DS3 System Services Consultation – Contracts for Interim Arrangements

This questionnaire has been prepared to facilitate responses to the consultation. Respondents are not restricted to this template and can provide supplementary material if desired.

Please send responses in electronic format to DS3@eirgrid.com or DS3@soni.ltd.uk

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Note: It is the TSOs' intention to publish all responses. If your response is confidential, please indicate this by marking the following box with an "x". Please note that, in any event, all responses will be shared with the Regulatory Authorities.

Response ☐ **confidential**

The closing date for responses is Friday, 3 June 2016.

Question	*Response*
Contracts for Interim Arrangements	
Question 1: Do you agree with the proposal that the framework agreements should apply on a Providing Unit basis rather than on a Service Provider basis?	Yes, it makes more sense to have it on a Providing Unit basis as there can be multiple operating parameters for each Providing unit so it would not be ideal to have it on a Service Provider basis.
Question 2: Do you have any comment on payment being contingent on compliance requirements being met?	This appears to be reasonable and ensuring payments are relative to the units performance.
Question 3: Do you have any comment on the proposal to detail performance monitoring in the Protocol document rather than in the framework agreements?	No comment other than to suggest that the Protocol Document, or reference to same, be included as a Schedule to the Framework Agreement, notwithstanding the fact that the Protocol itself may be subject to regular updates and so may normally reside on the EirGrid website.

Question 4: Do you have a view on the change in notice period for termination of one or more system services by the Company?	This appears to be reasonable having regard to the duration of the Interim tem
Question 5: Do you have a view on the proposed definition of the Product Scalars in the framework agreement?	No
Question 6: Do you have a view on the high-level definition of the Performance Scalars in the Protocol document?	No
Question 7: Do you have any comment on the technical definitions of the new system services as specified in the draft DS3 System Services framework agreement?	No

Question 8: Do you have any comment on the payment definitions of the new system services as specified in the draft DS3 System Services framework agreement?	No
Question 9: Do you have any comment on the alignment of settlement timelines between Ireland and Northern Ireland?	No, it is better to have alighment between Ireland and Northern Ireland.