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Dear SEM Committee members,

Re: Response to the "Treatment of Curtailment in Tie-Break situations Proposed Decision Paper", SEM-12-090

We have been involved in the wind industry for over 20 years and are involved in developing tidal energy. We reiterate what we said in our previous submission in May that we must give up our reliance on fossil fuels, commit to a carbon free future and find ways of achieving it. Prioritising renewables should include removal of any hurdles or disadvantages implicit in a market which does not recognise benefits from renewable generation nor costs of environmental damage from fossil fuelled generation.

We support the IWEA response submitted to this proposed decision. We believe that Option 3b best represents a solution as a compromise position which should meet the SEM Committee key objectives. We believe "Option 3b" as set out can be supported by the SEM Committee and the industry as well as importantly providing the least impact on the consumer.

Phasing out at an arbitrary date of compensation for curtailment of renewable generators is discriminatory and a hurdle which will damage the industry by making finance even more difficult (if not impossible) to obtain and we believe that the retrospective removal of compensation for those with firm connections will further destabilise the industry and destroy confidence in investment in Ireland.

Yours truly

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