



Response by Energia to the Utility Regulator Consultation on Contestability

**UR proposed next steps paper on introducing contestability in
electricity connections**

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Response

Energia welcomes the opportunity to respond to this consultation. Energia is one of the largest contributors to the achievement of renewable targets in Northern Ireland through its investment, development, contracting and trading activities in the renewable sector.

Delivery of contestability is important for Northern Ireland as we not only continue to strive towards our 2020 renewable energy targets, but also in order that we can continue to build upon the jobs and investment already delivered by the industry.

Competition in the provision of connection activities will increase efficiencies. It is therefore imperative that there is an expedient delivery of contestability in connections.

Energia fully supports the NIRIG detailed response on contestability.