

# Enduring Connection Policy 1 Constraints Report for Area D Solar and Wind

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# Document Structure

This document contains an Abbreviations and Terms section, an Executive Summary, five main sections, and three Appendices.

The structure of the document is as listed below.

A lot of this document describes study assumptions and methodology. For customers wishing to see the forecast constraints, please proceed to both Chapter 5 and Appendix C.

The **Abbreviations and Terms** provide a list of the abbreviations and terms used in the document.

**Chapter 1: Introduction:** presents the purpose of the report and the definitions of curtailment and constraint.

**Chapter 2: Study Overview:** introduces the study areas, the study years and the generation scenarios. Together, these comprise the study scenarios.

**Chapter 3: Study Input Assumptions:** describes the study assumptions as they relate to network, demand, interconnection, priority dispatch, generation, system operation and DS3.

**Chapter 4: Study Methodology:** provides an overview of the software used and how the model is put together. A description of how constraint results are apportioned is also provided.

**Chapter 5: Results for Area D:** outlines the area covered by this report. The section provides a network diagram of the area and an overview of the results for Area D.

**Appendix A: Network Reinforcements:** lists the reinforcements that are included in the study for each study scenario. These reinforcements have a material impact on the resulting constraints.

**Appendix B: Generator Details:** provides both an overview of the generation, totals by generator category etc. It also provides a comprehensive list of the individual generators included in the study

**Appendix C: Area D Node Results:** provides a table of results for every node in the area. This table documents the installed MW, available energy, curtailment and constraint for every node in Area D.

# Abbreviation and Terms

## **Active Power**

The product of voltage and the in-phase component of alternating current measured in Megawatts (MW). When compounded with the flow of 'reactive power', measured in Megavolt-Amperes Reactive (Mvar), the resultant is measured in Megavolt-Amperes (MVA).

## **Busbar**

The common connection point of two or more circuits.

## **Capacity Factor**

$$\text{Capacity Factor} = \frac{\text{Energy Output}}{\text{Hours per year} * \text{Installed Capacity}}$$

## **Combined Cycle Gas Turbine (CCGT)**

This is a type of thermal generator that typically uses natural gas as a fuel source. It is a collection of gas turbines and steam units; where waste heat from the gas turbines(s) is passed through a heat recovery boiler to generate steam for the steam turbines.

## **Commission for Regulation of Utilities (CRU)**

The CRU is the regulator for the electricity, natural gas and public water sectors in Ireland.

## **Constraint**

The reduction in output of a generator due to network limits. Usually, constraints are local to a transmission bottleneck.

## **Contingency**

The unexpected failure or outage of a system component, such as a generation unit, transmission line, transformer or other electrical element. The transmission network is operated safe against the possible failure or outage of any system component. Hence, contingency usually refers to the possible loss of any system component. A contingency may also include multiple components, when these are subject to common cause outages.

## **Curtailement**

Curtailement is when the transmission system operators EirGrid and SONI ask generation to reduce their output to ensure system security is maintained. Usually, curtailement is shared across the whole system.

## **Demand**

The amount of electrical power that customers consume and which is measured in Megawatts (MW). In a general sense, the amount of power that must be transported from transmission network connected generation stations to meet all customers' electricity requirements.

## **Enduring Connection Policy (ECP)**

The Commission for Regulation of Utilities (CRU) has put in place a revised approach to issuing connection offers to generators. This approach is called the Enduring Connection Policy (ECP). With ECP, it is envisaged that batches of generator connection offers will issue on a periodic basis.

### **Enduring Connection Policy - 1 (ECP-1)**

Under the ECP arrangements, the processing of the first batch, called Enduring Connection Policy – 1 (ECP-1), began in 2018 and is expected to conclude in early 2020. A second batch, called ECP-2, will begin processing shortly thereafter. For ECP-1, EirGrid and ESB will issue 2 GW of generator connection offers. It is a feature of ECP-1 that these offers are made on a non-firm basis. Also, it is a requirement of ECP-1 that EirGrid provide a constraints report for the generators.

### **Forced Outage Probability (FOP)**

This is the statistical probability that a generation unit will be unable to produce electricity for non-scheduled reasons due to the failure of either the generation plant or supporting systems. Periods, when the unit is on scheduled outage, are not included in the determination of forced outage probability.

### **Generation Dispatch**

This is the configuration of outputs from the connected generation units.

### **Interconnector**

The electrical link, facilities and equipment that connect the transmission network of one EU member state to another.

### **Loadflow**

Study carried out to simulate the flow of power on the transmission system given a generation dispatch and system load.

A DC loadflow is a study, which uses simplifying assumptions in relation to voltage and reactive power. DC loadflow studies are used as part of a complicated overarching study. For example, Plexos uses DC loadflow because it is performing studies for every hour of every study year and is performing a large optimisation calculation for each of these.

### **Maximum Export Capacity (MEC)**

The maximum export value (MW) provided in accordance with a generator's connection agreement. The MEC is a contract value that the generator chooses as its maximum output.

### **Megawatt (MW) and Gigawatt (GW)**

Unit of power: 1 megawatt = 1,000 kilowatts = 10<sup>6</sup> joules / second

1 gigawatt = 1,000 megawatts

### **Megawatt Hour (MWh), Gigawatt Hour (GWh) and Terawatt Hour (TWh)**

Unit of energy: 1 megawatt hour = 1,000 kilowatt hours = 3.6 x 10<sup>9</sup> joules

1 gigawatt hour = 1,000 megawatt hours

1 terawatt hour = 1,000 gigawatt hours

### **Plexos**

Plexos is the power system simulation tool used in this study to evaluate curtailment and constraint. Plexos is a detailed generation and transmission analysis program that has been widely used in the electricity industry for many years.

### **Rate of Change of Frequency (ROCOF)**

As low inertia non-synchronous generators displace high inertia synchronous generators in system dispatch, then the system gets lighter. Then, for the loss of a large infeed (e.g. trip of an interconnector or generator), the system frequency will change more quickly.

ROCOF is the agreed limit to which the system is agreed to be operated and which generators, demand and system protection schemes are expected to manage. In Ireland, the TSOs are proposing to increase the ROCOF value. This will allow more renewable generation and may require confirmation by participants that they can meet the proposed ROCOF.

**Short Run Marginal Cost (SRMC)**

The instantaneous variable cost for a power plant to provide an additional unit of electricity, i.e. the cost of each extra MW it could produce excluding its fixed costs. The SRMC reflects the opportunity cost of the electricity produced, which is the economic activity that the generator forgoes to produce electricity. For example, in the case of a generator fueled by gas, the opportunity cost includes the price of gas on the day that it is bidding in because if the generator is not producing electricity it could sell its gas in the open market.

**System Non-Synchronous Penetration (SNSP)**

The introduction of large quantities of non-synchronous generators such as solar and wind poses challenges to a synchronous power system. For Ireland, a system non-synchronous penetration (SNSP) ratio is defined to help identify the system operational limits. The present allowable ratio is 65% but the proposed procurement of system services other than energy and proposed amendments to system operation are expected to allow SNSP to increase in future years.

**Total Electricity Requirement (TER)**

TER is the total amount of electricity required by a country. It includes all electricity exported by generating units, as well as that consumed on-site by self-consuming electricity producers, e.g. CHP.

**Transmission Peak**

The peak demand that is transported on the transmission network. The transmission peak includes an estimate of transmission losses.

**Transmission System**

The transmission system is a meshed network of high-voltage lines and cables (400 kV, 275 kV, 220 kV and 110 kV) for the transmission of bulk electricity supply around Ireland and Northern Ireland.

**Transmission System Operator**

In the electrical power business, a transmission system operator is the licensed entity that is responsible for transmitting electrical power from generation plants to regional or local electricity distribution operators.

**Uprating**

To increase the rating of a circuit. This is achieved by increasing ground clearances and/or replacing conductor, together with any changes to terminal equipment, support structures and foundations.

**Winter Peak**

This is the maximum annual system demand. It occurs in the period October to February, inclusive in Ireland and in the Period November to February in Northern Ireland.



# 1 Introduction

## 1.1 Objective

It is a requirement of CRU's ECP-1 decision, CRU/18/058, that system operators carry out system studies to inform applicants about possible constraint levels. This document is designed to fulfil this requirement for the solar and wind generators in Area D. Its purpose is to provide generation connection applicants with information on the possible levels of generation output reduction for a range of scenarios.

It presents the results of studies for a range of generation scenarios and these indicate the levels of transmission curtailment and constraint that solar and wind generation might experience in the future.

The curtailment and constraint results for Area D are included in Chapter 5 and in Appendix C.

## 1.2 Background

The background to this constraints report covers ongoing changes in generation, demand, network and DS3. All of these have an impact on the constraints evaluation.

More details of the study assumptions are provided in Section 3.

### Generation

Since Gate 3, EirGrid has issued an additional 2 GW of connection offers as Non-GPA (Non-Group Processing Approach). And now, in line with government policy and regulator direction, EirGrid is issuing another 2 GW of connection offers, referred to as the Enduring Connection Policy (ECP).

It is not clear at this stage which of these generators will be successful in future renewable support auctions. And so, it is not clear which generators will build or when. This uncertainty has an impact on the approach to this constraint analysis. For this reason, this report uses multiple generation scenarios, so that generators can take a view on the range of curtailment and constraint for different generator build-outs.

### Demand

Demand has been growing in Ireland for the past few years and demand has an impact on curtailment. Higher demand means lower curtailment. The system growth forecasts used are the median forecasts from the Generation Capacity Statement 2018.

### Network

The analysis concentrates on 2020 to 2022 where the network development is reinforced with existing approved projects and where the predicted network is relatively certain.

### DS3

The DS3 programme, led by EirGrid in co-operation with the electricity industry, is expected to continue to successfully deliver improvements in system operation and allow more wind and solar to generate more of the time. This includes improvements to SNSP, ROCOF, inertia and DS3 service provision. DS3 delivery assumptions are part of the study assumptions for this report.

### 1.3 Definition of Curtailment and Constraint

The terms 'curtailment' and 'constraint' are sometimes used interchangeably to refer to changes in the output of generators in order to maintain the operation of a safe, secure and reliable power system. For the purposes of this report, these terms are used to refer to changes in generator output under different specific circumstances.

EirGrid must dispatch generators in such a way as to provide a range of system services in order to operate a safe and secure electricity system. The types of system services required include the following:

- Frequency control,
- Provision of reserve,
- Voltage control,
- Load following,
- Ability to withstand disturbances,
- Inertia.

As these factors are not accounted for in the SEM, the system operators must deviate from the market schedule and change the output of generators in order to ensure that sufficient quantities of the system services outlined above are made available at all times. The real-time dispatch can change from the market schedule also because of demand and wind forecast errors and unexpected trippings of plant.

#### Curtailment

Most system services, such as frequency control and reserve, can be located anywhere on the transmission system, whereas services such as voltage control are location specific. Curtailment can arise at times when solar and wind generation levels are a high percentage of system demand as it may be necessary to reduce output from solar and wind powered generators in order to retain the necessary amount of conventional generation online to provide all the required system services. A main component of this is the limit on System Non Synchronous Penetration (SNSP). For the purposes of this report, we classify the changes in generator output which are required by EirGrid for system reasons as 'curtailment'.

#### Constraint

The output of generators may also need to be changed from the market schedule due to transmission network limitations, specifically the overloading of transmission lines, cables and transformers. This can happen for an intact network but typically occurs for network contingencies. In other words, a line may become overloaded if another line were to trip. In order to avoid this, generation is dispatched so that if the tripping were to occur there would not be any contingency overloads. Changes in generator output for this reason are referred to in this report as 'constraint'. The constraining of generation is location-specific and can be significantly reduced by transmission network reinforcements. The model accounts for N-1 contingencies which is the usual security criteria used for dispatching the power system. In other words the transmission system will be dispatched in such a way that any single contingency will not cause overloads, or will not exceed circuit short term overload capabilities.

Some transmission constraints might only exist temporarily due to transmission lines being taken out of service for maintenance or uprating. Maintenance is not covered in this report. Also, as the focus of this report is on levels of output reduction, the costs associated with constraints and curtailment are not covered here.

## 2 Overview

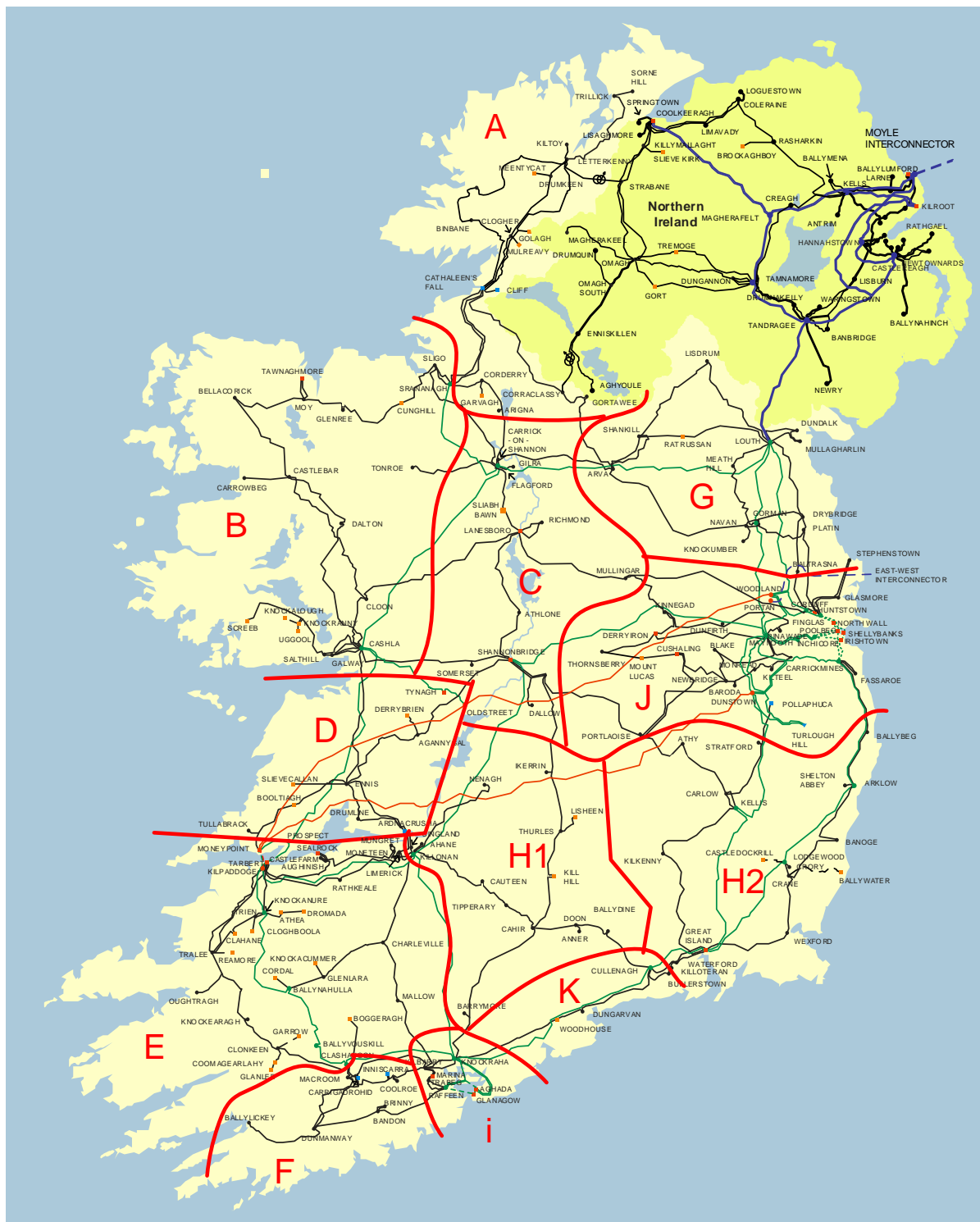


Figure 2-1 Areas Designated for Preparing Wind Energy Profiles, Generation Scenarios and Reporting Results

This chapter presents an overview of the curtailment and constraints assessment. A description is

provided of the study scenarios, which in turn are a combination of generation scenarios and study years.

It provides an overview of the study areas. These are fundamental to understanding the contents of the individual area reports. It also provides an overview of the demand, generation and network assumptions that are used in the study. Taken together, this information provides an overview of this constraints analysis.

## 2.1 Study Areas

The areas shown in Figure 2-1 on the previous page are used for preparing wind energy profiles, for setting up generation scenarios and for reporting results. These Areas are similar to those used for the Gate 3 constraints analysis.

## 2.2 Study Scenarios

The study scenarios are made up of a combination of generation scenarios with scenarios for network and demand. The twenty two study scenarios are shown in Table 2-1 below.

Network and Demand	Generation Scenario						
	Initial	North West	South	North East	33%	66%	All
<b>2020</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>2021</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>2022</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Future Grid</b>							X

Table 2-1 Study Scenarios

Network and Demand	Generation Scenario						
	Initial	North West	South	North East	33%	66%	All
<b>2020</b>	X		X		X	X	X
<b>2021</b>	X		X		X	X	X
<b>2022</b>	X		X		X	X	X
<b>Future Grid</b>							X

Table 2-2 Scenarios for which Results are Provided in this Report for Area D

A description of the generation scenarios and the network and demand scenarios are provided below in Section 2.3 and Section 0 respectively.

Not all of the results from all of the generation scenarios are of interest to generators connecting in

Area D. For this reason and in order that the presentation is not unnecessarily confusing, this report provides the results for a subset of the studies. As shown in Table 2-2 and for Area D, the study results provided in this report are Initial, South, 33%, 66% and All.

### 2.3 Generation Scenarios

The seven generation study scenarios range from an Initial scenario which is the generation expected to be in place in the year 2020 to an All Offers scenario which includes all the generators which will have connection offers at the end of ECP-1.

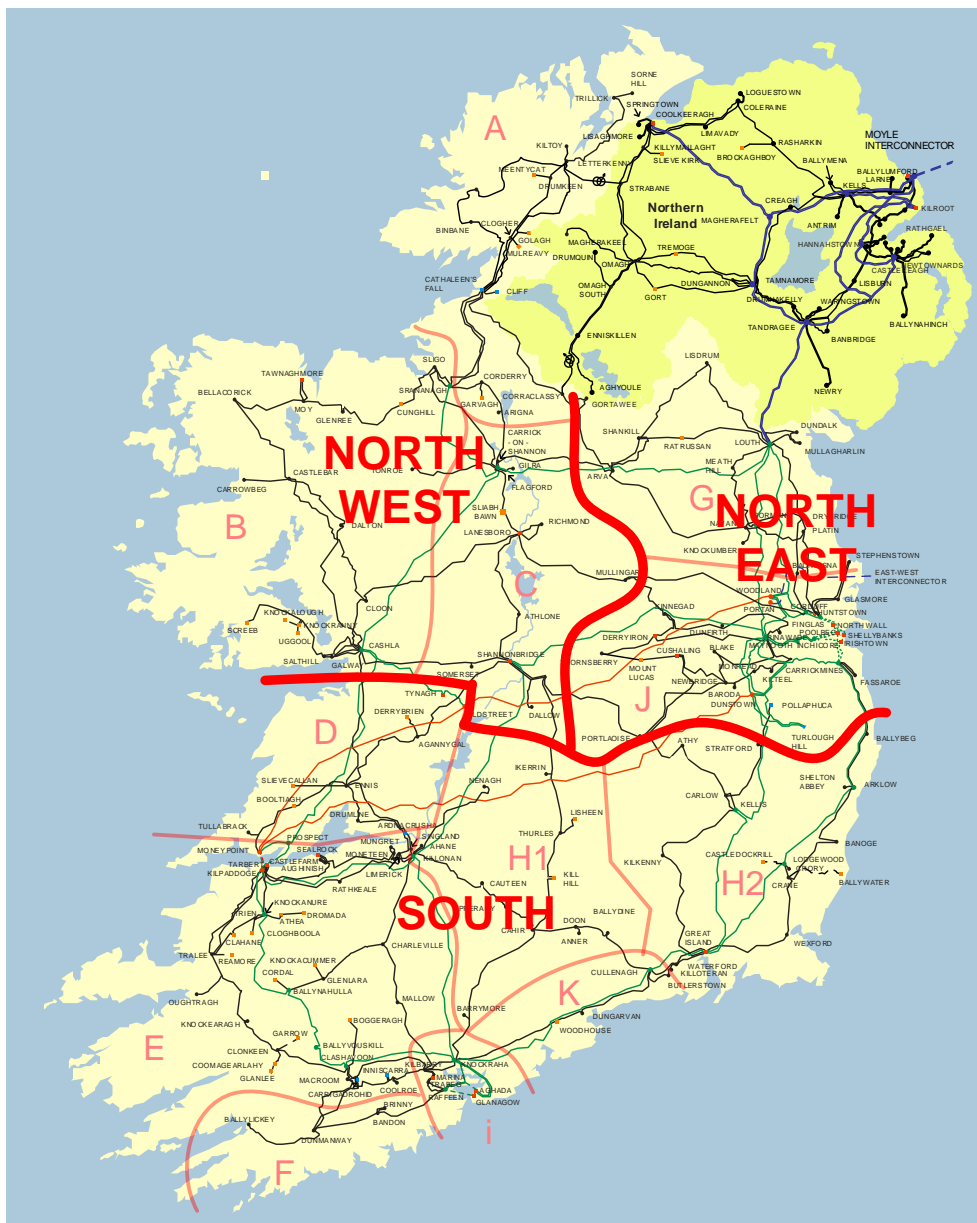


Figure 2-2 Generation Scenarios (North West, South and North East) - Geographic

There are five middle scenarios. The first three middle scenarios are called North West, South and North East. In each case, these generation scenarios consider the possibility that all the generation with connection offers in their respective regions shown in Figure 2-2 is included in the study.

The other two middle scenarios are called 33% and 66%. The scenario called 33% includes all the generation in the initial scenario and 33% of the remaining generation. Likewise for 66%.

As Area D is in the south, there are five relevant generation scenarios for Area D. These are Initial, South, 33%, 66% and All Offers. The results for these scenarios are provided in this report. For the other two scenarios, North West and North East, there is no change in the installed generation in the South or in Area D, compared to the Initial scenario. Hence, and to avoid unnecessarily complication of the presentation of results, the North West and North East generation scenarios are not provided for Area D.

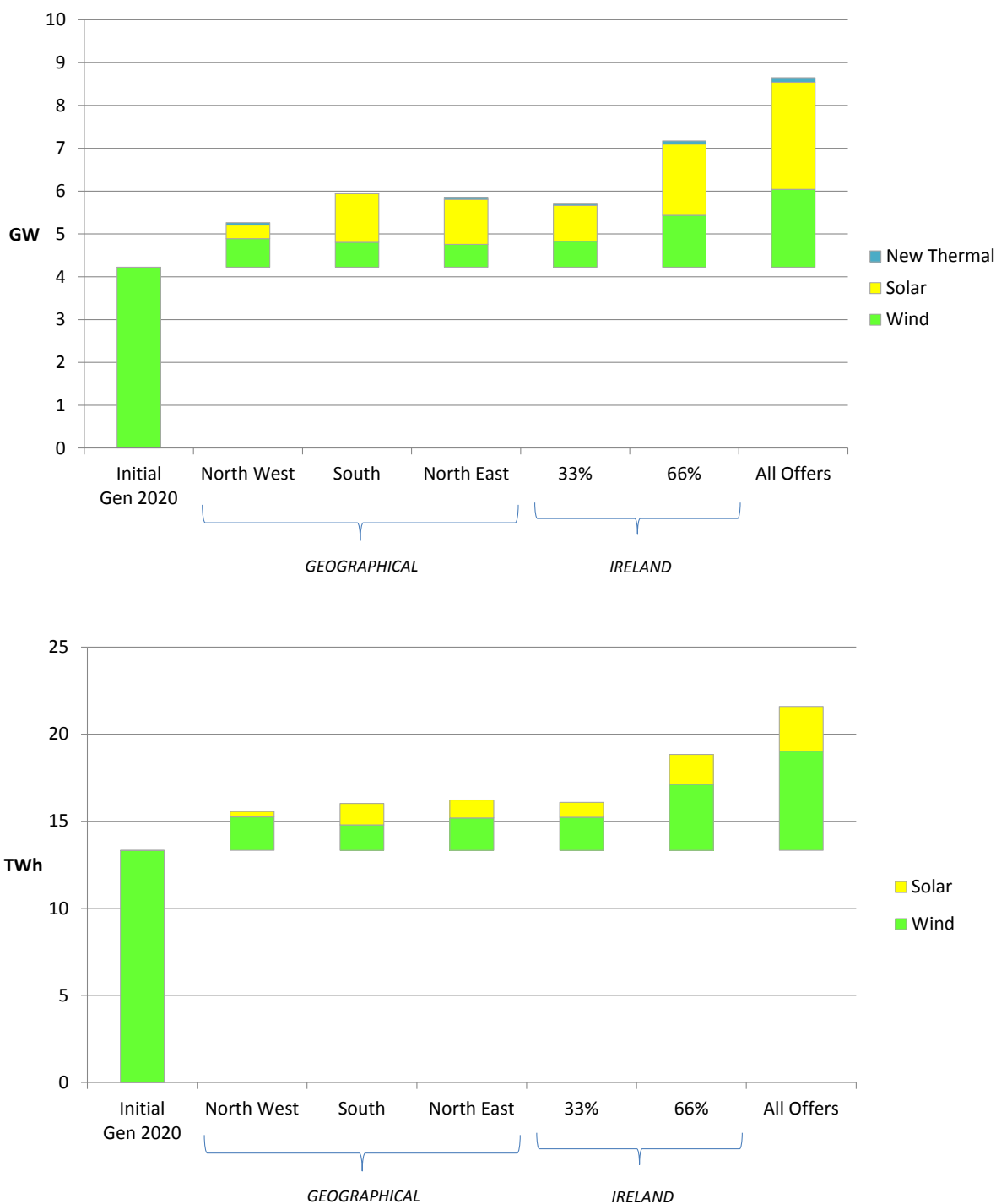


Figure 2-3 Generation Scenarios: Installed GW and Available Energy TWh

To repeat, the generation scenarios are as follows.

- The Initial scenario has the generation scheduled to be connected in 2020. There are no ECP-1 generators in this scenario.
- The North West scenario has all the residual Gate 3, the Non GPA and the ECP-1 generation connection applications in the North West in the study in addition to those generators in the Initial scenario.
- The South scenario has all the residual Gate 3, the Non GPA and the ECP-1 generation connection applications in the South in the study in addition to those generators in the Initial scenario.
- The North East scenario has all the residual Gate 3, the Non GPA and the ECP-1 generation connection applications in the North East in the study in addition to those generators in the Initial scenario.
- The 33% scenario is 33% of the way between the Initial scenario and the All scenario.
- The 66% scenario is 66% of the way between the Initial scenario and the All scenario.
- The All scenario has all the Gate 3, the Non GPA and the ECP-1 generation connection applications in the study.

And in this report, the results for Area D are presented for the generation scenarios called Initial, South, 33%, 66% and All Offers.

The quantities of generation in the generation scenarios are summarised in Figure 2-3 and in Table 2-3.

Generation Scenario							
	Initial	North West	South	North East	33%	66%	All
Battery	0.0	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.6
Solar	0.0	0.3	1.1	1.1	0.8	1.7	2.5
New Thermal	0.02	0.1	0.06	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2
Wind	4.2	4.9	4.9	4.8	2.0	4.1	6.1
<b>Total</b>	<b>4.3</b>	<b>5.5</b>	<b>6.2</b>	<b>6.1</b>	<b>3.1</b>	<b>6.2</b>	<b>9.3</b>

Table 2-3 Generation Scenarios: by Type – Installed GW

## 2.4 Study Year (Demand and Network) and Future Grid

Network and Demand	Demand TWh	Generation Scenario	Available Energy from Solar and Wind TWh
<b>2020</b>	32.2	<b>Initial</b>	13.3
<b>2021</b>	33.8	<b>North West</b>	15.1
<b>2022</b>	36.2	<b>South</b>	15.9
<b>Future Grid</b>	36.2	<b>North East</b>	15.8
		<b>33%</b>	14.9
		<b>66%</b>	16.5
		<b>All</b>	18.1

**Table 2-4 Annual Demand (TWh) from Generation Capacity Statement 2018 and, for comparison, the Available Energy (TWh) from Solar and Wind**

The study years are chosen to achieve a balance between expected progress in the medium term (predicted DS3 improvements, transmission reinforcements and forecast demand increase) and focusing on the near time to remain realistic and accurate.

This is achieved by studying the years 2020, 2021 and 2022.

In consulting with industry in advance of this review, there was a request for an additional study which could show the combined impact of a moderate number of additional projects that are due to be delivered beyond 2022. Hence, there is a Future Grid scenario. This adds a number of major projects to the 2022 Year. These are North-South 400 kV, Celtic interconnector, Greenlink interconnector, series compensation of the 400 kV network, Project 966, North Connaught 110 kV, major DS3 improvements and several 110 kV uprates. The transmission reinforcements and DS3 initiatives included in the study years are listed in the appendix to this report. The Future Grid scenario uses the 2022 demand.

The demand forecast used is the median forecast from EirGrid's Generation Capacity Statement 2018-2027.

It is worth comparing the annual available energy (TWh) from solar and wind for the different studies with the system demand (TWh). This information is provided above in Table 2-4.



## 3 Study Input Assumptions

This chapter provides an overview of the input assumptions for the curtailment and constraint modelling. The sections below deal with the assumptions for Network, Study Areas, Demand, Interconnection, Generation, Energy Storage and System Operation.

### 3.1 Notable Study Assumptions

The following study assumptions are worth noting.

#### 3.1.1 Valid for these Generation Assumptions

The forecast curtailment and constraint in this report is valid for the generation assumptions used in the studies.

#### 3.1.2 Data Freeze

The data freeze for the input assumptions for this analysis was in early 2019. As a result, there may be some developments with the electricity network that are not included here.

#### 3.1.3 Network outages for maintenance and reinforcement

The studies for this report assume an intact network. In other words, there are no network outages in the study. Because transmission equipment is usually in service, this assumption is reasonable when working to provide an average view of expected curtailment and constraint.

However, in order to refurbish or uprate transmission circuits and transmission stations, there is often the need for the circuits or stations to be uprated. This could result in wind and solar generation temporarily seeing higher constraints during these outages.

#### 3.1.4 Network Requirement for Batteries and Conventional Generators

To date, those Batteries are applying for connection to participate in DS3 system services. They have indicated that they typically have an energy storage capacity of less than 30 minutes. Therefore, the expectation is that they will be contracting with DS3 services for reserve provision. As such, these batteries are expected to usually remain at zero output for the majority of the time and only provide energy when required. Hence, the study assumption for this report is that our methodology does not check for N-1 compliance for the battery generating or charging coincident with high levels of wind and solar.

The situation with conventional generation is similar. For conventional generation, the dispatch is primarily economic in nature. As such, the software only runs those relatively expensive conventional generators infrequently in the simulation.

In summary, the model does not assume that batteries and peaker generators are running at the same

time as solar and wind is generating.

For this constraints report, this assumption is reasonable. However, in the future, if batteries were to require more running, and / or if a future operation of the system was to require prolonged running of peaker generators, solar and wind, then this constraints analysis would need to be revised.

### 3.1.5 Priority Dispatch for Renewable Generation Connecting After July 2019

A recent regulation has issued from the EU in relation to the treatment of priority dispatch of renewable generation over 400 kW connecting post 4<sup>th</sup> July 2019.

The relevant clause is as follows:

*REGULATION (EU) 2019/943 OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL of 5 June 2019 on the internal market for electricity*

<https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:32019R0943&from=EN>

*Article 12 (6)*

*Without prejudice to contracts concluded before 4 July 2019, power-generating facilities that use renewable energy sources or high-efficiency cogeneration and were commissioned before 4 July 2019 and, when commissioned, were subject to priority dispatch under Article 15(5) of Directive 2012/27/EU or Article 16(2) of Directive 2009/28/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council ( 20) shall continue to benefit from priority dispatch. Priority dispatch shall no longer apply to such power-generating facilities from the date on which the power-generating facility becomes subject to significant modifications, which shall be deemed to be the case at least where a new connection agreement is required or where the generation capacity of the power-generating facility is increased.*

At the time of writing, the consequences, and exact details of implementation of this decision, have yet to be fully understood.

For this report, there is no differentiation made in the studies between renewable generation connecting pre-July 2019 and post-July 2019.

## 3.2 Network

### 3.2.1 Transmission Network

This section details the modelling assumptions used in this study for the transmission network. A list of the network reinforcements used in the model is provided in Appendix A.

The Irish transmission system is a meshed network with voltage levels at 400 kV, 275 kV, 220 kV and 110 kV. The distribution system typically has a radial topography with voltage levels at 110 kV in the Dublin region, and 38 kV, 20 kV, 10 kV and low voltage nationwide. The network is necessary to allow bulk power flows to be transported over long distances from power stations and renewable generation sites to the towns and cities in Ireland.

# Transmission System 400 kV, 275 kV, 220 kV and 110 kV

Year End 2018

**LEGEND**

**Transmission**

- 400 kV Lines
- 275 kV Lines
- 220 kV Lines
- 110 kV Lines
- - - HVDC Cables
- - - 220 kV Cables
- - - 110 kV Cables

**Connected Generation**

- Hydro
- Thermal
- ▲ Pumped Storage
- Wind
- 400 kV Stators
- 275 kV Stators
- 220 kV Stators
- 110 kV Stators
- ⊗ Phase Shifting Transformer

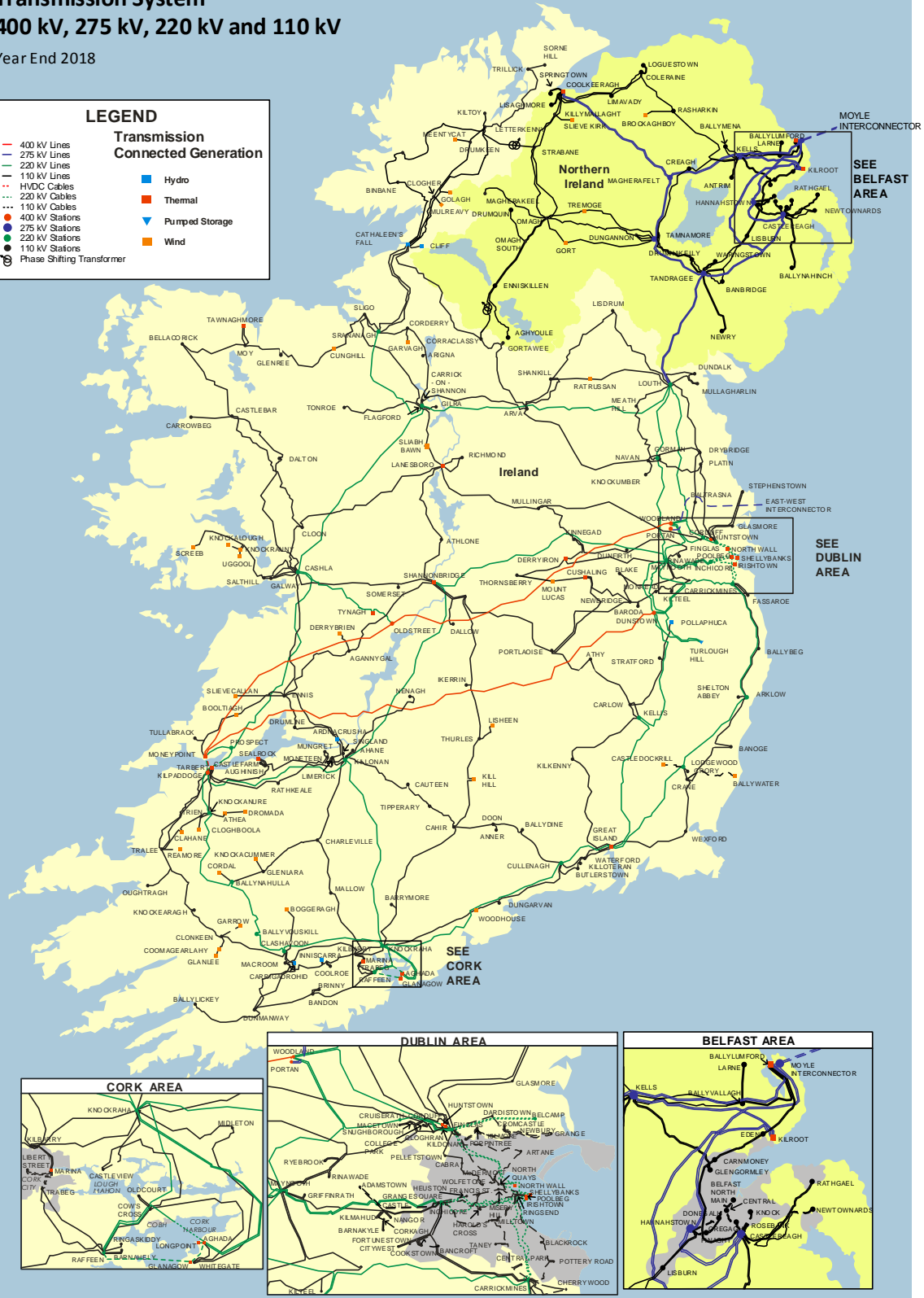


Figure 3-1 Ireland transmission network (2019)

**Transmission System**  
**400 kV, 275 kV, 220 kV and 110 kV**  
**Generation – Showing Generator Locations**  
**Reinforcements for 2020, 2021, 2022 and**  
**for Significant Reinforcement Sensitivity Study**

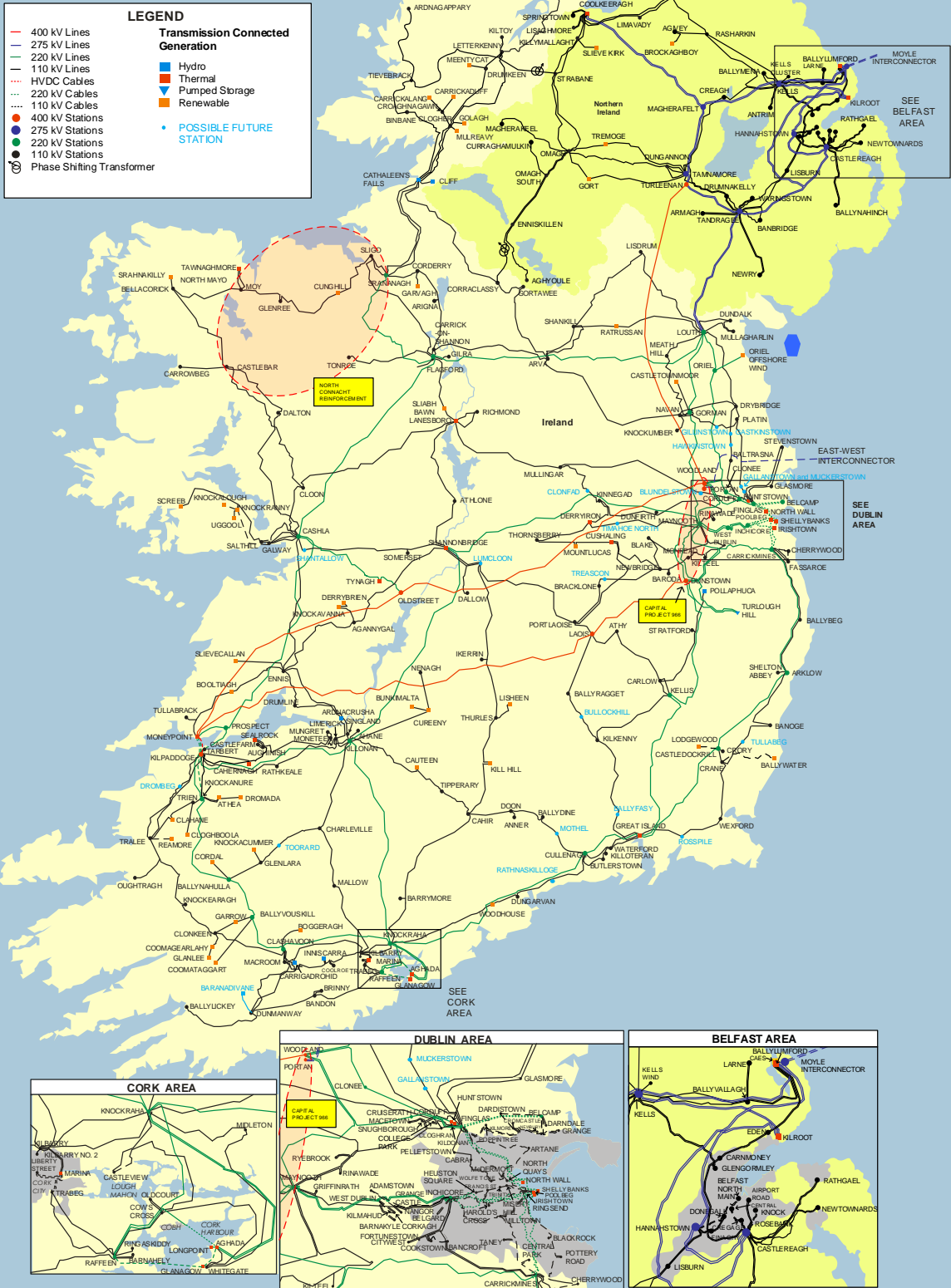


Figure 3-2 Ireland transmission network, showing assumed future generator locations and future projects.

As the transmission system operator (TSO), EirGrid is tasked with operating the transmission system in a safe, secure, economic, efficient and reliable manner. EirGrid are also responsible for planning the network of the future.

Currently, there are new renewable generation connections being planned to enable the increase in electrical power consumption to be derived from renewable energy sources, i.e. wind power and solar power whilst reducing the dependence on conventional generation.

The purpose of this technical study is to provide the probable levels of transmission network constraint across the study period 2020-2022. The level of network constraint will be due to a number of reasons:

- Scenarios of varying levels of installed generation, ranging from the installed generation connected in 2020 up to the installed generation including all connection offers.
- The climatic year, i.e. the level of sunshine or wind speed for that year.
- The expected network development plans.
- The network contingencies that cause other lines to overload in the event of the fault on a section of the network.

Figure 3-1 shows the existing Ireland transmission network. Figure 3-2 shows the location of the future generator connections and shows a number of the future large projects that are included in the Future Grid scenario.

### 3.2.2 Distribution System

For the purposes of the constraints modelling, a simplified representation of the distribution system is used whereby all load and generation is assumed to be aggregated to the nearest transmission node.

Hence, this report does not account for the impact of constraints (if any) on the distribution network.

### 3.2.3 Ratings and Overload Ratings

In formulating an optimum dispatch system operation takes account of potential overloads that could be caused as a result of certain N-1 contingencies on the transmission system. When determining if the post-contingency flows are within limits, the system operator uses the overload rating of the apparatus or plant (for N-1) as well as the normal rating (for N flows). Where available, the overload rating is typically higher than the normal rating but is only allowed in emergency conditions and for short periods of time. The overload rating is plant specific.

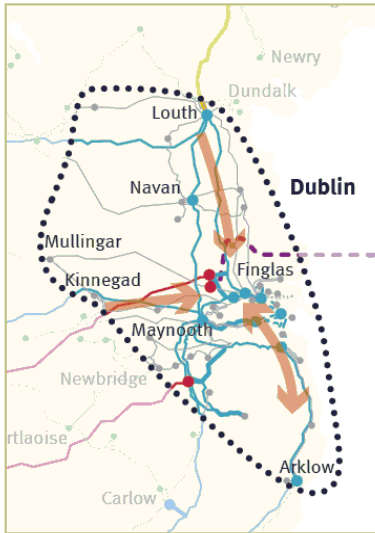
This rating and overload rating is handled in Plexos.

### 3.2.4 Transmission Reinforcements

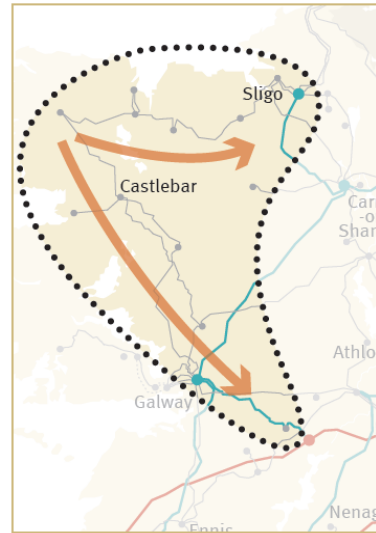
For each study year from 2020 through 2022, a number of transmission reinforcements are added to the model. These additional transmission reinforcements include Overhead Line (OHL) and cable uprating as well as new build OHLs, cables and transformers.

A full list of the transmission reinforcements (new build and uprates) assumed in the constraints modelling is included in Appendix A Network Reinforcement.

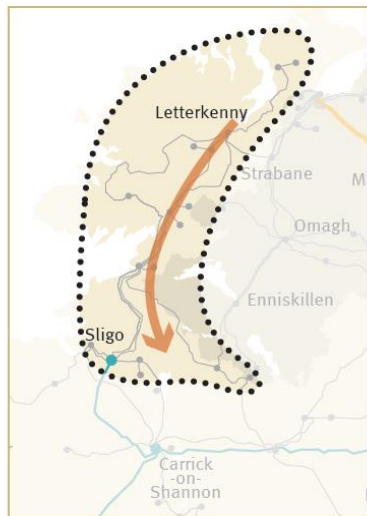
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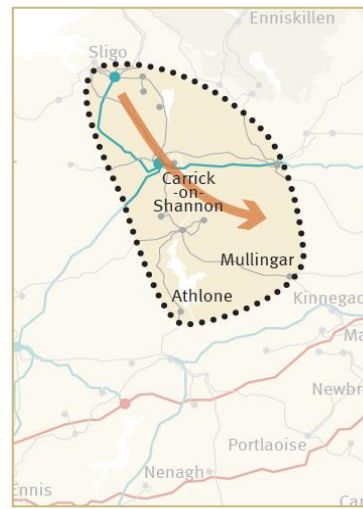
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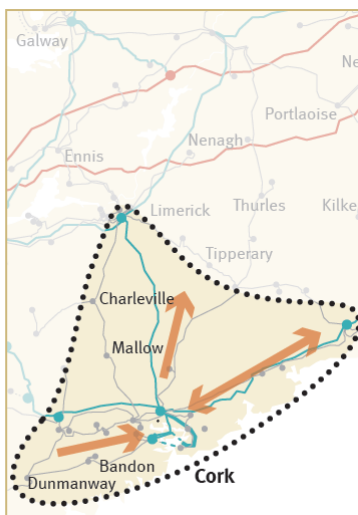
Area 3 – North-West Border



Area 4 – Midlands



Area 5 – South-West to South-East



Area 6 – South-East



Figure 3-3 Tomorrow's Energy Scenarios (TES) System Needs Assessment"



Customers should recognise that the reinforcements listed will be subject to a full economic analysis and optimisation process before a decision is made to proceed with them. This analysis takes into account the latest demand forecasts and the level of acceptance and subsequent progress of generator connection offers. Inclusion of transmission reinforcement projects in this report is not confirmation that they will proceed and other projects may be selected in their place. For the avoidance of doubt, any party making a decision based on this list should recognise that these are modelling assumptions only and should not be considered as a basis in fact.

Additional information about these reinforcements is available on the EirGrid website.

### 3.2.5 Network Capability

In 2018, EirGrid published “Tomorrow’s Energy Scenarios (TES) System Needs Assessment”.

That report looks at the future network in the study years 2025, 2030 and 2040. This report identifies six areas of the network where there is a potential need for Grid Reinforcement. These areas are shown in Figure 3-3.

This ECP constraint report encounters transmission constraints in similar locations as those that are listed in the TES report.

This ECP constraint report has constraints in other locations as well. These arise in two ways. The first is where a forthcoming reinforcement is included in the TES but is not included here. This happens when the reinforcement is due for completion after 2022 (the cut off for this report) but before 2025 (TES Study Year). There are several examples of this but a notable one is the Galway 110 kV busbar reinforcement. The second is where there are new ECP generator connection applications that were not in the TES.

It is a feature of power flows in Ireland, after local demand is met, that the extra power needs to be transported to the East. This is to meet the Dublin load and to supply export markets via EWIC.

From a constraints point of view, some generator locations are relatively disadvantaged because their power has to cross several of the areas shown in Figure 3-3. The impact of this will be seen on the constraint levels in some study areas.

## 3.3 Demand

An introduction to the demand used in this report is provided in Chapter 2.

Year	TER (TWh)			Transmission Winter Peak (GW)		
	Ireland	Northern Ireland	All-Island	Ireland	Northern Ireland	All-Island
2020	32.2	9.2	41.4	5.5	1.7	7.2
2021	33.8	9.2	43.0	5.7	1.7	7.3
2022	36.2	9.3	45.5	6.0	1.8	7.7

Table 3-1 Forecast Demand and Peak for study years 2020-2022

The demand profiles for both Ireland and Northern Ireland are based on their actual 2015 demand profiles. This is the same year as used for the wind profiles. These are then adjusted to get an annual winter peak and energy value as per the median demand in the Generation Capacity Statement 2018-2027. The values used are shown in Table 3-1.

The nodal distribution of the load used in the constraints modelling is consistent with the “All Island Transmission Forecast Statement 2017”.

### 3.4 Interconnection

Existing Interconnection on the island consists of a tie line between Ireland and Northern Ireland plus two High Voltage Direct Current (HVDC) interconnectors to Great Britain (GB) referred to as the Moyle Interconnector and the East-West Interconnector (EWIC). This section describes the assumptions and modelling methodology used for interconnection in these studies.

For all the model scenarios, the interconnectors are set up to export wind that would otherwise be curtailed, subject to the provisions of the SNSP rule and available interconnector capacity.

#### 3.4.1 North–South Tie Line

The connection of Ireland’s power system to Northern Ireland is achieved via a double circuit 275 kV line running from Louth to Tandragee. In addition to the main 275 kV double circuit; there are two 110 kV connections, one between Letterkenny in Co. Donegal and Strabane in Co. Tyrone, and the other between Corraclassy in Co. Cavan and Enniskillen in Co. Fermanagh.

The purpose of these 110 kV circuits is to provide support to either transmission system for certain conditions or in the event of an unexpected circuit outage. Phase shifting transformers in Strabane and Enniskillen are used to control the power flow under normal conditions.

It is assumed that the Letterkenny-Strabane and Corraclassy-Enniskillen 110 kV connections are not used to transfer power between the two control areas for the purposes of this constraint modelling exercise.

EirGrid is currently developing a 400 kV North-South Interconnector between Woodland and Turleenan, which for the purposes of these studies is assumed to connect in 2023.

Prior to the 400 kV North-South Interconnector being built, the existing Louth-Tandragee Interconnector is assumed to be limited. The assumption in this study is that flow are limited to 300 MW from South to North and 300 MW from North to South. When the 400 kV North-South Interconnector is in place, this limitation will be effectively removed.

#### 3.4.2 Moyle Interconnector

The Moyle Interconnector, which went into commercial operation in 2002, connects the electricity grids of Northern Ireland and Great Britain between Ballylumford and Auchencrosh in Scotland. It has a capacity of 500 MW however; it can be limited to 83 MW export at present.

At present, National Grid is carrying out work to increase the ability to receive power in Scotland. There is also a limit on the Northern Ireland side to the amount of power that can be exported. The projected increases in export capability (power to Scotland) for this study are set out in the Table 3-2. The Future Grid assumption that Moyle will be able to export 500 MW is a study assumption for the



future. There is no immediate plan to increase the export capacity to this level until after the North South interconnector is built, the ability to export power to Scotland will then be reviewed.

The import capacity remains at 450 MW.

### 3.4.3 East West Interconnector (EWIC)

It is assumed that the EWIC is modelled for all study years with a maximum export capacity of 530 MW. The extra 30 MW is to account for losses in the converter stations and on the cable.

### 3.4.4 Additional Interconnection

For the Future Grid scenario, a Celtic interconnector with a 700 MW export capacity and a Greenlink interconnector with a 500 MW export capacity is modelled.

	2019	2020	2021	2022	Future Grid
<b>Moyle Export Capacity</b>	83	255 / 210	210 / 138	138 / 295	500
<b>EWIC Export Capacity</b>	530	530	530	530	530
<b>Celtic Export Capacity</b>					700
<b>Greenlink</b>					500

**Table 3-2 Interconnection capacities**

### 3.4.5 Interconnector Capacities

The interconnector capacities used in the model are shown in Table 3-2.

It is a study assumption that interconnectors can be used to export renewable energy, with the proviso that, when calculating an annual average behaviour, it would be optimistic to assume that maximum interconnection will always be available when required.

For various reasons, there will be times when the international market schedule will sometimes provide less export than could theoretically be possible. For example, the receiving country may not be in a position to accept large trades, the position of renewable energy in the day ahead market may be impacted by forecast error, etc., etc.

Hence, for modelling purposes in this report, it is assumed that the export capacity of each interconnector is de-rated by 20% to account for this. For example with Celtic, the export rating is 568 MW is in the model.

## 3.5 Priority Dispatch and Fuel Prices

### 3.5.1 Priority Dispatch for Wind and Solar Generation

In Ireland and Northern Ireland, wind and solar generation is given priority dispatch and this is implemented in the model.

This is achieved in the model by treating both controllable wind and controllable solar as if it had an offer price of zero. As Plexos seeks to provide the most economical solution while satisfying all transmission system constraints, it consequently will run as much wind and solar as it can.

### 3.5.2 Priority Dispatch for Thermal Generation

The generators shown in Table 3-3 are in the model as priority dispatch thermal plant that can be dispatched down to minimum generation levels during curtailment or constraint.

For this study, it is assumed that the peat power plants at least partially convert to renewable energy (biomass) and so remain with priority dispatch, albeit a lower priority than wind and solar.

### 3.5.3 Small-Scale Generation

Generating Unit	Existing (MW)	Maximum Export Capacity (MW)	Minimum Export Capacity (MW)
<b>Edenderry</b>	118	118	42
<b>Lough Ree</b>	91	91	31
<b>West Offaly</b>	137	137	48
<b>Dublin Waste-to-Energy</b>	61.5	61.5	21.5
<b>Indaver Waste</b>	17	17	10
<b>Seal Rock 3&amp;4</b>	166	166	80
<b>Tawnaghmore (Mayo Renewable)</b>	0	49	20
<b>Bandon (GP Wood)</b>	0	17	6
<b>Derryiron (Rhode Biomass)</b>	0	18	6
<b>Navan (Farrelly Brothers)</b>	0	13	5
<b>Thornsberry (Derryclure)</b>	0	10	4

**Table 3-3 Priority Dispatch – Thermal – Large Generators**

Small-scale generation in constraints modelling refers to small uncontrollable, generation typically less than 5MW such as:

- Wind turbine e.g. a 250kW wind turbine supplying a farm or factory
- Solar PV e.g. a 4kW PV system installed on a home

- Hydro e.g. a 100kW run of river hydro scheme
- Tidal generator e.g. a 1.2MW Turbine
- Combined Heat and Power Generation, e.g. a 1MW natural gas CHP supplying a leisure centre
- An anaerobic digester, e.g. a 500kW AD plant converting electricity from waste food
- A diesel generator, e.g. a standby generation for a factory or commercial building.

Generating Unit	Existing (MW)	Minimum Export Capacity (MW)	Maximum Export Capacity (MW)
<b>Butlerstown</b>			2
<b>Castleview</b>			4
<b>Charleville</b>			2
<b>Drybridge</b>			3
<b>Finglas</b>			4
<b>Macroom</b>			1
<b>Meath Hill</b>			4
<b>Richmond</b>			5
<b>Tonroe</b>			2

**Table 3-4 Future Thermal Small Scale Generators**

It is assumed that the future small generators listed in Table 3-4 are not re-dispatched to allow wind generation to be dispatched. These generators are modelled in their respective Generator Scenarios, depending on North West, South, North East, etc. These small generators, should they connect, are modelled as competing for access to the transmission network.

### 3.5.4 Fuel and Carbon Prices

Fuel Type	IE	NI
Gas €/GJ	€ 6.40	€ 6.40
Coal €/GJ	€ 2.47	€ 2.85
LSFO €/GJ	€ 6.35	
DO €/GJ	€ 11.85	€ 11.85
CO2 €/tCO2	€ 22.49	€22.49

**Table 3-5 Fuel and Carbon prices based on DBC 2019-20 Forecast**

Since Plexos operates with a commitment and dispatch strategy to provide the most economical solution while satisfying all transmission system constraints, the fuel and carbon prices employed in the model are therefore relevant as to which generators are committed and dispatched. To an extent, this can influence both curtailment and transmission constraint levels experienced by renewable

generators.

The prices used in the model are listed can be found in Table 3-5. The fuel and carbon prices are kept constant through the study period. The monthly differences in gas and oil prices are accounted for by using historical fuel profiles, but ensuring that the annual average is equal to the values shown above.

The cost of carbon is included in the commitment and dispatch decisions for each generating unit that emits carbon. The gas units in Ireland are also subject to a gas transportation charge that is included in the model.

Dublin Bay has a long-term fuel contract and is allowed to bid lower costs to the market based on this. It has recently been notified to the market that this long-term fuel contract will end in 2019. Hence, for this constraints analysis, it is assumed that Dublin Bay's gas price will be the same as other gas units.

## 3.6 Generation

An introduction and overview of the generation in this report is provided in Chapter 2. Additional detail is now provided in this section.

### 3.6.1 Conventional Generation

The model includes a portfolio of the thermal conventional generation in both Ireland and Northern Ireland. The operating characteristics of the existing conventional generation employed in the modelling are principally based on the SEM Generator Dataset. In some instances, minor changes to the dataset are made due to additional information becoming available to the TSOs.

The technical dataset includes the following information:

1. Fuel type (e.g. gas, wind, coal etc.)
2. Maximum and minimum operating output (MW)
3. Capacity state and heat rates (used to determine how much fuel is burnt to produce 1MW of output power)
4. Ramp rates (important to determine how quickly a machine can change its power output)
5. Minimum up-time and downtime

This technical data allows the Plexos software to calculate the cost of generating a megawatt of electrical energy for each generator in the model. Note that each generator has a different cost.

Other factors that influence the generation dispatch over an extended study horizon are:

- Generation Commissioning & Decommissioning
- Generation Outages
- Generation Emissions restrictions

#### *3.6.1.1 Conventional Generation Commissioning and Decommissioning*

With the introduction of SEM Capacity Auctions, the future of conventional generator commissioning and decommissioning is more dynamic than would previously have been the case. That being the case, a number of generator units retired from service in 2018 and, for the Generation Capacity Statement, some generators have indicated that their units may retire beyond the time frame of this study (e.g. 2023).

Hence, over the study period, it is assumed that there is no additional commissioning or decommissioning of large system generators.

### *3.6.1.2 Conventional Generation Outages*

Scheduled and forced conventional generator outages are modelled in Plexos using Scheduled Outage Durations (SODs) and Forced Outage Probabilities (FOPs).

For this study, the Forced Outage Probabilities are used. The FOPs employed are those used for the DBC 2019-20 Forecast. Plexos will generate forced outage patterns from the FOP and mean time to repair data, which will provide a deterministic outage pattern against which the model will dispatch generation against demand.

### *3.6.1.3 Conventional Generation Emissions Limits*

The European Union has set ambitious targets for decarbonisation and for renewable energy for the electricity sector by 2030. To date the Industrial Emissions Directive (IED) and Clean Energy For All Package are the two main instruments which will aim to transform the electricity sector, amongst other sectors, to a cleaner and more sustainable future for all.

The Clean Energy Package targets all generation to be under 550g/kWh by 2025 and this limit will affect certain generation plants in Ireland.

In Ireland, some plants are affected by the IED, and have entered into the Ireland Transitional National Plan (TNP). However, it is not anticipated that their running regimes will be curtailed. For example, under the TNP, Moneypoint's availability will be closely linked to the performance of its abatement equipment.

Hence, over the study period, explicit emission limits for conventional generation are not included in the model.

## **3.6.2 Renewable Generation**

The amount of electrical energy output from renewable generation is generally described in terms of capacity factor. The capacity factor relates to the amount of energy that may be achieved from a renewable technology over the period of one calendar year. One factor in the energy yield difference is that solar PV does not produce electrical energy at night, but the wind can blow at any time of the day or night.

The values used in this study for solar and wind are listed below.

### *3.6.2.1 Renewable Generation - Installed Capacity*

In the model, the generation portfolio to be employed for each study year is specified explicitly. The lists of the renewable generators assumed in each study is contained in Appendix B Generator.

In previous constraint reports, predicted generator build out rates were used to place generators in the different study years. This is not the case in this report because there is uncertainty as to which generators will be successful in future support auctions and which generators will proceed to construction. Hence, this report uses regional generation scenarios, which are described in Chapter 2.

Northern Ireland in model (MW)	
Wind	1345 MW
Large Scale Solar	157 MW
Small Scale Solar	116 MW

Table 3-6 Installed Solar and Wind in Northern Ireland

### 3.6.2.2 Solar

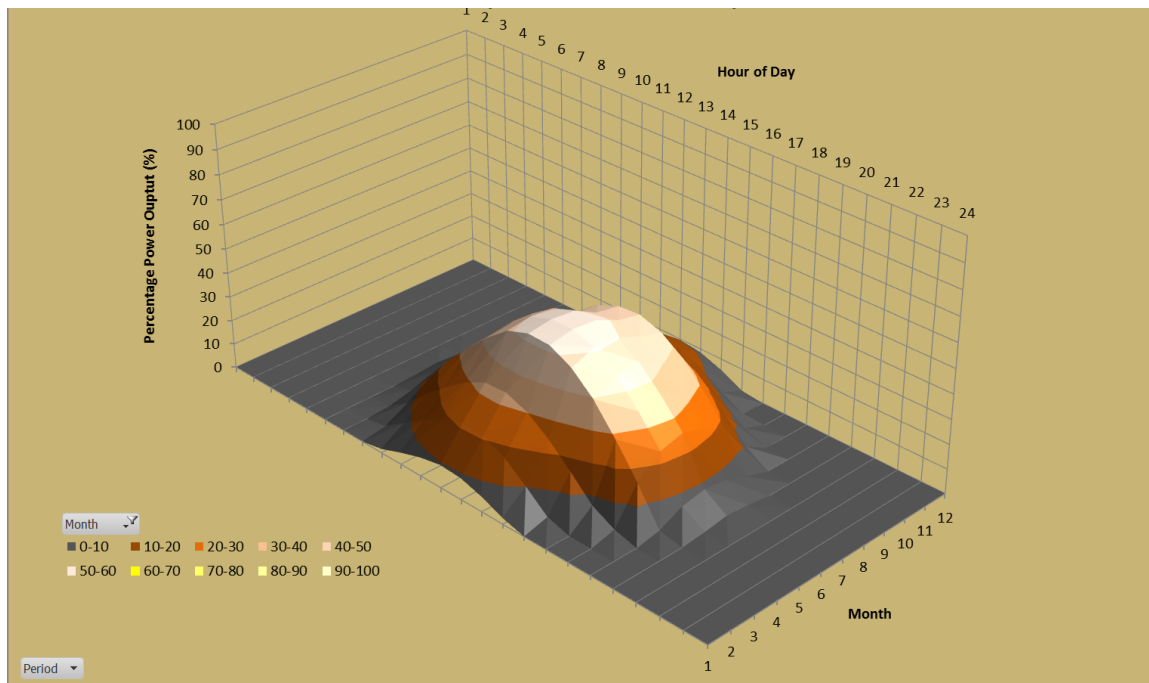


Figure 3-4 Solar Energy Profile (monthly average – hour of day)

On average, solar profiles tend to have a fairly predictable shape. Figure 3-4 shows the average hourly energy output from solar PV over a one year period. The capacity factor for solar PV is largely dependent on latitude - the closer to the equator the higher the annual capacity factor. The solar capacity factor for a country like Spain will have a value of around 20%, i.e. double the output of Ireland.

The surface plot of Figure 3-4 highlights the expected Ireland solar profile characteristic. The lowest intensity of solar electrical output is in the 4 winter months November through to February with hourly values on average not exceeding 20%. As expected the solar electrical energy output is highest in the summer months with average hourly solar electrical output peaking in the 50-60% range.

The main point is that the solar electrical available energy is fairly predictable, and is typically there during times of increasing electrical demand i.e. the morning rise. However, the winter peak demand will not be met by solar.

Solar energy output may be reduced if it is located on a part of the network that has constraint issues.



Solar	Capacity Factor
Solar North	10%
Solar Middle	11%
Solar South	12%

**Table 3-7 Capacity Factor of Solar Profiles**

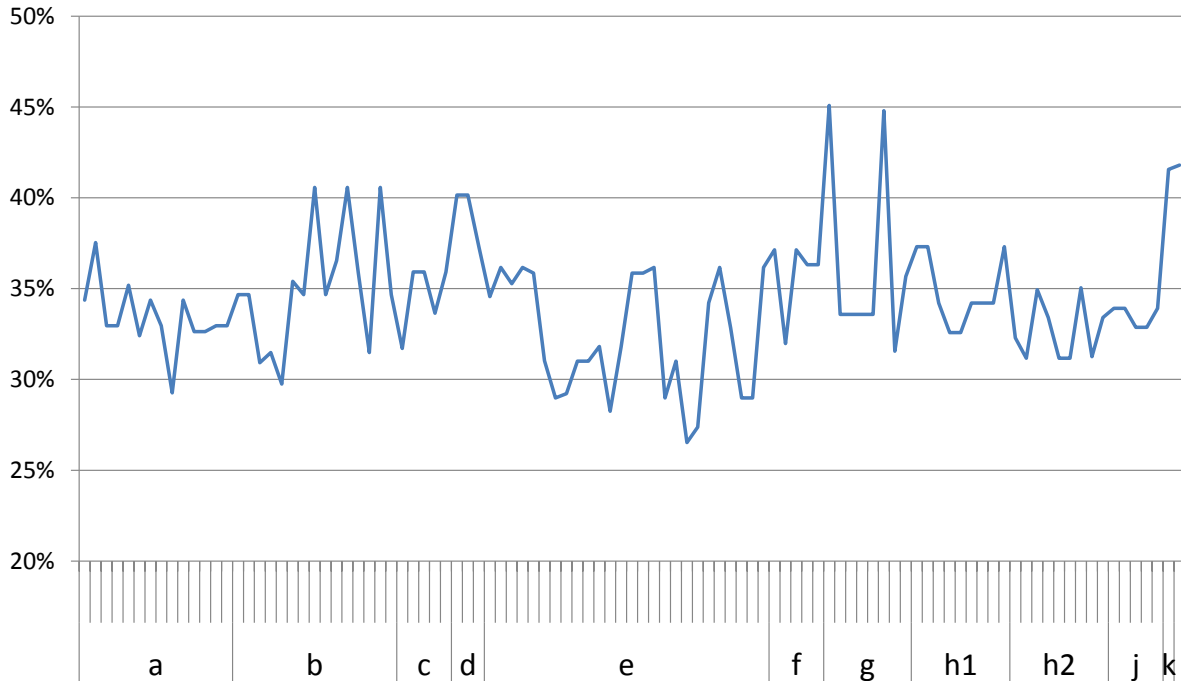
It should be noted that if the capacity factor of actual solar farms turns out to be higher than modelled here, then solar farms may experience higher levels of curtailment and constraint than are predicted by this report.

### 3.6.2.3 Wind

This section details how wind generation on the island of Ireland is modelled in Plexos.

Wind generation is modelled in the analysis using an hourly wind power series at every transmission node where wind generation is connected. To provide a representative wind series, wind profiles are used. Where area wind profiles are used, the areas are the same as were used for Gate 3.

By using historical wind profiles it is possible to account for the geographical variation of wind power across the island. The wind profiles for the study year for both Ireland and Northern Ireland are created using 2015 wind data. 2015 was a comparatively high wind year.



**Figure 3-6 Capacity Factor by Node, grouped by Area, for Existing Wind**

### Wind Profiles

A different treatment is applied to existing windfarms as to the future windfarms. The existing



windfarms are considered to be the windfarms in the Initial generation scenario.

In so far as is possible, existing windfarms are given wind profile information on a node basis. In other words, each 110 kV station has a different wind profile. These 110 kV node profiles are created from the historical 2015 profile information. The capacity factors of these node profiles are shown in Figure 3-6.

Future windfarms are provided with the 2015 profile of a representative windfarm in the area. For this study, this is referred to as a "sample". A benefit of the different treatment for the future windfarms is that the capacity factors of the input profile are considered to be a better fit. The capacity factor of these sample profiles is provided in Table 3-8.

Wind Regions	2015 Capacity Factors for Future Windfarms
<b>Ireland</b>	
<b>A</b>	33%
<b>B</b>	34%
<b>C</b>	35%
<b>D</b>	40%
<b>E</b>	35%
<b>F</b>	36%
<b>G</b>	33%
<b>G Offshore</b>	45%
<b>H1</b>	34%
<b>H2</b>	33%
<b>I</b>	36%
<b>J</b>	34%
<b>K</b>	43%
<b>Northern Ireland</b>	
<b>NI</b>	31%

**Table 3-8 Capacity factors for Future Wind**

#### Capacity Factor

The overall wind generation capacity factor for Ireland using these sample 2015 wind profiles and for generation scenario All is 34%. This gives a capacity factor that is higher as a system average than has been achieved in recent years. However, this value is probably representative for a wind fleet that will include new technology windfarms and some excellent wind sites and some offshore wind. Hence, it

is believed that it is a suitable 'wind year' to use for an assessment of future curtailment and constraints.

#### *3.6.2.4 Generation Controllability*

Traditionally, smaller (and some older) wind farms and solar generators do not have to be controllable. The study methodology takes into account all uncontrollable wind and solar generation and does not include these generators in any output reductions calculations.

Generally, apart from some older windfarms, it is assumed that all wind farms are controllable if their MEC is greater than or equal to 5 MW (for generators which received a connection offer before 2015) or if their MEC is greater than or equal to 1 MW (after 2015). All solar farms with an MEC greater than or equal to 1 MW are assumed to be controllable.

#### *3.6.2.5 Perfect Foresight – Wind Forecast*

Building an economic power market model will always require input assumptions. One such assumption is that the climatic year will be from historical data. The use of historical data means that the power market model will create generation commitment and dispatch decisions based on the perfect foresight of wind and solar output. In real-time operation of the power system, this is not the case. There will inevitably be an error between the forecast and the out-turn wind. This can mean that the model may show lower levels of curtailment since with perfect foresight it may choose to de-commit units based on what it knows will happen in. In reality differences and uncertainties in wind or demand forecasts mean that a different schedule of generators may be required than that modelled with perfect foresight.

## **3.7 System Operation**

### **3.7.1 Safe Operation (Security Constrained N-1)**

The basic principle of N-1 security in network planning states that if a component – e.g. a transformer or circuit – should fail or be shut down in a network, then the network security must still be guaranteed. Furthermore, the voltage must remain within the permitted limits and the remaining resources must not be overloaded or must not exceed the short term overload capability of the equipment.

EirGrid operates the Ireland transmission network to be N-1 secure.

### **3.7.2 Operational Constraint Rules**

This section presents the all-island operational constraints, which are used to develop the 'constraint rules' for the Plexos economic dispatch tool. This section outlines the operational rules employed in the constraints modelling. The operational rules cover System Non-Synchronous Penetration (SNSP), operational reserve requirements and minimum synchronous generation levels.

The purpose of this section is to define the set of 'Operational Constraints', and how these constraints may evolve over the proposed study period. Operational constraints are important since they will help

to define system issues that may cause a reduction in renewable generation.

The curtailment is an all-island issue. This report will present the generation curtailment on a jurisdictional and nodal basis. The way in which operational constraint rules change over time is a very important factor when trying to model expected levels of wind curtailment. Operational constraint rules that are said to be 'binding' will tend to turn down renewable generators that are then reported as curtailment.

### 3.7.2.1 Operational Constraint Rules Post 2020

The DS3 work-stream has been established to enable the connection of enough renewable generation to meet government 2020 targets. The horizon for these studies extends past the year 2020. There are no additional operational constraints modifications assumed since there are no specific studies that can be used to support any additional rule changes.

Active System Wide Constraints		
Limit	Operational Constraint rule	NI Constraint/Curtailment report
<b>Non-Synchronous Generation</b>	There is a requirement to limit the instantaneous penetration of asynchronous generation connected to the All Island system.	The limits vary across the years of the report: 65% (2018), 70% (2019), 75% (2020-2024).
<b>Operational Limit For RoCoF</b>	There is a requirement to limit the RoCoF on the All-Island system.	The limits vary across the years of the report: 0.5Hz/Sec (2018-2019), 1Hz/Sec (2020-2024)
<b>Operational Limit For Inertia</b>	There is a requirement to have a minimum level of inertia on the All-Island system.	The limits vary across the years of the report: 23,000 MWs (2018-2019), 17,500 MWs (2020-2022)

**Table 3-9 Active System Wide Operational Constraints**

### 3.7.2.2 System-Wide Operational Constraint

There are several operational constraints associated with the DS3 programme. These operational rules make sure that the system operators can run the system within frequency stability limits. Changes to system rules require capital investment to be made, at both TSO and generator levels.

This study uses the operational constraints listed in Table 3-9.

### 3.7.2.3 System Non-Synchronous Penetration

Indicative Date	SNSP Limit	Inertia from Conventional Generators
	65%	23,000
Oct 2019	70%	23,000
Jan 2020	70%	17,500
Apr 2020	75%	17,500
Future Grid scenario	80%	17,500

**Table 3-10 Indicative DS3 Dates for SNSP and Inertia Floor**

There is a system need to limit the amount of ‘non-synchronous’ generation at any point in time. The limit makes sure that the power system operates within a stable zone.

A mathematical expression describing the SNSP rule is as follows:

$$\frac{\text{Non Synchronous Generation}}{\text{Total Generation}} \leq \text{SNSP Limit}$$

$$\frac{\text{All Island Wind Generation} + \text{Interconnector Imports}}{\text{All Island Demand} + \text{Interconnector Exports}} \leq \text{SNSP Limit}$$

An increase in the SNSP limit will allow more ‘non-synchronous’ generation to be accepted onto the system. The DS3 work stream is responsible for determining the SNSP outlook. The timeline for increases in SNSP is shown in Table 3-10.

### 3.7.2.4 Inertia Floor

The current operational limit for the system inertia floor is 23,000 MWs. In 2019, a trial will take place on the system to decrease the inertia floor to 20,000 MWs. This will allow the power system to operate with less synchronous machines online for frequency stability.

The DS3 programme predicts that the system inertia floor will reduce to 17,500 MWs in 2020.

Operational Reserve Requirements	
Limit	Operational Constraint rule
<p><b><u>Primary Reserve</u></b></p> <p><b>All Island - 75% of the Largest In-Feed</b></p> <p><b>A Minimum of 115MW</b></p> <p><b>Ireland Min – 110/75</b></p> <p><b>NI Min – 50</b></p>	<p>All Island primary reserve must be 75% of the largest infeed with jurisdictional limits of</p> <p><b>Jurisdictional Requirement</b></p> <p>Ireland At night 75MW / Daytime 110 MW</p> <p>Northern Ireland 50 MW</p>
<p><b><u>Negative Reserve</u></b></p> <p><b>Ireland Min – 100 MW</b></p> <p><b>NI Min – 50 MW</b></p>	<p>Negative reserve must be held on the system.</p> <p>When a Generators output is above its minimum generation threshold, it is said to carry negative reserve. There will only be a cost associated when lower cost generation is curtailed to allow ramping of generation above its minimum generation level to cover the negative reserve service</p> <p>Ireland Requirement 100 MW Northern Ireland Requirement 50 MW</p>

**Table 3-11 Active System Wide Operational Constraints**

### 3.7.2.5 Operational Reserve

Operating reserve is surplus operating capacity that can instantly respond to a sudden increase in the electric load or a sudden decrease in the renewable power output. Operating reserve provides a safety margin that helps ensure reliable electricity supply despite variability in the electric load and the renewable power supply. The operating reserve is equal to the operating capacity minus the electric load. To provide reserve, some generators are part-loaded i.e. are operated below their maximum output capacity to provide a quick-acting source of reserve.

The working assumption is that enough Primary Operating Reserve (POR) will be provided to cover 75% of the loss of the largest infeed. The largest infeed is either the largest generation infeed or if larger, the import from an interconnector. In practice, this varies in proportion to the largest infeed by output. The model also includes Secondary Operating Reserve (SOR) and Tertiary Operating Reserve (TOR).

### Operating Reserve Assumptions

The total All Island reserve requirement is assumed to be equal to 75% of the capacity of the largest unit on the system.

It is assumed that wind is not curtailed to provide reserve or governing.

A total static reserve figure of 100 MW is assumed to be provided by the Moyle and East-West Interconnectors.

It is assumed that in pumping mode, pumped storage units provide reserve equal to 100% of their MW pumping value.

**Table 3-12 Reserve Assumptions Employed**

### Minimum Conventional Generation Assumptions

#### Ireland

Ensure that at least two large thermal units in the Dublin region are synchronised at all times.

Ensure at least 5 large units are synchronised at all times (proxy for inertia constraints).

Thermal Priority Dispatch units as set out in **Table 3-3**.

Assume that at least 3 pump sets are on during the night

#### Northern Ireland

A minimum of 3 conventional units must be synchronised at all times.

**Table 3-13 Summary of Minimum Generation Requirements**

Negative Operating Reserve is also modelled. This keeps some conventional generators above their minimum generation level and allows these generators reduce their output in response to a high frequency event.

#### *3.7.2.6 Minimum Number of Synchronous Generators at any time*

There is a requirement to have a minimum number of conventional generators synchronised at all times to provide inertia to the power system, ensure voltage stability and to ensure that network limitations (line loading and system voltages) are respected.

Changes to the rules are guided by operational and/or planning assumptions.

Table 3-13 details the assumptions employed with respect to the minimum conventional generation requirements for the constraints modelling.

Operational Constraints for Ireland	
Limit	Operational Constraint rule
<b><u>System Stability:</u></b> <b>5 Units from AD2, DB1, HNC, HN2, MP1, MP2, MP3, PBC, TB3, TB4, TYC, WG1</b>	There are a minimum number of high-inertia machines that must be on-load at all times in Ireland.  Five of these units are required to be on line for dynamic stability.
<b><u>Dublin Generation :</u></b> <b>2 Units from DB1, HNC, HN2, PBC</b>	There are a minimum number of large generators that must be on-load at all times in the Dublin area. Required for voltage control. This assumes EWIC is operational
<b><u>Dublin North Gen:</u></b> <b>1 Unit from PBC, HNC, HN2</b>	Requirement for generation in North/South Dublin (for load flow and voltage control).
<b><u>Dublin South Gen:</u></b> <b>1 Unit from PBC, DB1</b>	
<b><u>Southwest Gen :</u></b> <b>2 by night 3 by day</b>	There must be at least 2/3 generators on-load at all times in the South West area. Required for voltage stability. AD2, AT11, AT12, AT14, SK3, SK4, WG1

Table 3-14 Ireland Must Run Rules

### 3.8 DS3 Programme

In response to binding national and European targets, EirGrid Group began a multi-year programme, "Delivering a Secure, Sustainable Electricity System" (DS3).

The aim of the DS3 programme is to meet Ireland's 2020 electricity targets and beyond by increasing the amount of renewable energy on the Irish power system in a safe and secure manner.

#### Synchronous v non-synchronous generation

There are two types of electricity generation: synchronous generation and non-synchronous generation. Synchronous generation produces the same amount of electricity all the time. It is reliable and predictable and, therefore, easy to bring onto the grid. Fossil fuels such as coal, oil and gas are a type of synchronous generation.

Non-synchronous generation produces a variable amount of electricity depending on the renewable energy source. It does not produce the same amount of electricity all of the time. This makes it less reliable, and more difficult to bring onto the grid. Most renewable forms of energy, such as wind and solar, are types of non-synchronous generation. This is because the amount of wind and solar radiation is always changing and therefore they cannot produce power predictably.

### Meeting renewable electricity targets

The 2020 renewable electricity target and future targets mean that we will have to increase the amount of non-synchronous generation on the Irish power system in a safe and secure manner. The aim of the DS3 Programme is to meet this challenge.

So far the DS3 programme has enabled EirGrid to increase levels of renewable generation on the system from 50% to 65%. This is a world-first. We aim to increase this gradually to 75% over the coming years.

The DS3 programme assumptions in this study are included in Table 3-10.

## 3.9 SEM Constraint Groups

SEM Constraint Groups were proposed in SEM-13-012 and "Proposed Constraint Groups arising from SEM-11-105". There is one active SEM Constraint Group in Ireland, one future group in Ireland, and none in Northern Ireland.

The Donegal Constraint Group is presently active. In 2015, after the delivery of a number of transmission reinforcements, both the membership and the boundary of the Donegal Constraint Group were reduced. This SEM Constraint Group is now effective only for the transmission constraint at the group boundary and even that is mitigated by the introduction of a Special Protection Scheme at Clogher.

With the Clogher SPS included in the Constraint studies, the transmission constraint that invokes the Donegal Constraint Group binds very rarely in the simulations. The simulations are dominated by transmission constraints that overlap with other areas and which are not being driven by the members of the Donegal Constraint Group. Hence, the Donegal Constraint Group is not included in this study.

The Southwest Constraint Group is not presently active and is not modelled.



## 4 Study Methodology

### 4.1 Introduction

This section provides an overview of the modelling methodology employed to determine the likely curtailment and constraint levels for generators in this study.

The methodology of production cost modelling is utilised to conduct the studies for this report. This section includes a detailed description of production cost modelling is presented and an overview of Plexos, the modelling tool employed, is also provided. In addition, there is a description of curtailment and constraint modelling,

### 4.2 Production Cost Modelling

In general terms, production cost models utilise optimisation algorithms with the objective of minimising the cost of generating power to meet demand in a region while satisfying operational, security and environmental constraints. A production cost model minimises the combined fuel cost, CO<sub>2</sub> cost, and variable operation and maintenance cost. Wind-powered generation has essentially zero production cost but is a variable energy source. Hydro generation also has zero cost but is energy limited. Chronological production cost models optimise generator commitment and dispatch scheduling for every hour of a study period (typically one-year duration).

Production cost models require:

- Specification of individual generator capabilities including capacity, start-up energy, annual forced outage rate, annual scheduled outage duration, reserve provision capabilities, emission rates and heat rates (fuel input requirement per unit output generation).
- Specification of the hourly demand profile for the region.
- Specification of the fuel price for each type of fuel.
- Specification of the transmission network (required for studies where transmission constraint information is the desired output).
- Specification of contingencies.
- System security constraints such as the requirement for reserve.
- Generator operational constraints such as maximum and minimum operational levels, ramp rates, minimum runtimes and downtimes etc.
- Environmental considerations such as the cost of CO<sub>2</sub>.

The production cost modelling tool employed in this study is Plexos.

### 4.3 The Software: Plexos Integrated Energy Model

Plexos is a detailed generation and transmission analysis program that has been widely used in the electricity industry for many years. EirGrid has extensive experience in using this simulation tool to model the Irish power system. Plexos is supplied and supported by Energy Exemplar and is continually being upgraded and improved. It is a production cost modelling simulation program, used to determine power system performance and cost. It is a complex and very powerful tool for power system analysis, with separate commitment and dispatch algorithms.

#### Commitment and Dispatch

The commitment process refers to the selection of a number of generators, from the total generation portfolio, which is to be used to meet customer demand. The decision as to when these generators should come on or off-line is also part of the commitment process. So, for example, additional generation is committed on Monday mornings in order to meet higher weekday (than weekend) demand.

The dispatch process refers to the decisions taken on the loading of individual generation units. Thus the contribution from each online, or committed, unit towards meeting customer demand is determined by the dispatch decision.

#### Generator, Demand and Network

Full technical performance characteristics and operational cost details of each generation unit on the system is specified. An hourly system demand profile is also required. In this case, the transmission system is also modelled in detail.

The program output provides complete details of the operation of each generation unit. These are aggregated into system totals. Flows on transmission lines can be monitored and potential constraints on the system can be identified. A wide range of output reports is available, from system summaries to hour by hour information on individual generators.

#### DC Loadflow

Plexos is a DC loadflow simulation tool. Therefore, it only models real power flows and does not consider voltage. Transmission plant and line ratings are MVA rated and ratings vary with voltage. For the purposes of modelling the DC load flow MW ratings for the circuits, the model assumes a conversion factor of 0.9.

The conversion factor allows the necessary spare capacity for reactive power on the circuits and it allows for post-contingency low voltage. This 0.9 conversion factor gives a good performance for a wide range of pre-contingency and post-contingency conditions.

The model, as constructed, does not account for losses.

## 4.4 System Model

For this study, the system is modelled at generator level i.e. every single conventional generator is modelled in detail. Characteristics such as heat rates, ramp rates, minimum runtime and downtime, start-up energy, reserve provision capabilities, annual forced outage rate, annual scheduled outage duration and emission rates of each individual generator are specified.

Solar and wind-powered generators are modelled at 110 kV node level. In other words, if several windfarms are fed from a 110 kV node, the model represents them as a single windfarm at that node. The same is true for solar farms. These generators use hourly generation profiles series. More detail on the modelling of solar and wind-powered generation is provided in Section 3.6.2.

Ireland and Northern Ireland are treated as a single dispatch system in the production cost model for the purposes of producing an optimal minimum cost commitment and dispatch. Generators are dispatched based on their short-run marginal costs (which include the costs of fuel and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions) and in accordance with the dispatch assumptions outlined below.

## 4.5 Software Determination of Curtailment and Constraint

For this report, the wind and solar generators are assumed to be Grid Code compliant and that controllable wind and solar generators can be instructed to reduce their output if required.

The Plexos model is used to calculate curtailment and constraint. A number of supplemental studies are also needed to properly apportion constraints.

In the simulation, generators are committed and dispatched in the most economical manner while satisfying operational and security constraints such as limitations on the instantaneous wind penetration, operating reserve requirements, the requirement for a minimum number of synchronised conventional generators as well as the limitations of the transmission network.

The simulation is a security constrained N-1 study. This means that the network flows are constantly monitored to be safe against the possible loss of any item of transmission equipment.

The total reduction in wind energy for each wind generator is calculated by comparing the wind energy output from the simulation with the available wind energy.

## 4.6 Apportioning of Curtailment and Constraint

### Constraint

When a transmission constraint occurs, Plexos will attempt to alleviate the constraint in the most cost-effective manner.

If a transmission constraint causes wind or solar generation to be constrained down, Plexos' internal dispatch logic may choose one generator to constrain down out of several that have the same flow impact on the constraint (due to the fact that, in the constraints model, all these renewable generators are modelled with the same cost of production).

This report studies the connection of very large amounts of generation to the transmission network in the years 2020 to 2022. As such, there are some areas where the levels of transmission constraints are both large and frequent. There are also areas where there are, at times, several overlapping transmission constraints. This makes it more difficult to apportion curtailment and constraints to individual nodes.

Post-processing of the results is required. This ensures that generators, which have a similar impact on the constraint, will share proportionally in the effect of the constraint in the study results.

#### Curtailment

At hours when it is necessary to curtail wind and solar generation output, a decision has to be made as to which should have their output reduced. It is assumed in this study that, where possible, all controllable wind and solar generators share the reduction in output energy arising from curtailment in proportion to their available energy in that hour i.e. on a pro-rata basis.

## 5 Results Overview for Area D

### 5.1 Introduction

This chapter provides the curtailment and constraint results that are predicted for sixteen study scenarios. These are one future grid scenario and fifteen studies (the three study years [2020, 2021 and 2022] by five relevant generation scenarios [Initial, South, 33%, 66% and All] ).

An overview and discussion of the results is provided in this chapter. The curtailment and constraint results for each node are provided in Appendix C.

Area	Node	SO	Status	Solar	Wave	Wind
d	Ardnacrusha	DSO	Existing Offer	8		
d	Ardnacrusha	DSO	Initial			8
d	Ardnacrusha	TSO	Initial			
d	Booltiagh	DSO	ECP-1 Offer			23
d	Booltiagh	DSO	Existing Offer			24
d	Booltiagh	DSO	Initial			56
d	Booltiagh	DSO	Initial			5
d	Booltiagh	TSO	Initial			28
d	Booltiagh	TSO	Initial			3
d	Derrybrien	TSO	Initial			60
d	Drumline	DSO	ECP-1 Offer	4		
d	Drumline	DSO	Existing Offer	8		
d	Ennis	DSO	Existing Offer	4		
d	Slievecallan	TSO	Initial			71
d	Tullabrack	DSO	Existing Offer		5	
d	Tullabrack	DSO	Initial			26
d	Tullabrack	DSO	Initial			17
Subtotal				24	5	309

**Table 5-1 Generation Summary in Area D**

## 5.2 Network Overview and Generation

Area D is in the south of the country and there is a mix of existing wind, future wind and future solar locating here. A summary of the generation in Area D is provided in Table 5-1.

The transmission network in Area D is shown in Figure 5-1. The 400 kV circuits are shown in red, the 220 kV circuits in green and the 110 kV circuits in black. Possible future transmission stations for new generation are shown in blue.



Figure 5-1 Area D and Wider Network

### 2020, 2021 and 2022

In most study years, there is a tendency for renewable power to flow toward the demand at Dublin and toward the interconnector at EWIC. These flow patterns are relevant when seeking to understand constraint apportionment in the simulation.

Solar sees different reported levels of curtailment and constraint than wind. This is because the generator types have different capacity factors and they are forecast to generate at different times.

For some other areas, there is a tendency for some 110 kV nodes within that area to see higher constraints than others. The model is demonstrating that it is more efficient to constrain generation at some locations than at others. This is not materially the case for Area D.

For this report, constraints in the model are optimised on a system basis. This means that the constraints in Area D can be caused both by local and by wider system considerations. So, in theory, an increase in the installed generation in another area could increase constraints in Area D.

In addition to the power flows out of Area D, there are also power flows across or through Area D. Renewable power from the south west will flow across the transmission network, and at least some of this power will flow through Area D.

Also, the power flowing out of Area D meets and joins with power flows from other areas, as the power flows toward EWIC and toward the demand at Dublin. A transmission bottleneck between Area D and Dublin is shared with power coming from other areas.

### Future Grid

The Future Grid study has two additional interconnectors modelled; Celtic and Greenlink. This changes things and at times of high renewable power, there tends to be power flows towards the interconnectors, which are modelled at Knockraha and Great Island respectively.

Predicted curtailment and constraints for Area D are much lower in the Future Grid study than in the 2020, 2021 and 2022 studies. This is largely because of the two additional interconnectors which, as modelled, will address both curtailment and constraint for Area D. The Future Grid study also benefits significantly from several uprates, series compensations, and new circuits.

### Study Scenarios

There are sixteen study scenarios presented in this report. There is one future grid scenario. The next fifteen are combinations of three study years (2020, 2021 and 2022) and five generation scenarios (Initial, South, 33%, 66% and All).

Generation Scenario Initial is the generation that is expected to be in place by 2020. However, it is assumed that there is no large scale solar generation in Ireland in Initial.

Generation Scenario South takes Generation Scenario Initial and adds all the other generators in the south who will have connection offers up to ECP-1. The difference between South and Initial is that all the generators in Area E, Area F, Area H1, Area H2, Area K and Area I are in Generation Scenario South.

The 33% scenario is 33% of the way between the Initial scenario and the All scenario.

The 66% scenario is 66% of the way between the Initial scenario and the All scenario.

Finally, Generation Scenario All contains all the generators up to ECP-1 who will have connection offers.

### Curtailment

In this report, in each hour of the study, the curtailment is shared pro-rata on a system wide basis. This means that both curtailment reductions (as demand increases, as interconnection increases, or with the DS3 programme) and curtailment increases (when new generators connect) are shared system-wide.

Solar sees different reported levels of curtailment than wind. This is because the generator types have different capacity factors and they generate at different times.

The forecast curtailment is broadly constant within each area. To be precise, curtailment is calculated as an average for each subgroup within an area. There are no recommended subgroups for Area D, so curtailment is forecast to be consistent in this area. Comparing between areas, if there is a large quantity of wind generation in a given area, then that area can see relatively high curtailment.

In the real world and within Area D, a windfarm may have a better site, better turbines, etc., and may have a better capacity factor than neighbouring windfarms. This report doesn't differentiate on this, but a windfarm with a higher capacity factor will probably see less curtailment than an adjacent

windfarm with lower capacity factor. This is because at times of medium or low wind, the high capacity windfarm has power when the low capacity windfarm doesn't.

### 5.3 Area D – Average Results

The average Area D results are shown in Table 5-2 for solar and in Table 5-3 for wind. These tables provide the Area D average curtailment and constraint results for the study scenarios.

As a simplification, this study assumes that there is no solar in the Initial Scenario.

SOLAR						
	Study Year	Generation Scenario				
		Initial	South	33%	66%	All
Installed Ireland (GW)		0	1.1	0.8	1.7	2.5
Installed Area D (MW)		0	24	8	16	24
Installed Controllable Area D (MW)		0	24	8	16	24
Available Controllable Area D (GWh)		0	26	9	17	26
Curtailment (GWh)						
	2020	0	0.6	0.2	0.9	2.4
	2021	0	0.5	0.1	0.7	2.1
	2022	0	0.3	0.1	0.5	1.7
Constraint (GWh)						
	2020	0	0.1	0	0.1	0.2
	2021	0	0.1	0	0.1	0.2
	2022	0	0.9	0	0.1	0.2
Curtailment and Constraint (GWh)						
	2020	0	0.7	0.2	1	2.6
	2021	0	0.6	0.1	0.9	2.4
	2022	0	1.2	0.1	0.7	1.9
Curtailment %						
	2020		2%	2%	5%	9%
	2021		2%	2%	4%	8%
	2022		1%	1%	3%	7%
Constraint %						
	2020		<1%	<1%	1%	1%
	2021		<1%	<1%	1%	1%
	2022		3%	<1%	1%	1%
Curtailment and constraint %						
	2020		3%	2%	6%	10%
	2021		2%	2%	5%	9%
	2022		5%	2%	4%	8%
	Future Grid					2%

Table 5-2 Average Results for Area D – Solar



WIND						
	Study Year	Generation Scenario				
		Initial	South	33%	66%	All
Installed Ireland (GW)		4.2	4.9	4.8	5.5	6.1
Installed Area D (MW)		262	315	279	297	315
Installed Controllable Area D (MW)		237	289	254	272	289
Available Controllable Area D (GWh)		753	934	813	873	934
Curtailment (GWh)						
	2020	20	52	47	88	140
	2021	14	40	36	73	121
	2022	9	27	24	54	96
Constraint (GWh)						
	2020	2	10	5	8	9
	2021	4	13	5	7	10
	2022	9	41	15	17	19
Curtailment and Constraint (GWh)						
	2020	22	63	52	95	148
	2021	18	53	41	80	131
	2022	17	68	39	71	115
Curtailment %						
	2020	3%	6%	6%	10%	15%
	2021	2%	4%	4%	8%	13%
	2022	1%	3%	3%	6%	10%
Constraint %						
	2020	0%	1%	1%	1%	1%
	2021	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
	2022	1%	4%	2%	2%	2%
Curtailment and Constraint %						
	2020	3%	7%	6%	11%	16%
	2021	2%	6%	5%	9%	14%
	2022	2%	7%	5%	8%	12%
	Future Grid					2%

**Table 5-3 Average Results for Area D - Wind**

As shown, information is provided on the Installed Capacity (GW), and the various energy numbers (TWh) from Available Energy through Generation and onto the Curtailment and Constraint. The curtailment and constraint are also presented in percentage form.

By cross referencing the column subheadings (Generator Scenarios) and the row subheadings (study year), the information for each study scenario can be identified.

### Installed Generation (Ireland)

For Ireland, the installed solar in Ireland in Generation Scenario South is 1.1 GW (all in the south) and in Generation Scenario All is 2.5 GW.

The installed wind is 4.2 GW in Generation Scenario Initial and this increases to 4.9 GW in Generation Scenario South and to 6.1 GW in Generation Scenario All. The 33% and 66% scenarios have 4.8 GW of wind and 5.5 GW of wind respectively.

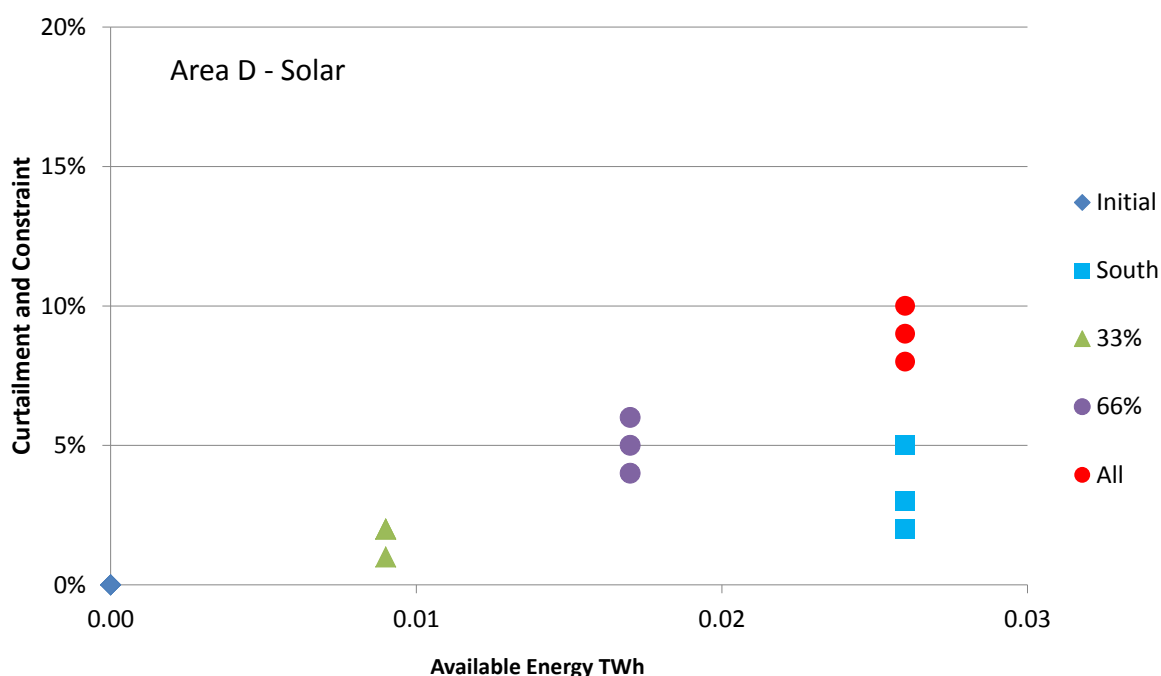
### Installed Generation (Area D)

There is no solar in Area D assumed in Generation Scenario Initial and this increases to 24 MW in scenario South and scenario All. Generation Scenario 33% has 8 MW of solar in Area D and Generation Scenario 66% has 16 MW.

The controllable wind in Area D increases from 237 MW in Generation Scenario Initial to 289 MW in Generation Scenario South and Generation Scenario All. Generation Scenario 33% has 254 MW of controllable wind in Area D and Generation Scenario 66% has 272 MW.

### Area D - Average Results

From the above tables, there is no solar in Generation Scenario Initial. For the study assumptions used, the predicted curtailment and constraint for wind is 3% in 2020 for Generation Scenario Initial. If it was possible to develop and connect "All Offers" by 2022, then for Area D, the curtailment and constraint would increase to 8% for solar and 12% for wind.



**Figure 5-2 Average Curtailment and Constraint Area D Solar**

For solar in Area D, the curtailment and constraint results are shown in Figure 5-2. The diagram shows the combined curtailment and constraint seen by wind for fifteen scenarios.

These are the combination of three study years (2020, 2021 and 2022) and five chosen generation scenarios. The generation scenarios include Initial, 33%, 66% and All. Because Area D is in the south, the Generation Scenario South is also included. For this study, it is assumed that there is no solar in generation scenario Initial.

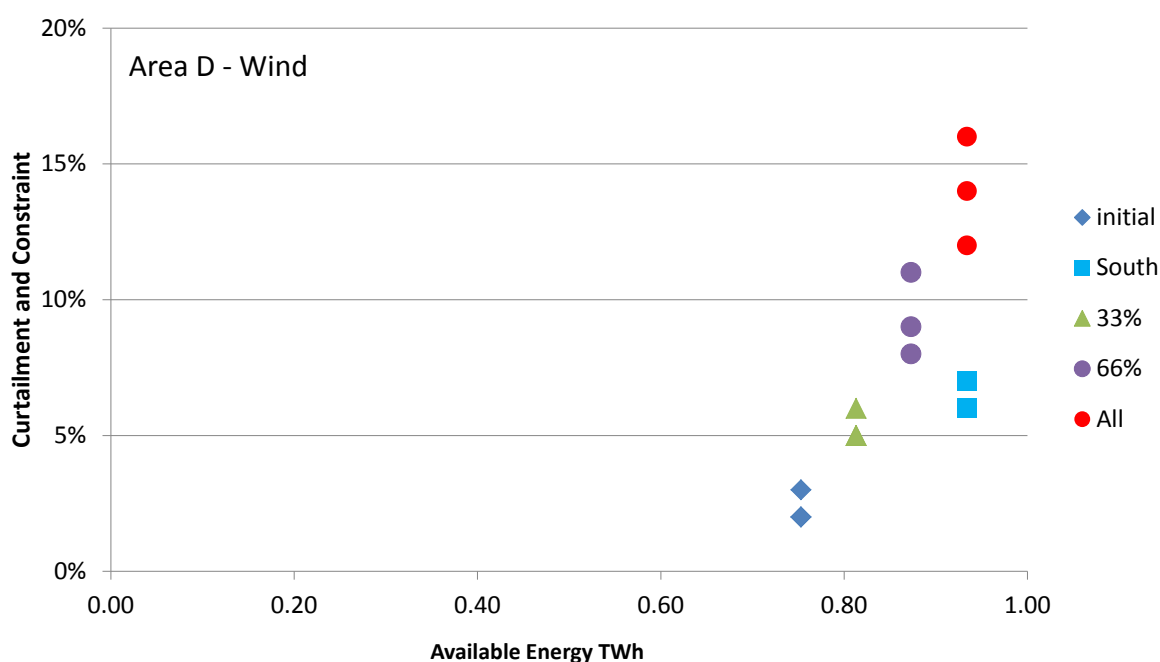
The x-axis of the above graph shows the available energy from solar generation in Area D. For Area D, there is 24 MW / 26 GWh of solar in the model for "South" and for "All". For the generation scenarios "33%" and "66%", these values are 8 MW / 9 GWh and 16 MW / 17 GWh respectively.

In the diagram, the blue squares are for Generation Scenario South. In 2020 and for the study assumptions used, solar in Area D would hypothetically see 3% average curtailment and constraint. With the generation remaining unchanged in the model, this changes to 2% in 2021 and to 5% in 2022.

There is a small bit of volatility in the reported results for solar in Area D in the generation south scenario. This is probably due to the small amount of solar in this study area (only 24 MW) compared to the amount of renewable generation in Ireland in these studies (1.1 GW of solar and 4.9 GW of wind). Nevertheless, these reported constraint levels are not high, compared with what is seen elsewhere on the network.

The red circles are for the study with Generation Scenario All. With this generation, solar in Area D would hypothetically see 10% average curtailment and constraint in 2020. With the generation remaining unchanged in the model, this reduces to 9% in 2021 and to 8% in 2022.

Scenario 33% and Scenario 66% are shown as the green triangles and purple circles respectively.



**Figure 5-3 Average Curtailment and Constraint Area D Wind**

For wind in Area D, the combined curtailment and constraint average results are shown in Figure 5-3.

The x-axis of Figure 5-3 shows the available energy from controllable wind generation in Area D. For Area D, there is an additional 52 MW / 181 GWh of controllable wind in the model between the studies.

In the diagram, the blue diamonds are for Generation Scenario Initial. With this generation in the study year 2020, and for the study assumptions used, wind in Area D is forecast to see 3% curtailment and constraint on average. If the generation remained unchanged, this would reduce to 2% in 2021 and 2022. These reductions are due to forecast demand increases, DS3 improvements, interconnection capacity increases and forecast delivery of transmission reinforcements.

The blue squares are for Generation Scenario South. These show the forecast average curtailment and constraint for wind when all contracted generation in the south is introduced to the model. With this, wind would hypothetically see 7% in the study year 2020. With the generation remaining unchanged in the model, this changes to 6% in 2021 and returns to 7% in 2022.

The red circles are for Generation Scenario All. With this generation in study year 2020, wind in Area D would hypothetically see 16% average curtailment and constraint. With the generation remaining unchanged in the model, this reduces to 14% in 2021 and to 12% in 2022.

Scenario 33% and Scenario 66% are shown as the green triangles and purple circles respectively.

Average Curtailment and Constraint

Figure 5-4 shows the breakdown between curtailment and constraint for the study scenarios. The top diagram is for solar and the lower is for wind.

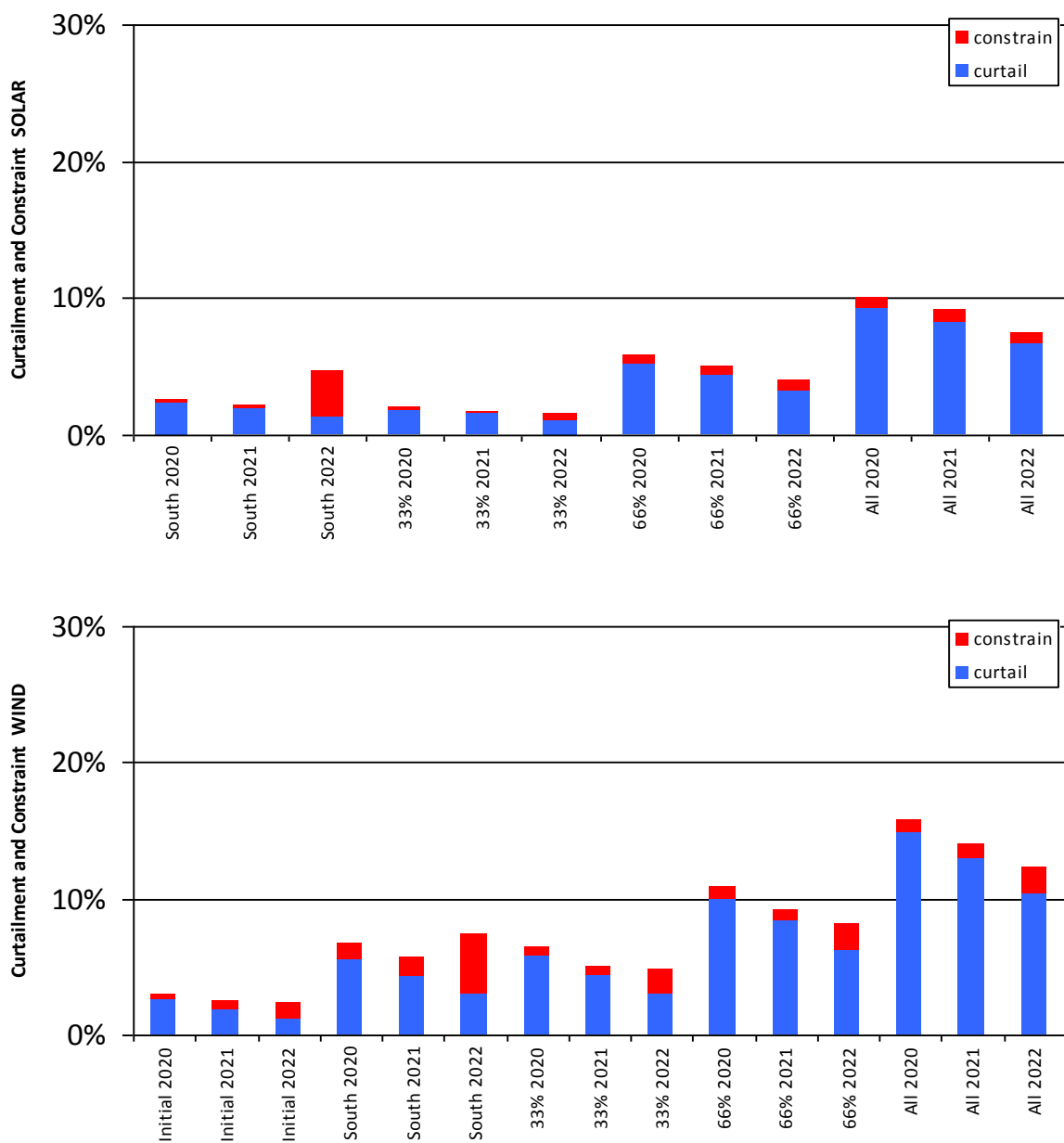


Figure 5-4 Average Curtailment and Constraint in Area D

For both solar and wind in Area D, the dispatch down is a mix of curtailment and constraint. For the Generation Scenario All, curtailment is the larger part.

## 5.4 Area D by Node

There is often a post-processing step between the Plexos simulation and this report. This is necessary if a subgroup of nodes within the area has noticeably different constraint levels from another subgroup.

This step is not required for Area D. Within Area D, all the nodes have similar levels of constraints and there is no need to prepare subgroups.

## 5.5 Future Grid

While preparing for this report, the wind and solar developers requested the inclusion of a study including a number of projects beyond the time horizon of this report. For this reason, a Future Grid scenario is performed which includes a variety of projects that are well beyond the timeframe of this report. The study uses Generation Scenario All and takes the 2022 year as a starting point before adding additional reinforcements and future DS3 assumptions.

This study is not intended as an indication to individual generators that their curtailment and constraints will reduce to the indicated levels. Rather, it is a signal of the types and variety of projects which would be required to reduce curtailment and constraints for the Generation portfolio in this report. In addition, this study is not intended to be exhaustive and it is not intended to remove all transmission constraints. The reinforcements used, in addition to those in study year 2022, are listed in Appendix A.

The reference case and the Future Grid scenario have the same generation and have the same demand so the difference between the two curves is due to the added projects.

The study finds that the cumulative impact of these projects is a noticeable reduction in the curtailment and constraint. It should be noted that this Future Grid scenario has not studied each project individually, so it is not possible to comment on the individual impact of each project.

### Results – Future Grid

The Future Grid results for Area D show a reduction in both curtailment and constraints.

The two interconnectors act to mitigate curtailment and, for Area D, they mitigate constraints as well. The several line upgrades, series compensations and new circuits are also benefiting here.

## 5.6 Summary – Results for Area D

This chapter provides an overview of the curtailment and constraint forecast values for Area D for a range of scenarios based on a number of installed generation assumptions (generation scenarios) and on the study year (network and demand assumptions). The results depend on the study assumptions which are described in this report.

Appendix C contains the detailed results consisting of energy (GWh) and percentage curtailment and constraint values for each node for both solar and wind in Area D.



## Appendix A Network Reinforcement

Project Type	Project
	<b>Included in Model from 2020</b>
DS3 Programme	SNSP 75%          65% at present.
DS3 Programme	Inertia 17500      23000 at present
New Build	Belcamp 220 kV station
New Build	Castlebaggot 220 kV station
New Build	Clashavoon Dunmanway 110
New Build	Clashavoon Macrooom 110 circuit 2
New Build	Mount Lucas – Thornsberry 110
New Build	Loop Kilpaddoge into Tarbert Tralee 110 circuit 1
Uprate	Dunstown T4202
Uprate	Clashavoon T2101
Uprate	Great Island – Wexford 110
Uprate	Corduff Ryebrook 110
Station	Thornsberry busbar uprate

**Table A-0-1 Reinforcements for 2020**

Project Type	Project
	<b>Included in Model from 2021</b>
New Build	Kilpaddoge Knockanure 220 circuit 2
New Build	Belcamp Shellybanks 220
New Build	Loop Kilpaddoge into Killonan Tarbert 220
Uprate	Ballynahulla Knockanure 220
Uprate	Ballynahulla Ballyvouskil 220
Uprate	Binbane – Cathaleen’s Fall 110
Uprate	Bellacorick Moy 110
Uprate	Corderry Srananagh 110
Uprate	Laois Portlaoise 110
Uprate	Ardnacrusha Singland 110 uprate in Ardnacrusha station
Uprate	Arklow Ballybeg 110 <i>uprate in Arklow station</i>
Uprate	Cloon Lanesboro 110 <i>restore rating on this circuit.</i>
Uprate	Flagford Louth 220 <i>restore rating on this circuit</i>
Station	Castlebar busbar uprate
Station	Moy busbar uprate
Station	Wexford busbar uprate
Reactive Support	Thurles STATCOM
Special Protection Scheme	Galway temporary SPS until new Galway 110 station

**Table A-0-2 Additional Reinforcements for 2021**



Project Type	Project
	Included in Model from 2022
New Build	Laois 400 kV station (Coolnabacky)
New Build	Ballyragget Kilkenny 110
New Build	Ballyragget Laois 110
Uprate	Arva – Carrick on Shannon 110
Uprate	Great Island – Kilkenny 110
Uprate	Derryiron Maynooth 110 In Maynooth station, the Derryiron dropper.
Station	Knockraha station reconfiguration and short circuit mitigation
Station	Kilkenny busbar uprate

**Table A-0-3 Additional Reinforcements for 2022**

## A.1 Projects in Future Grid Scenario with Additional Projects Well Beyond the Study Timeframe

Project Type	Project
	Included in Future Grid scenario
Demand	2022 Demand used for this study
DS3 Programme	Reserve provided from alternative sources (batteries, etc.)
DS3 Programme	SNSP 80%
DS3 Programme	Large Generator Must Run (4 in Ireland, 2 in Northern Ireland) Before this (5 in Ireland, 3 in Northern Ireland)
New Build	North-South 400 kV interconnector
New Build	North Connaught
New Build	New 110 kV station at Galway
New Build	Project 966 For this study, modelled as a Dunstown Woodland 400 kV circuit.
Interconnector	Celtic 700 MW to France
Interconnector	Moyle export capability of 500 MW
Interconnector	Greenlink 500 MW to Britain
Series Compensation	Dunstown Laois 400
Series Compensation	Moneypoint Laois 400
Series Compensation	Oldstreet Woodland 400
Uprate	Flagford Sligo 110
Uprate	Lanesboro – Sliabh Bawn 110
Uprate	Gorman Platin 110
Uprate	Lisheen Thurles 110
Uprate	Dunmanway Bandon 110
Uprate	Bandon Raffeen 110
Station	Bandon busbar uprate

Project Type	Project
Station	Maynooth station reconfiguration
Station	Letterkenny busbar uprate
Station	Lanesboro busbar uprate
Reactive Support	Ballynahulla STATCOM
Reactive Support	Ballyvouskil STATCOM
Reactive Support	Knockanure reactor
Uprate	Arklow Ballybeg 110
Uprate	Ballybeg Carrickmines 110
Uprate	Aghada Knockraha 220 circuit 1
Uprate	Aghada Knockraha 220 circuit 2
Uprate	Athlone Shannonbridge 110
Uprate	Gorman Maynooth 220
Uprate	Maynooth – Blake T
Uprate	Maynooth Woodland 220

**Table A-0-4 Additional Reinforcements for Future Grid scenario**

There are projects beyond the time frame for this study that will reduce curtailment and constraints. The more significant of these projects are already being progressed (DS3 Programme, Celtic Interconnector, North South Interconnector, Series Compensation of 400 kV network, new Galway 110 kV station, North Connaught, etc.) and others are in preparation. Information about approved reinforcements is available on the EirGrid website.

For the Future Grid scenario, there are three types of project included for a future well beyond the timeframe of this report. These include DS3 projects, interconnection and transmission reinforcement.

SNSP, Conventional Must Run, Etc.

For this study, SNSP was increased to 80%, it is assumed that reserve was provided from alternative sources the number of must run large conventional units was reduced. These modelling assumptions go beyond the present programme for DS3.

Interconnection

There are three interconnector projects assumed. The first is that the export capacity of Moyle would increase to 500 MW. The second is an assumption of a Celtic interconnector to France and the third is the assumption of a Greenlink interconnector to Britain.

## Transmission Reinforcement

There are twenty nine extra transmission reinforcements included in the Future Grid scenario compared with the 2022 Year. The study uses a mix of approved projects (albeit due beyond 2022) and a limited number of other projects which, from the constraint analysis only, appear to warrant inclusion.

As a simplification for the modelling in this scenario only, it is assumed that where a 110 kV circuit rating is the constraint, that the project to resolve it is to uprate the existing circuit. The uprate of a 110 kV circuit is frequently a major and expensive undertaking and these projects may not be implemented in this way. Customers should recognise that the reinforcements listed will be subject to a full economic analysis and optimisation process before a decision is made to proceed with them.

Also, this Future Grid scenario is not intended to be a plan to identify all the reinforcements necessary to solve all the transmission constraints in an area. Consequently, even with the reinforcements selected, there are still some new transmission constraints and these are visible in the findings.

## Appendix B Generator

Generator information is in this Appendix as follows.

- Overview by Type
- Generator Type by Node for All Offers
- Generator List by Name
- Generation Type by Node for each Study Scenario

## B.1 Generator Type for each Generation Scenario

	Initial	north west	south	north east	33%	66%	All
battery		278	141	210	210	420	629
inertia				4	1	3	4
solar		322	1148	1049	831	1662	2519
new thermal	20	76	63	68	56	111	167
wave	10	10	15	10	12	14	15
wind	4211	4889	4806	4857	4844	5478	6030
<b>Total</b>	<b>4241</b>	<b>5575</b>	<b>6173</b>	<b>6198</b>	<b>5954</b>	<b>7688</b>	<b>9364</b>

## B.2 Generator Type by Area for each Generation Scenario

	Initial	north west	south	north east	33%	66%	All
<b>battery</b>		<b>278</b>	<b>141</b>	<b>210</b>	<b>210</b>	<b>419</b>	<b>629</b>
B		15			5	10	15
C		263			88	175	263
E			46		15	31	46
G				143	48	95	143
H2			95		32	63	95
J				67	22	45	67
<b>inertia</b>				<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>
J				4	1	3	4
<b>solar</b>		<b>322</b>	<b>1148</b>	<b>1049</b>	<b>831</b>	<b>1662</b>	<b>2519</b>
A		40			13	26	40
B		67			22	44	67
C		215			71	142	215
D			24		8	16	24
E			271		89	179	271
F			24		8	16	24
G				290	96	192	290
H1			167		55	110	167
H2			449		148	296	449
I			91		30	60	91

	Initial	north west	south	north east	33%	66%	All
J				759	250	501	759
K			122		40	80	122
<b>new thermal</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>167</b>
B		51			17	34	51
C		5			2	3	5
E			2		1	1	2
F	16	16	18	16	6	12	18
G				20	7	13	20
H2			33		11	22	33
I			4		1	3	4
J	4	4	4	32	11	21	32
K			2		1	1	2
<b>wave</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>
B	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
D			5		2	4	5
<b>wind</b>	<b>4211</b>	<b>4889</b>	<b>4806</b>	<b>4857</b>	<b>4844</b>	<b>5478</b>	<b>6030</b>
A	638	882	638	638	718	799	882
B	616	992	616	616	740	864	992
C	91	150	91	91	111	130	150
D	262	262	309	262	278	293	309
E	1397	1397	1550	1397	1448	1498	1550
F	147	147	250	147	181	215	250
G	174	174	174	575	307	439	575
H1	441	441	680	441	520	599	680
H2	322	322	342	322	329	336	342
I	6	6	6	6	6	6	6
J	88	88	88	333	169	250	233
K	27	27	61	27	38	49	61
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>4241</b>	<b>5575</b>	<b>6173</b>	<b>6198</b>	<b>5954</b>	<b>7688</b>	<b>9364</b>

### B.3 Generator Type by Node for All Offers

	battery	inertia	solar	Thermal new	wave	Wind	Total
<b>A</b>			<b>40</b>			<b>882</b>	<b>922</b>
Ardnagappary						18	18
Arigna						16	16
Binbane						111	111
Carrickaduff and Carrickalangan						138	138
Cathaleen's Fall						23	23
Corderry			40			63	103
Garvagh						82	82
Golagh						15	15
Gortawee						3	3
Letterkenny						90	90
Meentycat						85	85
Mulreavy						95	95
Sorne Hill						67	67
Tievebrack						31	31
Trillick						45	45
<b>B</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>994</b>	<b>1137</b>
Bellacorick	3				10	310	323
Castlebar						44	44
Cloon			24			4	28
Cunghill						35	35
Dalton	12		4			43	59
Glenree						126	126
Knockranny						128	128
Moy			4			6	10
Salthill						44	44
Shantallow into Cashla Somerset T			35				35
Sligo						14	14
Tawnaghmore				49		30	79
Tonroe				2		12	14
Uggool						198	198
<b>C</b>	<b>263</b>		<b>215</b>	<b>5</b>		<b>150</b>	<b>633</b>
Athlone			12				12
Carrick on Shannon			8			4	12
Dallow			8			58	66
Lanesboro			94			10	104
Lumcloon	100						100
Mullingar			12				12
Richmond			12	5			17
Shannonbridge			65				65



	battery	inertia	solar	Thermal new	wave	Wind	Total
Shannonbridge 220	163						163
Sliabh Bawn						58	58
Somerset			4			20	24
<b>D</b>			<b>24</b>		<b>5</b>	<b>309</b>	<b>338</b>
Ardnacrusha			8			8	16
Booltiagh						140	140
Derrybrien						60	60
Drumline			12				12
Ennis			4				4
Slievecallan						71	71
Tullabrack					5	31	36
<b>E</b>	<b>46</b>		<b>271</b>	<b>2</b>		<b>1552</b>	<b>1871</b>
Athea						102	102
Aughinish			50				50
Boggeragh						169	169
Charleville			30	2		70	102
Clahane			34			52	86
Cloghboola						101	101
Coomagearlahy						81	81
Coomataggart						178	178
Cordal						148	148
Dromada						29	29
Drombeg loop into Kilpaddoge Tralee 2			50				50
Garrow						74	74
Glanlee						30	30
Glenlara			5			26	31
Glenlara_wind connected via Ballynahulla 220						41	41
Kilpaddoge	30					60	90
Knockacummer						100	100
Knockearagh			9			14	23
Limerick			4				4
Mallow			19				19
Moneypoint	8					17	25
Oughtragh			4			9	13
Rathkeale			4			32	36
Reamore	8					98	106
Toorard into Charleville Glenlara			50				50
Tralee			8			48	56
Trien			4			27	31
Trien_wind connected via Knockanure 220						46	46

	battery	inertia	solar	Thermal new	wave	Wind	Total
<b>F</b>			<b>24</b>	<b>18</b>		<b>250</b>	<b>292</b>
Ballylickey						60	60
Bandon			20	17		13	50
Dunmanway						153	153
Macroom			4	1		24	29
<b>G</b>	<b>143</b>		<b>290</b>	<b>20</b>		<b>575</b>	<b>1028</b>
Baltrasna			20				20
Drybridge			19	3		6	28
Dundalk			4			31	35
Gaskinstown into Drybridge Hawkinstown			85				85
Gillinstown into Gorman Platin			95				95
Gorman	50					120	170
Hawkinstown into Baltrasna-Dry			50				50
Lisdrum	60					33	93
Meath Hill	33			4		69	106
Navan			13	13			26
Oriel						210	210
Ratrussan						79	79
Shankill			4			28	32
<b>H1</b>			<b>167</b>			<b>680</b>	<b>847</b>
Ahane			8				8
Ballydine			7				7
Barrymore			10			32	42
Cahir			36				36
Cauteen						182	182
Doon			8			17	25
Ikerrin			30			36	66
Kill Hill						36	36
Killonan						141	141
Lisheen						127	127
Mothel into Ballydine Cullenagh			60				60
Nenagh			4			62	66
Thurles						42	42
Tipperary			4			5	9
<b>H2</b>	<b>95</b>		<b>449</b>	<b>33</b>		<b>342</b>	<b>919</b>
Arklow			14			80	94
Ballybeg			8				8
Ballyfasy into GI-KK			50				50
Ballywater						42	42
Banoge	9		8				17
Bullockhill into Ballyragget-KK			50				50
Carlow			8			55	63

	battery	inertia	solar	Thermal new	wave	Wind	Total
Castledockrell						41	41
Crane	16		13			7	36
Croy			16			60	76
Great Island	30		17	33			80
Kilkenny	40		24				64
Rosspile into GI-Wex			95				95
Stratford			4				4
Tullabeg into Banoge Crane			50				50
Waterford			4			19	23
Wexford			88			39	127
<b>I</b>			<b>91</b>	<b>4</b>		<b>6</b>	<b>101</b>
Barnahely			5			5	10
Castleview				4			4
Coolroe			20				20
Cow Cross			5				5
Kilbarry			10				10
Midleton			43			2	45
Trabeg			9				9
<b>J</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>759</b>	<b>32</b>		<b>233</b>	<b>1095</b>
Athy	8		9				17
BLAKE T			81				81
Blundelstown into Cdu-Mul			80				80
Clonfad into Kinn-Mul			100				100
College Park		4					4
Coolnabacky			55				55
Cushaling						100	100
Derryiron	20			18			38
Dunfirth			18				18
Finglas			20	4			24
Gallanstown Muckerstown into Corduff Platin			119				119
Glasmore			4				4
Grange Castle			16				16
Griffinrath			45				45
Harristown			42				42
Kilteel	30		15				45
Monread			8				8
Mount Lucas						79	79
Newbridge			16				16
Portlaoise			8			54	62
Stephenstown	9		5				14
Thornsberry			8	10			18

	battery	inertia	solar	Thermal new	wave	Wind	Total
Timahoe North into Maynooth Derryiron			70				70
Treascon into Bracklone Portlaoise			40				40
<b>K</b>			<b>122</b>	<b>2</b>		<b>61</b>	<b>185</b>
Butlerstown			4	2		2	8
Dungarvan			23			5	28
Rathnaskilloge into Cullenagh Dungarvan			95				95
Woodhouse						54	54

#### B.4 Generator Type by Node for each Generation Scenario

node	type	area	Gen Installed Scenarios						
			Initial	north west	south	north east	33%	66%	ALL offers
Ahane	solar	H1			8		3	5	8
Ardnacrusha	solar	D			8		3	5	8
Ardnacrusha	wind	D	8	8	8	8	8	8	8
Ardnagappary	wind	A	18	18	18	18	18	18	18
Arigna	wind	A	16	16	16	16	16	16	16
Arklow	solar	H2			14		5	9	14
Arklow	wind	H2	80	80	80	80	80	80	80
Athea	wind	E	34	34	102	34	57	79	102
Athlone	solar	C		12			4	8	12
Athy	battery	J				8	3	5	8
Athy	solar	J				9	3	6	9
Aughinish	solar	E			50		17	33	50
Ballybeg	solar	H2			8		3	5	8
Ballydine	solar	H1			7		2	5	7
Ballyfasy into GI-KK	solar	H2			50		17	33	50
Ballylickey	wind	F	60	60	60	60	60	60	60
Ballywater	wind	H2	42	42	42	42	42	42	42
Baltrasna	solar	G				20	7	13	20
Bandon	solar	F			20		7	13	20
Bandon	thermal	F	16	16	17	16	16	17	17
Bandon	wind	F	13	13	13	13	13	13	13
Banoge	battery	H2			9		3	6	9
Banoge	solar	H2			8		3	5	8
Barnahely	solar	I			5		2	3	5
Barnahely	wind	I	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
Barrymore	solar	H1			10		3	7	10
Barrymore	wind	H1	32	32	32	32	32	32	32
Bellacorick	battery	B		3			1	2	3
Bellacorick	wave	B	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Bellacorick	wind	B	115	310	115	115	180	245	310
Binbane	wind	A	79	111	79	79	90	100	111
Blake T	solar	J				81	27	54	81
Blundelstown into Cdu-Mul	solar	J				80	27	53	80
Boggeragh	wind	E	143	143	169	143	152	160	169
Booltiagh	wind	D	93	93	140	93	109	124	140
Bullockhill into Ballyragget-KK	solar	H2			50		17	33	50
Butlerstown	solar	K			4		1	3	4
Butlerstown	thermal	K			2		1	1	2

			Gen Installed Scenario s						
node	type	area	Initial	north west	south	north east	33%	66%	ALL offers
Butlerstown	wind	K	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Cahir	solar	H1			36		12	24	36
Carlow	solar	H2			8		3	5	8
Carlow	wind	H2	35	35	55	35	42	48	55
Carrick on Shannon	solar	C		8			3	5	8
Carrick on Shannon	wind	C		4			1	3	4
Carrickaduff and Carrickalangan	wind	A		138			46	92	138
Castlebar	wind	B	44	44	44	44	44	44	44
Castledockrell	wind	H2	41	41	41	41	41	41	41
Castleview	thermal	I			4		1	3	4
Cathleen's Fall	wind	A	23	23	23	23	23	23	23
Cauteen	wind	H1	178	178	182	178	179	181	182
Charleville	solar	E			30		10	20	30
Charleville	thermal	E			2		1	1	2
Charleville	wind	E	70	70	70	70	70	70	70
Clahane	solar	E			34		11	23	34
Clahane	wind	E	52	52	52	52	52	52	52
Cloghboola	wind	E	101	101	101	101	101	101	101
Clonfad into Kinn-Mul	solar	J				100	33	67	100
Cloon	solar	B		24			8	16	24
Cloon	wind	B	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
College Park	inertia	J				4	1	3	4
Coolnabacky	solar	J				55	18	37	55
Coolroe	solar	I			20		7	13	20
Coomagearlahy	wind	E	81	81	81	81	81	81	81
Coomataggart	wind	E	178	178	178	178	178	178	178
Cordal	wind	E	148	148	148	148	148	148	148
Corderry	solar	A		40			13	27	40
Corderry	wind	A	63	63	63	63	63	63	63
Cow Cross	solar	I			5		2	3	5
Crane	battery	H2			16		5	11	16
Crane	solar	H2			13		4	9	13
Crane	wind	H2	7	7	7	7	7	7	7
Croy	solar	H2			16		5	11	16
Croy	wind	H2	60	60	60	60	60	60	60
Cunghill	wind	B	35	35	35	35	35	35	35
Cushaling	wind	J				100	33	67	100
Dallow	solar	C			8		3	5	8
Dallow	wind	C	21	21	58	21	33	46	58
Dalton	battery	B		12			4	8	12
Dalton	solar	B		4			1	3	4
Dalton	wind	B	43	43	43	43	43	43	43

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node	type	area	Initial	north west	south	north east	33%	66%	ALL offers
Derrybrien	wind	D	60	60	60	60	60	60	60
Derryiron	battery	J				20	7	13	20
Derryiron	thermal	J				18	6	12	18
Doon	solar	H1			8		3	5	8
Doon	wind	H1			17		6	11	17
Dromada	wind	E	29	29	29	29	29	29	29
Drombeg loop into Kilpaddocke Tralee 2	solar	E			50		17	33	50
Drumline	solar	D			12		4	8	12
Drybridge	solar	G				19	6	13	19
Drybridge	thermal	G				3	1	2	3
Drybridge	wind	G	6	6	6	6	6	6	6
Dundalk	solar	G				4	1	3	4
Dundalk	wind	G	16	16	16	31	21	26	31
Dunfirth	solar	J				18	6	12	18
Dungarvan	solar	K			23		8	15	23
Dungarvan	wind	K	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
Dunmanway	wind	F	50	50	153	50	84	119	153
Ennis	solar	D			4		1	3	4
Finglas	solar	J				20	7	13	20
Finglas	thermal	J	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
Gallanstown Muckerstown into Corduff Platin	solar	J				119	40	79	119
Garrow	wind	E	74	74	74	74	74	74	74
Garvagh	wind	A	82	82	82	82	82	82	82
Gaskinstown into Drybridge Hawkinstown	solar	G				85	28	57	85
Gillinstown into Gorman Platin	solar	G				95	32	63	95
Glanlee	wind	E	30	30	30	30	30	30	30
Glasmore	solar	J				4	1	3	4
Glenlara	solar	E			5		2	3	5
Glenlara	wind	E	26	26	26	26	26	26	26
Glenlara_wind	wind	E	27	27	41	27	32	36	41
Glenree	wind	B	65	126	65	65	85	106	126
Golagh	wind	A	15	15	15	15	15	15	15
Gorman	battery	G				50	17	33	50
Gorman	wind	G				120	40	80	120
Gortawee	wind	A	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Grange Castle	solar	J				16	5	11	16
Great Island	battery	H2			30		10	20	30
Great Island	solar	H2			17		6	11	17

			Gen Installed Scenario s						
node	type	area	Initial	north west	south	north east	33%	66%	ALL offers
Great Island	thermal	H2			33		11	22	33
Griffinrath	solar	J				45	15	30	45
Harristown	solar	J				42	14	28	42
Hawkinstown into Baltrasna-Dry	solar	G				50	17	33	50
Ikerrin	solar	H1			30		10	20	30
Ikerrin	wind	H1	36	36	36	36	36	36	36
Kilbarry	solar	I			10		3	7	10
Kilkenny	battery	H2			40		13	27	40
Kilkenny	solar	H2			24		8	16	24
Kill Hill	wind	H1	36	36	36	36	36	36	36
Killonan	wind	H1			141		47	94	141
Kilpaddoge	battery	E			30		10	20	30
Kilpaddoge	wind	E	60	60	60	60	60	60	60
Kilteel	battery	J				30	10	20	30
Kilteel	solar	J				15	5	10	15
Knockacummer	wind	E	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Knockearagh	solar	E			9		3	6	9
Knockearagh	wind	E	14	14	14	14	14	14	14
Knockranny	wind	B	37	128	37	37	67	98	128
Lanesboro	solar	C		94			31	63	94
Lanesboro	wind	C	5	10	5	5	7	8	10
Letterkenny	wind	A	52	90	52	52	65	77	90
Limerick	solar	E			4		1	3	4
Lisdrum	battery	G				60	20	40	60
Lisdrum	wind	G				33	11	22	33
Lisheen	wind	H1	99	99	127	99	108	118	127
Lumcloon	battery	C		100			33	67	100
Macroon	solar	F			4		1	3	4
Macroon	thermal	F			1		0	1	1
Macroon	wind	F	24	24	24	24	24	24	24
Mallow	solar	E			19		6	13	19
Meath Hill	battery	G				33	11	22	33
Meath Hill	thermal	G				4	1	3	4
Meath Hill	wind	G	46	46	46	69	54	61	69
Meentycat	wind	A	85	85	85	85	85	85	85
Midleton	solar	I			43		14	29	43
Midleton	wind	I	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Moneypoint	battery	E			8		3	5	8
Moneypoint	wind	E	17	17	17	17	17	17	17
Monread	solar	J				8	3	5	8
Mothel into Ballydine Cullenagh	solar	H1			60		20	40	60



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node	type	area	Initial	north west	south	north east	33%	66%	ALL offers
Mount Lucas	wind	J	79	79	79	79	79	79	79
Moy	solar	B		4			1	3	4
Moy	wind	B	6	6	6	6	6	6	6
Mullingar	solar	C		12			4	8	12
Mulreavy	wind	A	95	95	95	95	95	95	95
Navan	solar	G				13	4	9	13
Navan	thermal	G				13	4	9	13
Nenagh	solar	H1			4		1	3	4
Nenagh	wind	H1	14	14	62	14	30	46	62
Newbridge	solar	J				16	5	11	16
Oriel	wind	G				210	70	140	210
Oughtragh	solar	E			4		1	3	4
Oughtragh	wind	E	9	9	9	9	9	9	9
Portlaoise	solar	J				8	3	5	8
Portlaoise	wind	J	9	9	9	54	24	39	54
Rathkeale	solar	E			4		1	3	4
Rathkeale	wind	E	32	32	32	32	32	32	32
Rathnaskilloge into Cullenagh Dungarvan	solar	K			95		32	63	95
Ratrussan	wind	G	79	79	79	79	79	79	79
Reamore	battery	E			8		3	5	8
Reamore	wind	E	60	60	98	60	73	85	98
Richmond	solar	C		12			4	8	12
Richmond	thermal	C		5			2	3	5
Rosspile into GI-Wex	solar	H2			95		32	63	95
Salthill	wind	B	44	44	44	44	44	44	44
Shankill	solar	G				4	1	3	4
Shankill	wind	G	28	28	28	28	28	28	28
Shannonbridge	solar	C		65			22	43	65
Shannonbridge 220	battery	C		163			54	109	163
Shantallow into Cashla Somerset T	solar	B		35			12	23	35
Sliabh Bawn	wind	C	58	58	58	58	58	58	58
Slievecallan	wind	D	71	71	71	71	71	71	71
Sligo	wind	B	14	14	14	14	14	14	14
Somerset	solar	C		4			1	3	4
Somerset	wind	C	8	20	8	8	12	16	20
Sorne Hill	wind	A	62	67	62	62	64	65	67
Stephenstown	battery	J				9	3	6	9
Stephenstown	solar	J				5	2	3	5
Stratford	solar	H2			4		1	3	4

			Gen Installed Scenario s						
node	type	area	Initial	north west	south	north east	33%	66%	ALL offers
Tawnaghmore	thermal	B		49			16	33	49
Tawnaghmore	wind	B	30	30	30	30	30	30	30
Thornsberry	solar	J				8	3	5	8
Thornsberry	thermal	J				10	3	7	10
Thurles	wind	H1	42	42	42	42	42	42	42
Tievebrack	wind	A		31			10	21	31
Timahoe North into Maynooth Derryiron	solar	J				70	23	47	70
Tipperary	solar	H1			4		1	3	4
Tipperary	wind	H1	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
Tonroe	thermal	B		2			1	1	2
Tonroe	wind	B	12	12	12	12	12	12	12
Toorard into Charleville Glenlara	solar	E			50		17	33	50
Trabeg	solar	I			9		3	6	9
Tralee	solar	E			8		3	5	8
Tralee	wind	E	48	48	48	48	48	48	48
Treascon into Bracklone Portlaoise	solar	J				40	13	27	40
Trien	solar	E			4		1	3	4
Trien	wind	E	27	27	27	27	27	27	27
Trien_wind	wind	E	40	40	46	40	42	44	46
Trillick	wind	A	45	45	45	45	45	45	45
Tullabeg into Banoge Crane	solar	H2			50		17	33	50
Tullabrack	wave	D			5		2	3	5
Tullabrack	wind	D	31	31	31	31	31	31	31
Uggool	wind	B	169	198	169	169	179	188	198
Waterford	solar	H2			4		1	3	4
Waterford	wind	H2	19	19	19	19	19	19	19
Wexford	solar	H2			88		29	59	88
Wexford	wind	H2	39	39	39	39	39	39	39
Woodhouse	wind	K	20	20	54	20	31	43	54

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Area	Node	Type	Name	SO	Status	MEC
H1	Ahane	solar	Clyduff Solar Park	DSO	offer	4
H1	Ahane	solar	Laghtane Solar Farm	DSO	offer	4
D	Ardnacrusha	solar	Ballymorris Solar Park	DSO	offer	4
D	Ardnacrusha	solar	Clooncarhy Solar Farm	DSO	offer	4
D	Ardnacrusha	wind	Knockastanna (1)	DSO	connected	7.5
A	Ardnagappary	wind	Cronalaght (2)	DSO	offer	17.96
A	Arigna	wind	Corrie Mountain (1)	DSO	connected	4.8
A	Arigna	wind	Kilronan (1)	DSO	connected	5
A	Arigna	wind	Seltanaveeny (1)	DSO	connected	4.6
A	Arigna	wind	Spion Kop (1)	DSO	connected	1.2
H2	Arklow	solar	Templeraíne East Solar Farm	DSO	ECP	4
H2	Arklow	solar	Tiglin Solar	DSO	ECP	4
H2	Arklow	wind	Arklow Bank (1)	DSO	connected	25.2
H2	Arklow	wind	Ballycumber (1)	DSO	offer	18
H2	Arklow	solar	Knockadosan Solar (formerly Springfarm Wind Farm)	DSO	offer	6
H2	Arklow	wind	Raheenleagh (1)	DSO	connected	36.5
E	Athea	wind	Athea (1)a	TSO	connected	34.35
E	Athea	wind	Beenanaspock and Tobertooreen Wind Farm	TSO	offer	34.15
E	Athea	wind	Knockathea	DSO	offer	33.9
C	Athlone	solar	Ballinamudda Solar Farm	DSO	offer	4
C	Athlone	solar	Rooaun Solar Farm	DSO	ECP	4
C	Athlone	solar	Shannagh Beg Solar Farm	DSO	offer	4
J	Athy	battery	Moatstown Battery Energy Storage	DSO	ECP	8
J	Athy	solar	Moatstown Solar	DSO	offer	4
J	Athy	solar	Woodstock North Solar Farm	DSO	offer	4.99
E	Aughinish	solar	Ballinknockane Solar Farm	TSO	offer	50
H2	Ballybeg	solar	Ballymerrigan PV	DSO	offer	4
H2	Ballybeg	solar	Millvale PV	DSO	offer	4
H1	Ballydine	solar	Ballyrichard Solar Park	DSO	offer	3
H1	Ballydine	solar	Carrick Solar	DSO	offer	4
H2	Ballyfasy into GI-KK	solar	Ballyfasy Upper Solar Farm	TSO	ECP	50
F	Ballylickey	wind	Ballybane (2a)	DSO	connected	11.5
F	Ballylickey	wind	Ballybane (Glanta Commons) Wind Farm	DSO	connected	19.55
F	Ballylickey	wind	Ballybane 2 (Glanta Commons) Wind Farm	DSO	connected	8.4
F	Ballylickey	wind	Ballybane 2A (Glanta Commons) Wind Farm Extension	DSO	connected	1.55
F	Ballylickey	wind	Ballybane 3 (Glanta Commons) Wind Farm	DSO	connected	4.45
F	Ballylickey	wind	Derreenacrinnig West (prev Kilvinane 2 WF)	DSO	offer	5.82
F	Ballylickey	wind	Kealkil (Curraglass) (1)	DSO	connected	8.5

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H2	Ballywater	wind	Ballywater (1)	TSO	connected	31.5
H2	Ballywater	wind	Ballywater (2)	TSO	connected	10.5
G	Baltrasna	solar	Hilltown PV	DSO	offer	10
G	Baltrasna	solar	Painestown Hill Solar Farm	DSO	offer	9.99
F	Bandon	solar	Callatrim South Solar PV Farm	DSO	ECP	5.95
F	Bandon	solar	Currabea	DSO	ECP	4.95
F	Bandon	solar	Enniskeane PV	DSO	ECP	3.99
F	Bandon	solar	Garryndruig	DSO	ECP	4.95
F	Bandon	thermal	GP Wood CHP	DSO	offer	16.3
F	Bandon	thermal	Timoleague Agri Gen	DSO	offer	1.1
F	Bandon	wind	Garranereagh (1)	DSO	connected	8.75
F	Bandon	wind	Kilvinane (1)	DSO	connected	4.5
H2	Banoge	battery	Gorey Battery Energy Storage	DSO	ECP	9
H2	Banoge	solar	Courtown Solar Farm (previously Coolnastudd)	DSO	offer	4
H2	Banoge	solar	Gorey Solar	DSO	ECP	4
I	Barnahely	solar	Leacht Cross Solar	DSO	offer	4.95
I	Barnahely	wind	DePuy	DSO	connected	2.5
I	Barnahely	wind	Wind Energy Project (Janssen)	DSO	connected	2
H1	Barrymore	solar	Farran South	DSO	ECP	9.9
H1	Barrymore	wind	Barranafaddock (1)	DSO	connected	32.4
B	Bellacorick	battery	Shranakilla Energy Park	DSO	ECP	3
B	Bellacorick	wave	AMETS Belmullet (1)	DSO	offer	10
B	Bellacorick	wind	Bellacorick (1)	DSO	connected	6.45
B	Bellacorick	wind	Bunaveala (Keenagh) (1)	DSO	offer	9.2
B	Bellacorick	wind	Bunnahowen (1)	DSO	offer	2.55
B	Bellacorick	wind	Dooleeg More (1)	DSO	ECP	2.5
B	Bellacorick	wind	Gortnahurra (1)	DSO	offer	33.9
B	Bellacorick	wind	Oweninny (5)**	TSO	offer	50
B	Bellacorick	wind	Oweninny Power (1)	TSO	offer	89
B	Bellacorick	wind	Oweninny Power (2)	TSO	offer	83
B	Bellacorick	wind	Sheskin Windfarm (formerly Ederglen Windfarm)	DSO	offer	16.8
B	Bellacorick	wind	Tawnaghmore 1 2 and 3 Merge	DSO	offer	16.1
A	Binbane	wind	Clogheravaddy (1)	DSO	offer	20
A	Binbane	wind	Corkermore (1)	DSO	connected	9.99
A	Binbane	wind	Corkermore (2)	DSO	offer	9.4
A	Binbane	wind	Killin Hill (1)	DSO	connected	6
A	Binbane	wind	Killybegs (1)	DSO	connected	2.55
A	Binbane	wind	Loughderryduff (1)	DSO	connected	7.65
A	Binbane	wind	Maas Wind Farm (Loughderryduff 2)	DSO	offer	9.35
A	Binbane	wind	Meenachullalan (1)	DSO	connected	11.9
A	Binbane	wind	Meenachullalan (2)	DSO	offer	1.9
A	Binbane	wind	Mully Graffy Windfarm (Kilgorman)	DSO	ECP	29.9
A	Binbane	wind	Shannagh (1) previously Kilcar	DSO	connected	2.55
J	Blake T	solar	Timahoe South	TSO	ECP	81
J	Blundelstown	solar	Blundlestown	TSO	offer	80

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E	Boggeragh	wind	Boggeragh (1)	TSO	connected	57
E	Boggeragh	wind	Boggeragh 2	TSO	connected	47.7
E	Boggeragh	wind	Boggeragh 2 (Killavoy (1))	TSO	connected	18
E	Boggeragh	wind	Carriggannon (1)	DSO	connected	20
E	Boggeragh	wind	Carriggannon (2)	DSO	ECP	3
E	Boggeragh	wind	Esk (1)	DSO	offer	5.4
E	Boggeragh	wind	Esk Wind Farm (sub metered Gneevs 2 Merge)		offer	5.4
E	Boggeragh	wind	ESK Wind Farm Phase 2	DSO	ECP	12
D	Booltiagh	wind	Booltiagh (1)	TSO	connected	19.45
D	Booltiagh	wind	Booltiagh (2)	TSO	connected	3
D	Booltiagh	wind	Booltiagh (3)	TSO	connected	9
D	Booltiagh	wind	Boolynagleragh (1)	DSO	offer	36.98
D	Booltiagh	wind	Cahermurphy (1)	DSO	offer	6
D	Booltiagh	wind	Crossmore (1)	DSO	ECP	15
D	Booltiagh	wind	Glenmore (1)	DSO	offer	24
D	Booltiagh	wind	Kiltumper	DSO	offer	4.99
D	Booltiagh	wind	Lissycasey (1)	DSO	offer	13.399
D	Booltiagh	wind	Sorrell Island (Glenmore) Wind Farm Extension	DSO	ECP	8
H2	Bullockhill into Ballyragget-KK	solar	Bullockhill Solar Park	TSO	ECP	50
K	Butlerstown	solar	Coolnagapogue Solar Farm Phase 1	DSO	ECP	3.95
K	Butlerstown	thermal	Ormonde Organics	DSO	ECP	1.9
K	Butlerstown	wind	Beallough (1)	DSO	connected	1.7
H1	Cahir	solar	Ballyfowloo Solar Farm	DSO	ECP	4
H1	Cahir	solar	Ballymacadam Solar	DSO	ECP	24
H1	Cahir	solar	Clonmel Road Solar	DSO	offer	4
H1	Cahir	solar	Lawclon Solar Farm	DSO	ECP	4
H2	Carlow	solar	Kilcarrig Solar PV Farm	DSO	ECP	4
H2	Carlow	solar	Loan PV	DSO	ECP	3.99
H2	Carlow	wind	Ballyshonog (1)	DSO	offer	5
H2	Carlow	wind	Bilboa (1)	DSO	ECP	15
H2	Carlow	wind	Cronelea (1)	DSO	connected	4.99
H2	Carlow	wind	Cronelea (2)	DSO	connected	4.5
H2	Carlow	wind	Cronelea Upper (1)	DSO	connected	2.55
H2	Carlow	wind	Cronelea Upper (2)	DSO	connected	1.7
H2	Carlow	wind	Gortahile (1)	DSO	connected	21
C	Carrick on Shannon	solar	Lisdadnan Solar Farm	DSO	offer	4
C	Carrick on Shannon	solar	Rathleg Solar Farm	DSO	offer	4
C	Carrick on Shannon	wind	Derryknockeran (1)	DSO	offer	4.25
A	Carrickaduff and Carrickalangan	wind	Carrickaduff Wind Farm (1)	TSO	offer	33
A	Carrickaduff and Carrickalangan	wind	Carrickaduff Wind Farm (2)	TSO	offer	33.1

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A	Carrickaduff and Carrickalangan	wind	Carrickalangan	TSO	ECP	72
B	Castlebar	wind	Cuillalea (1)	DSO	connected	3.4
B	Castlebar	wind	Cuillalea (2)	DSO	connected	1.59
B	Castlebar	wind	Lenanavea (2) - Lenanavea Burren	DSO	connected	4.65
B	Castlebar	wind	Raheen Barr (1)	DSO	connected	18.7
B	Castlebar	wind	Raheen Barr (2)	DSO	connected	8.5
B	Castlebar	wind	Raheen barr Extension ( formally Lenanavea (3))	DSO	offer	6.8
H2	Castledockrell	wind	Castledockrell (1)	TSO	connected	20
H2	Castledockrell	wind	Castledockrell (2)	TSO	connected	2
H2	Castledockrell	wind	Castledockrell (3)	TSO	connected	3.3
H2	Castledockrell	wind	Castledockrell (4)	TSO	connected	16.1
I	Castleview	thermal	Hoffman Renewable Bioenergy Plant	DSO	offer	4
A	Cathaleen's Fall	wind	Anarget (1)	DSO	connected	1.98
A	Cathaleen's Fall	wind	Meenadreen (1)	DSO	connected	3.4
A	Cathaleen's Fall	wind	Spaddan (1)	DSO	connected	17.5
H1	Cauteen	wind	Cappagh White (1)	DSO	connected	13.2
H1	Cauteen	wind	Cappagh White 2 & 3 & 4 Merge	DSO	connected	49.08
H1	Cauteen	wind	Cappawhite A (merger of Cappagh White 3, 2 & 4)	DSO	connected	2.92
H1	Cauteen	wind	Garracummer (1)	DSO	connected	36.9
H1	Cauteen	wind	Garracummer (2)	DSO	connected	1
H1	Cauteen	wind	Glencarbry (1)	DSO	connected	33
H1	Cauteen	wind	Glenough (1)	DSO	connected	33
H1	Cauteen	wind	Holyford (1)	DSO	connected	9
H1	Cauteen	wind	Ring Hill Wind Farm	DSO	offer	4
E	Charleville	solar	Fiddane Solar	DSO	offer	29.9
E	Charleville	thermal	Evaporator Upgrade	DSO	offer	1.5
E	Charleville	wind	Boolard Wind Farm (Charleville)	DSO	offer	4.45
E	Charleville	wind	Castlepook (1)	DSO	connected	33.1
E	Charleville	wind	Kilberehert (1)	DSO	connected	4.799
E	Charleville	wind	Kilmeedy (1)	DSO	connected	4.7
E	Charleville	wind	Knocknatallig	DSO	connected	18.3
E	Charleville	wind	Rathnacally (1)	DSO	connected	4.45
E	Clahane	solar	Banemore Solar Farm	TSO	offer	34
E	Clahane	wind	Clahane (1)	TSO	connected	37.8
E	Clahane	wind	Clahane (2)	TSO	connected	13.8
E	Cloghboola	wind	Cloghanaleskirt (1)	DSO	connected	12.55
E	Cloghboola	wind	Glanaruddery 1 (formerly Dromadda More Wind Farm)	DSO	connected	20
E	Cloghboola	wind	Glanaruddery 2 (formerly Dromadda More 2)	DSO	connected	12
E	Cloghboola	wind	Glantaunyalkeen Windfarm( Cloghboola (2) Ext)	DSO	offer	10
E	Cloghboola	wind	Knocknagashel Wind (Cloghboola (1))	TSO	connected	46
J	Clonfad into Kinn-Mul	solar	Clonfad Solar	TSO	ECP	100

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B	Cloon	solar	Barnderg Solar Farm	DSO	offer	4
B	Cloon	solar	Cloonascragh Solar	DSO	ECP	20
B	Cloon	wind	Cloonlusk (1)	DSO	connected	4.25
J	College Park	inertia	Data Electronics Services Ltd	DSO	offer	4
J	Coolnabacky	solar	Loughteague	TSO	offer	55
I	Coolroe	solar	Carrigyknaveen Solar Park	DSO	offer	10
I	Coolroe	solar	Garravagh 1 Solar Park	DSO	offer	10
E	Coomagearlahy	wind	Coomagearlahy (1)	TSO	connected	42.5
E	Coomagearlahy	wind	Coomagearlahy (2)	TSO	connected	8.5
E	Coomagearlahy	wind	Coomagearlahy (3)	TSO	connected	30
E	Coomataggart	wind	Cleanrath (1)	DSO	offer	42.64
E	Coomataggart	wind	Grousemount WF	TSO	offer	114.2
E	Coomataggart	wind	Lettercannon (1)	DSO	offer	21.6
E	Cordal	wind	Coollegrean (1)	DSO	connected	18.5
E	Cordal	wind	Cordal (1)	TSO	connected	35.85
E	Cordal	wind	Cordal (2)	TSO	connected	54
E	Cordal	wind	Scartaglen (1)	DSO	connected	35.45
E	Cordal	wind	Scartaglen (2)	DSO	connected	3.8
A	Corderry	solar	Glen Solar	TSO	ECP	40
A	Corderry	wind	Altagowlan (1)	DSO	connected	7.65
A	Corderry	wind	Black Banks (1)	DSO	connected	3.4
A	Corderry	wind	Black Banks (2)	DSO	connected	6.8
A	Corderry	wind	Carrane Hill (1)	DSO	connected	3.4
A	Corderry	wind	Carrane Hill (2)	DSO	connected	1.598
A	Corderry	wind	Geevagh (1)	DSO	connected	4.95
A	Corderry	wind	Moneenatieve (1)	DSO	connected	3.96
A	Corderry	wind	Tullynamoyle (1)	DSO	connected	9
A	Corderry	wind	Tullynamoyle 2 Wind Farm	DSO	connected	10.225
A	Corderry	wind	Tullynamoyle 3	DSO	connected	11.98
I	Cow Cross	solar	Ballynacrusha	DSO	ECP	4.95
H2	Crane	battery	Avonbeg BESS	DSO	ECP	16
H2	Crane	solar	Cherryorchard Solar Farm	DSO	ECP	4
H2	Crane	solar	Macallian Solar	DSO	ECP	9
H2	Crane	wind	Greenoge (1)	DSO	connected	4.99
H2	Crane	wind	Kilbranish (1)	DSO	offer	2.5
H2	Crory	solar	Ballycarney PV	DSO	ECP	3.99
H2	Crory	solar	Ballylough	DSO	ECP	3.999
H2	Crory	solar	Ballymacsimon Solar Farm	DSO	offer	3.99
H2	Crory	wind	Ballaman formerly (Kennystown) (1)	DSO	connected	3.6
H2	Crory	wind	Ballycadden (1)	DSO	connected	14.45
H2	Crory	wind	Ballycadden (2)	DSO	connected	9.762
H2	Crory	wind	Ballyduff (1)	DSO	connected	4
H2	Crory	wind	Ballynancoran (1)	DSO	connected	4
H2	Crory	wind	Gibbet Hill (1)	DSO	connected	14.8
H2	Crory	wind	Knocknalour (1)	DSO	connected	5
H2	Crory	wind	Knocknalour (2)	DSO	connected	3.95



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H2	Crory	solar	The Dell Solar Farm	DSO	ECP	3.99
B	Cunghill	wind	Kingsmountain (1)	TSO	connected	23.75
B	Cunghill	wind	Kingsmountain (2)	TSO	connected	11.05
J	Cushaling	wind	Cloncreen Wind farm	TSO	ECP	100
C	Dallow	solar	Clonoghill Solar Farm	DSO	offer	4
C	Dallow	solar	Lacka Solar Park	DSO	ECP	3.99
C	Dallow	wind	Carrig (1)	DSO	connected	2.55
C	Dallow	wind	Leabeg (1)	DSO	connected	4.25
C	Dallow	wind	Meenwaun WF	DSO	connected	9.99
C	Dallow	wind	Meenwaun Windfarm Ext.	DSO	ECP	3.3
C	Dallow	wind	Shannonbridge Wind B	TSO	ECP	34
C	Dallow	wind	Skehanagh (1)	DSO	connected	4.25
B	Dalton	battery	MCB Battery Storage	DSO	ECP	12
B	Dalton	solar	Lisduff Solar Park (Claremorris)	DSO	offer	4
B	Dalton	wind	Mace Upper (1)	DSO	connected	2.55
B	Dalton	wind	Magheramore (1)	DSO	connected	40.8
D	Derrybrien	wind	Derrybrien (1)	TSO	connected	59.5
J	Derryiron	battery	Rhode 20 MW ESS	TSO	ECP	20
J	Derryiron	thermal	Rhode Biomass Extension	DSO	offer	1.74
J	Derryiron	thermal	Rhode Biomass Plant (1)	DSO	offer	14.56
J	Derryiron	thermal	Rhode Biomass Plant (2nd Ext of DG793)	DSO	offer	1.2
H1	Doon	solar	Horsepasture Solar Farm (Grian PV)	DSO	ECP	8
H1	Doon	wind	Boolabrien Upper (1)	DSO	offer	17
E	Dromada	wind	Dromada (1)	TSO	connected	28.5
E	Drombeg loop into Kilpaddoge Tralee 2	solar	Drombeg Solar Park	TSO	offer	50
D	Drumline	solar	Clonloghan 2 Solar Park	DSO	offer	4
D	Drumline	solar	Clonloghan Solar Park	DSO	offer	4
D	Drumline	solar	Firgrove Solar Park	DSO	ECP	4
G	Drybridge	solar	Cluide Solar	DSO	ECP	4
G	Drybridge	solar	Balgeen Solar formerly Dardistown	DSO	ECP	3.5
G	Drybridge	solar	Grangegeeth Solar	DSO	offer	4
G	Drybridge	solar	Newtown PV	DSO	offer	3.99
G	Drybridge	solar	Stamullen Solar Park	DSO	ECP	3.99
G	Drybridge	thermal	Rathdrinagh Biogas	DSO	offer	3
G	Drybridge	wind	Collon Wind Power	DSO	connected	2.3
G	Drybridge	wind	Dunmore (1)	DSO	connected	1.7
G	Drybridge	wind	Dunmore (2)	DSO	connected	1.8
G	Dundalk	solar	Willville Solar Park	DSO	ECP	3.99
G	Dundalk	wind	Grove Hill (1) formerly Tullynageer	DSO	connected	16.1
G	Dundalk	wind	Slievenaglogh (1)	DSO	offer	15
J	Dunfirth	solar	Hortland PV	DSO	offer	4
J	Dunfirth	solar	Knockanally Solar Park	DSO	offer	10
J	Dunfirth	solar	Ovidstown Solar	DSO	offer	4
K	Dungarvan	solar	Clashnagoneen Solar Farm	DSO	ECP	4
K	Dungarvan	solar	Drumroe East Solar Farm	DSO	ECP	15



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K	Dungarvan	solar	Foxhall PV	DSO	ECP	3.99
K	Dungarvan	wind	Ballycurreen (1)	DSO	connected	4.99
F	Dunmanway	wind	Carrigdangan (formerly Barnadivine)	TSO	offer	60
F	Dunmanway	wind	Carrigdangan Wind Farm Ext.	TSO	ECP	7.95
F	Dunmanway	wind	Coomatallin (1)	DSO	connected	5.95
F	Dunmanway	wind	Coomatallin (2)	DSO	offer	3.05
F	Dunmanway	wind	Coomleagh (1)	DSO	offer	5.95
F	Dunmanway	wind	Coomleagh Wind Farm (extension)		offer	2
F	Dunmanway	wind	Currabwee (1)	DSO	connected	4.62
F	Dunmanway	wind	Derryvacorneen (1)	DSO	connected	17
F	Dunmanway	wind	Dromleena (1)	DSO	ECP	9.9
F	Dunmanway	wind	Killaveenoge (formerly Barrboy (1))	DSO	connected	7.8
F	Dunmanway	wind	Knockeenbui Wind Farm	DSO	ECP	13.8
F	Dunmanway	wind	Lahanaght Hill (1)	DSO	connected	4.25
F	Dunmanway	wind	Milane Hill (1)	DSO	connected	5.94
F	Dunmanway	wind	Reenascreena (1)	DSO	connected	4.5
D	Ennis	solar	Spencil Hill Solar Farm	DSO	offer	4
J	Finglas	solar	Bullstown Solar Extension	DSO	offer	3.96
J	Finglas	solar	Bullstown Solar Farm	DSO	offer	3.96
G	Finglas	solar	Darthogue Solar	DSO	ECP	12
J	Finglas	thermal	Huntstown Renewable Bioenergy Plant	DSO	offer	4
J	Gallanstown Muckerstown into Corduff Platin	solar	Gallanstown Solar	TSO	offer	85
J	Gallanstown Muckerstown into Corduff Platin	solar	Muckerstown Solar Park	TSO	offer	34
E	Garrow	wind	Caherdowney (1)	DSO	connected	10
E	Garrow	wind	Clydaghroe (1)	DSO	connected	4.99
E	Garrow	wind	Coomacheo (1)	TSO	connected	41.225
E	Garrow	wind	Coomacheo (2)	TSO	connected	18
A	Garvagh	wind	Derrysallagh Wind Farm (Formerly Kilronan 2)	DSO	offer	34
A	Garvagh	wind	Garvagh - Glebe (1a)	TSO	connected	26
A	Garvagh	wind	Garvagh - Tullynahaw (1c)	TSO	connected	22
G	Gastkinstown into Gorman Platin	solar	Gaskinstown Solar Farm	TSO	ECP	85
G	Gillinstown into Gorman Platin	solar	Gillinstown Solar	TSO	ECP	95
E	Glanlee	wind	Glanlee (1)	TSO	connected	29.8
J	Glasmore	solar	Featherbed Lane Solar	DSO	offer	4
E	Glenlara	solar	Dromalour	DSO	offer	4.95
E	Glenlara	wind	Taurbeg (1)	DSO	connected	26
E	Glenlara_wind	wind	Dromdeeven (1)	DSO	connected	10.5

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E	Glenlara_wind	wind	Dromdeeveen (2)	DSO	connected	16.5
E	Glenlara_wind	wind	Mauricetown (Glenduff) Wind Farm		offer	13.8
B	Glenree	wind	Black Lough (1)	DSO	ECP	12.5
B	Glenree	wind	Bunnyconnellan (1)	DSO	offer	28
B	Glenree	wind	Carrowleagh (1)	DSO	connected	34.15
B	Glenree	wind	Carrowleagh (2)	DSO	offer	2.65
B	Glenree	wind	Carrowleagh-Kilbride	DSO	ECP	48.3
A	Golagh	wind	Golagh (1)	TSO	connected	15
G	Gorman	battery	Gorman (Graigs) Energy Storage Station	TSO	ECP	30
G	Gorman	battery	Gorman Energy Storage Station - Extension	TSO	ECP	20
G	Gorman	wind	Castletownmoor	TSO	offer	120
A	Gortawee	wind	Coreen (1)	DSO	connected	3
J	Grange Castle	solar	Furryhill Solar	DSO	ECP	16
H2	Great Island	battery	Kilmannock Battery Storage Facility	TSO	ECP	30
H2	Great Island	solar	Ballycullane Solar Park	DSO	offer	4.99
H2	Great Island	solar	Ballygowny Solar Farm	DSO	ECP	12
H2	Great Island	Thermal	Great Island CCGT in ECP-1	TSO	ECP	33
J	Griffinrath	solar	Confey Solar Park	DSO	ECP	9.5
J	Griffinrath	solar	Dollanstown Stud Solar Farm	DSO	offer	4
J	Griffinrath	solar	Taghadoe Solar Farm	DSO	offer	25
J	Griffinrath	solar	Tower Hill Solar Farm	DSO	ECP	6
G	Hawkinstown into Baltrasna-Dry	solar	Hawkinstown Solar Park re-submission	TSO	offer	50
H1	Ikerrin	solar	Doonane Solar	DSO	offer	29.9
H1	Ikerrin	wind	Monaincha Bog (1)	DSO	connected	35.95
I	Kilbarry	solar	Coolyduff	DSO	offer	4.95
I	Kilbarry	solar	Drumgarriff South	DSO	offer	4.95
H2	Kilkenny	battery	Nore Power G&S	TSO	ECP	40
H2	Kilkenny	solar	Ballytobin Solar PV	DSO	offer	4
H2	Kilkenny	solar	Castlekelly Solar PV Farm	DSO	offer	4
H2	Kilkenny	solar	Clashmagrath PV	DSO	ECP	3.99
H2	Kilkenny	solar	Derrynahinch Solar Farm	DSO	ECP	4
H2	Kilkenny	solar	Keatingstown Solar Farm	DSO	ECP	4
H2	Kilkenny	solar	Kiltorcan Solar Farm	DSO	ECP	4
H1	Kill Hill	wind	Kill Hill (1) - phase 1	TSO	connected	36
H1	Killonan	wind	Bunkimalta (1)	DSO	offer	46.5
H1	Killonan	wind	Cureeny (1)	DSO	offer	94
E	Kilpaddoge	battery	Glencloosagh Phase 3	TSO	ECP	30
E	Kilpaddoge	wind	Kelwin Power Plant	TSO	connected	41.6
E	Kilpaddoge	wind	Leanamore (1) (formerly Tarbert (1))	DSO	connected	18
J	Kilteel	battery	Porterstown Battery Storage Facility	TSO	ECP	30
J	Kilteel	solar	Threecastles Solar Farm	DSO	offer	15

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J	Kinnegad	solar	Harristown Solar PV	TSO	offer	42.3
E	Knockacummer	wind	Knockacummer (1)	TSO	connected	100
E	Knockearagh	solar	Ballynamaunagh Solar Park	DSO	ECP	4.99
E	Knockearagh	solar	Madam's Hill Solar Park	DSO	offer	4
E	Knockearagh	wind	Gneeves (1)	DSO	connected	9.35
E	Knockearagh	wind	WEDcross (1)	DSO	connected	4.5
B	Knockranny	wind	Ardderoo 2 (Formerly Buffy)	TSO	offer	64.2
B	Knockranny	wind	Ardderoo Wind Farm	TSO	offer	27
B	Knockranny	wind	Knockalough (1)	TSO	offer	33.6
B	Knockranny	wind	Rossaveel Wind	DSO	offer	3
C	Lanesboro	solar	Creevy Solar	DSO	offer	4
C	Lanesboro	solar	Mountdillon Solar	TSO	ECP	90
C	Lanesboro	wind	Roxborough	DSO	ECP	4.95
C	Lanesboro	wind	Skrine (1)	DSO	connected	4.6
A	Letterkenny	wind	Cark (1)	DSO	connected	15
A	Letterkenny	wind	Carrick Wind Farm (Garrymore)	DSO	offer	4.3
A	Letterkenny	wind	Cronalaght (1)	DSO	connected	4.98
A	Letterkenny	wind	Culliagh (1)	DSO	connected	11.88
A	Letterkenny	wind	Garrymore WF		offer	4.4
A	Letterkenny	wind	Glenalla (Garrymore)	DSO	offer	2.1
A	Letterkenny	wind	Lettergull (1)	DSO	offer	20
A	Letterkenny	wind	Lurganboy (1)	DSO	connected	4.99
A	Letterkenny	wind	Meenanilta (1)	DSO	connected	2.55
A	Letterkenny	wind	Meenanilta (2)	DSO	connected	2.45
A	Letterkenny	wind	Meenanilta (3)	DSO	connected	3.4
A	Letterkenny	wind	Newtownfore (1)	DSO	offer	14.4
E	Limerick	solar	Kilcolman Solar Farm	DSO	offer	4
G	Lisdrum	battery	Lisdrumdoagh Energy Storage Facility	TSO	ECP	60
G	Lisdrum	wind	Coolberrin Wind Farm (formerly Bragan Wind Farm)	DSO	offer	33.1
H1	Lisheen	wind	Bruckana (1)	DSO	connected	39.6
H1	Lisheen	wind	Lisheen (1)	TSO	connected	36
H1	Lisheen	wind	Lisheen (1a)	TSO	connected	23
H1	Lisheen	wind	Lisheen 3	TSO	ECP	28.8
C	Lumcloon	battery	Lumcloon ESS (Derrycarney)	TSO	offer	100
F	Macroom	solar	Knockglass Solar Farm	DSO	offer	4
F	Macroom	thermal	Cork Green Energy Biomass CHP Plant	DSO	offer	1.2
F	Macroom	wind	Bawnmore (1) formerly Burren (Cork)	DSO	connected	24
E	Mallow	solar	Carrigoon Solar Farm	DSO	offer	4
E	Mallow	solar	Crossfield	DSO	offer	4.95
E	Mallow	solar	Kilcummer Upper Solar Farm	DSO	ECP	10
G	Meath Hill	battery	Ardagh South Energy Storage Facility	DSO	ECP	33
G	Meath Hill	thermal	College Proteins CHP	DSO	ECP	3.99
G	Meath Hill	wind	Gartnaneane (1)	DSO	connected	10.5

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G	Meath Hill	wind	Gartnaneane (2)	DSO	connected	4.5
G	Meath Hill	wind	Mullananalt (1)	DSO	connected	7.5
G	Meath Hill	wind	Raragh (2)	DSO	offer	11.5
G	Meath Hill	wind	Taghart (1)	DSO	ECP	23.06
G	Meath Hill	wind	Teevurcher	DSO	connected	9
G	Meath Hill	wind	Tullynamalra (1)	DSO	offer	2.638
A	Meentycat	wind	Meentycat (1)	TSO	connected	70.96
A	Meentycat	wind	Meentycat (2)	TSO	connected	14
I	Midleton	solar	Monatooreen Solar	TSO	offer	25.7
I	Midleton	solar	Gortacruie Solar Park	DSO	offer	3.99
I	Midleton	solar	IQ Solar Farm	DSO	ECP	4
I	Midleton	solar	Malapardas	DSO	ECP	4.95
I	Midleton	solar	Tead More Solar (Meelshane)	DSO	ECP	3.95
I	Midleton	wind	Crocane (1)	DSO	connected	1.7
E	Moneypoint	battery	Moneypoint Battery Storage	TSO	offer	7.5
E	Moneypoint	wind	Moneypoint WF	TSO	connected	17.25
J	Monread	solar	Bodenstown Solar Farm	DSO	offer	4
J	Monread	solar	Kerdiffstown PV	DSO	offer	4
H1	Mothel into Ballydine Cullenagh	solar	Mothel PV	TSO	offer	60
J	Mount Lucas	wind	Mount Lucas (1)	TSO	connected	79.2
B	Moy	solar	Carrowgarve Solar	DSO	offer	4
B	Moy	wind	Lackan (1)	DSO	connected	6
C	Mullingar	solar	Liss Solar Farm (prev Lands at Liss)	DSO	offer	4
C	Mullingar	solar	Marlinstown Solar Farm (prev Russellstown)	DSO	offer	4
C	Mullingar	solar	Tullynally Estate	DSO	ECP	4
A	Mulreavy	wind	Mulreavy (Mulreavy (1))	TSO	connected	82
A	Mulreavy	wind	Mulreavy Ext (Croaghnameal (1))	TSO	connected	4.25
A	Mulreavy	wind	Mulreavy Ext (Meenadreen South (1))	TSO	connected	3.6
A	Mulreavy	wind	Mulreavy Ext (Meenadreen South (2))	TSO	connected	5.4
G	Navan	solar	Friarspark Solar	DSO	ECP	4
G	Navan	solar	Kilkeelan Solar Farm	DSO	offer	4
G	Navan	thermal	Shamrock Renewable Fuels formerly Farely Brothers	DSO	offer	13
G	Navan	solar	Martinstown Solar formerly Crowinstown Great wind	DSO	offer	4.999
H1	Nenagh	solar	Lisbrien Solar Farm	DSO	offer	4
H1	Nenagh	wind	Ballinlough (1)	DSO	connected	2.55
H1	Nenagh	wind	Ballinveny (1)	DSO	connected	2.55
H1	Nenagh / Freagh	wind	Castlewaller (1)	TSO	ECP	48
H1	Nenagh	wind	Curraghgraique (1)	DSO	connected	2.55
H1	Nenagh	wind	Curraghgraique (2)	DSO	connected	2.44
H1	Nenagh	wind	Templederry (1)	DSO	connected	3.9
J	Newbridge	solar	Dunmurry Springs PV	DSO	offer	12

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J	Newbridge	solar	Pollardstown PV	DSO	offer	3.99
G	Oriel	wind	Oriel (1)	TSO	offer	210
E	Oughtragh	solar	Maine Solar	DSO	offer	4
E	Oughtragh	wind	Knockaneden (1)	DSO	connected	9
J	Portlaoise	solar	Acragar Solar Farm	DSO	ECP	4
J	Portlaoise	solar	Shanderry Solar Farm	DSO	offer	4
J	Portlaoise	wind	Dooray WF	DSO	offer	45.001
J	Portlaoise	wind	Lisdowney (1)	DSO	connected	9.2
E	Rathkeale	solar	Dungeeha Solar	DSO	ECP	4
E	Rathkeale	wind	Carrons (1)	DSO	connected	4.99
E	Rathkeale	wind	Grouse Lodge (1)	DSO	connected	15
E	Rathkeale	wind	Rathcahill (1)	DSO	connected	12.5
K	Rathnaskilloge into Cullenagh Dungarvan	solar	Rathnaskilloge	TSO	ECP	95
G	Ratrussan	wind	Mountain Lodge (1)	TSO	connected	24.8
G	Ratrussan	wind	Mountain Lodge (3)	TSO	connected	5.82
G	Ratrussan	wind	Ratrussan (1a)	TSO	connected	48
E	Reamore	battery	Knocknagoum Battery Storage	DSO	ECP	8
E	Reamore	wind	Knocknagoum (1)	DSO	connected	42.55
E	Reamore	wind	Knocknagoum (2) formerly Muingnatee (3)	DSO	connected	1.8
E	Reamore	wind	Muingnaminnane (1)	DSO	connected	15.3
E	Reamore	wind	Muingnaminnane (2)	DSO	offer	13.5
E	Reamore	wind	Stack's Mountain	DSO	offer	25.3
C	Richmond	solar	Cleggil Solar	DSO	ECP	8
C	Richmond	solar	Lisnageeragh Solar Farm	DSO	offer	4
C	Richmond	thermal	Camlin CHP	DSO	ECP	5
H2	Rosspile into GI-Wex	solar	Rosspile Solar Farm	TSO	offer	95
B	Salthill	wind	Inverin (Knock South) (1)	DSO	connected	2.64
B	Salthill	wind	Leitir Guingaid & Doire Chrith1 & 2 Merge	DSO	connected	40.9
G	Shankill	solar	Carrickabane Solar Farm	DSO	offer	4
G	Shankill	wind	Carrickallen Wind Farm	DSO	offer	22
G	Shankill	wind	Liffey Autoproduction Project	DSO	connected	1.6
G	Shankill	wind	Liffey Autoproduction Project (extension)	DSO	connected	1.417
G	Shankill	wind	Mountain Lodge (2)	DSO	connected	3
C	Shannonbridge	solar	Blackwater Bog Solar 1	TSO	ECP	65
C	Shannonbridge 220	battery	Shannonbridge B ESS	TSO	offer	97.2
C	Shannonbridge 220	battery	Shannonbridge ESS	TSO	offer	66
B	Shantallow into Cashla Somerset T	solar	Shantallow Solar	TSO	offer	35
C	Sliabh Bawn	wind	Sliabh Bawn (1)	TSO	connected	58
D	Slievecallan	wind	Boolinrudda	TSO	connected	17.64

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D	Slievecallan	wind	Boolinrudda (formerly Loughaun North)	TSO	connected	26.87
D	Slievecallan	wind	Knockalassa (formerly Keelderry)	TSO	connected	26.875
B	Sligo	wind	Carrickeeney (1)	DSO	connected	7.65
B	Sligo	wind	Faughary (1)	DSO	connected	6
C	Somerset	solar	Ballycrissane Solar Farm	DSO	offer	4
C	Somerset	wind	Lisbeg Windfarm (formerly Sonnagh Old 2 & 3)	DSO	offer	11.89
C	Somerset	wind	Sonnagh Old (1)	DSO	connected	7.65
A	Sorne Hill	wind	Corvin Wind Turbine	DSO	offer	2.1
A	Sorne Hill	wind	Fahan Wind Farm	DSO	ECP	5
A	Sorne Hill	wind	Flughland (1)	DSO	connected	9.2
A	Sorne Hill	wind	Glackmore Hill (2)	DSO	connected	1.4
A	Sorne Hill	wind	Meenkeeragh (1)	DSO	connected	4.2
A	Sorne Hill	wind	Sorne Hill (1)	DSO	connected	31.5
A	Sorne Hill	wind	Sorne Hill (2)	DSO	connected	7.4
A	Sorne Hill	wind	Sorne Hill Single Turbine (Enros)	DSO	offer	2.3
A	Sorne Hill	wind	Three Trees (1)	DSO	offer	4.25
J	Stephenstown	battery	Gardnershill FGS	DSO	ECP	9
J	Stephenstown	solar	Matt Solar Farm	DSO	offer	4.95
H2	Stratford	solar	Newtownsaunders	DSO	offer	4
B	Tawnaghmore	thermal	Mayo Renewable Power Biomass CHP	DSO	offer	49
B	Tawnaghmore	wind	Killala (1)	DSO	offer	30
J	Thornsberry	solar	Lehinch Solar Farm	DSO	offer	4
J	Thornsberry	solar	Muinagh Solar Farm	DSO	offer	4
J	Thornsberry	thermal	Derryclure (1)	DSO	offer	9.9
H1	Thurles	wind	An Cnoc	DSO	connected	11.5
H1	Thurles	wind	Ballinacurry WF	DSO	offer	4.6
H1	Thurles	wind	Ballybay Wind Farm (Tullaroan)	DSO	connected	13.8
H1	Thurles	wind	Foyle Windfarm	DSO	connected	9.6
H1	Thurles	wind	Gurteen (1)	DSO	connected	2.3
A	Tievebrack	wind	Leanalea Wind Farm	TSO	ECP	30.5
J	Timahoe North into Maynooth Derryiron	solar	Timahoe North	TSO	offer	70
H1	Tipperary	solar	Ballinalard Solar Farm	DSO	offer	4
H1	Tipperary	wind	Slievereagh (1)	DSO	connected	4.6
B	Tonroe	thermal	Biocore Enviromental AD	DSO	offer	1.5
B	Tonroe	wind	Grady Joinery	DSO	connected	2.5
B	Tonroe	wind	Largan Hill (1)	DSO	connected	5.94
B	Tonroe	wind	Roosky (1)	DSO	connected	3.6
E	Toorard into Charleville Glenlara	solar	Toorard Solar Farm	TSO	ECP	50
I	Trabeg	solar	Piercestown (formerly Jackeens) SPV	DSO	ECP	4

Area	Node	Type	Name	SO	Status	MEC
I	Trabeg	solar	Shanagraigue	DSO	offer	4.95
E	Tralee	solar	Bawnboy Solar Park	DSO	offer	4
E	Tralee	solar	Drummartin Solar Farm	DSO	ECP	4
E	Tralee	wind	Ballincollig Hill (1)	DSO	connected	15
E	Tralee	wind	Beenageeha (1)	DSO	connected	3.96
E	Tralee	wind	Mount Eagle (1)	DSO	connected	5.1
E	Tralee	wind	Mount Eagle (2)	DSO	connected	1.7
E	Tralee	wind	Tursillagh (1)	DSO	connected	15
E	Tralee	wind	Tursillagh (2)	DSO	connected	6.8
J	Treascon into Bracklone Portlaoise	solar	Treascon Solar	TSO	offer	40
E	Trien	solar	Shanacool (Trienearagh) Solar Park	DSO	offer	4
E	Trien	wind	Ballagh (1)	DSO	connected	4.6
E	Trien	wind	Beale Hill (1)	DSO	connected	1.65
E	Trien	wind	Beale Hill (2)	DSO	connected	2.55
E	Trien	wind	Beale Hill (3)	DSO	connected	1.3
E	Trien	wind	Curraghderrig (1)	DSO	connected	4.5
E	Trien	wind	Gortnacloghy Wiind Farm	DSO	connected	4.4
E	Trien	wind	Tournafulla (1)	DSO	connected	7.5
E	Trien_wind	wind	Knockawarriga (1)	DSO	connected	22.5
E	Trien_wind	wind	Knockawarriga Extension (Glenduff & Caherlevoy)	DSO	offer	6.6
E	Trien_wind	wind	Tournafulla (2)	DSO	connected	17.2
A	Trillick	wind	Beam Hill (1)	DSO	connected	14
A	Trillick	wind	Cooly (1)	DSO	connected	4
A	Trillick	wind	Crockahenny (1)	DSO	connected	5
A	Trillick	wind	Drumlough Hill (1)	DSO	connected	4.8
A	Trillick	wind	Drumlough Hill (2)	DSO	connected	9.99
A	Trillick	wind	Meenaward	DSO	connected	6.9
H2	Tullabeg into Banoge Crane	solar	Tullabeg Solar Park	TSO	offer	50
D	Tullabrack	wave	WestWave Killard	DSO	offer	5.4
D	Tullabrack	wind	Carrownawelaun (1)	DSO	connected	4.6
D	Tullabrack	wind	Moanmore (1)	DSO	connected	12.6
D	Tullabrack	wind	Tullabrack (1)	DSO	connected	13.8
B	Uggool	wind	Cloosh Extension Wind Farm	TSO	ECP	28.8
B	Uggool	wind	Seecon (1)	TSO	connected	105
B	Uggool	wind	Uggool (1)	TSO	connected	64
H2	Waterford	solar	Curraghmartin Solar Park	DSO	offer	3.99
H2	Waterford	wind	Ballymartin (1)	DSO	connected	6
H2	Waterford	wind	Ballymartin (2)	DSO	connected	8.28
H2	Waterford	wind	Rahora (1)	DSO	connected	4.25
H2	Wexford	solar	Ballycarran Solar Park	DSO	ECP	3.999
H2	Wexford	solar	Ballykereen Solar	DSO	ECP	11
H2	Wexford	solar	Ballymackesy East Solar Farm	DSO	ECP	4
H2	Wexford	solar	Blusheens 2 Solar Park	DSO	offer	3.99
H2	Wexford	solar	Blusheens Solar Park	DSO	offer	3.99



Area	Node	Type	Name	SO	Status	MEC
H2	Wexford	solar	Davidstown Solar	DSO	ECP	5
H2	Wexford	solar	Dennistown Solar	DSO	ECP	26
H2	Wexford	solar	Mackmine Solar	DSO	ECP	10
H2	Wexford	solar	St Johns Solar Farm	DSO	ECP	4
H2	Wexford	solar	Sweetfarm Solar Farm	DSO	ECP	4
H2	Wexford	solar	Tomfarney North Solar Farm	DSO	ECP	8
H2	Wexford	solar	Tomnalossett Solar Farm (Assaly)	DSO	ECP	4
H2	Wexford	wind	Carnsore (1)	DSO	connected	11.9
H2	Wexford	wind	Richfield (1)	DSO	connected	20.25
H2	Wexford	wind	Richfield (2)	DSO	connected	6.75
K	Woodhouse	wind	Knocknamona Wind Farm (Prev. Crohaun)	TSO	offer	34
K	Woodhouse	wind	Woodhouse (1)	TSO	connected	20

**Table B-15: Generation in the model**

Note that the year of connection is rounded from the build-out rate date or target connection date.

These are in addition to the large generators which are listed in EirGrid's Generation Capacity Statement 2018.



## Appendix C Area D Results by Node

This appendix presents the results of the modelling analysis for Area D. The levels of curtailment and constraint that controllable solar and wind generators in Area D might expect to experience are reported on a nodal basis for the study scenarios. Details on the generation capacity at each node are provided along with the assumed amount of controllable wind generation.

This appendix also presents a list for each node of those generators that are included in the study.

The table of results for each node provides information for each scenario of the curtailment, the constraint and the combined curtailment and constraint. Where there is both solar and wind at a node, the solar and wind results are provided separately. The curtailment and constraint results are also provided as a graph. These graphs show how the combined curtailment and constraint increase as additional generation is added and show how it decreases in later years.



Figure 0-1 Area D

Area	Node	SO	Status	Solar	Wave	Wind
d	Ardnacrusha	DSO	Existing Offer	8		
d	Ardnacrusha	DSO	Initial			8
d	Ardnacrusha	TSO	Initial			
d	Booltiagh	DSO	ECP-1 Offer			23
d	Booltiagh	DSO	Existing Offer			24
d	Booltiagh	DSO	Initial			56
d	Booltiagh	DSO	Initial			5
d	Booltiagh	TSO	Initial			28
d	Booltiagh	TSO	Initial			3
d	Derrybrien	TSO	Initial			60
d	Drumline	DSO	ECP-1 Offer	4		
d	Drumline	DSO	Existing Offer	8		
d	Ennis	DSO	Existing Offer	4		
d	Slievecallan	TSO	Initial			71
d	Tullabrack	DSO	Existing Offer		5	
d	Tullabrack	DSO	Initial			26
d	Tullabrack	DSO	Initial			17
Subtotal				24	5	309

**Table 0-1 Generation Summary in Area D**

## C.1 Ardnacrusha

The location of this node is shown in the figure.



Figure 0-2 Location of Ardnacrusha Node

The generators, which are modelled at this node, are listed as follows.

Generator	SO	Type	Status	Capacity
Ardnacrusha Hydro (1)	TSO	hydro	Initial	21 MW
Ardnacrusha Hydro (2)	TSO	hydro	Initial	22 MW
Ardnacrusha Hydro (3)	TSO	hydro	Initial	19 MW
Ardnacrusha Hydro (4)	TSO	hydro	Initial	24 MW
Ballymorris Solar Park	DSO	solar	Existing Offer	4 MW
Clooncarhy Solar Farm	DSO	solar	Existing Offer	4 MW
Knockastanna (1)	DSO	wind	Initial	8 MW

Table 0-2 Generation Included in Study for Ardnacrusha Node

ARDNACRUSHA SOLAR	Year	Solar Generation Scenarios				
		Initial	South	33%	66%	All
Existing (MW)		0	0	0	0	0
Additional (MW)		0	8	3	5	8
Total (MW)		0	8	3	5	8
of which is Controllable (MW)		0	8	3	5	8
Available Energy Controllable (GWh)		0	9	3	6	9
Curtailment (GWh)	2020		0.2	0.1	0.3	0.8
	2021		0.2	0.0	0.2	0.7
	2022		0.1	0.0	0.2	0.6
Constraint (GWh)	2020		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1
	2021		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1
	2022		0.3	0.0	0.0	0.1
Curtailment and Constraint (GWh)	2020		0.2	0.1	0.3	0.9
	2021		0.2	0.0	0.3	0.8
	2022		0.4	0.0	0.2	0.6
Curtailment	2020		2%	2%	5%	9%
	2021		2%	2%	4%	8%
	2022		1%	1%	3%	7%
Constraint	2020		< 1%	< 1%	1%	1%
	2021		< 1%	< 1%	1%	1%
	2022		3%	< 1%	1%	1%
Curtailment and Constraint	2020		3%	2%	6%	10%
	2021		2%	2%	5%	9%
	2022		5%	2%	4%	8%
	Future Grid					2%

Table 0-3 Results for Ardnacrusha Solar

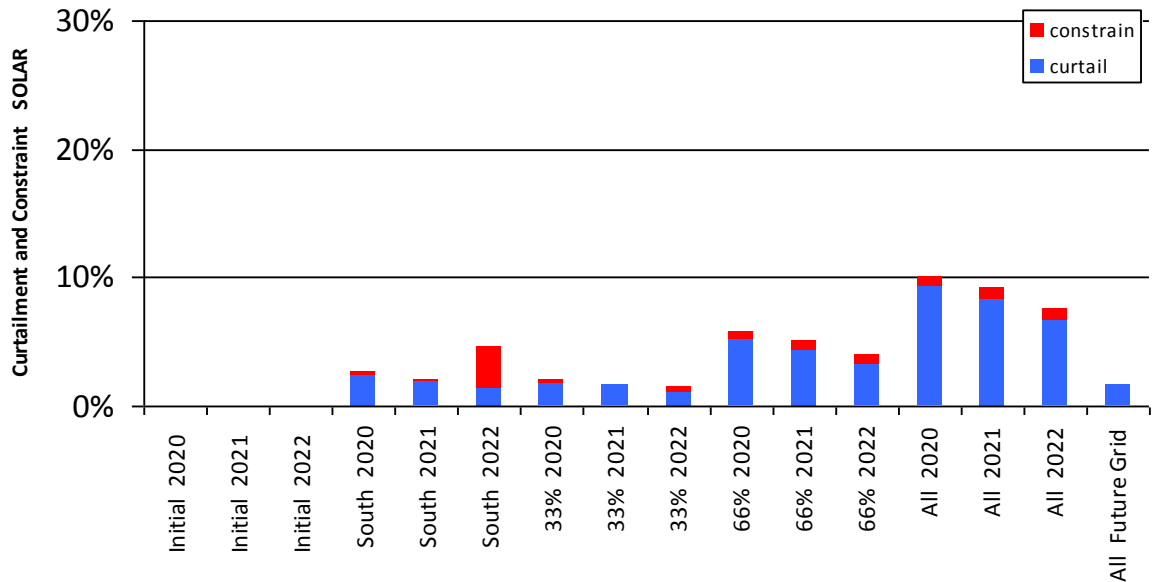


Figure 0-3 Curtailment and Constraint for Ardnacrusha Solar

ARDNACRUSHA WIND	Year	Wind Generation Scenarios				
		Initial	South	33%	66%	All
Existing (MW)		8	8	8	8	8
Additional (MW)		0	0	0	0	0
Total (MW)		8	8	8	8	8
of which is Controllable (MW)		8	8	8	8	8
Available Energy Controllable (GWh)		26	26	26	26	26
Curtailment (GWh)	2020	0.7	1.5	1.5	2.6	3.9
	2021	0.5	1.1	1.2	2.2	3.4
	2022	0.3	0.8	0.8	1.6	2.7
Constraint (GWh)	2020	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2
	2021	0.1	0.4	0.2	0.2	0.3
	2022	0.3	1.2	0.5	0.5	0.5
Curtailment and Constraint (GWh)	2020	0.8	1.8	1.7	2.9	4.2
	2021	0.6	1.5	1.3	2.4	3.7
	2022	0.6	1.9	1.3	2.1	3.2
Curtailment	2020	3%	6%	6%	10%	15%
	2021	2%	4%	4%	8%	13%
	2022	1%	3%	3%	6%	10%
Constraint	2020	< 1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
	2021	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
	2022	1%	4%	2%	2%	2%
Curtailment and Constraint	2020	3%	7%	6%	11%	16%
	2021	2%	6%	5%	9%	14%
	2022	2%	7%	5%	8%	12%
	Future Grid					2%

Table 0-4 Results for Ardnacrusha Wind

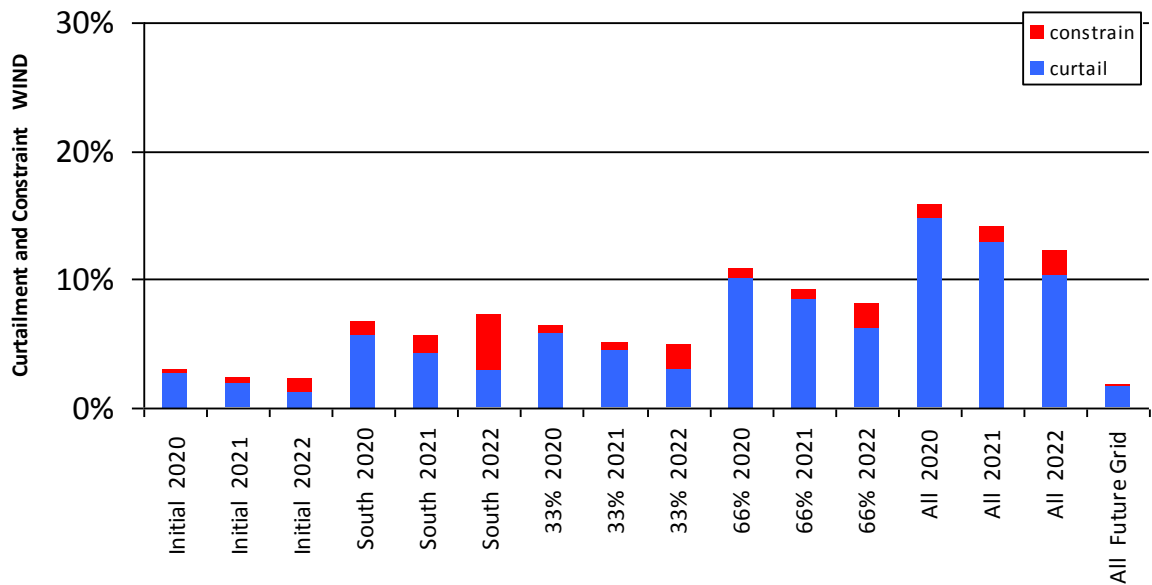


Figure 0-4 Curtailment and Constraint for Ardnacrusha Wind

## C.2 Booltiagh

The location of this node is shown in the figure.



Figure 0-3 Location of Booltiagh Node

The generators, which are modelled at this node, are listed as follows.

Generator	SO	Type	Status	Capacity
Booltiagh (1)	TSO	wind	Initial	19 MW
Booltiagh (2)	TSO	wind	Initial	3 MW
Booltiagh (3)	TSO	wind	Initial	9 MW
Boolynagleragh (1)	DSO	wind	Initial	37 MW
Cahermurphy (1)	DSO	wind	Initial	6 MW
Crossmore (1)	DSO	wind	ECP-1 Offer	15 MW
Glenmore (1)	DSO	wind	Existing Offer	24 MW
Kiltumper	DSO	wind	Initial	5 MW
Lissycasey (1)	DSO	wind	Initial	13 MW
Sorrell Island (Glenmore) Wind Farm Extension	DSO	wind	ECP-1 Offer	8 MW

Table 0-5 Generation Included in Study for Booltiagh Node

BOOLTIAGH WIND	Year	Wind Generation Scenarios				
		Initial	South	33%	66%	All
Existing (MW)		31	31	31	31	31
Additional (MW)		61	108	77	92	108
Total (MW)		93	140	108	124	140
of which is Controllable (MW)		85	132	100	116	132
Available Energy Controllable (GWh)		266	430	320	375	430
Curtailment (GWh)	2020	7.0	24.1	18.5	37.7	64.3
	2021	4.9	18.5	14.3	31.4	55.7
	2022	3.0	12.6	9.6	23.2	44.3
Constraint (GWh)	2020	0.8	4.7	2.1	3.2	4.0
	2021	1.5	6.0	1.9	2.8	4.5
	2022	3.0	18.9	5.9	7.4	8.7
Curtailment and Constraint (GWh)	2020	7.8	28.8	20.6	40.9	68.3
	2021	6.4	24.5	16.2	34.3	60.2
	2022	6.0	31.5	15.5	30.6	53.0
Curtailment	2020	3%	6%	6%	10%	15%
	2021	2%	4%	4%	8%	13%
	2022	1%	3%	3%	6%	10%
Constraint	2020	< 1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
	2021	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
	2022	1%	4%	2%	2%	2%
Curtailment and Constraint	2020	3%	7%	6%	11%	16%
	2021	2%	6%	5%	9%	14%
	2022	2%	7%	5%	8%	12%
	Future Grid					2%

Table 0-6 Results for Booltiagh Wind

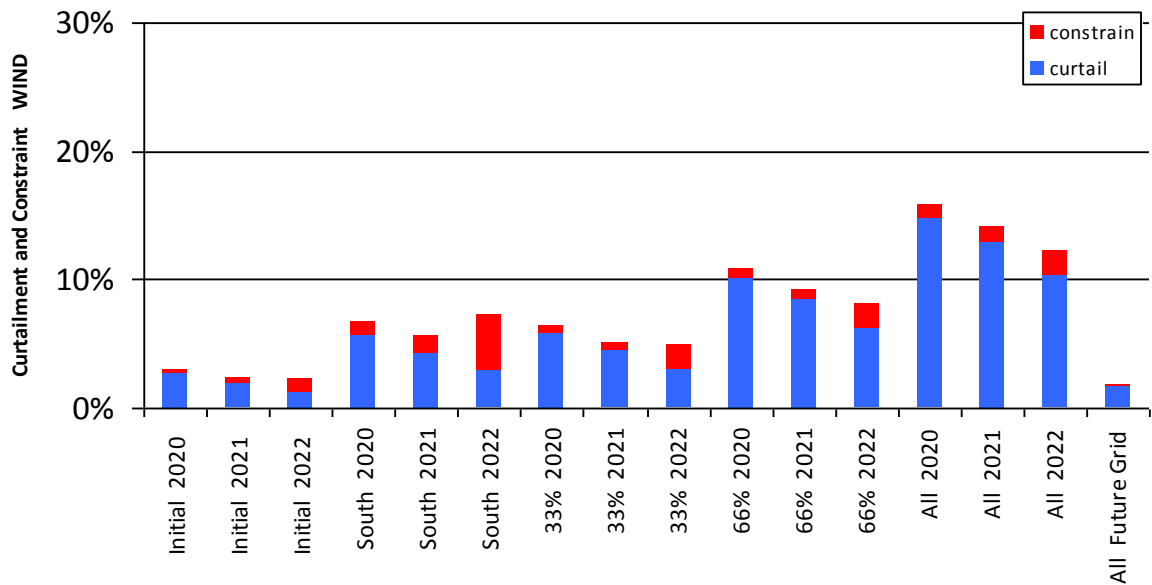


Figure 0-4 Curtailment and Constraint for Booltiagh

### C.3 Derrybrien

The location of this node is shown in the figure.



Figure 0-5 Location of Derrybrien Node

The generators, which are modelled at this node, are listed as follows.

Generator	SO	Type	Status	Capacity
Derrybrien (1)	TSO	wind	Initial	60 MW

Table 0-7 Generation Included in Study for Derrybrien Node



DERRYBRIEN WIND	Year	Wind Generation Scenarios				
		Initial	South	33%	66%	All
Existing (MW)		60	60	60	60	60
Additional (MW)		0	0	0	0	0
Total (MW)		60	60	60	60	60
of which is Controllable (MW)		60	60	60	60	60
Available Energy Controllable (GWh)		194	194	194	194	194
Curtailment (GWh)	2020	5.1	10.8	11.2	19.5	28.9
	2021	3.6	8.3	8.6	16.2	25.1
	2022	2.2	5.7	5.8	12.0	19.9
Constraint (GWh)	2020	0.6	2.1	1.3	1.7	1.8
	2021	1.1	2.7	1.2	1.5	2.0
	2022	2.2	8.5	3.5	3.8	3.9
Curtailment and Constraint (GWh)	2020	5.7	13.0	12.5	21.1	30.7
	2021	4.7	11.0	9.8	17.7	27.1
	2022	4.4	14.2	9.4	15.8	23.8
Curtailment	2020	3%	6%	6%	10%	15%
	2021	2%	4%	4%	8%	13%
	2022	1%	3%	3%	6%	10%
Constraint	2020	< 1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
	2021	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
	2022	1%	4%	2%	2%	2%
Curtailment and Constraint	2020	3%	7%	6%	11%	16%
	2021	2%	6%	5%	9%	14%
	2022	2%	7%	5%	8%	12%
	Future Grid					2%

Table 0-8 Results for Derrybrien Wind

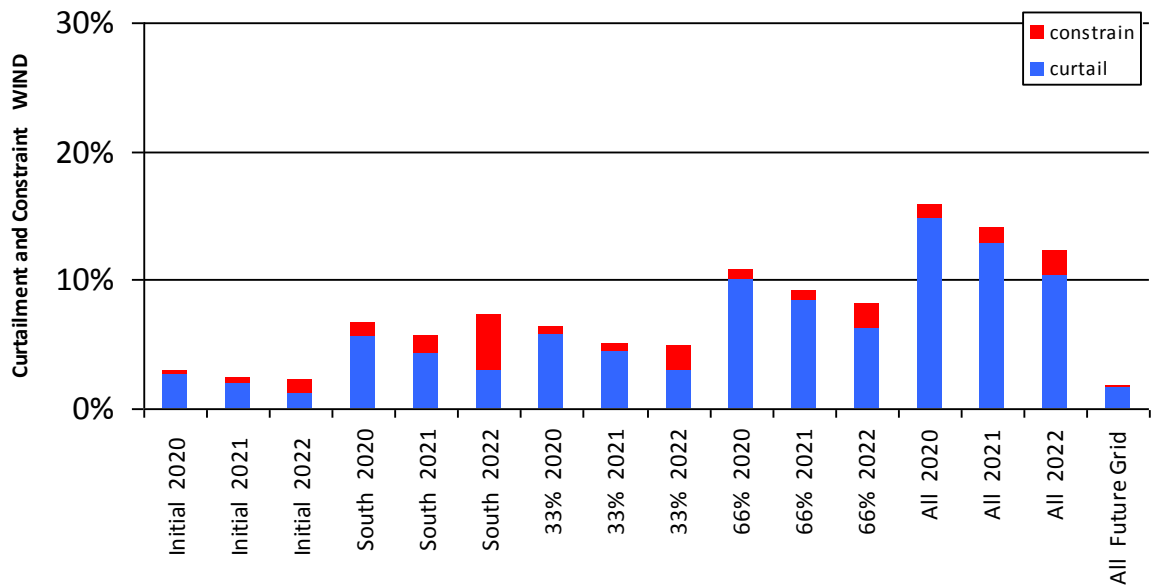


Figure 0-6 Curtailment and Constraint for Derrybrien Wind

## C.4 Drumline

The location of this node is shown in the figure.



Figure 0-8 Location of Drumline Node

The generators, which are modelled at this node, are listed as follows.

Generator	SO	Type	Status	Capacity
Clonloghan 2 Solar Park	DSO	solar	Existing Offer	4 MW
Clonloghan Solar Park	DSO	solar	Existing Offer	4 MW
Firgrove Solar Park	DSO	solar	ECP-1 Offer	4 MW

Table 0-9 Generation Included in Study for Drumline Node

DRUMLINE SOLAR	Year	Solar Generation Scenarios				
		Initial	South	33%	66%	All
Existing (MW)		0	0	0	0	0
Additional (MW)		0	12	4	8	12
Total (MW)		0	12	4	8	12
of which is Controllable (MW)		0	12	4	8	12
Available Energy Controllable (GWh)		0	13	4	9	13
Curtailment (GWh)	2020		0.3	0.1	0.4	1.2
	2021		0.2	0.1	0.4	1.1
	2022		0.2	0.0	0.3	0.9
Constraint (GWh)	2020		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1
	2021		0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1
	2022		0.4	0.0	0.1	0.1
Curtailment and Constraint (GWh)	2020		0.3	0.1	0.5	1.3
	2021		0.3	0.1	0.4	1.2
	2022		0.6	0.1	0.3	1.0
Curtailment	2020		2%	2%	5%	9%
	2021		2%	2%	4%	8%
	2022		1%	1%	3%	7%
Constraint	2020		< 1%	< 1%	1%	1%
	2021		< 1%	< 1%	1%	1%
	2022		3%	< 1%	1%	1%
Curtailment and Constraint	2020		3%	2%	6%	10%
	2021		2%	2%	5%	9%
	2022		5%	2%	4%	8%
	Future Grid					2%

Table 0-10 Results for Drumline Solar

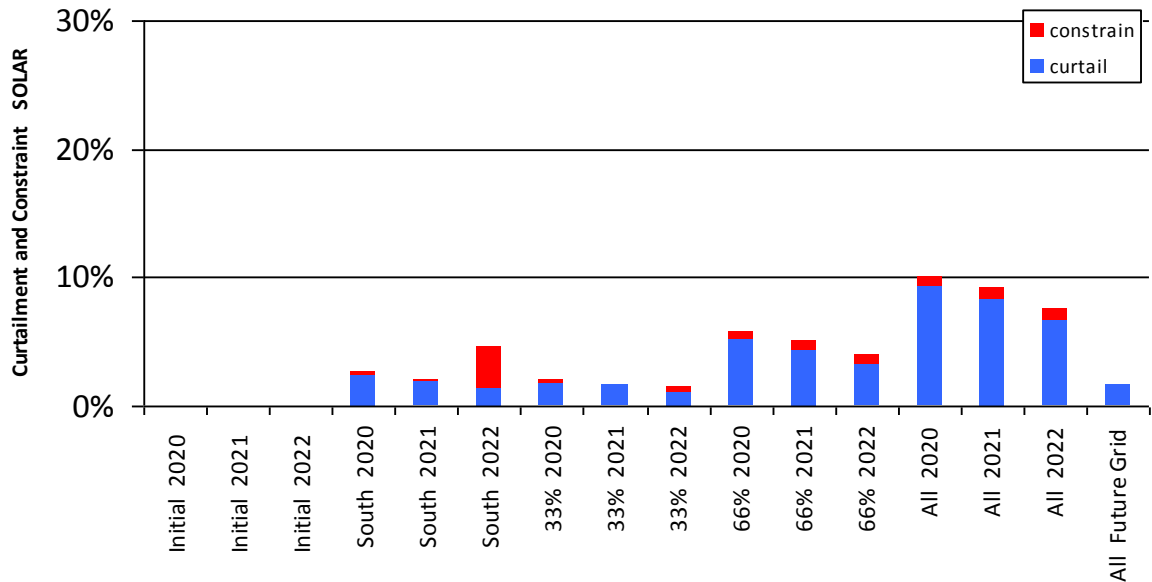


Figure 0-9 Curtailment and Constraint for Drumline Solar

## C.5 Ennis

The location of this node is shown in the figure.



Figure 0-10 Location of Ennis Node

The generators, which are modelled at this node, are listed as follows.

Generator	SO	Type	Status	Capacity
Spencil Hill Solar Farm	DSO	solar	Existing Offer	4 MW

Table 0-11 Generation Included in Study for Ennis Node

ENNIS SOLAR	Year	Solar Generation Scenarios				
		Initial	South	33%	66%	All
Existing (MW)		0	0	0	0	0
Additional (MW)		0	4	1	3	4
Total (MW)		0	4	1	3	4
of which is Controllable (MW)		0	4	1	3	4
Available Energy Controllable (GWh)		0	4	1	3	4
Curtailment (GWh)	2020		0.1	0.0	0.1	0.4
	2021		0.1	0.0	0.1	0.4
	2022		0.1	0.0	0.1	0.3
Constraint (GWh)	2020		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
	2021		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
	2022		0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0
Curtailment and Constraint (GWh)	2020		0.1	0.0	0.2	0.4
	2021		0.1	0.0	0.1	0.4
	2022		0.2	0.0	0.1	0.3
Curtailment	2020		2%	2%	5%	9%
	2021		2%	2%	4%	8%
	2022		1%	1%	3%	7%
Constraint	2020		< 1%	< 1%	1%	1%
	2021		< 1%	< 1%	1%	1%
	2022		3%	< 1%	1%	1%
Curtailment and Constraint	2020		3%	2%	6%	10%
	2021		2%	2%	5%	9%
	2022		5%	2%	4%	8%
	Future Grid					2%

Table 0-12 Results for Ennis Solar

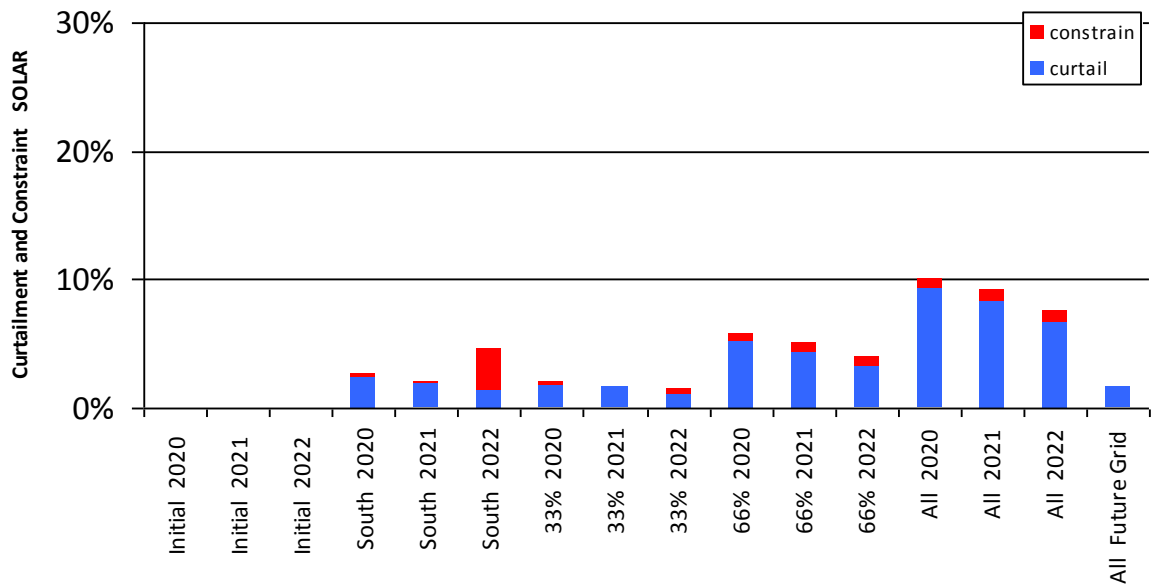


Figure 0-11 Curtailment and Constraint for Ennis Solar

## C.6 Slievecallan

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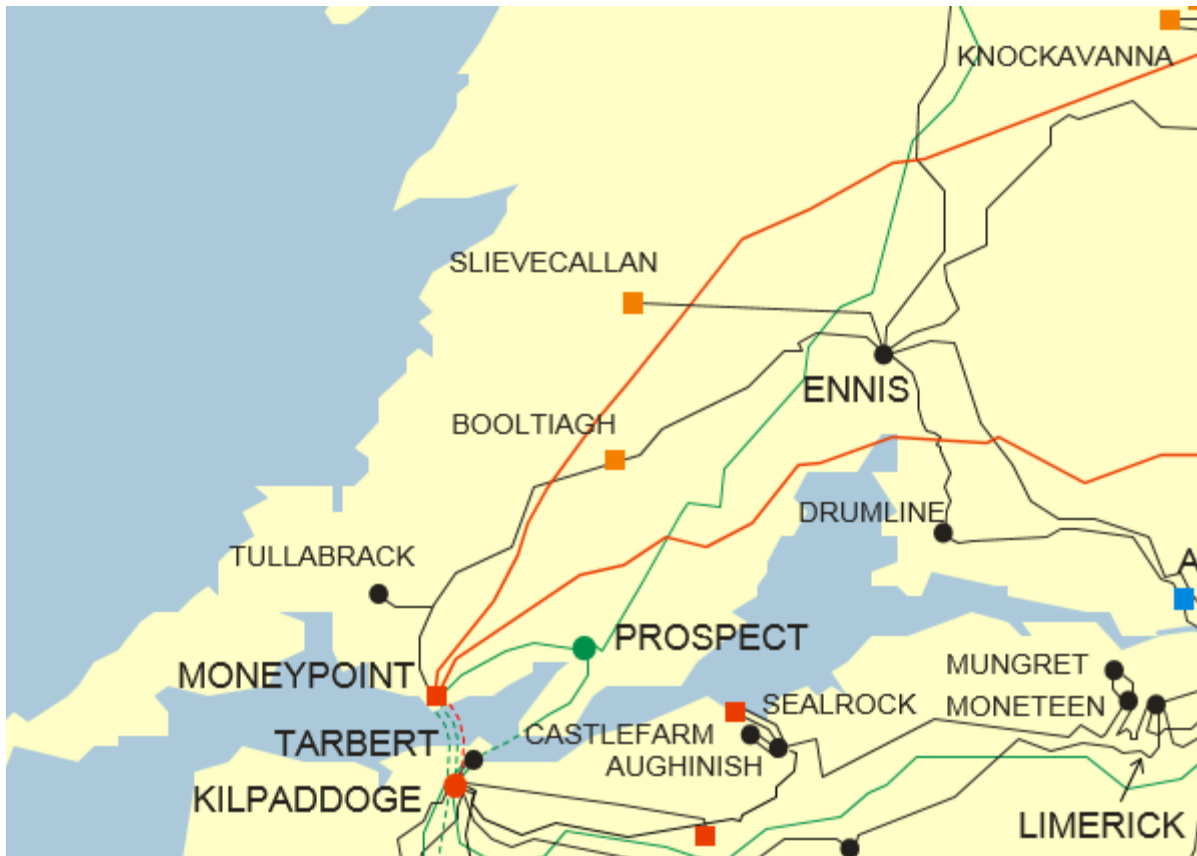


Figure 0-12 Location of Slievecallan Node

The generators, which are modelled at this node, are listed as follows.

Generator	SO	Type	Status	Capacity
Boolinrudda (formerly Boolynagleragh & Glenmore)	TSO	wind	Initial	18 MW
Boolinrudda (formerly Loughaun North)	TSO	wind	Initial	27 MW
Knockalassa (formerly Keelderry)	TSO	wind	Initial	27 MW

Table 0-13 Generation Included in Study for Slievecallan Node

SLIEVECALLAN WIND	Year	Wind Generation Scenarios				
		Initial	South	33%	66%	All
Existing (MW)		71	71	71	71	71
Additional (MW)		0	0	0	0	0
Total (MW)		71	71	71	71	71
of which is Controllable (MW)		71	71	71	71	71
Available Energy Controllable (GWh)		224	224	224	224	224
Curtailment (GWh)	2020	5.9	12.5	13.0	22.5	33.4
	2021	4.2	9.6	10.0	18.8	28.9
	2022	2.6	6.5	6.7	13.8	23.0
Constraint (GWh)	2020	0.7	2.5	1.5	1.9	2.1
	2021	1.2	3.1	1.4	1.7	2.3
	2022	2.5	9.8	4.1	4.4	4.5
Curtailment and Constraint (GWh)	2020	6.6	15.0	14.4	24.4	35.5
	2021	5.4	12.7	11.3	20.5	31.3
	2022	5.1	16.4	10.8	18.3	27.6
Curtailment	2020	3%	6%	6%	10%	15%
	2021	2%	4%	4%	8%	13%
	2022	1%	3%	3%	6%	10%
Constraint	2020	< 1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
	2021	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
	2022	1%	4%	2%	2%	2%
Curtailment and Constraint	2020	3%	7%	6%	11%	16%
	2021	2%	6%	5%	9%	14%
	2022	2%	7%	5%	8%	12%
	Future Grid					2%

Table 0-14 Results for Slievecallan Wind

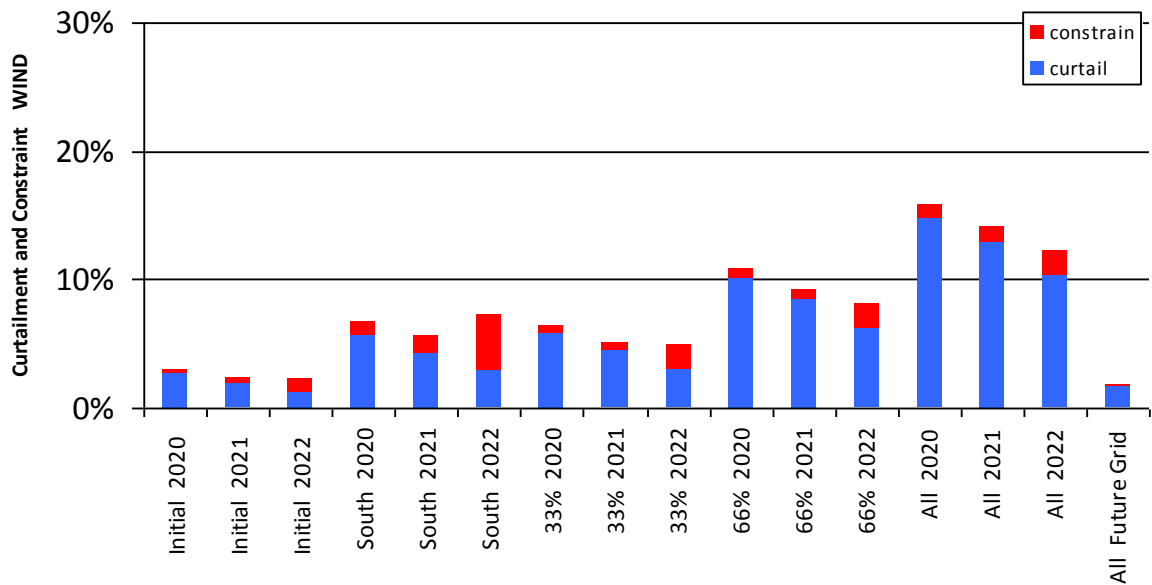


Figure 0-13 Curtailment and Constraint for Slievecallan Wind

## C.7 Tullabrack

The location of this node is shown in the figure.

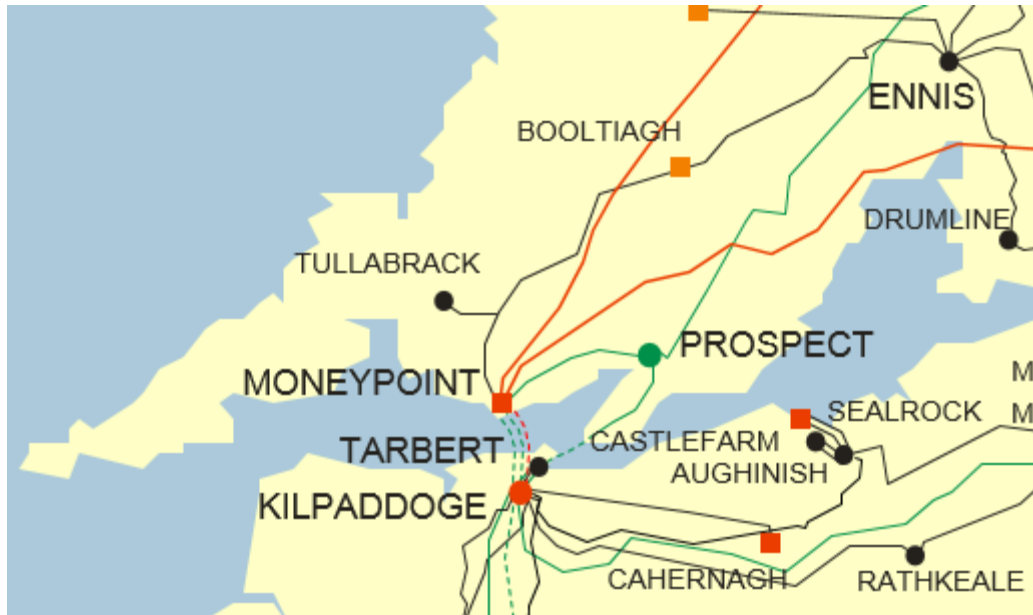


Figure 0-15 Location of Tullabrack Node

The generators, which are modelled at this node, are listed as follows.

Generator	SO	Type	Status	Capacity
Carrownawelaun (1)	DSO	wind	Initial	5 MW
Moanmore (1)	DSO	wind	Initial	13 MW
Tullabrack (1)	DSO	wind	Initial	14 MW
WestWave Killard	DSO	wave	Existing Offer	5 MW

Table 0-16 Generation Included in Study for Tullabrack Node



TULLABRACK WIND	Year	Wind Generation Scenarios				
		Initial	South	33%	66%	All
Existing (MW)		31	31	31	31	31
Additional (MW)		0	5	2	4	5
Total (MW)		31	36	33	35	36
of which is Controllable (MW)		14	19	16	17	19
Available Energy Controllable (GWh)		43	60	49	54	60
Curtailment (GWh)	2020	1.1	3.4	2.8	5.5	9.0
	2021	0.8	2.6	2.2	4.6	7.8
	2022	0.5	1.8	1.5	3.4	6.2
Constraint (GWh)	2020	0.1	0.7	0.3	0.5	0.6
	2021	0.2	0.8	0.3	0.4	0.6
	2022	0.5	2.6	0.9	1.1	1.2
Curtailment and Constraint (GWh)	2020	1.3	4.0	3.1	5.9	9.5
	2021	1.0	3.4	2.5	5.0	8.4
	2022	1.0	4.4	2.4	4.4	7.4
Curtailment	2020	3%	6%	6%	10%	15%
	2021	2%	4%	4%	8%	13%
	2022	1%	3%	3%	6%	10%
Constraint	2020	< 1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
	2021	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
	2022	1%	4%	2%	2%	2%
Curtailment and Constraint	2020	3%	7%	6%	11%	16%
	2021	2%	6%	5%	9%	14%
	2022	2%	7%	5%	8%	12%
	Future Grid					2%

Table 0-17 Results for Tullabrack Wind

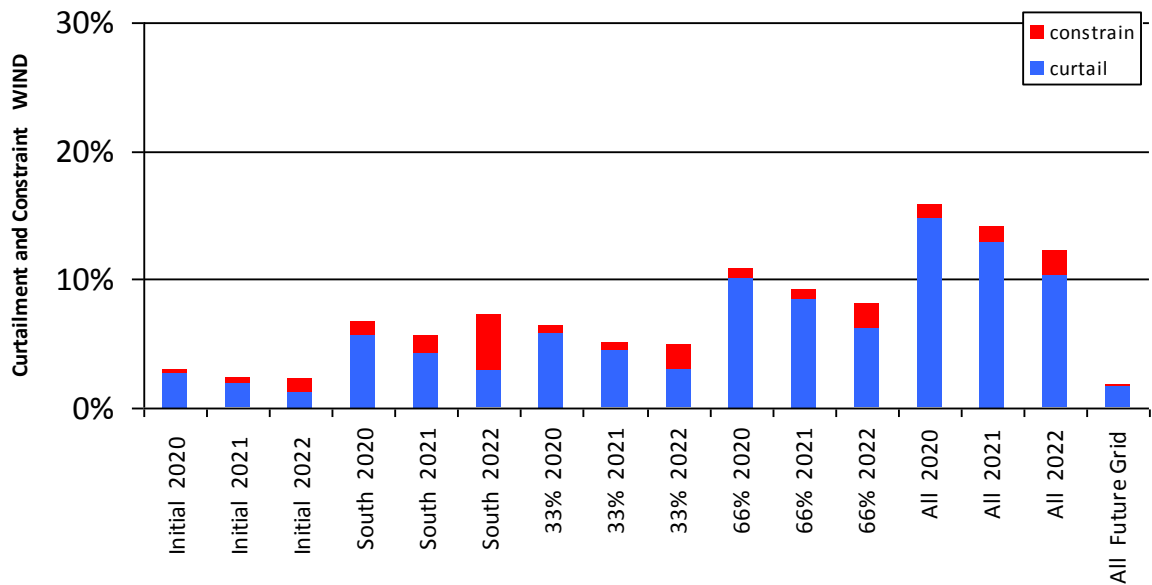


Figure 0-16 Curtailment and Constraint for Tullabrack Wind



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