# 2024/2025 T-3 Capacity Auction Connection Clinics

EirGrid has received a direction from the CRU, [CRU/21/030a](https://www.cru.ie/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/CRU21030a-CRU-Direction-to-EirGrid-re-T-3_Final.docx.pdf), to issue connection offers to any successful new capacity in the upcoming 2024/2025 T-3 Capacity Auction. To assist developers in assessing feasibility of connections for this auction, EirGrid will hold a set of clinics with developers of any prospective new capacity for this auction. Where a gas connection is required, Gas Networks Ireland (GNI) has agreed to participate in the clinics.

These clinics are intended to support the connection of larger more complex connections. This is without prejudice of the ability of small units to succeed in the 2024/2025 T-3 Capacity Auction; however, the connection requirements for smaller units tend to be less complex[[1]](#footnote-1). In this regard, in these clinics, we want to focus on proposed projects that have a **de-rated MW export capacity greater than 100 MW[[2]](#footnote-2)**. Smaller projects can of course still engage with the System Operators through standard processes.

In preparation for engaging with EirGrid (and GNI where required), any proposed generator unit must fill out the form below (which must be signed by a director) including the following information:

1. Project information (including site location and evidence of [landowner consent](http://www.eirgridgroup.com/site-files/library/EirGrid/Landowner-Consent-Confirmation-updated-19.8.16.docx) for the generator unit, any planning permissions or other consents already achieved and information on future considerations in respect of hydrogen, biogas, CCS, etc.);
2. Electricity connection information (including the proposed capacity, primary fuel, emissions, any environmental/planning limits, any preference for connection method);
3. Gas connection information (including maximum offtake rates, estimated annual quantities and pressure requirements);
4. Implementation plan information (including indicative milestone dates where available);
5. Consents (including consent to share information between EirGrid and GNI where applicable).

Please note that participation in these clinics does not in any way:

* require a developer to participate in the 2024/2025 T-3 Capacity Auction, or
* determine the application details that a developer may submit for a project into the 2024/2025 T-3 Capacity Auction, or
* determine whether a project will or will not be successful in the 2024/2025 T-3 Capacity Auction.

For the avoidance of doubt, please note that while EirGrid (and GNI where applicable) will engage with developers on the basis of currently available information, a full connection application and offer process will be required to confirm actual connection methods for a given project. Decisions made on the eligibility of any capacity to participate in the 2024/2025 T-3 Capacity Auction will be made in accordance with the requirements and as part of the processes established in the SEM Capacity Market Code and the 2024/2025 T-3 Capacity Auction will in a similar manner be run according to the provisions of the SEM Capacity Market Code.

Developers wishing to put forward a project for consideration in one of the clinics should submit the signed form below (with the signed landowner consent) to [info@eirgrid.com](mailto:info@eirgrid.com) **by 18th May 2021**. EirGrid (together with GNI, where there is a gas connection) will then arrange individual clinics with developers thereafter to take place during the **week beginning 7th June 2021**. Any queries in advance should be directed to [info@eirgrid.com](mailto:info@eirgrid.com).

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| Section 1 – Project Information | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Company Name: | | | |  | | | | | | | | |
| Primary Contact: | | | |  | | | | | | | | |
| Primary Contact Full Address Line 1: | | | |  | | | | | | | | |
| Primary Contact Full Address Line 2 | | | |  | | | | | | | | |
| Primary Contact Eircode: | | | |  | | | | | | | | |
| Primary Contact Telephone/Mobile: | | | |  | | | | | | | | |
| Primary Contact Email: | | | |  | | | | | | | | |
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| Site Address: | | | |  | | | | | | | | |
| Site Coordinates: | | | |  | | | | | | | | |
| Planning Reference Number (if available): | | | |  | | | | | | | | |
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| Project Overview | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| *Please include a description of the project here. Please supply as much detail as possible on your energy requirements, including type(s) of fuel used and plans for the future (e.g. biofuel, hydrogen, CCS), any planning permissions or other consents already achieved. Where available, please supply a detailed CAD site map and location map detailing the electricity and gas meter locations.* | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Section 2 – Electricity Connection Information | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Proposed Maximum Export Capacity (MW): | | | | | | | |  | | | | |
| De-Rated Capacity (MW) (> 100 MW export): | | | | | | | |  | | | | |
| Primary Fuel: | | | | | | | |  | | | | |
| Efficiency (%): | | | | | | | |  | | | | |
| Specific Emissions (gCO2/kWh): | | | | | | | |  | | | | |
| Run Hour Limit (h/y) (due to any environmental/planning limits): | | | | | | | |  | | | | |
| Preferred Connection Method (if any): | | | | | | | |  | | | | |
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| Section 3 – Gas Connection Information (if applicable) | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Please provide indicative offtake quantities for the first seven years of the operation of the unit (please refer to the notes below for definitions of these quantities): | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Year | | 1 | | | 2 | | 3 | 4 | 5 | | 6 | 7 |
| Maximum Hourly Quantity (kWh) | |  | | |  | |  |  |  | |  |  |
| Maximum Daily Quantity (kWh) | |  | | |  | |  |  |  | |  |  |
| Estimated Annual Quantity (kWh) | |  | | |  | |  |  |  | |  |  |
| Pressure (mbar) | |  | | |  | |  |  |  | |  |  |
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| Requested supply date of natural gas: | | | | | | | |  | | | | |
| Is wayleave required? | | | | | | | | *Y/N* | | | | |
| Open trench provided on customer site? | | | | | | | | *Y/N* | | | | |
| Notes:  “Maximum Hourly Quantity” and its abbreviation “MHQ” means the maximum hourly offtake rate of natural gas (expressed in kWh) at any time during the day to be offtaken at the connection point. It is used to resize the required infrastructure/metering equipment.  “Maximum Daily Quantity” and its abbreviation “MDQ” means the maximum total daily offtake rate of natural gas (expressed in kWh) at the connection point on any day in that year. It will be a significant factor in defining the ongoing connection transportation costs in your future gas bill.  “Estimated Annual Quantity” and its abbreviation “EAC” shall mean the total estimated quantity of natural gas (expressed in kWh) to be offtaken at the connection point in the relevant gas year or specified 12 month period. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Section 4 – Implementation Plan | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Please provide a draft schedule identifying indicative dates for achieving the following Milestones (as defined in the Capacity Market Code): | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Milestones | | | | | | Date | | | | Details | | |
| Substantial Financial Completion | | | | | |  | | | |  | | |
| Commencement of Construction Works | | | | | |  | | | |  | | |
| Mechanical Completion | | | | | |  | | | |  | | |
| Completion of Network Connection | | | | | |  | | | |  | | |
| First Energy to Network | | | | | |  | | | |  | | |
| Start of Performance/ Acceptance Testing | | | | | |  | | | |  | | |
| Completion of Performance Testing | | | | | |  | | | |  | | |
| Substantial Completion | | | | | |  | | | |  | | |
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| Section 5 - Consents | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Please confirm the following statements by placing a tick in the relevant box: | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|  | I have included a copy of the signed landowner consent | | | | | | | | | | | |
|  | I consent to EirGrid sharing information with Gas Networks Ireland in respect of this project on a confidential basis. | | | | | | | | | | | |
|  | I consent to Gas Networks Ireland sharing information with EirGrid in respect of this project on a confidential basis. | | | | | | | | | | | |
|  | I agree that any personal data I provide as part of the application process will be stored and processed by EirGrid (and Gas Networks Ireland where above consents have been provided) and may be transferred to third parties for the purposes of the electricity and gas connection processes in accordance with applicable data protection law, including the General Data Protection Regulation (Regulation (EU) 2016/679) and the Data Protection Acts 1988 to 2018. A copy of the EirGrid Privacy Statement is available on the EirGrid website at <https://www.eirgridgroup.com/privacy_statement/>. A copy of the Gas Networks Ireland Privacy Notice is available on the Gas Networks Ireland website at [www.gasnetworks.ie/home/legal/cookie-and-privacy-policy/](http://www.gasnetworks.ie/home/legal/cookie-and-privacy-policy/). | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Director Signature | | |  | | | | | | | | | |
| Director Name | | |  | | | | | | | | | |
| Date | | |  | | | | | | | | | |
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| Disclaimer: Information provided to Customers at the Customer Clinics will contain general and technical information, which is subject to change from time to time without notice. EirGrid and Gas Networks Ireland make no warranties or representations of any kind with respect to the general and technical information provided or the content of any other document or website referred to at the Customer Clinics. EirGrid and Gas Networks Ireland cannot determine any proposed connection methods until the formal connection application process is completed. Until an application is submitted and the relevant detailed studies are completed, EirGrid and Gas Networks Ireland will not be in a position to confirm specific technical details. Customers should not act or refrain from acting on the basis of any information provided without seeking appropriate professional advice. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Use of the information provided is solely at the User's own risk. EirGrid and Gas Networks Ireland do not accept liability for any loss or damage arising from use or reliance on the information provided. | | | | | | | | | | | | |

1. EirGrid will engage with ESB Networks as the Distribution System Operator in the event that any 110kV connections to the distribution system are identified as being most suitable. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. The de-rating factors from the previous 2024/2025 T-4 Capacity Auction should be used here as a guide. Projects close to 100 MW will be considered accordingly. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)