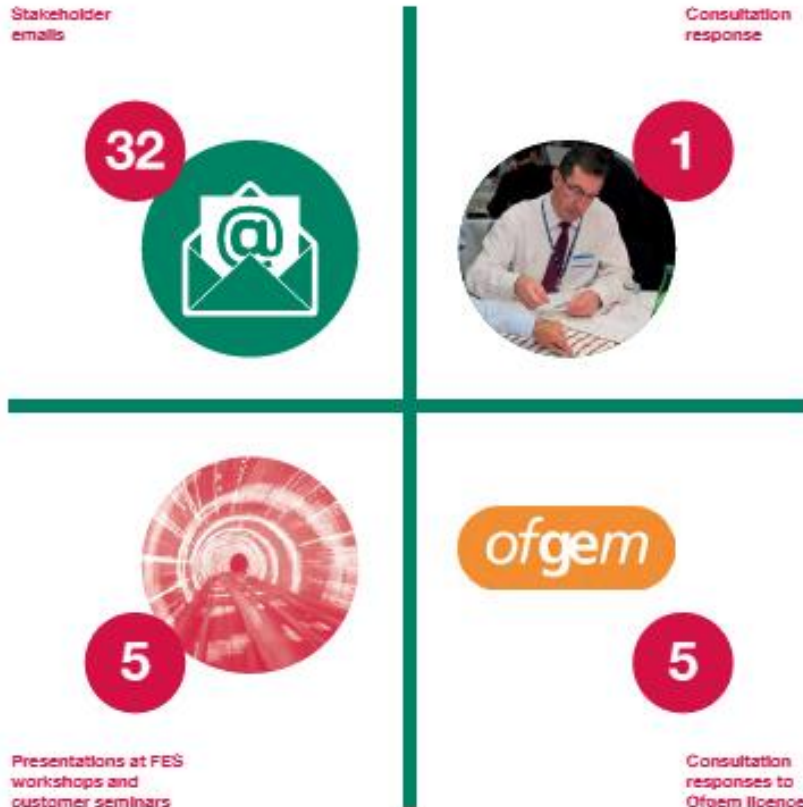
Project	Network Area	No Progression	Slow Progression	Low Carbon Life	Gone Green	Contracted Sensitivity	ETYS 2014 decision
Western HVDC Link	Scotland to England border	2016	2016	2016	2016	2016	Complete Construction
Series & Shunt Compensation	Scotland to England border	2015	2015	2015	2015	2015	Complete Construction
Wylfa – Pentir Second Circuit	North Wales	N/A	N/A	2027	2028	2025	Complete pre-construction planning
Pentir-Trawsfynydd Second Circuit	North Wales	N/A	2022	2027	2021	2021	Delay
South Coast Reactive Compensation	South Coast	N/A	2021	2021	2020	2020	Delay
Bramford-Twinstead New Overhead Line	East Anglia	N/A	2025	2023	2023	2023	Delay
Hinkley – Seabank New Line	South West	2029	2027	2025	2026	2021	Continue pre-construction
Wylfa-Pembroke HVDC link	North and South Wales	N/A	2024	2024	2024	2024	No decision required

# Scotland

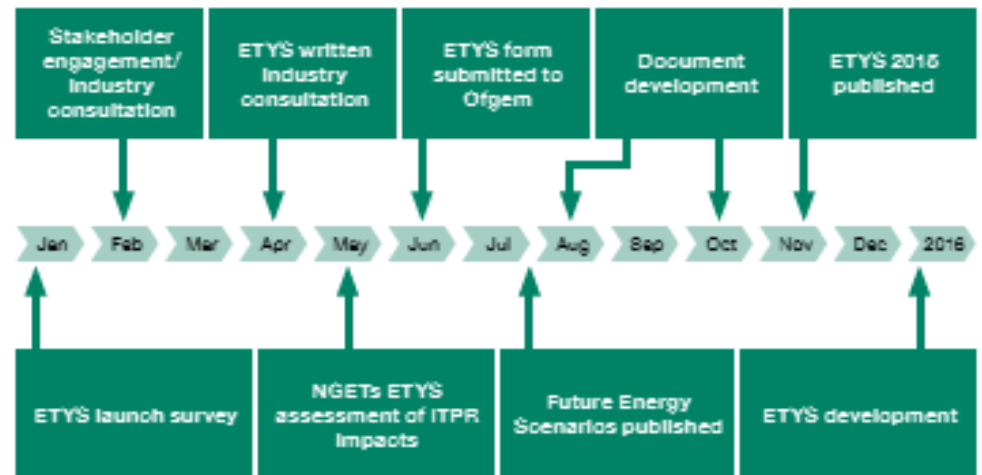
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Shetland HVDC link	SHET	2020	2020	2020	2020	2020	N/A
Western Isles HVDC link	SHET	2020	2020	2020	2020	2020	N/A
Caithness-Moray HVDC Link	SHET	2018	2018	2018	2018	2018	N/A
Orkney 132kV Sub Sea link	SHET	2018	2018	2018	2018	2018	N/A
Beaully – Denny reinforcement	SHET/SPT	2015	2015	2015	2015	2015	N/A
Central 400kV Upgrade	SPT	N/A	2021	N/A	2019	2019	N/A
Dumfries and Galloway	SPT	N/A	2023	N/A	2023	2023	N/A

# Stakeholder Engagement



- 522 signed up to receive ETYS
- 302 opened document
- 189 clicked Link
- 58.9% open rate of document





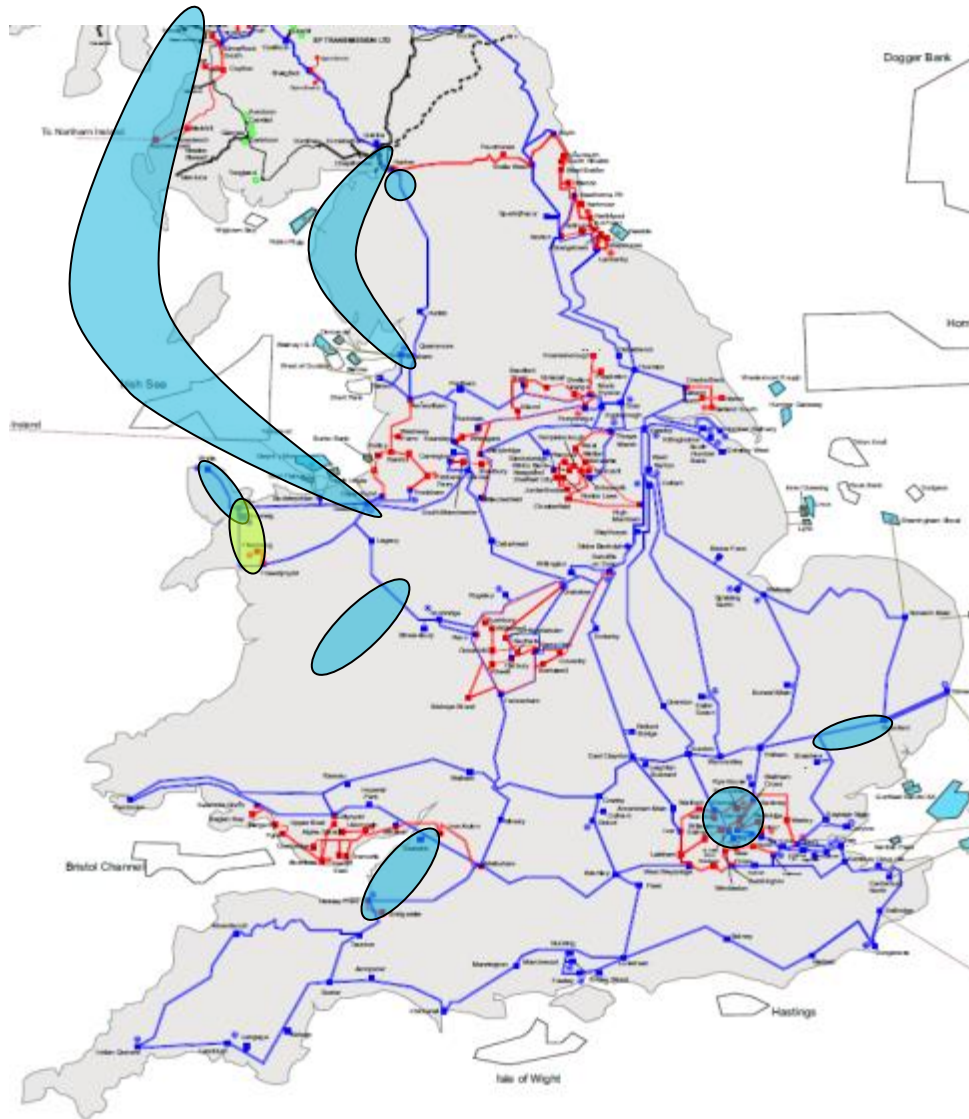


## National Grid TO Major Projects



Duncan Hughes  
Planning Application Team Manager

# National Grid's Major Projects



## In Construction

- London Tunnels
- Series Compensation
- Western Link (HVDC Interconnector with Scotland)

## In Pre-Construction

- Hinkley Point C Connection (~54km)
- North Wales (~40km)
- North West Coast Connections (~167km)
- Mid Wales (~50km)
- Bramford-Twinstead (~29km)



# Scotland – England Reinforcements



## Western HVDC Link

- Joint venture between National Grid and Scottish Power
- 2.2 GW CSC HVDC Link
- ~420km
- Converter station construction commenced 2013
- Subsea cable installation commenced 2014
- Completion scheduled for 2016/17



## Series Compensation

- Co-ordinated project with SPT
- Maximises effectiveness of existing assets
- Fixed and thyristor controlled capacitors
- Commissioning in progress

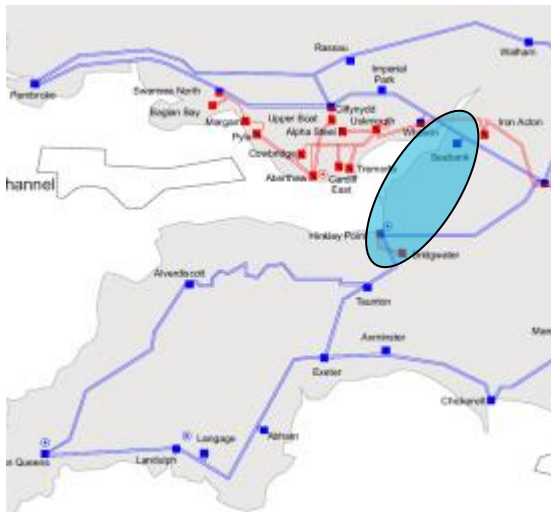


# London Cable Tunnels

- Scheme value ~ £900m
- Asset replacement of old 275 kV oil filled cables
- Upgrades London network to meet future requirements
- 35.5 km of new tunnels containing 400 kV double circuits
- Construction scheduled to complete in 2018

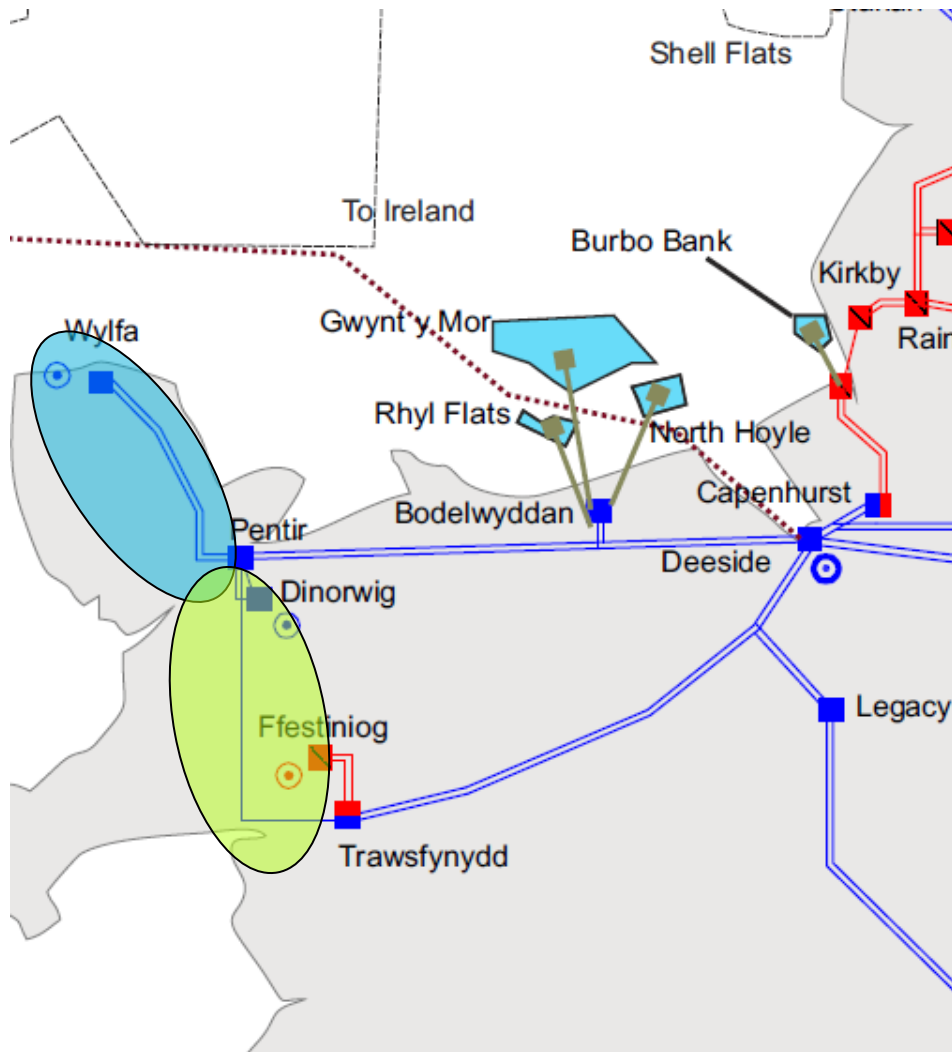


# Hinkley Point C Connection



- New 400kV double-circuit from Bridgwater to Seabank, ~ 46km OHL, + 8km underground cable
- Connections new generation at Hinkley Point (3.3 GW) and Seabank (1.2 GW)
- First use of T-pylon
- DCO application submitted May 2014
  - Secretary of State decision expected 2015
- Ofgem SWW funding review underway, 1 – 2 year process
- 5 years of pre-construction development work
- Completion expected 2021

# North Wales



- New 400kV double-circuit from Wylfa to Pentir, ~40km
- Connecting new nuclear (2.8 GW) and wind generation (2 GW)
- Preferred route corridor announced January 2015
- Stage 3 consultation in 2015
- DCO application scheduled for 2017
- Changeable generation background over the course of development

# North West Coast



- Potentially up to ~275km new circuits
- Facilitates connection of 3.4 GW new nuclear generation
- Stage 2 consultation process complete
  - Final design to be confirmed
- SWW and DCO requirements
- Completion scheduled for 2024



**SP ENERGY  
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# **Customer Seminar SP Transmission Update**

Cathie Hill

February 2015

# Update Topics

- Progress on major upgrades
- Update on SWW projects
- Overview of connection timescales



# SPT Major Reinforcements



## Western HVDC Link

- Main building erecting commenced at Hunterston Converter Station
- 6 out of 8 HVDC land cables installed in Scotland
- First 'landing point' drill at Ardnail Bay complete and pipe installed
- First marine campaign complete



## Hunterston Kintyre

- SPT onshore drilling and duct installation complete
- Substation construction commenced



## Beauty Denny

- Continuing with tower line construction and substation works
- Transfer Capability available by end 2015



- MSCDN – commissioning final unit
- Series Comp – in construction
- East-West – re-conductoring and substation works progressing – outage dependent

## 4.4GW Upgrade



Series Compensation  
Moffat Platform Erection



Re-conductoring  
OHL over M74

# Dumfries & Galloway Strategic Reinforcement



## Main project drivers

- Replace assets approaching end of life and remove infrastructure no longer required
- Facilitate renewables in the area

## Current Status

- Options generated and technically assessed
- Stakeholder survey carried out
- Options for route corridors and substation locations identified

## 2015 Plan

- Public consultation – two stages, post General Election
- Cost Benefit – facilitate connections, impact on boundaries
- Need case submission end 2015



## Connecting in this Area

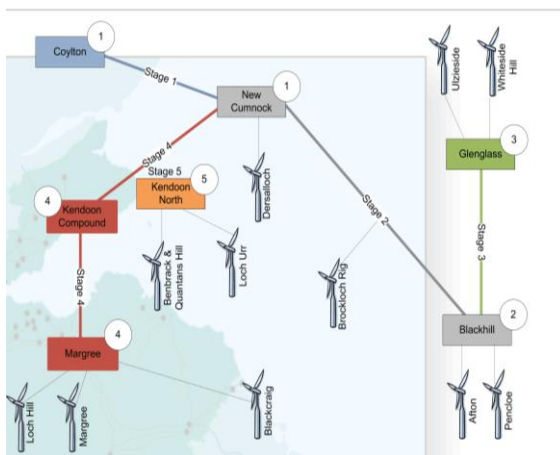
- Likely that any generation will impact transmission network
- GSP transformer replacement, OHL re-conductoring triggered
- Restricted access becoming very difficult to manage
- Timescales set by SWW reinforcement - 2023



# South West Scotland

## Progress since last seminar

- Coylton – New Cumnock – Coylton works done, 275kV tower erection ongoing, New Cumnock civil
- 132kV circuits - remaining Section 37 consents received Feb 15, contracts for OHL, transformers, switchboards



Network under construction

## Connecting in South Ayrshire

- Building 275kV/132kV infrastructure for 2016 & 2017 connections
- Earliest connection in this area likely to be 2019
  - Reinforcement of new assets,
  - Changes at Kilmarnock South
  - Upgrading required at Maybole and New Cumnock GSPs
- Timescales could be longer where new 132kV overhead lines needed

# Connection Considerations

- Make good use of pre and post application meetings
- We will look at ways to connect you that avoid long lead times – but it may be un-avoidable
- We might look at ‘collaborative connections’ – though not always achievable
- Where connection is at distribution but impacts transmission we will look to use ARC techniques – more info at the round tables

# SHE Transmission Update

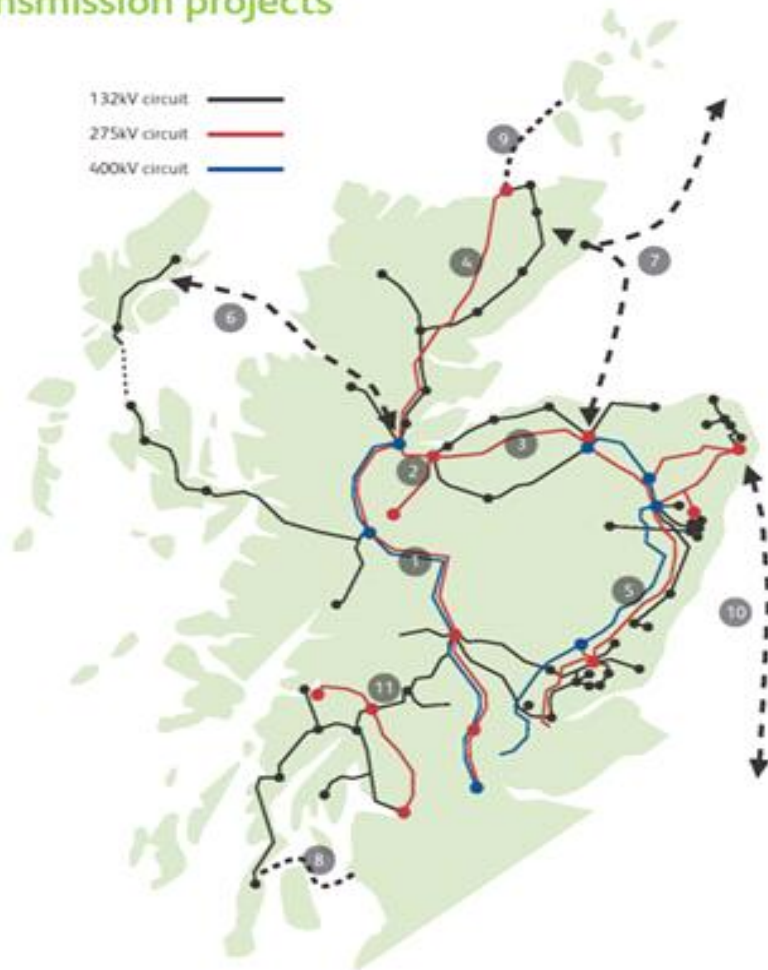


**Danny McMillan**  
**February 2015**



# Projects Due to Complete During 2015

## Overview of planned transmission projects



## Large SWW Projects in Construction with Scheduled Completion 2015:

1 – Beauly Denny 400kV

3 – Beauly Kintore 275kV

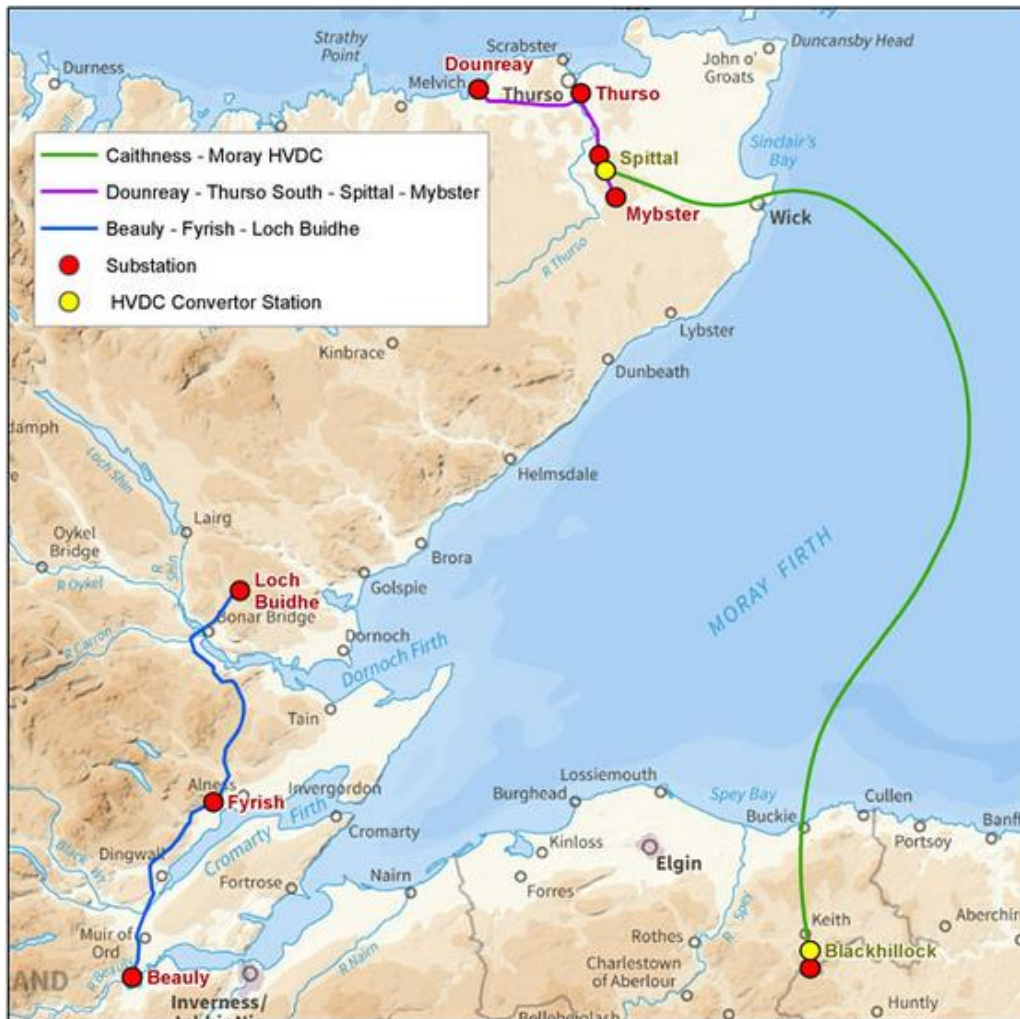
Beauly Mossford OHL

8 – Kintyre Hunterston 220kV  
Subsea

# Kintyre Hunterston – Making Good Progress



# Caithness – Moray HVDC Link



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- Scheme Cost & Outputs submission is now approved
- Contract for HVDC Link is in place
- Design process for the link is well underway
- Land & subsea cable manufacture underway ahead of schedule
- Overall scheme completion scheduled for 2018
- Construction works well underway @ both Spittal & Blackhillock sites

# Blackhillock Substation Site

First blast producing over 10,000 tonnes of rock for processing





# Blackhillock Substation Site

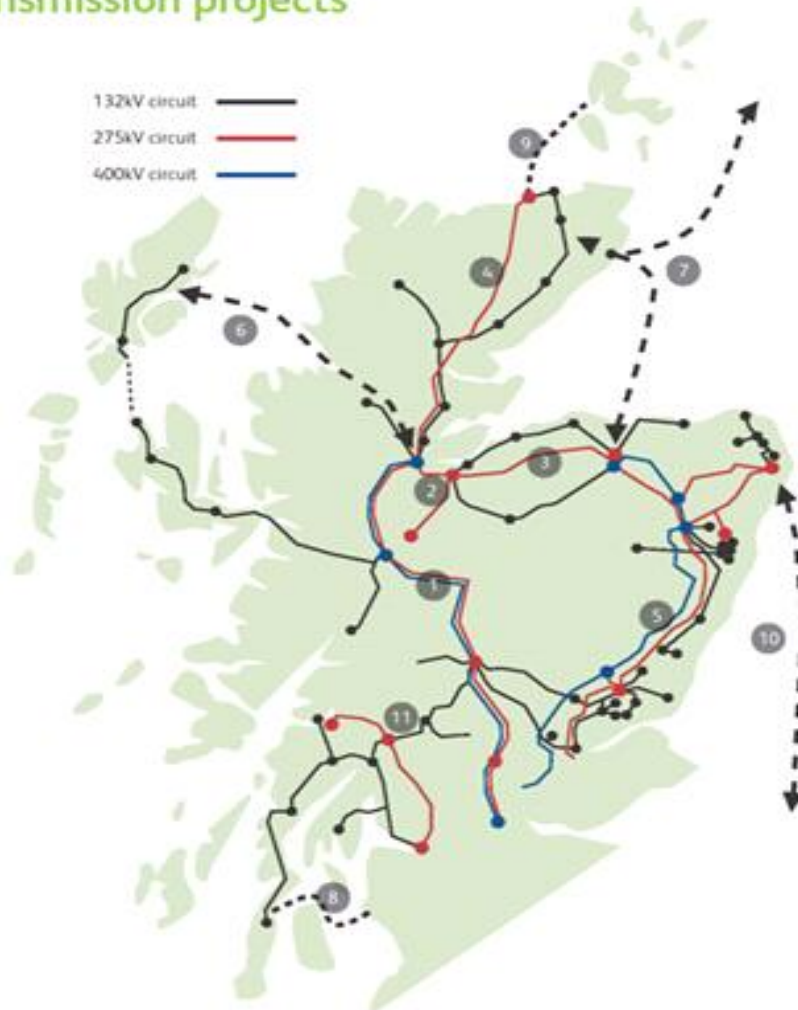


- 6 miles of drainage
- Over 4.5 miles of cable containment
- 1.3 miles of permanent road
- Copper earth tape ~ 14 times length of the Forth Road Bridge
- 1.1 miles of electric security fencing



# Future SWW Schemes (Near term)

## Overview of planned transmission projects



Needs Case Submission 2015

5 – East Coast Stage 1

Island Connections:

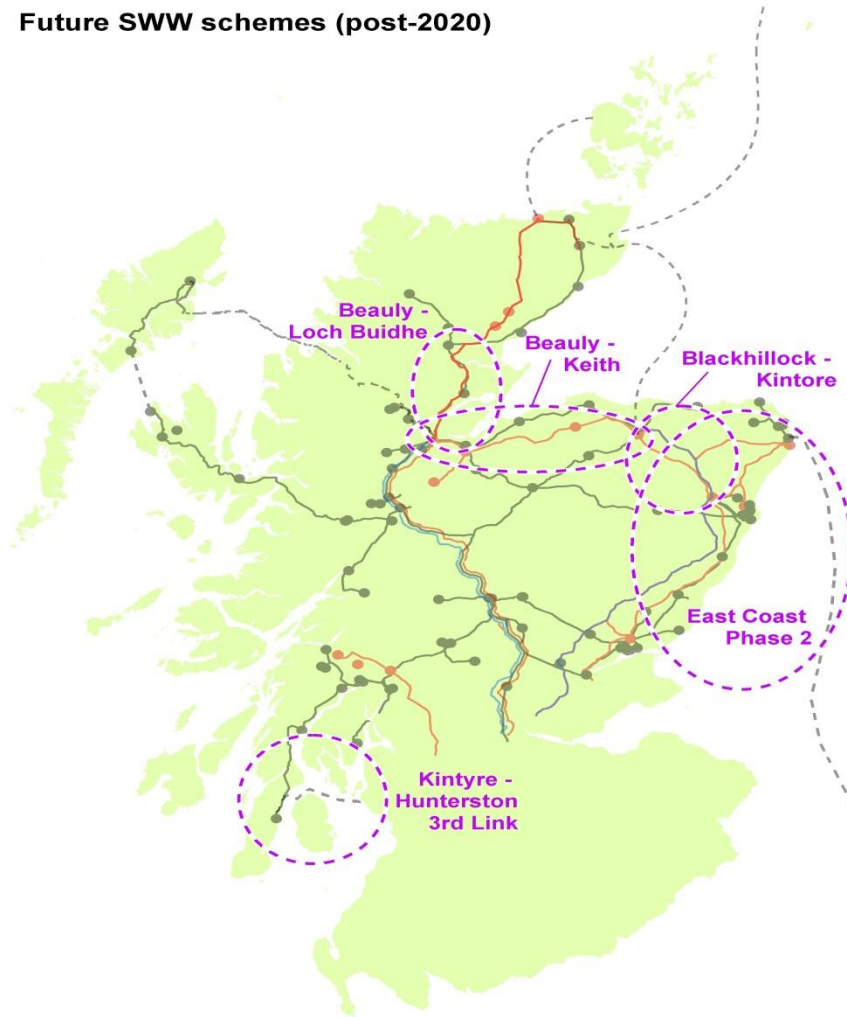
6 – Western Isles HVDC Link

7 – Shetland HVDC Link

9 – Orkney AC Link

# Future SWW Schemes (Long term)

Future SWW schemes (post-2020)

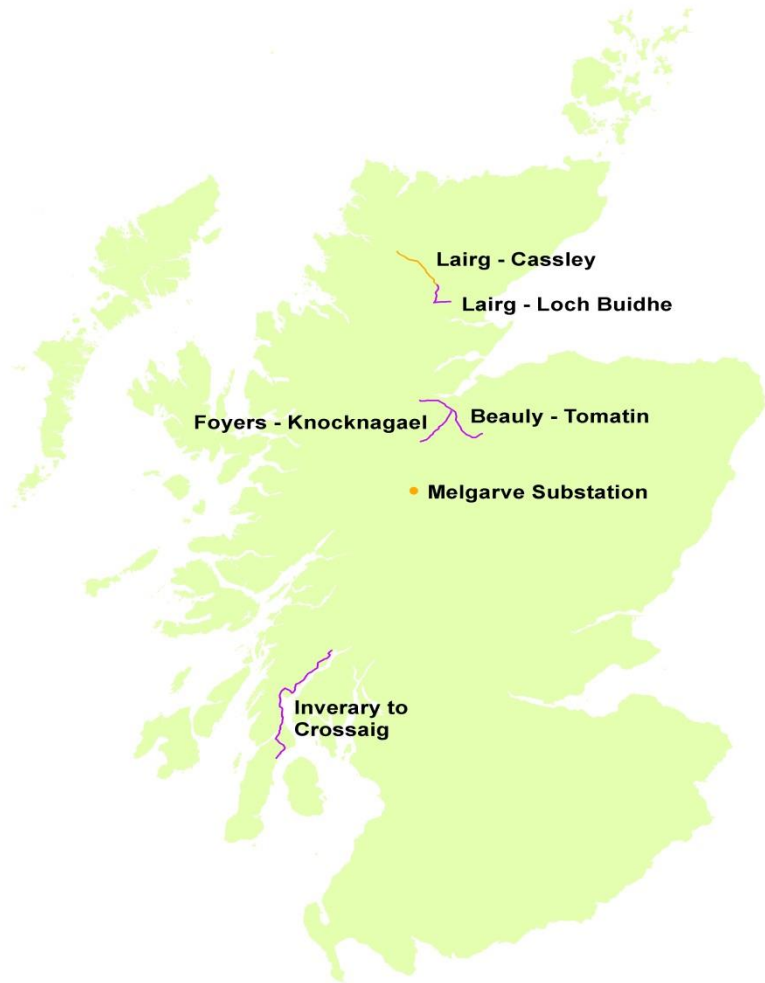


- Beaully to Loch Buidhe 275kV Circuit
- Beaully to Keith 400kV Circuit
- Blackhillock to Kintore 400kV Circuit
- East Coast Stage 2
- Kintyre – Hunterston 3rd Circuit

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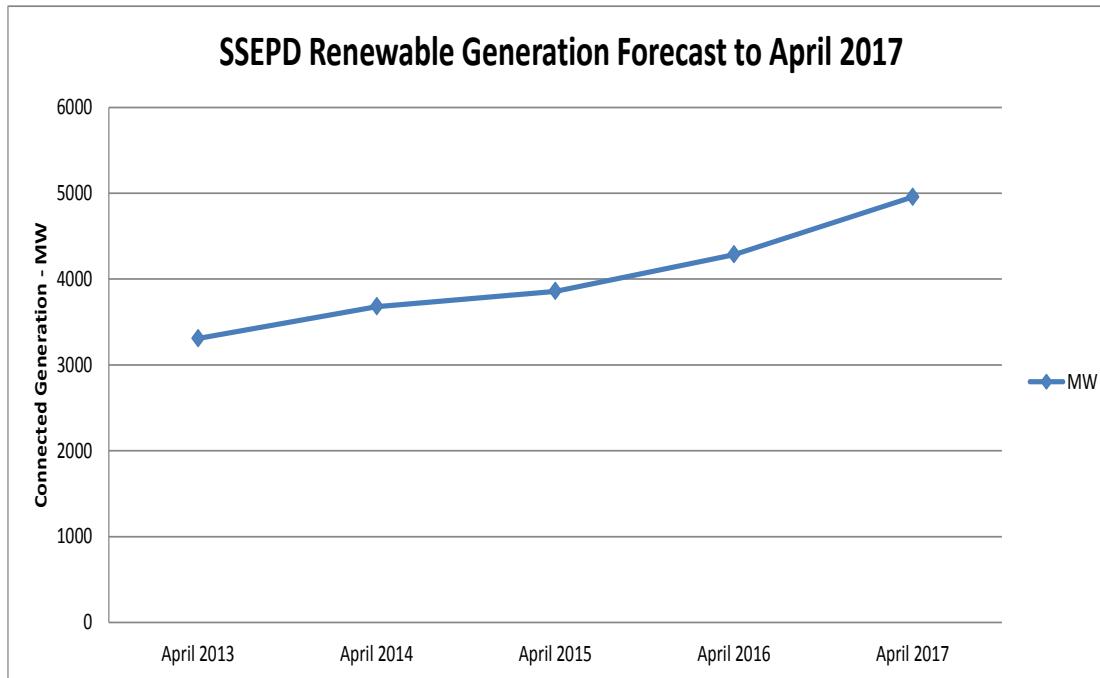
## Shared use radial schemes



- Knocknagael – Foyers Upgrade
- Beauly – Tomatin
- Melgarve Substation
- Inveraray – Crossaig
- Lairg - Loch Buidhe OHL
- Lairg - Cassley

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# Generation Connected



- **3.8GW connected now**
- **Expect to ramp up connection in next 2 years (4.5 – 4.9GW)**

# Questions?

# Question and Answer Session



Julian Leslie  
Electricity Customer Manager

## Round Table Sessions & Interactive Zones

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1. Customer Policy
2. Charging and Capacity Development
3. ITPR - Onshore Competition
4. ITPR - Network Options Assessment
5. SP Transmission Construction Update
6. SHE Transmission Connections Update
7. National Grid Electricity Transmission
8. Network Development & Operability
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10. Market Outlook
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12. Customer Connections

## Feedback Forms



Please fill in your feedback form to help us improve the next event

Thank you



## Lunch Break



Round Table sessions will start at 13:00

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# Thank you for coming

Canapés and drinks will be available

Have a safe journey home

For any unanswered questions please contact your

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