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Dear Jamie / Brian,

SEM Committee Draft Decision on All-Island Generator Transmission Use of System Charging (SEM/12/039)

Energia welcomes the opportunity to respond to this draft decision paper issued by the Single Electricity Market (SEM) Committee on the issue of Generator Transmission Use of System (GTUoS) charging methodology. This proposed decision is considered to be the final stage of the locational signals review initiated in January 2009.

Despite the obvious shortcomings associated with the length of this process, it is expected that the dynamic forward looking locational signal model of tariffing will maintain an important locational element of the charge and through these further refinements will provide an added degree stability and predictability to the charges, as is consistent with the initial principles of this review (SEM/09/060).

In addressing previously flagged, possible refinements to the GTUoS methodology, Energia broadly supports the draft decision of the SEM Committee to accept Tariff Set 2b. In taking this decision the SEM Committee should resist further changes to the methodology in the near term to allow the intended benefits of these proposals to be realised and not undermined.

Please feel free to contact me should you wish to discuss anything contained in this response.

Yours sincerely,

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[by email]