#### **SUMMARY INFORMATION**

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#### **CAPACITY MARKET CODE MODIFICATIONS WORKSHOP 37 CONSULTATION COMMENTS:**

### We choose to respond to mods:

**CMC\_06\_24:** Performance Securities for Extended Projects

**CMC\_07\_24:** Treatment of Capacity Contracts of Varying Duration in Constrained Auction Solution - where we strongly oppose para F 8.4.4(f) (ii) of the proposal, which would further marginalise the ability of large lumpy projects, which are need to meet system needs, to be successful at auction.

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Under <u>current</u> provisions we support what is set out in the modification proposal - that this modification is designed to facilitate achievement of the following objectives (the "Capacity Market Code Objectives"):

b) to facilitate the efficient, economic and coordinated operation, administration and development of the Capacity Market and the provision of adequate future capacity in a financially secure manner;

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- c) to facilitate the participation of undertakings including electricity undertakings engaged or seeking to be engaged in the provision of electricity capacity in the Capacity Market;
- d) to promote competition in the provision of electricity capacity to the SEM;
- e) to provide transparency in the operation of the SEM;
- f) through the development of the Capacity Market, to promote the short-term and longterm interests of consumers of electricity with respect to price, quality, reliability, and security of supply of electricity across the Island of Ireland.

However, with regard to future implementation, we recognise that the proposal could potentially be in conflict

We recognise the merits of this modification, but we believe that its provisions need to sit very carefully with, and be mindful of, the 'Recommendations that SEM Committee intends to progress in coming years' (2029/30 indicatively) as outlined in table 2 of SEM 23 036 in SEMC's response to the 'Review of the Performance of the CRM'. Of relevance is their stated future position for:

'Requirement of new prospective capacity to have all necessary consents to prequalify for auction' as a condition of participation with an indicative date T-4 2029\_30 auction. The bringing together of these two strands will require careful consideration.

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	to some degree with SEMC's positioning		
	whereby new prospective capacity		
	would be required to have all necessary		
	consents to prequalify for auction from		
	an indicative date of T-4 2029_30.		

following Capacity Market Code
Objectives:

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 to ensure no undue discrimination between persons who are or may seek to become parties to the Capacity Market Code; and

This Mod is not consistent with the

(g) through the development of the Capacity Market, to promote the short-term and long-term interests of consumers of electricity with respect to price, quality, reliability, and security of supply of electricity across the Island of Ireland.

Intermediate Length Contracts, typically small volume refurbishment units with up to 5 yr ROs, would solve at auction in preference to New Capacity 10 yr ROs – which will characteristically have much larger volumes. Preference of a 1 Yr RO over a 10 Yr RO (as is the case in most auctions) is very different than a 5 Yr RO project having priority over 10 Yr ROs.

Here are some key points:

- i) Participation. 10Yr RO Larger projects will be less likely to participate if they and their funders/banks believe they will have less inherent chance of being successful (therefore will be less likely to be allowed to invest/investor concerns). Other projects may want to avoid pre-auction expenditure for themselves if they see the odds increasingly stacked against themselves).
- ii) The issue of Scale. This is particularly important in that it impacts on <u>system needs</u> (1GW of CCGT required plus 2GW of flexible generation) not being able to be

'F.8.4.4 Subject to paragraphs F.8.4.6, F.8.4.6A and F.8.4.7, the System Operators shall determine the remaining price-quantity pairs contained in Capacity Auction Offers cleared in a Capacity Auction by applying the following rules: '

- ......per the proposal

  '(f) Exempt Price-Quantity
  Pairs with:

  (i) (9)an offered capacity
  duration less than or equal
  to five years shall are not
- to five years shall are not to be cleared to satisfy a Locational Capacity Constraint or to maximise Net Social Welfare until all (10)applicable price-quantity pairs capable of resolving that particular Locational Capacity Constraint with an offered capacity duration of one Capacity Year have been cleared; and (ii) (9)an offered capacity duration greater than five years shall not be cleared

#### APPENDIX C – RESPONSE TEMPLATE to satisfy a Locational satisfied by the likes of a large **Capacity Constraint or to** (lumpy) CCGT or large OCGTs maximise Net Social owing to their lumpiness at Welfare until all other Auction. These larger 10 Yr RO **Exempt Price Quantity** projects are already at a Pairs capable of resolving considerable competitive that particular Locational disadvantage due to lumpiness. **Capacity Constraint with an** This competitive disadvantage is offered capacity duration further significantly exacerbated less than or equal to five by recent new Mod CMC 14 23 Capacity Years have been **Locational Capacity Constraint** cleared. ' Violation Criteria (SEM 23 079 le para F 8.4.4(f) (ii) deleted Decision paper). in its entirety Turning this on its head, a more objective perspective is that there is actually a strong rationale that it is the larger more lumpy project which is required for system needs which should be the constraint which is satisfied in priority over the likes of a smaller ILC 5 Yr. project. A banking parallel analogy might be that the reason many companies go out of business is

because of shortage of working capital, with the old adage being

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		that the prudent operator does not use short term finance to fund long term goals.	
CMC_08_24: Widening of Longstop Extension Process to Awarded Capacity for 2023/24 Auction			
CMC_09_24: Amendments to J.5.7 and J.5.8			

NB please add extra rows as needed.