



**Single Electricity Market
(SEM)**

Other Systems Charges for 2025/26

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GLOSSARY

Abbreviation or Term	Definition or Meaning
CRU	Commission for Regulation of Utilities
DSU	Demand Side Unit
EDIL	Electronic Dispatch Instruction Logger
GPI	Generator Performance Incentive
OSC	Other System Charges
QFPN	Final Physical Notification Quantity
QD	Dispatched Quantity
QM	Metered Quantity
RA	Regulatory Authority
SEM	Single Electricity Market
SND	Short Notice Declaration
TSO	Transmission System Operator
TUoS	Transmission Use of System
UR	Utility Regulator

1 INTRODUCTION

All island arrangements for Other System Charges (OSC) were harmonised in Ireland and Northern Ireland in 2010 and are set out in the Transmission Use of System (TUoS) Charging Statements, which are approved by the Regulatory Authorities (RAs).

The arrangements are defined in Ireland and Northern Ireland through:

- The Other System Charges policies;
- The Charging Statements; and
- The Other System Charges Methodology Statement.

This paper sets out the RAs' decision for OSC rates and services/charges for the tariff year 2025/26. The annual review of OSC commenced on 25 June 2025 when the TSOs published a consultation paper on proposed OSC rates and services/charges for the tariff year 2025/26. Ten responses to the TSOs consultation paper were received. Following the consultation process, the TSOs submitted a recommendation paper to the RAs which was published on 15 August 2025.

2 OTHER SYSTEMS CHARGES – TSOs RECOMMENDATIONS

The recommendations made in the TSOs' OSC Recommendation Paper are summarised as follows:

1. Retain the existing rate of Short Notice Declarations (SND) for Conventional Generators, DSU and Batteries from 2024/25, adjusted for inflation.
2. The Demand Side Unit (DSU) Generator Performance Incentive (GPI) will remain on hold until directed by RAs.
3. Retain the OSC rates approved for the 2024/2025 tariff year, only adjusting for inflation at the forecast rate 2.1875% for the tariff year 2025/26 for the following:
 - a. Retain the rate of all Generator Performance Incentive (GPI) Charges apart from the Secondary Fuel GPI from 2024/25, adjusted for inflation.

- b. Retain the rate of Trip Charges from 2024/25, adjusted for inflation
- 4. Increase the Rate for the Secondary Fuel Generator Performance Incentive by a factor of 4 to €0.2/MWh

3 SEM COMMITTEE DECISION

The SEM Committee's decision is as follows:

1. The RAs agree with the recommendations from the TSOs.
2. The TSOs have calculated a blended inflation rate of 2.1875% using the most recent financial data as published in March 2025 by the Central Bank (IE) and Office of Budgetary Responsibility (UK). This rate is accepted by the RAs.

The SEM Committee has decided that the OSC rates as set out in Tables 1-3 of this paper will apply for the 2025/26 tariff year.

Table 1: Trip Charges

2025/26 Charge (€/MW)	Units with a QFPN	Units without a QFPN
Direct Trip Charge Rate	€2,514	€5,027
Fast Wind Down Charge Rate	€1,886	€3,770
Slow Wind Down Charge Rate	€1,258	€2,515

Table 2: Short Notice Declarations

SND Charge Rate (€/MW)	2025/26
Units with a QFPN	€44
Units without a QFPN	€88

Table 3: GPIs

GPI Declaration Based Rates (€/MWh)	2025/26
Minimum Generation	1.50
Reactive Power Leading	0.36
Reactive Power Lagging	0.36
Primary Operating Reserve	0.61
Secondary Operating Reserve	0.15
Tertiary Operating Reserve 1	0.15
Tertiary Operating Reserve 2	0.15
Secondary Fuel Availability	0.20
Governor Droop	0.36
DSU Metering Shortfall ¹	104.04

Event Based GPIs will remain at zero (i.e., Loading Rate, De-Loading Rate, Early Synchronisation, Late Synchronisation, Max Starts in 24-hour period and Minimum On time).

The RAs approve the OSC Rates and Services as set out above. These will apply from 1 October 2025 to 30 September 2026.

¹ The RAs will determine if this GPI requires implementation during 2025/26 and will advise the TSOs accordingly.