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FOI_2025_001	13/01/2025	11/02/2025	Business/Interest Groups	Any and all correspondence (with attachments) or minutes of meetings between the Eirgrid and Lumclon Energy, COOLPOWRA FLEX GEN LIMITED, Halston, and/or (named individual) (representing Lumclon Energy) between 21/6/2024 and 14/1/2025 in relation to PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF A RESERVE GAS-FIRED GENERATOR, ENERGY STORAGE SYSTEM FACILITY AND GIS SUBSTATION IN THE TOWNLANDS OF COOLPOWRA, COOLDORRAGHA, COOLNAGEERAGH BALLYNAHESKERAGH, GORTLUSKY, AND SHEEAUNRUSH, CO GALWAY.	Part-granted
FOI_2025_002	20/01/2025	Withdrawn	Individual	We're currently looking at purchasing this property and we were advised to get additional information from the ESB about the power cables which are above the garden. Can you give me some information about the adjacent electricity pylon and large cables running over the top of the garden of this property	Withdrawn
FOI_2025_003	28/01/2025	Withdrawn	Individual	Data Point (1) For each connected data centre under EirGrid, their name, date of connection to EirGrid, and monthly billed electricity consumption (in MWh) from their date of connection to the Q4 2024. If this request exceeds relevant cost limits, I kindly request that you consider providing data point (1) at the quarterly or annual level, from the year of connection to 2024. Data Point (2) For each connected data centre under EirGrid, their hourly electricity load/demand profile (MWh consumption every hour) for every day in 2024. If this request exceeds relevant cost limits, I kindly request that you consider providing hourly electricity load/demand profile for every day in January to June 2024.	Withdrawn
FOI_2025_004	10/02/2025	Withdrawn	Individual	I require hourly timeseries data for the years 2020 - current of the gCO2/kWh (carbon intensity per unit generated) of the Irish transmission grid. If the data is available in numerical, tabular form, such as a csv file, that would be ideal. I would like to receive this information via this email.	Withdrawn
FOI_2025_005	27/02/2025	07/03/2025	Individual	I would like to request information in relation to the The Sceirde Rocks Windfarm (first Irish off shore wind farm). Who is going to buy the electricity generated by the Sceirde Rocks Windfarm? Is there a buyer already a located for this electricity? If not, who is the target market domestic users or industry?	Refused
FOI_2025_006	28/02/2025	05/03/2025	Individual	I am seeking details on any planned upgrades for the following: A 14.3 km 38kV overhead line from 100 SCA F50 to 150 AAAC between Carrick on Shannon and Castlereaa. A 1 km 38kV overhead line from 100 SCA F50 to 150 AAAC between Carrick on Shannon and Castlereaa. A 7 km 38kV overhead line from 100 SCA F50 to 150 AAAC between Dalton and Ballyhaunis.	Refused
FOI_2025_007	10/04/2025	16/04/2025	Individual	I am seeking any records related to telecommunications equipment associated with the ESB pylon located in Beechwood, Clarecastle, Co. Clare. For clarity, I am requesting records covering the period from January 2019 to the present. The records I seek include: Any applications, approvals, or licences issued for the installation of telecommunications equipment (including, but not limited to, mobile network antennas, wireless broadband transmitters, or 5G infrastructure) on the ESB pylon. The name of the telecommunications operator or company responsible for any such installation. Correspondence between ComReg and any relevant parties (such as ESB Networks or Clare County Council) regarding this equipment. Any related public consultation or impact assessment records.	Refused
FOI_2025_008	02/05/2025	30/05/2025	Individual	The minutes from 2025 of the Network Projects Dublin Programme Board, the group overseeing the Powering Up Dublin project, and for reporting to the Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications, ("DECC") from this year which include a monthly update and key project risks for this project, and for any other plan to run new Overhead High Voltage Lines or High Voltage Underground Cables to Inchicore.	Part-granted
FOI_2025_009	29/04/2025	27/05/2025	Individual	The full schedule of Powersave Events called by EirGrid for the most recent full Powersave Season (1 October 2023 to 30 September 2024), specifically: • The start date & time of each Powersave Event • The end date & time (or duration) of each event • The classification (Peak vs. Off-Peak) of each event • The Published Prices If the requested Powersave Season is not possible to get, please send the latest one you have.	Granted
FOI_2025_010	06/05/2025	03/06/2025	Individual	Personal information request	Granted
FOI_2025_011	03/06/2025	20/06/2025	Individual	A list of all the applicants who were unsuccessful in the Renewable Electricity Support Schemes (RESS) to date.	Refused
FOI_2025_012	23/05/2025	20/06/2025	Business/Interest Groups	Please provide copies of any records held - including documents, meeting minutes, emails and other correspondence - created or received by EirGrid between 1 January 2025 and 14 May 2025 in connection with setting the timetable for the T-4 2029/2030 Capacity Auction that is significantly later than previous auctions.	Part-granted
FOI_2025_013	05/06/2025	01/07/2025	Business/Interest Groups	A transcript of the call between RWE's Control Centre and NCC following handover of the Lisdrumdoagh BESS asset on the 29/02/2024	Granted
FOI_2025_014	11/06/2025	13/06/2025	Individual	Daily or hourly aggregated solar electricity generation data (in MW or MWh) across the Republic of Ireland, for the period 1st June 2023 to 1st June 2025, or the closest available equivalent timeframe.	Granted
FOI_2025_015	18/06/2025	16/07/2025	Oireachtas/ Public Representative	I would like Eirgrid's records relating to the Castlebaggot substation which reference the impact on housing. This may include reports, presentations, correspondence, both internal and external. I would like to limit the request to the last year. I would also like records relating to other substations or grid developments where housing projects were delayed or deprioritised due to capacity being assigned to data centres. I would like to limit the request to the last year. I would like any Eirgrid assessments, modelling, or correspondence planning scenarios or forecasts that weigh housing versus data centre electricity demands. I would like to limit the request to the last year.	Part-granted

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FOI_2025_016	20/06/2025	02/07/2025	Individual	- The date of the most recent accepted grid connection offer for a data centre, - The date of the second most recent accepted grid connection offer for a data centre, and - The date of the third most recent accepted grid connection offer for a data centre for connections of new capacity to the transmission system.	Granted
FOI_2025_017	08/07/2025	25/08/2025	Journalist	1. Correspondence between your chair and the relevant minister in the government department under whose aegis you operate 2. Correspondence between your chief executive and the relevant secretary general in the government department under whose aegis you operate 3. During 2024 and 2025 to date	Part-granted
FOI_2025_018	21/07/2025	08/09/2025	Business/Interest Groups	Copies of the following information held that were created or received by EirGrid between 30 June 2023 and the date of this letter (3 July 2025): 1. A copy of all Implementation Progress Reports submitted by Kilshane Energy Limited for Capacity Market Unit GU_404730, together with correspondence related to the same and relating to the next Implementation Progress Report due 18 July 2025. 2. Copies of any: documents; communications with or from Kilshane Energy Limited and the Regulatory Authorities designated under the Code; and submissions by Kilshane Energy Limited relating to Milestones; Internal memoranda, notes, meeting minutes, or decision documents relating to GU_404730 or Kilshane Energy Ltd; correspondence and documents between EirGrid and the Regulatory Authorities or Kilshane Energy Limited, whether captured as part of bilateral or tri-partite communications. EPUKI is seeking any relevant records held by EirGrid, including EirGrid's own internal documents and assessments relating to the Milestone; particularly regarding: a. Substantial Financial Completion as per paragraph J.2.1.1 of the Code; b. Any applications for extension submitted under any of paragraphs J.5.2.1, J.5.5 or J.5.8.2 of the Code; and c. Any correspondence or decisions relating to the above extensions, or termination or potential termination of capacity relating to Capacity Market Unit GU_404730, including on the basis of paragraphs J.6.2 and J.6.3 of the Code. 3. Any communications with or from Kilshane Energy Limited and the Regulatory Authorities, or notifications by Kilshane Energy or EirGrid relating to Regulation (EU) No 1227/2011 on wholesale energy market integrity and transparency.	NCND
FOI_2025_019	24/07/2025	22/08/2025	Business/Interest Groups	Please provide copies of any records held - including documents, meeting minutes, emails and other correspondence - created or received by EirGrid between 1 September 2024 and 14 May 2025 that set out or otherwise indicate the reasons the System Operators proposed a timetable for the T-4 2029/2030 Capacity Auction to the Regulatory Authorities that is significantly later than previous Auctions	Part-granted
FOI_2025_020	06/08/2025	03/09/2025	Individual	I hereby request access to all records held by EirGrid relating to the Belville Solar Farm project. These laws and international commitments provide the statutory basis for public access to environmental information, ensuring transparency and public participation in environmental decisions, including projects such as the Belville Solar Farm. Specifically, I request: 1. Grid Connection Applications & Agreements Any applications submitted for grid connection for Belville Solar Farm. Connection offer letters, agreements, and related correspondence. 2. Technical Studies & Assessments Any feasibility studies, grid impact studies, or network analyses involving the project. Internal memos or reports on the potential effects on grid stability or curtailment. 3. Correspondence Emails, meeting notes, and letters exchanged between EirGrid and the project developer (or their representatives) regarding the project. Communications between EirGrid and the CRU, ESB Networks, or the Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications concerning Belville Solar Farm. 4. Operational or Planning Documentation Any planning forecasts, network development plans, or project timelines referencing the Belville Solar Farm. 5. Geospatial and Mapping Data Any maps, GIS data, or spatial analyses relating to the Belville Solar Farm location and its grid connection points. Any overlays or plans showing proposed infrastructure, network routes, or restrictions in the area. Any environmental or land-use maps linked to the project's planning or impact assessments.	Refused
FOI_2025_021	14/08/2025	Withdrawn	Business/Interest Groups	Right now, I am looking for a list of all conventional power plants in Ireland (both Republic of Ireland and Northern Ireland). Would it be possible to share such a list with me (including power plant type, fuel type, max capacity, efficiency, and potentially costs related to start & running)? I know that EirGrid models Ireland's energy system in Plexos and I've heard that the model results are publicly available, is that correct? If yes, could you please share them with me?	Withdrawn

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FOI_2025_022	01/09/2025	23/09/2025	Business/Interest Groups	<p>1. 220kV substations – The most recent report held by EirGrid indicating the number of 220kV substations planned or projected to be built in the North Cork region, whether directly or indirectly connected to Ballysallagh or Knockraha, over the longest available projected time horizon.</p> <p>2. 110kV substations – The most recent report held by EirGrid indicating the number of 110kV substations planned or projected in the North Cork region, whether directly or indirectly connected to Ballysallagh or Knockraha, over the longest available projected time horizon.</p> <p>3. Rationale for Ballysallagh 220kV – Any report or assessment setting out the rationale for proposing a 220kV substation at Ballysallagh, including (where available) capacity assessments, cost-benefit analyses, or operational need studies, particularly in light of its proximity to Knockraha substation.</p> <p>4. Integration with the national grid – The most recent record or assessment describing how the Ballysallagh 220kV substation would integrate with the national grid, including reference to forecast demand, industrial development, or strategic network planning.</p> <p>5. Planned transmission connections – The most recent report or record identifying any planned or projected overhead lines or underground services from Ballysallagh 220kV station over the longest available projected horizon.</p>	Refused
FOI_2025_023	05/09/2025	Withdrawn	Individual	<p>This request refers to the proposed solar farm development by Power Capital Renewable Energy (PCRE), located near Belville, Monivea, Co. Galway, commonly referred to as the "Belville Solar Farm." This includes any associated grid connection or infrastructure works linked to this development, and any records where the project is referred to under a different internal name or reference. This request also covers any proposed Phase 2 or Phase 3 expansions, whether publicly announced or not, and any Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) or fire safety-related assessments relevant to electrical infrastructure. Specifically, I request:</p> <p>1. Grid Connection Applications & Agreements Any applications submitted for grid connection for the Belville Solar Farm. Connection offer letters, agreements, and related correspondence. Internal memos or reports on grid capacity, feasibility, network impacts, or potential curtailment.</p> <p>2. Technical Studies & Assessments Feasibility studies, grid impact studies, network analyses, or technical evaluations involving the project. Internal memos or reports on electrical safety, BESS integration, or emergency mitigation.</p> <p>3. Correspondence and Engagement Emails, letters, or meeting notes between ESB Networks and the project developer (PCRE) or their representatives. Correspondence between ESB Networks and Galway County Council, ABP, EPA, NPWS, EirGrid, Irish Rail, or other statutory bodies regarding the project. Internal discussions or advice relating to future phases, BESS/fire safety, or cumulative impacts on the electricity network.</p> <p>4. Geospatial and Mapping Data Any maps, GIS data, or spatial analyses showing the project area in relation to network routes, substations, or electrical infrastructure. Records showing potential constraints, overlays, or mitigation measures relevant to the project's connection to the grid.</p>	Withdrawn
FOI_2025_024	12/09/2025	09/10/2025	Individual	Mixed information request	Part-granted
FOI_2025_025	25/09/2025	22/10/2025	Business/Interest Groups	<p>I am writing to formally request access to records concerning planned Information and Communication Technology (ICT) procurements for the current financial year (2025/26). As part of our organisation's interest in understanding upcoming ICT procurement initiatives, I kindly request access to the following information:</p> <p>1. Details of the ICT budget and planned ICT projects or initiatives for the current financial year (2025/26).</p> <p>2. Documentation outlining planned ICT procurements for FY 2025/26, including (but not limited to) hardware, software, ICT maintenance agreements, and related services.</p>	Refused
FOI_2025_026	03/11/2025	28/11/2025	Journalist	A copy of the business case, cost-benefit analysis or other such rationale or analyses documents associated with the decision to allow battery storage operators to operate as reported on in the following newspaper article: https://www.irishtimes.com/business/2025/10/28/battery-storage-to-open-new-source-of-energy-supply-in-move-to-cut-electricity-costs/	Part-granted
FOI_2025_027	12/12/2025	13/01/2026	Individual	All records of correspondence received from Minister O'Brien, his ministerial office, his dáil office, or his special advisers, since he took office. By ministerial office, I mean emails from his assistants and secretaries employed by the the department. So not correspondence from a civil servant from a different division of the department. It seems from a PQ reply like he has a Private Secretary (Higher Executive Officer), Constituency Office (Executive Officer), Constituency Office (Clerical Officer). Not named though. By Dáil office, I mean the people who work for the TD in the Dáil. Probably 2-3 people and they have an email that takes the format first last@oireachtas.ie.	Part-granted
FOI_2025_028	04/12/2025	11/12/2025	Individual	With regard to the Renewable Electricity Support Scheme RESS 1: 2020 and the associated Terms and Conditions Appendix 2 Milestones (attached for your reference) Can you please provide an update on the status of each milestone for each successful applicant.	Transferred to another Public Body
FOI_2025_029	04/12/2025	06/01/2026	Individual	<p>Under the freedom of information act, could I please request a list of all of the applicants who have previously applied for the RESS auctions since its inception. Details to include (but not limited to)...</p> <p>1) Applicant Name 2) Site/Project Location 3) Project type/size</p>	Refused
FOI_2025_030	15/12/2025	05/01/2025	Individual	All information and correspondence relating to the November 2023 request to increase EirGrid Defined Benefit Pensions. I request all internal correspondence and also all external correspondence with any other body or organisation e.g. Department of Climate, Energy and the Environment (DCEE), NewERA, Department of Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation (PER).	Refused