



GRID ISSUES FOR LANDOWNERS

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Two types of landowner issues

- **Grid applications**
 - protection of landowner rights in this process
- **Compensation for lines**
 - need for an agreed standardised package

Grid applications (1)

Experience of Gate 2:

- 1. Some applications without landowner signature (TSO);**
- 2. Developer in total control, regardless of contract;**
- 3. Landowner not entitled to any information on grid;**
- 4. Risk of application on land without landowner knowledge;**
- 5. Developer effectively owns allocated grid capacity;**
- 6. Developers sought to use this to alter contractual terms;**
- 7. Grid removed from sites against landowner consent;**
- 8. Landowners played off against one another for grid.**

Grid applications (2)

Arrangements for Gate 3:

- 1. Landowner signature now always required (DSO & TSO);**
- 2. However, it may only apply to connection point;**
- 3. In that case, risk of grid application on land without landowner knowledge continues;**
- 4. Landowner still not entitled to any information on grid on their own land;**
- 5. Developer will still own allocated grid capacity;**
- 6. Developers could still use this to alter contractual terms;**
- 7. Landowner consent for Grid transfer unclear.**

Grid applications (3)

MnaG proposing for Gate 3:

- 1. Grid application to include site boundary;**
- 2. Only one application per site;**
- 3. Landowner signature on application for full site or any amendments;**
- 4. Modifications allowed within boundary;**
- 5. Single landowners' representative;**
- 6. Eliminates grid application without landowner knowledge;**
- 7. Allocated grid capacity to attach to land and not generally transferable;**
- 8. Landowner consent for any grid transfer;**
- 9. Greater transparency, as in planning; landowner full info.**

Grid applications (4)

CER now proposing for Gate 3:

1. Landowner signature on application, witnessed by a solicitor for full project site;
2. Eliminates grid application without landowner knowledge!
3. Outstanding issues?
 - Site boundary,
 - Modifications within boundary,
 - Landowner signature for amendments,
 - Single landowners' representative,
 - Attachment of allocated grid capacity to land,
 - Capacity not generally transferable,
 - Landowner consent for any grid transfer,
 - Greater transparency, as in planning,
 - Landowner entitlement to full info.

Compensation for Lines

- **Difficulties with routing overhead lines;**
- **Affects higher voltages lines even more;**
- **Risk to development of transmission system;**
- **Adopt National Roads Authority approach;**
- **Standardise compensation through agreement;**
- **REDG indicated it is up to Eirgrid;**
- **Eirgrid needs to establish process and reach agreement with IFA & ICMSA.**