



**Single Electricity Market
(SEM)**

Other System Charges for 2026/27

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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 2026/27. The annual review of OSC commenced on 28 May 2026 when the TSOs published a consultation paper on proposed OSC rates and services/charges for the tariff year 2026/27. Four responses to the TSOs consultation paper were received. Following the consultation process, the TSOs submitted a recommendation paper to the RAs.

2 OTHER SYSTEMS CHARGES – TSOs RECOMMENDATIONS

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

1. Retain the OSC rates approved for the 2025/2026 tariff year, only adjusting for inflation at the forecast rate 2.525% for the tariff year 2026/2027 for the following:
 - Generator Performance Incentive (GPI) Charges
 - Trip Charges
 - Short Notice Declarations (SND) for Conventional Generators, DSUs and Batteries

2. The Demand Side Unit (DSU) Generator Performance Incentive (GPI) will remain on hold until directed by the RAs.

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 2.525% using the most recent financial data as published in March 2026 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 2026/27 tariff year.

Table 1: Trip Charges

2026/27 Charge (€/MW)	Units with a QFPN	Units without a QFPN
Direct Trip Charge Rate	€2,577	€5,154
Fast Wind Down Charge Rate	€1,934	€3,865
Slow Wind Down Charge Rate	€1,290	€2,578

Table 2: Short Notice Declarations

SND Charge Rate (€/MW)	2026/27
Units with a QFPN	€45
Units without a QFPN	€90

Table 3: GPIs

GPI Declaration Based Rates (€/MWh)	2026/27
Minimum Generation	€1.54
Reactive Power Leading	€0.37
Reactive Power Lagging	€0.37
Primary Operating Reserve	€0.63
Secondary Operating Reserve	€0.16
Tertiary Operating Reserve 1	€0.16
Tertiary Operating Reserve 2	€0.16
Secondary Fuel Availability	€0.21
Governor Droop	€0.36
DSU Metering Shortfall ¹	€106.66

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 2026 to 30 September 2027.

¹ The RAs will determine if this GPI requires implementation during 2026/27 and will advise the TSOs accordingly.