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RE: Firm Access Methodology in Ireland “EirGrid – proposed methodology”

ABO Wind welcomes the opportunity to respond to the SEM Committee’s Consultation on a Firm Access Methodology in Ireland.

ABO Wind Ireland Ltd (AWI) is a subsidiary of the German renewable developer ABO Wind AG and we have been active in the onshore wind sector in Ireland since 2008. AWI has 105MW of onshore projects already constructed and is at construction stage with further projects which were successful in the RESS 1 and RESS 2 auctions – namely Sheskin 1 WF (16.8MW) and Clogheravaddy 3 WF (3.6MW). AWI also have a significant pipeline of projects at various advanced stages of the consenting process to develop out over the coming years up to 2030.

AWI supports the detailed response submitted by Wind Energy Ireland. Specifically in reply to Question 18, we concur that the new access policy consider existing projects with Gate 3 connection offers, where firm access dates assigned in their connection agreements have been missed because certain ATRs have not been delivered on schedule. We propose that in the look back analysis these projects have the current ATR dates applied, or earlier from the new methodology, when determining a connected generators Firm Access year.

We would like to thank the SEM Committee for the opportunity to engage on this matter and look forward to continuing work with shaping our connection policy.

Yours sincerely,

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