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### 1. Introduction

### 2.1 Background and purpose

This Initial Auction Information Pack provides information relating to items listed within Section D.3 of the Capacity Market Code for the T-4 Capacity Auction for the Capacity Year 2026/2027. The Auction will be referred to within this document as the 2026/2027 T-4 Capacity Auction. The Capacity Year will be referred to in this document as the 2026/2027 T-4 Capacity Year. All information set out in this document relates solely to the 2026/2027 T-4 Capacity Auction.

In accordance with D.1.1.1 of the Capacity Market Code, the Capacity Year 2026/2027 is the period commencing at the start of the Trading Day beginning at 23:00 on 01<sup>st</sup> October 2026 and ending at the end of the Trading Day ending at 23:00 on 30<sup>th</sup> September 2027.

In order to participate in a Capacity Auction, a party must be a fully registered and qualified participant in the Capacity Market. Information relating to the registration process can be found via the Capacity Market Registration section of the SEMO website<sup>1</sup>.

Please note that information published within this pack may be subject to amendment within the Final Auction Information Pack per Capacity Market Code, Section D.3.1.4. Care has been taken within this document to clearly note where information is final or where it is indicative and subject to change.

The Final Auction Information Pack is due to be published in accordance with the Capacity Auction Timetable, CAT2627T-4. Per Section D.3.1.5 of the Capacity Market Code, before acting in reliance on any information contained within this document, please take care to ensure any amendments after the publication of the Final Auction Information Pack have been taken into consideration.

### 2.2 Units

For quantities specified in MW, 'MW' refers to a megawatt of de-rated capacity, unless otherwise stated.

For prices specified in €/MW per year or £/MW per year, 'year' refers to a 12-month year, unless otherwise stated.

Settlement of prices in units based on a 12 month year is provided for in accordance with paragraph F.17.1.1 of the Trading and Settlement Code.

In this document, unless specifically stated, Euro (€) values will apply to Participants located in Ireland and Sterling (£) values will apply to Participants located in Northern Ireland. The Capacity Auction will be conducted in Euros, with Sterling offers converted to Euros at the Annual Capacity Payment Exchange Rate.

### 2.3 Contact Details

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<sup>1</sup> https://www.sem-o.com/



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### 2. Capacity Market Code Items

This document contains values for items listed within Section D.3.1.2 of the Capacity Market Code. Information determined by the Regulatory Authorities per Section D.3.1.3 is described as approved.

### 2.1 De-Rating Curves

### D.3.1.2 (a) the final De-Rating Curves, defining De-Rating Factors by unit Initial Capacity and by Technology Class (including for Interconnectors) to be used in the Capacity Auction;

The Marginal De-Rating Curves approved by the Regulatory Authorities in accordance with Section D.3.1.3 (a) of the Capacity Market Code are set out in Tables 1 to 5.

The Annual Run-Hour Limit (ARHL) De-Rating Factors approved by the Regulatory Authorities in accordance with Section D.3.1.3 (aA) of the Capacity Market Code are set out in Table 6, in accordance with SEM-22-063 and SEM-22-044.

It is important to note that the derating factor used to assess Substantial Completion of any Awarded New Capacity will be based on the actual values for the commissioned Generator Units in accordance with G.3.1.4A of the Capacity Market Code, which is subject to modification in accordance with SEM-22-063 in respect of Annual Run-Hour Limits.



Table 1 – Initial Capacity Marginal De-Rating Curves by Technology Class and Initial Capacity

Initial Capacity (IC)	DSU	Gas	I I d	Character Tambia	I	System
(MW not de-rated)	>6 hrs²	Turbine	Hydro	Steam Turbine	Interconnector <sup>3</sup>	Wide⁴
0 ≤ IC ≤ 10	0.895	0.905	0.890	0.847	0.530	0.895
10 < IC ≤ 20	0.893	0.904	0.888	0.844	0.529	0.893
20 < IC ≤ 30	0.891	0.903	0.886	0.841	0.528	0.891
30 < IC ≤ 40	0.889	0.903	0.885	0.838	0.526	0.889
40 < IC ≤ 50	0.886	0.902	0.883	0.835	0.525	0.886
50 < IC ≤ 60	0.884	0.901	0.881	0.832	0.524	0.884
60 < IC ≤ 70	0.882	0.901	0.879	0.829	0.522	0.882
70 < IC ≤ 80	0.880	0.900	0.878	0.826	0.521	0.880
80 < IC ≤ 90	0.878	0.899	0.876	0.823	0.520	0.878
90 < IC ≤ 100	0.876	0.899	0.874	0.819	0.518	0.876
100 < IC ≤ 110	0.874	0.898	0.873	0.816	0.517	0.874
110 < IC ≤ 120	0.872	0.896	0.872	0.813	0.515	0.872
120 < IC ≤ 130	0.869	0.895	0.871	0.810	0.514	0.869
130 < IC ≤ 140	0.867	0.894	0.871	0.807	0.512	0.867
140 < IC ≤ 150	0.865	0.893	0.871	0.803	0.512	0.865
150 < IC ≤ 160	0.863	0.891	0.869	0.800	0.509	0.863
160 < IC ≤ 170	0.860	0.889	0.868	0.796	0.507	0.860
170 < IC ≤ 180	0.857	0.887	0.867	0.792	0.505	0.857
180 < IC ≤ 190	0.855	0.885	0.866	0.788	0.504	0.855
190 < IC ≤ 200	0.852	0.883	0.865	0.785	0.502	0.852
200 < IC ≤ 210	0.849	0.882	0.863	0.781	0.500	0.849
210 < IC ≤ 220	0.847	0.880	0.861	0.777	0.499	0.847
220 < IC ≤ 230	0.844	0.879	0.858	0.773	0.497	0.844
230 < IC ≤ 240	0.841	0.877	0.856	0.769	0.495	0.841
240 < IC ≤ 250	0.839	0.875	0.854	0.766	0.493	0.839
250 < IC ≤ 260	0.836	0.874	0.852	0.762	0.491	0.836
260 < IC ≤ 270	0.833	0.872	0.850	0.758	0.490	0.833
270 < IC ≤ 280	0.830	0.870	0.848	0.753	0.488	0.830
280 < IC ≤ 290	0.827	0.867	0.846	0.749	0.485	0.827
290 < IC ≤ 300	0.825	0.865	0.844	0.745	0.484	0.825
300 < IC ≤ 310	0.822	0.863	0.842	0.741	0.482	0.822
310 < IC ≤ 320	0.818	0.861	0.840	0.737	0.479	0.818
320 < IC ≤ 330	0.815	0.859	0.837	0.733	0.478	0.815
330 < IC ≤ 340	0.812	0.857	0.835	0.728	0.475	0.812
340 < IC ≤ 350	0.809	0.855	0.833	0.724	0.473	0.809
350 < IC ≤ 360	0.806	0.852	0.830	0.720	0.471	0.806
360 < IC ≤ 370	0.802	0.850	0.828	0.716	0.469	0.802
370 < IC ≤ 380	0.799	0.847	0.826	0.711	0.467	0.799
380 < IC ≤ 390	0.796	0.845	0.823	0.707	0.465	0.796
390 < IC ≤ 400	0.793	0.842	0.821	0.703	0.463	0.793
400 < IC ≤ 410	0.789	0.840	0.819	0.698	0.461	0.789
410 < IC ≤ 420	0.785	0.838	0.816	0.693	0.458	0.785
420 < IC ≤ 430	0.781	0.835	0.814	0.688	0.455	0.781
430 < IC ≤ 440	0.777	0.833	0.812	0.682	0.452	0.777
440 < IC ≤ 450	0.773	0.831	0.809	0.677	0.450	0.773
450 < IC ≤ 460	0.768	0.828	0.807	0.672	0.447	0.768
460 < IC ≤ 470	0.765	0.825	0.805	0.667	0.445	0.765
470 < IC ≤ 480	0.761	0.822	0.802	0.662	0.442	0.761
480 < IC ≤ 490	0.757	0.819	0.800	0.657	0.440	0.757
490 < IC ≤ 500	0.753	0.816	0.798	0.652	0.437	0.753

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> In accordance with SEM Committee decision <u>SEM-18-030</u>, DSUs with a Maximum Down Time of more than 6 hours should apply the appropriate Marginal De-Rating Factor based on the values set out in Table 1. DSUs with a Maximum Down Time of 6 hours or less should apply the appropriate Marginal De-Rating Factor based on the values set out in Table 4.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The Marginal De-Rating Factor for Interconnectors has been adjusted by an External Market De-Rating Factor of 0.60 for interconnectors from Great Britain to Ireland or Northern Ireland.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> New Technology (i.e. a technology for which there is currently no technology class) should use the System Wide derating curve.



Table 2 – Initial Capacity Marginal De-Rating Curves for Pumped Hydro Storage Units

						Н	ours of St	orage					
Initial Capacity (IC) (MW)	0.0	0.5	1.0	1.5	2.0	2.5	3.0	3.5	4.0	4.5	5.0	5.5	6.0 or greater
0 ≤ IC ≤ 10	0	0.143	0.246	0.328	0.402	0.471	0.533	0.578	0.614	0.646	0.682	0.728	0.781
10 < IC ≤ 20	0	0.142	0.244	0.326	0.400	0.469	0.531	0.576	0.613	0.644	0.680	0.726	0.779
20 < IC ≤ 30	0	0.134	0.237	0.318	0.391	0.460	0.521	0.567	0.604	0.637	0.674	0.718	0.766
30 < IC ≤ 40	0	0.131	0.233	0.314	0.386	0.454	0.516	0.562	0.599	0.633	0.670	0.713	0.759
40 < IC ≤ 50	0	0.127	0.229	0.309	0.381	0.449	0.510	0.557	0.595	0.629	0.667	0.708	0.752
50 < IC ≤ 60	0	0.123	0.225	0.305	0.377	0.444	0.505	0.553	0.590	0.625	0.664	0.704	0.745
60 < IC ≤ 70	0	0.119	0.221	0.301	0.372	0.439	0.500	0.548	0.585	0.621	0.660	0.699	0.738
70 < IC ≤ 80	0	0.116	0.218	0.297	0.368	0.435	0.496	0.544	0.582	0.618	0.657	0.696	0.733
80 < IC ≤ 90	0	0.114	0.215	0.294	0.365	0.432	0.492	0.541	0.579	0.616	0.655	0.693	0.730
90 < IC ≤ 100	0	0.112	0.212	0.290	0.362	0.429	0.489	0.537	0.576	0.614	0.653	0.691	0.727
100 < IC ≤ 110	0	0.110	0.209	0.287	0.359	0.426	0.486	0.534	0.574	0.612	0.651	0.688	0.723
110 < IC ≤ 120	0	0.108	0.206	0.284	0.357	0.424	0.483	0.531	0.571	0.610	0.649	0.686	0.720
120 < IC ≤ 130	0	0.108	0.204	0.282	0.355	0.422	0.480	0.528	0.569	0.608	0.647	0.683	0.718
130 < IC ≤ 140	0	0.109	0.204	0.282	0.355	0.421	0.479	0.526	0.567	0.607	0.645	0.681	0.715
140 < IC ≤ 150	0	0.110	0.205	0.282	0.355	0.420	0.477	0.524	0.565	0.605	0.643	0.679	0.713
150 < IC ≤ 160	0	0.112	0.205	0.283	0.354	0.419	0.475	0.522	0.563	0.603	0.641	0.678	0.711
160 < IC ≤ 170	0	0.113	0.205	0.283	0.354	0.418	0.473	0.520	0.562	0.601	0.640	0.676	0.709
170 < IC ≤ 180	0	0.112	0.203	0.280	0.352	0.415	0.469	0.516	0.558	0.598	0.636	0.672	0.705
180 < IC ≤ 190	0	0.108	0.198	0.276	0.346	0.409	0.463	0.510	0.551	0.592	0.630	0.666	0.699
190 < IC ≤ 200	0	0.105	0.194	0.271	0.341	0.403	0.456	0.503	0.545	0.586	0.624	0.660	0.694

Table 3 – Initial Capacity Marginal De-Rating Curves for Other Storage Units

		Hours of Storage											
Initial Capacity (IC) (MW)	0.0	0.5	1.0	1.5	2.0	2.5	3.0	3.5	4.0	4.5	5.0	5.5	6.0 or greater
0 ≤ IC ≤ 10	0	0.141	0.242	0.323	0.396	0.465	0.525	0.569	0.605	0.636	0.672	0.718	0.770
10 < IC ≤ 20	0	0.139	0.241	0.321	0.394	0.462	0.523	0.567	0.603	0.634	0.670	0.716	0.767
20 < IC ≤ 30	0	0.132	0.233	0.313	0.385	0.453	0.513	0.558	0.595	0.627	0.664	0.707	0.754
30 < IC ≤ 40	0	0.129	0.230	0.309	0.380	0.448	0.508	0.554	0.590	0.623	0.660	0.702	0.747
40 < IC ≤ 50	0	0.125	0.226	0.305	0.376	0.442	0.503	0.549	0.585	0.619	0.657	0.697	0.740
50 < IC ≤ 60	0	0.121	0.222	0.300	0.371	0.437	0.497	0.544	0.581	0.615	0.653	0.693	0.733
60 < IC ≤ 70	0	0.118	0.218	0.296	0.366	0.432	0.492	0.540	0.576	0.611	0.650	0.688	0.726
70 < IC ≤ 80	0	0.115	0.215	0.292	0.362	0.428	0.488	0.536	0.573	0.608	0.647	0.684	0.721
80 < IC ≤ 90	0	0.113	0.212	0.289	0.360	0.425	0.485	0.532	0.570	0.606	0.645	0.682	0.718
90 < IC ≤ 100	0	0.111	0.209	0.286	0.357	0.422	0.481	0.529	0.567	0.604	0.642	0.679	0.714
100 < IC ≤ 110	0	0.109	0.205	0.283	0.354	0.420	0.478	0.526	0.564	0.602	0.640	0.677	0.711
110 < IC ≤ 120	0	0.107	0.202	0.279	0.351	0.417	0.475	0.522	0.562	0.600	0.638	0.674	0.708
120 < IC ≤ 130	0	0.106	0.201	0.278	0.349	0.415	0.472	0.520	0.559	0.598	0.636	0.672	0.705
130 < IC ≤ 140	0	0.107	0.201	0.278	0.349	0.414	0.471	0.518	0.557	0.596	0.634	0.670	0.703
140 < IC ≤ 150	0	0.109	0.201	0.278	0.349	0.413	0.469	0.516	0.556	0.595	0.632	0.668	0.701
150 < IC ≤ 160	0	0.110	0.202	0.278	0.349	0.412	0.467	0.514	0.554	0.593	0.630	0.666	0.699
160 < IC ≤ 170	0	0.111	0.202	0.278	0.349	0.411	0.465	0.512	0.552	0.591	0.628	0.664	0.697
170 < IC ≤ 180	0	0.110	0.200	0.276	0.346	0.408	0.461	0.507	0.548	0.587	0.625	0.660	0.692
180 < IC ≤ 190	0	0.107	0.195	0.271	0.341	0.402	0.455	0.501	0.542	0.581	0.619	0.654	0.687
190 < IC ≤ 200	0	0.103	0.191	0.267	0.336	0.396	0.449	0.495	0.536	0.575	0.613	0.648	0.681



Table 4 – Initial Capacity Marginal De-Rating Curves for DSUs with Maximum Down Time ≤ 6 hours<sup>5</sup>

					Ноц	ırs of Den	nand Red	uction Ca	pability				
Initial Capacity (IC) (MW)	0.0	0.5	1.0	1.5	2.0	2.5	3.0	3.5	4.0	4.5	5.0	5.5	≤ 6.0
0 ≤ IC ≤ 10	0	0.106	0.182	0.242	0.297	0.349	0.394	0.427	0.454	0.477	0.504	0.539	0.578
10 < IC ≤ 20	0	0.104	0.181	0.241	0.296	0.347	0.392	0.425	0.452	0.476	0.503	0.537	0.575
20 < IC ≤ 30	0	0.099	0.175	0.235	0.289	0.340	0.385	0.419	0.446	0.470	0.498	0.53	0.566
30 < IC ≤ 40	0	0.097	0.173	0.232	0.285	0.336	0.381	0.416	0.443	0.467	0.495	0.527	0.560
40 < IC ≤ 50	0	0.094	0.170	0.229	0.282	0.332	0.377	0.412	0.439	0.464	0.493	0.523	0.555
50 < IC ≤ 60	0	0.091	0.167	0.225	0.278	0.328	0.373	0.408	0.436	0.461	0.490	0.520	0.550
60 < IC ≤ 70	0	0.089	0.164	0.222	0.275	0.324	0.369	0.405	0.432	0.458	0.488	0.516	0.545
70 < IC ≤ 80	0	0.086	0.161	0.219	0.272	0.321	0.366	0.402	0.430	0.456	0.485	0.513	0.541
80 < IC ≤ 90	0	0.085	0.159	0.217	0.270	0.319	0.364	0.399	0.428	0.455	0.484	0.512	0.539
90 < IC ≤ 100	0	0.083	0.157	0.215	0.268	0.317	0.361	0.397	0.425	0.453	0.482	0.509	0.536
100 < IC ≤ 110	0	0.082	0.154	0.212	0.266	0.315	0.359	0.395	0.423	0.452	0.480	0.508	0.533
110 < IC ≤ 120	0	0.080	0.152	0.209	0.263	0.313	0.356	0.392	0.422	0.450	0.479	0.506	0.531
120 < IC ≤ 130	0	0.080	0.151	0.209	0.262	0.311	0.354	0.390	0.419	0.449	0.477	0.504	0.529
130 < IC ≤ 140	0	0.080	0.151	0.209	0.262	0.311	0.353	0.389	0.418	0.447	0.476	0.503	0.527
140 < IC ≤ 150	0	0.082	0.151	0.209	0.262	0.310	0.352	0.387	0.417	0.446	0.474	0.501	0.526
150 < IC ≤ 160	0	0.083	0.152	0.209	0.262	0.309	0.350	0.386	0.416	0.445	0.473	0.500	0.524
160 < IC ≤ 170	0	0.083	0.152	0.209	0.262	0.308	0.349	0.384	0.414	0.443	0.471	0.498	0.523
170 < IC ≤ 180	0	0.083	0.150	0.207	0.260	0.306	0.346	0.380	0.411	0.440	0.469	0.495	0.519
180 < IC ≤ 190	0	0.080	0.146	0.203	0.256	0.302	0.341	0.376	0.407	0.436	0.464	0.491	0.515
190 < IC ≤ 200	0	0.077	0.143	0.200	0.252	0.297	0.337	0.371	0.402	0.431	0.460	0.486	0.511

Note: the values of Initial Capacity in units of MW are values prior to the application of De-Rating Factors.

Table 5 - Initial Capacity Marginal De-Rating Factors for Wind and Solar

Wind	Solar
0.091	0.127

Table 6 - Annual Run-Hour Limit (ARHL) De-Rating Factors

Initial Annual Run Hour Limit (hours)	New Gas Turbine	New Steam Turbine	Other
≤ 500 hours	0.14	0.14	1
> 500 ≤ 1500 hours	0.43	0.43	1
>1500 hours	1	1	1

 $<sup>^{5}</sup>$  The Marginal De-Rating Curves for DSUs < 6 hous in Table 4 has been adjusted by 0.75 in accordance with SEM-22-044.



### 2.2 Final Capacity Requirement

### D.3.1.2 (b) the final Capacity Requirement for the Capacity Year to be used in the Capacity Auction:

The Capacity Requirement is determined by the Regulatory Authorities in accordance with Section D.3.1.3 (b) of the Capacity Market Code. The approved Capacity Requirement is set out in Table 7.

**Table 7 - Capacity Requirement** 

Capacity Requirement (MW)
7495

N.B. The actual capacity to be auctioned is subject to adjustment to account for a number of considerations and will be set out in the final Demand Curve and Locational Capacity Constraint Required Quantities set by the Regulatory Authorities and published in the Final Auction Information Pack.

#### 2.3 Indicative Demand Curve

#### D.3.1.2 (c) an indicative Demand Curve to be used in the Capacity Auction;

The Demand Curve is determined by the Regulatory Authorities in accordance with section F.3 of the Capacity Market Code. The approved **indicative** Demand Curve is set out in Table 8:

Table 8 - Indicative Demand Curve to be used in the Capacity Auction

De-Rated Capacity (MW)	Demand Curve Point (€/MW per year)
ТВС	146,920
ТВС	146,920
ТВС	92,300
ТВС	0

N.B. The final Demand Curve will be set by the Regulatory Authorities prior to the issue of the Final Auction Information Pack, and shall be confirmed within the Final Auction Information Pack.

### 2.4 Locational Capacity Constraints

D.3.1.2 (d) for each Locational Capacity Constraint for the relevant Capacity Year to be used in the Capacity Auction, the final nodes on the Transmission System (and the Distribution System, as applicable) to which the Locational Capacity Constraint applies;

In accordance with Section C.2 of the Capacity Market Code and the approved Locational Capacity Constraints methodology (<u>SEM-17-040</u>), the System Operators calculate and submit to the Regulatory Authorities any Locational Capacity Constraints applicable to the Capacity Year for their determination. The approved Level 1 and Level 2 Locational Capacity Constraints are set out in Table 9 and Table 10.



#### **Table 9 - Level 1 Locational Capacity Constraints**

Level	Locational Capacity Constraint Area Name	Associated Level 2 Locational Constraint Area(s)	Locational Capacity Constraint Area Nodes	Required Quantity (MW) <sup>6</sup>
1	L1-1: Northern Ireland		All nodes within Northern Ireland	Value to be provided in Final Auction Information Pack
1	L1-2: Ireland		All nodes within Ireland except those in Greater Dublin	Value to be provided in Final Auction Information Pack
1	L1-3: Greater Dublin <sup>7</sup>	L2-1: Dublin North L2-2: Dublin South	All nodes within Dublin North and Dublin South Level 2 LCC Areas	Value to be provided in Final Auction Information Pack

 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 6}$  Required Quantity (MW) represented in de-rated MW values.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> If a new node is to be connected within the Level 2-1 Greater Dublin then it must meet either of these conditions: (i) the new node must be electrically connected between two nodes listed under the L2-1 Greater Dublin nodes; or (ii) an outage of a single item of plant in an otherwise intact network results in the new node being electrically connected to an existing L2-1 Greater Dublin node and no other node outside of L2-1 Greater Dublin area.





**Table 10 - Level 2 Locational Capacity Constraints** 

Level	Locational Capacity Constraint Area Name	Associated Level 1 Locational Constraint Area	Locational Capacity Constraint Area Nodes	Required Quantity (MW) <sup>8</sup>
2	L2-1: Dublin North	L1-3: Greater Dublin	1. Artane 110 kV [ART] 2. Baltrasna 110 kV [BAL] 3. Belcamp 220/110 kV [BLC] 4. Bracetown 220 kV [BRT] 5. Cabra 110 kV [CAB] 6. Cloghran 110 kV [CLG] 7. Clonee 220 kV [CLE] 8. College Park 110 kV [COL] 9. Corduff 220/110 kV [CDU] 10. Cromcastle 110 kV [CRM] 11. Cruiserath 220 kV [CRH] 12. Dardistown 110 kV [DTN] 13. Darndale 110 kV [DND] 14. Finglas 220/110 kV [FIN] 15. Glasmore 110 kV [GLA] 16. Grange 110 kV [GRA] 17. Huntstown 220 kV [HUN] 18. Kilmore 110 kV [KLM] 19. Macetown 110 kV [MCE] 20. McDermott 110 kV [MCD] 21. Newbury 110 kV [MSY] 22. North Wall 220 kV [NW] 23. Pelletstown 110 kV [PTN] 24. Poolbeg 220 kV [PB] <sup>9</sup> 25. Poppintree 110 kV [POP] 26. Ryebrook 110 kV [SH] 27. Stephenstown 110 kV [SH] 28. Shellybanks 220 kV [SHL] 29. Snughborough 110 kV [SBH] 30. Wolfe Tone 110 kV [WOL]	Value to be provided in Final Auction Information Pack.
	L2-2: Dublin South	L1-3: Greater Dublin	1. Adamstown 110 kV [ADM] 2. Airton 110 kV [ATN] 3. Barnakyle 110kV [BKY] 4. Blackrock 110 kV [BLA] 5. Castlebagot 110 kV [CBT] 6. City West 110kV [CTY] 7. Cookstown 110/38 kV [COO] <sup>10</sup> 8. Corkagh 110 kV [CKG] 9. Fortunestown 110 kV [FTT] 10. Francis Street 110 kV [FRA] 11. Grange Castle 110 kV [GCA] 12. Harolds Cross 110 kV [HAR] 13. Heuston Square 110 kV [HEU] 14. Inchicore 220/110 kV [INC] 15. Irishtown 220 kV [ISH] 16. Kilmahud 110 kV [KUD] 17. Milltown 110 kV [MIL] 18. Misery Hill 110 kV [MHL] 19. Nangor 110 kV [MAN] 20. North Quays 110 kV [NQS] 21. Poolbeg 220 kV [PB] <sup>8</sup> 22. Ringsend 110 kV [RE] 23. Trinity 110 kV [TRN] 24. Whitebank 110 kV [WBK]	Value to be provided in Final Auction Information Pack.

 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 8}$  Required Quantity (MW) represented in de-rated MW values.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Poolbeg node can be in North or South Dublin depending on which side of the interbus reactor the connection is made.

<sup>10</sup> Cookstown 38 kV is fed from Inchicore which is in the LCC. Cookstown 10 kV is fed from Carrickmines and hence is not in the LCC.



### 2.5 Awarded Capacity

### D.3.1.2 (e) at the date of the Initial Auction Information Pack, how much Awarded Capacity has already been procured for the relevant Capacity Year;

The Awarded Capacity for Capacity Year 2026/2027 is set out in Table 11.

**Table 11 - Awarded Capacity** 

Awarded Ca	pacity (MW)
L1-1: Northern Ireland	932.377
L1-2: Ireland	1145.859
L2-1: Dublin North	323.32
L2-2: Dublin South	517.624

### 2.6 Auction Price Cap

#### D.3.1.2 (f) the final Auction Price Cap to be used in the Capacity Auction (in Euro and Sterling);

As set out in the SEM Committee decision (SEM-22-044), the approved Auction Price Caps are set out in Table 12. As stated in SEM-22-044, the SEM Committee has approved a value of €146,920/de-rated MW/year for inclusion in the IAIP. The SEM Committee is currently undertaking a Best New Entrant net CONE study, which may be complete prior to the issue of the Final Auction Information Pack. Depending on the outcome of that study, the SEM Committee may choose to revise the Auction Price Cap before the auction.

**Table 12 - Auction Price Caps** 

Auction Price Cap (€/MW per year)	Auction Price Cap (£/MW per year)
146,920	131,287.71

### 2.7 Existing Capacity Price Cap

### D.3.1.2 (g) the final Existing Capacity Price Cap to be used in the Capacity Auction (in Euro and Sterling);

As set out in the SEM Committee decision (<u>SEM-22-044</u>), the approved Existing Capacity Price Caps are set out in Table 13.

Table 13 – Existing Capacity Price Caps

Existing Capacity Price Cap (€/MW per year)	Existing Capacity Price Cap (£/MW per year)
46,150	41,239.64



### 2.8 New Capacity Investment Rate Threshold

### D.3.1.2 (h) the final €/MW rate of the New Capacity Investment Rate Threshold to be used in the Capacity Auction;

As set out in the SEM Committee decision (<u>SEM-22-044</u>), the approved New Capacity Investment Rate Thresholds are set out in Table 14.

Table 14 - New Capacity Investment Rate Thresholds

New Capacity Investment Rate Threshold (€/MW)	New Capacity Investment Rate Threshold (£/MW)
300,000	268,080.00

### 2.9 Annual Stop-Loss Limit Factor

### D.3.1.2 (i) the final Annual Stop-Loss Limit Factor applicable to Awarded Capacity allocated in the Capacity Auction;

As set out in the SEM Committee decision (<u>SEM-22-044</u>), the approved Annual Stop-Loss Limit Factor is set out in Table 15.

Table 15 - Annual Stop-Loss Limit Factor

Annual Stop-Loss Limit Factor	
1.5	

### 2.10 Billing Period Stop-Loss Limit Factor

### D.3.1.2 (j) the final Billing Period Stop-Loss Limit Factor applicable to Awarded Capacity allocated in the Capacity Auction;

As set out in the SEM Committee decision (<u>SEM-22-044</u>), the approved Billing Period Stop-Loss Limit Factor is set out in Table 16.

Table 16 - Billing Period Stop-Loss Limit Factor

Billing Period Stop-Loss Limit Factor	
0.5	



### 2.11 Annual Capacity Payment Exchange Rate

### D.3.1.2 (k) the indicative Annual Capacity Payment Exchange Rate applicable to Awarded Capacity allocated in the Capacity Auction;

The approved indicative Annual Capacity Payment Exchange Rates are set out in Table 17.

**Table 17 - Annual Capacity Payment Exchange Rates** 

Annual Capacity Payment Exchange Rate	Annual Capacity Payment Exchange Rate
€1 = £0.8936	£1 = €1.1191

The Annual Capacity Payment Exchange Rate in Table 17 has been used to convert Euro values of the Auction Price Cap, the Existing Capacity Price Cap and the New Capacity Investment Rate Threshold into Sterling values.

N.B. The final Annual Capacity Payment Exchange Rate will be included in the Final Auction Information Pack. This rate has been calculated using the same approach that was used for calculating the SEM Annual Capacity Exchange Rate.

#### 2.12 Increase and Decrease Tolerance

## D.3.1.2 (I) the final allowed Increase Tolerance and Decrease Tolerance by Technology Class that may be applied by a Participant in its Application for Qualification to Capacity Market Unit de-ratings;

As set out in the SEM Committee decision (<u>SEM-22-044</u>), the approved Increase and Decrease Tolerances are set out in Table 18.

Table 18 - Increase and Decrease Tolerances per Technology Class

Technology Class	INCTOL(%)	DECTOL(%)
All except DSUs	0	0
DSUs	0	100

The DECTOL for the DSU Technology Class also applies to any demand reduction component of a Candidate Unit that is part of an Autoproducer Site (where the demand reduction component is calculated as the Autoproducer Demand Reduction Volume / Maximum Export Capacity).

In accordance with SEM Committee decision <u>SEM-18-030</u>, where satisfactory evidence is provided to the System Operators, the DECTOL shall be 100% for a Candidate Unit that, due to relevant emissions legislation, has its running hours restricted to an extent that would reasonably be considered to prevent reliable delivery of their De-rated Capacity at times of scarcity, e.g. the 500 hour limits set out in Annex V of the Industrial Emission Directive (2010/75) in relation to NOx emissions.



#### 2.13 Performance Securities

### D.3.1.2 (m) in respect of Performance Securities:

- (i) the final Performance Security Posting Dates/ Events applicable to Awarded New Capacity allocated in the Capacity Auction; and
- (ii) for each Performance Security Posting Date/ Event, the final €/MW rate to be applied in setting Performance Securities applicable to Awarded New Capacity allocated in the Capacity Auction;

As set out in the SEM Committee decision (<u>SEM-22-044</u>), the proposed final Performance Security Posting Dates / Events and final Performance Security Rates are set out in Table 19.

**Table 19 - Performance Security Dates and Rates** 

Date / Event	Performance Security Rate (€/MW)
From Capacity Auction completion to 27 months prior to the beginning of the Capacity Year	10,000
27-13 months prior to the beginning of the Capacity Year	20,000
From 13 months to beginning of Capacity Year	30,000
From beginning of Capacity Year	40,000

### 2.14 Termination Charge Rates

### D.3.1.2 (n) the final €/MW fee rates for calculating Termination Charges applicable to Awarded New Capacity allocated in the Capacity Auction;

As set out in the SEM Committee decision (<u>SEM-22-044</u>), the proposed final Termination Charge rates are set out in Table 20.

**Table 20 - Termination Charge Rates** 

Date / Event	Termination Rate (€/MW)
From Capacity Auction completion to 27 months prior to the beginning of the Capacity Year	10,000
27-13 months prior to the beginning of the Capacity Year	20,000
From 13 months to beginning of Capacity Year	30,000
From beginning of Capacity Year	40,000



### 2.15 Administered Scarcity Price

### D.3.1.2 (o) anticipated values for the Full Administered Scarcity Price and the Reserve Scarcity Price Curve applicable to the Capacity Year;

As set out in the SEM Committee decision (<u>SEM-22-044</u>), the proposed anticipated values of the Full Administered Scarcity Price and the Reserve Scarcity Price Curve are set out in Table 21.

Table 21 – Anticipated Administered Scarcity Price Curve

Short Term Reserve (MW)	Administered Scarcity Price (€/MWh)
Demand Control	25% of VoLL
0	25% of VoLL
500	DSU Theoretical Price



#### 2.16 Strike Price

D.3.1.2 (p) anticipated values for the parameters listed in paragraph F.16.1.1 and F.16.1.5 of the Trading and Settlement Code to be applied in determining the Strike Price in accordance with the Trading and Settlement Code for the Capacity Year; and

The approved anticipated values to be applied in determining the Strike Price are set out in Table 22.

Table 22 – Anticipated Strike Price calculation components

Strike Price Component	Value	Unit
PCARBON <sub>m</sub>	PCARBON <sub>m</sub> Index	€/tCO2e
PFUELNG <sub>m</sub>	[PFUELNG <sub>m</sub> Index (p/therm) x 0.01 (£/p) + PFUELNG <sub>m</sub> Transport (£/therm)] x Exchange Rate (€/£) x 9.48 (therm/GJ) x 3.6 (GJ/MWh)	€/MWh
PFUELO <sub>m</sub>	[PFUELO <sub>m</sub> Index (\$/t) x Exchange Rate (€/\$) + PFUELO <sub>m</sub> Transport (€/t)] x 0.025 (t/GJ) x 3.6 (GJ/MWh)	€/MWh
PCARBON <sub>m</sub> Index	ICE ECX EUA Futures – EUA - (monthly) <sup>11</sup>	€/tCO2e
PFUELNG <sub>m</sub> Index	ICE UK Natural Gas Index (monthly)	p/therm
PFUELNG <sub>m</sub> Transport	0.042412	£/therm
PFUELO <sub>m</sub> Index	Platt's Forward Curve (monthly) for monthly swap transactions for 1% sulphur free on board (FOB) fuel oil cargoes in North West Europe (NWE) for the relevant month (AAEGR00)	\$/t
PFUELO <sub>m</sub> Transport	50 <sup>13</sup>	€/t
FTHEORYPUy	15	%
FCARBONING <sub>y</sub>	0.202	tCO2e/MWh
FCARBONINO <sub>y</sub>	0.277	tCO2e/MWh
PTHEORYDSU <sub>y</sub>	500	€/MWh
Exchange Rate (€/£)	The Trading Day Exchange Rate as defined in the Trading and Settlement Code	€/£
Exchange Rate (€/\$)	The rate set at 17:00 the day before the Trading Day, from the same source as used for the Trading Day Exchange Rate	€/\$
therm per GJ	9.4814	therm/GJ
LSFO calorific value	0.02515	t/GJ

 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 11}$  The December price for a given year will apply to all months falling within that year.

 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 12}$  NI natural gas transport adder used in I-SEM PLEXOS Forecast Model 2016-17.

 $<sup>^{13}</sup>$  Based on ROI LSFO transport adder used in I-SEM PLEXOS Forecast Model 2016-17.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> I-SEM PLEXOS Forecast Model 2016-17

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> I-SEM PLEXOS Forecast Model 2016-17



### 2.17 Capacity Auction Timetable

### D.3.1.2 (q) the final Capacity Auction Timetable as it relates to events after the publication of the Initial Auction Information Pack (subject to section D.2).

The approved Capacity Auction Timetable is set out in Table 23.

Table 23 – Capacity Auction Timetable

	Event	Date
1	Initial Auction Information Pack Date: the last publication date for the Initial Auction Information Pack	08/09/2022
2	Opt-out Notification Date: the last date a Participant can submit an Opt-out Notification	22/09/2022
3	Exception Application Date: the last time a Participant can make an Exception Application to the Regulatory Authorities	06/10/2022
4	Qualification Application Date: the last date a Participant can submit an Application for Qualification in respect of the Capacity Auction	06/10/2022
5	Provisional Qualification Results Date: the date by which the System Operators are expected to inform persons who submit Applications for Qualification of Provisional SO Qualification Decisions in respect of the Capacity Auction	01/12/2022
6	Final Qualification Submission Date: the date by which the System Operators are expected to provide Final Qualification Results in respect of the Capacity Auction to the Regulatory Authorities for approval	14/02/2023
7	Final Qualification Results Date: the date by which the System Operators are expected to inform persons who submit Applications for Qualification of Final Qualification Decisions in respect of the Capacity Auction	01/03/2023
8	Qualification Results Publication Date: the date by which the System Operators are expected to publish the total Qualified capacity in respect of the Capacity Auction	01/03/2023
9	Date for finalising the Locational Capacity Constraint Limits for the Capacity Auction	01/03/2023
10	Final Auction Information Pack Date: the date by which the System Operators are expected to publish the Final Auction Information Pack for the Capacity Auction	01/03/2023
11	Capacity Auction Submission Commencement: the earliest date and time that Participants may submit Capacity Auction Offers in respect of Capacity Market Units Qualified to participate in the Capacity Auction	15/03/2023
12	Capacity Auction Submission End: the last date and time until Participants may submit Capacity Auction Offers in respect of Capacity Market Units Qualified to participate in the Capacity Auction	23/03/2023 10:00
13	Capacity Auction Run Start: the day and time that the System Operators initiate the run of the software program referred to in paragraph F.8.5.1 in respect of the Capacity Auction	23/03/2023 12:00
14	Capacity Auction Completion Date: the date by which the System Operators are expected to complete the Capacity Auction (including the Capacity Auction Monitor's review)	28/03/2023
15	Capacity Auction Provisional Results Date: the date by which the System Operators are expected to provide provisional Capacity Auction results to Participants	28/03/2023
15A	Capacity Auction Provisional Results Publication Date: the date by which the System Operators are expected to publish provisional Capacity Auction Results	04/04/2023



	Event	Date
16	Capacity Auction Approval Date: the date by which the Regulatory Authorities are expected to approve the Capacity Auction results	02/05/2023
17	Capacity Auction Results Date: the date the System Operators are expected to publish the Capacity Auction results	04/05/2023
18	Performance Security Date: the last date for Participants to provide Performance Securities to the System Operators for Awarded New Capacity allocated in the Capacity Auction	15/06/2023

### 2.18 Timeframe for Reviewable Decisions and Qualification Disputes

#### Appendix C: Table B: Timeframe for Reviewable Decisions and Qualification Disputes.

The approved timetable for Reviewable Decisions and Qualification Disputes is set out in Table 24.

Table 24 – Timeframe for Reviewable Decisions and Qualification Disputes

	Event	Date
1	Timeframe within which Applications for Review must be lodged	05/12/2022
2	Timeframe within which System Operators may reject a non-complying Application for Review	07/12/2022
3	Timeframe within which Participant must comply with a request for further information	14/12/2022
4	Timeframe within which System Operators must notify Participant of outcome of their reconsideration	09/01/2023
5	Latest date for giving a Dispute Notice in relation to a Qualification Dispute	12/01/2023
6	Latest date by which the CMDRB shall give its decision in relation to a Qualification Dispute	09/02/2023

### 2.19 Implementation Progress Reporting Schedule

### J.4.2.3 The System Operators shall publish:

- (a) the reporting schedule for Awarded New Capacity initially in the applicable Capacity Auction Timetable; and
- (b) any amended reporting schedule within two Working Days of receiving the schedule or amended schedule from the Regulatory Authorities.

Table 25 lists the Implementation Progress Reporting Schedule for the 2026/2027 T-4 Capacity Auction.

**Table 25 - Implementation Progress Reporting Schedule** 

Report Name	Date
Implementation Progress Report 1	16/06/2023
Implementation Progress Report 2	14/12/2023
Implementation Progress Report 3	14/06/2024
Implementation Progress Report 4	13/12/2024



Implementation Progress Report 5	16/06/2025
Implementation Progress Report 6	12/12/2025
Implementation Progress Report 7	18/06/2026
Implementation Progress Report 8	18/12/2026
Implementation Progress Report 9	21/06/2027
Implementation Progress Report 10	17/12/2027

The obligation also remains on the Participant with Awarded Capacity to report upon achieving the following Milestones (where applicable):

- (i) Substantial Financial Completion;
- (ii) Commencement of Construction Works; and
- (iii) Substantial Completion.

### 2.20 Substantial Financial Completion Period

Table 26 includes the Substantial Financial Completion Period applicable to this Capacity Auction.

#### D.3.1.2 The Initial Auction Information Pack for a Capacity Auction shall set out:

(r) The Substantial Financial Completion Period.

Table 26 – Substantial Financial Completion Period

Substantial Financial Completion Period
18 months

### 2.21 Long Stop Date

Table 27 includes the Long Stop Dates applicable to this Capacity Auction. The inclusion within the Initial Auction Information Pack is to draw attention to the change in definition of Long Stop Date as a result of the SEM Committee Decision (SEM-18-030).

Table 27 - Long Stop Date

For Capacity awards with a capacity duration of one year	For Capacity awards with a capacity duration greater than one year
31st October 2026	31 <sup>st</sup> March 2028



### 3. Capacity Market Code Items Change Table

Information contained within this Initial Auction Information Pack (IAIP) may be subject to change during the publication of the Final Auction Information Pack (FAIP). The FAIP is due to be published in accordance with the Capacity Auction Timetable. Table 28 provides a breakdown of Capacity Market Code items which are deemed to be Final/Indicative and Anticipated.

Table 28 - Capacity Market Code Items Change Table

Code Item	IAIP	FAIP
De-Rating Curves	Final	Final
Capacity Requirement	Final	Final
Indicative Demand Curve	Indicative	Final
Locational Capacity Constraint Areas	Final	Final
Locational Capacity Constraint Minimum Requirement	Values not included in IAIP	Final
Awarded Capacity	Indicative	Final
Auction Price Cap	Final	Final
Existing Capacity Price Cap	Final	Final
New Capacity Investment Rate Threshold	Final	Final
Annual Stop-Loss Limit Factor	Final	Final
Billing Period Stop-Loss Limit Factor	Final	Final
Annual Capacity Payment Exchange Rate	Indicative	Final
Increase and Decrease Tolerance	Final	Final
Performance Securities	Final	Final
Termination Charge Rates	Final	Final
Administered Scarcity Price	Anticipated	Anticipated
Strike Price	Anticipated	Anticipated
Capacity Auction Timetable	Indicative	Final