

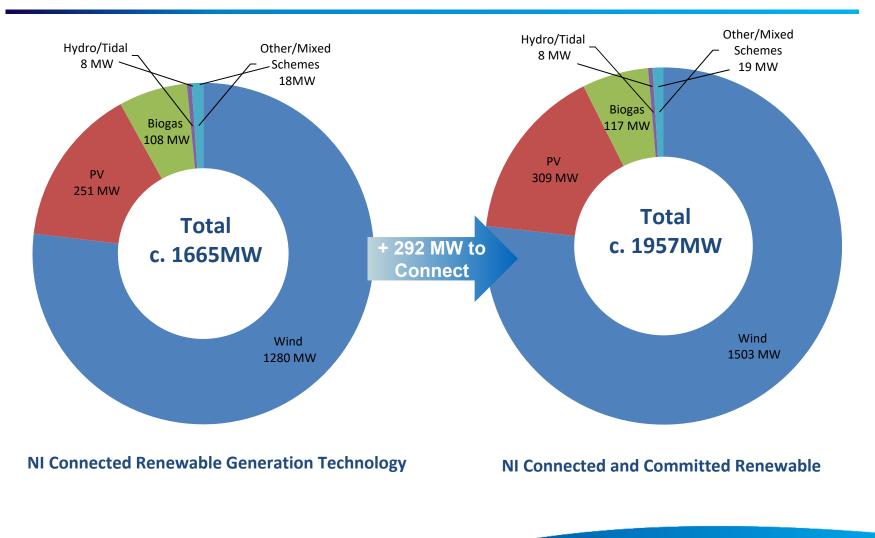
## **RENEWABLE STATUS UPDATE**

RGLG 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2019



#### **Renewable Generation Status – Q3 2019**







## Transmission Application & Offers RGLG 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2019



# **Transmission Applications & Offers**

Project Name	Developer	MEC/MIC
Applications		
Aught Wind Farm	Aught Wind Farm Limited	37.2MW MEC
Pigeon Top Wind Farm	Energia Renewables Company 1 Limited	51.6MW MEC
Islandmagee Gas Storage	Costain Oil, Gas and Process Ltd.	34.75MW MIC
Offers Issued		
BPS 100MW BESA	EP Ballylumford Limited	100MW MEC & MIC
Atlantic Hub	Atlantic Hub Property Ltd.	100MW MIC
Curraghamulkin Wind Farm (also called Dooish)	DW Consultancy	42MW MEC
Belfast Power Limited	Evermore Energy	489.6MW
Drumkee Battery Storage	Drumkee Energy Limited	50MW MEC & MIC
Mullavilly Battery Storage	Mullavilly Energy Limited	50MW MEC & MIC
KPS 50MW BESA	EP Kilroot Limited	50MW MEC & MIC
Castlereagh 50MW BESA	Energia Renewables Company 1 Limited	50MW MEC & MIC
EP Kilroot GT5 and GT6 OCGT's	EP Kilroot Limited	2 x 205MW MEC



# **Consultation on Connecting Further Generation in Northern Ireland**

RGLG 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2019





## ACAOP

- The ACAOP process was implemented in June 2016 following consultation with industry.
   Following the influx of over 1600 MW generation applications to connect to the distribution system
- Offers issued for connection to the distribution system where there was both transmission and distribution system capacity available without the requirement for further reinforcement on the transmission system.
- With the majority of this transmission capacity\* having now been assigned the continuation of this current approach will result in NIE Networks increasingly being unable to issue further distribution export offers.
- Connections Innovation Working Group formed to consider new approach

\*with the exception of some remaining firm capacity in eastern areas of the system and at cluster substations





### CIWG, ToR

#### Aim

To consider and as appropriate progress solutions that facilitate the connection of further Distributed Energy Resources in Northern Ireland, which are technically and commercially feasible for the System Operators and for DER developers/operators of both new and existing projects.

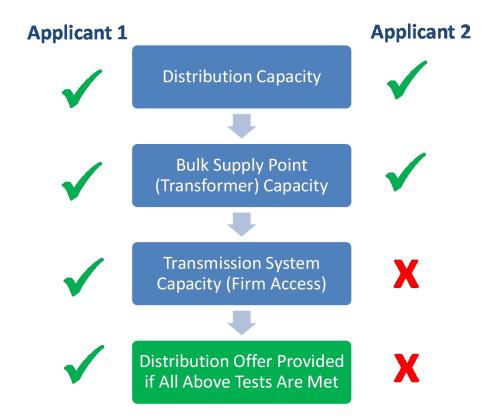
#### Initial area of investigation

- The technical feasibility of allowing distribution connections to be made on a potentially permanent basis with zero FAQ
- The commercial viability for DER operators of new and existing projects
  - Constraint/curtailment information and forecasting;





# Existing ACAOP Process – Offers only where Firm Capacity exists







## **Key Considerations**

- Generators that have their output dispatched down due to curtailment are not compensated for their reduced output
- Curtailment is carried out pro rata on an all island basis
- No Grandfathering exists for curtailment i.e. incumbent generation is not protected from curtailment
- Increases in the amount of uncontrollable generation i.e. SSG export and zero export likely to contribute to increasing levels of curtailment for LSG
- Reduction in overall system demand would likely contribute to increasing levels of curtailment for LSG





## **Consultation Options**

- Approach 1: Maintain Status Quo Maintaining the existing ACAOP process
- <u>Approach 2</u>: NIE Network Issues Non-Firm Market Access Distribution Offers for Large Scale Generation (5MW and above) – Offers issued provided there is transformer capacity
- <u>Approach 2A</u>- NIE Network Issues Non-Firm Market Access Distribution Offers for Large Scale Generation (5MW and above) within an agreed MW limit – Offers issued provided there is transformer capacity and within an agreed total RES limit





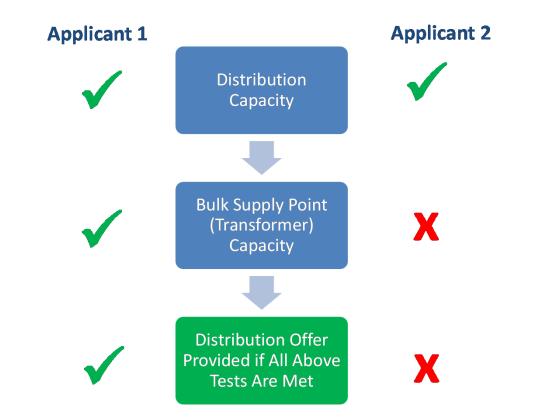
## Key points from technical studies

- Constraints will increase particularly if generation locates in the west
- Constraints improve if the network is reinforced or if demand increased in the constrained area
- Curtailment is not paid for or grandfathered
- In particular at times of low system demand if SONI control room can't switch off uncontrollable generation this can impact on system stability and also increase curtailment of large scale generation
- New SSG export applications may need to be made controllable following further review





# Approach 2: NIE Network Issues Non-Firm Market Access Distribution Offers for LSG (≥5MW)







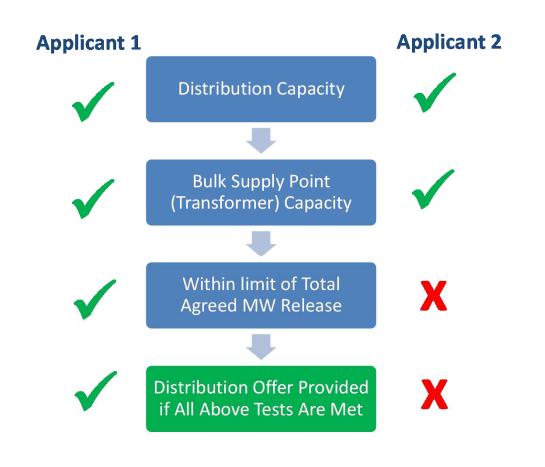
## Approach 2

Advantages	Disadvantages
NIE Networks will be able to issue a significant volume of distribution offers	Could lead to a high volume of applicants. This could have a significant impact on curtailment and constraints on both new generators and those generators already connected
Distribution connection offers will be issued regardless of location (i.e. east and west) provided bulk supply point capacity is available.	Absence of new energy policy presents uncertainty around the approval of further system reinforcements
Greater parity between applicants to SONI for transmission connections and NIE Networks for distribution connections	Applicants will still be refused due to lack of capacity at distribution level or transformer capacity at transmission level
Industry can maintain momentum with delivering controllable generation projects ahead of new Energy Policy	





# Approach 2A- NIE Network Issues Non-Firm Market Access Distribution Offers for LSG (≥5MW)within an agreed MW limit.







### Approach 2A

Advantages	Disadvantages
NIE Networks will be able to issue a significant volume of distribution offers	Offers issued may increase the impact on curtailment and constraints on both new generators and those generators already connected.
Distribution connection offers could be issued with consideration to some additional defined criteria e.g. location (i.e. east and west)	Applicants will still be refused due to lack of capacity at distribution level or transformer capacity at transmission level
Greater parity between applicants to SONI for transmission connections and NIE Networks for distribution connections	This limit may be reach quickly if they are large MW transmission applicants apply.
Industry can maintain momentum with delivering controllable generation projects ahead of new Energy Policy	Uncertainty in managing the risk or lost opportunity in predicting a potential new RES-E target.
Limit provides some longer term protection around the level of constraint and curtailment level experienced	





#### Next Steps

Key Milestones	Proposed Dates
Consultation Release	December 2019
Consultation Workshop	Mid-January 2020
Consultation Close	February 2020
Decision Paper	Spring 2020





### All-island Dispatch Down in Numbers



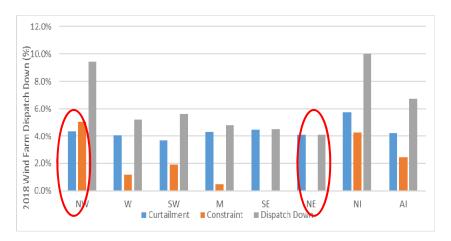
#### <u>2018</u>

#### <u>Q1-Q3 2019</u>

Dispatch Down Energy	700 GWh
Increased emission	350 kt CO <sup>2</sup>
% of Total Energy/Emissions	2%
Lost Revenue	€50m
Curtailment %	4.2%

Constraint %

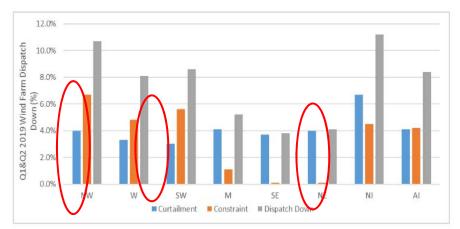




Dispatch Down Energy	694 GWh
Increased emission	377 kt CO <sup>2</sup>
% of Total Energy/Emissions	2.7%
Lost Revenue	€53m
Curtailment %	4.1%

Constraint %

4.2%



# **Update on TDPNI**

RGLG - 2 December 2019



# Transmission Development Plan NI 2019-2028

- Out for consultation until 19 December
- Updated version of TDPNI 2018
- Includes long list of projects SONI think may be required in next 10 years
- Project list also included in SONI price control
- To be consulted on by UR in early 2019 before finalisation
- Projects will be advanced individually and some will be dependent on future energy policy

# **Tomorrows Energy Scenarios Northern Ireland**

RGLG Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 201



# Statutory and Licence Framework



# **Licence change - TDPNI**

#### Condition 40

- Reasonable endeavours to prepare and publish a TDPNI
- Form approved by authority
- Existing and forecast supply and demand
- Publicly consulted relevant stakeholders

#### Content

- Reinforcement requirements over next ten years
- Includes projects already approved
- Timeframe and estimates for projects in next three years
- Reasonable number of <u>future scenarios</u>
- Strategic Environmental Assessment
  - Environmental Assessment of Plans and Programmes Regulations Northern Ireland (2004)
  - By default no less than once in five years with environmental appraisal report intermediate years.



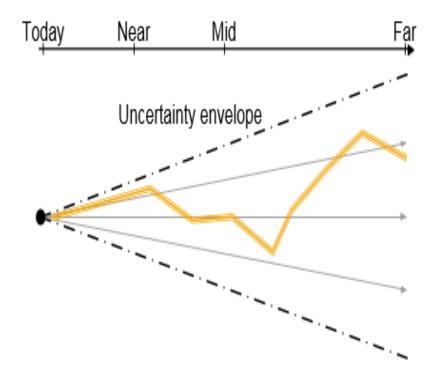
# **Scenarios within TDPNI**

- Current TDPNI is based on pre-established demand forecast
- Several projects included, as long list of options, to reflect uncertainty around renewables targets
- TDPNI 2019-2028 mainly update of dates, costs, further information etc.
- TDPNI 2020-2029 will begin to consider scenarios



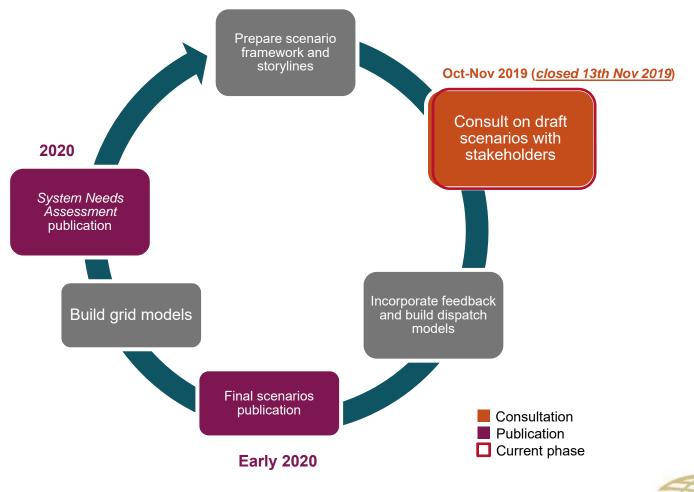
## **Purpose of TES**

- Identify long-term needs on the electricity transmission grid.
- Inform the energy and climate policy debate, focusing on the electricity system.
- Enables decision making where uncertainty exists with analysis techniques such "least worst regret".



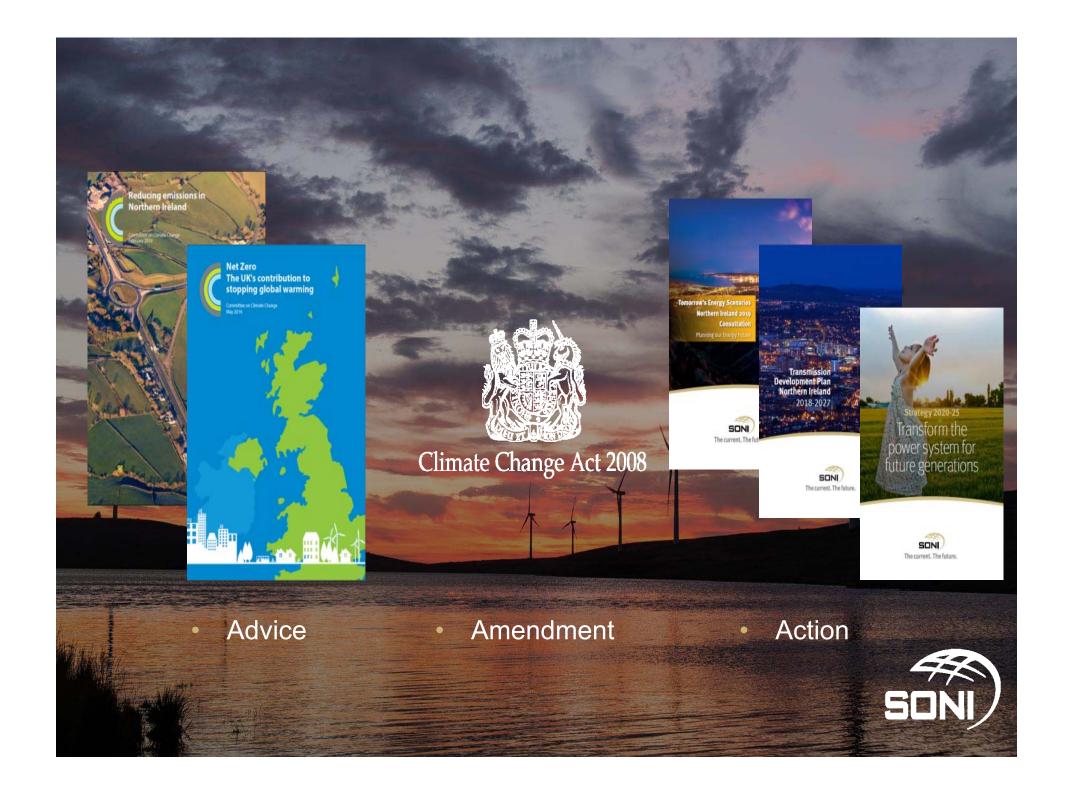


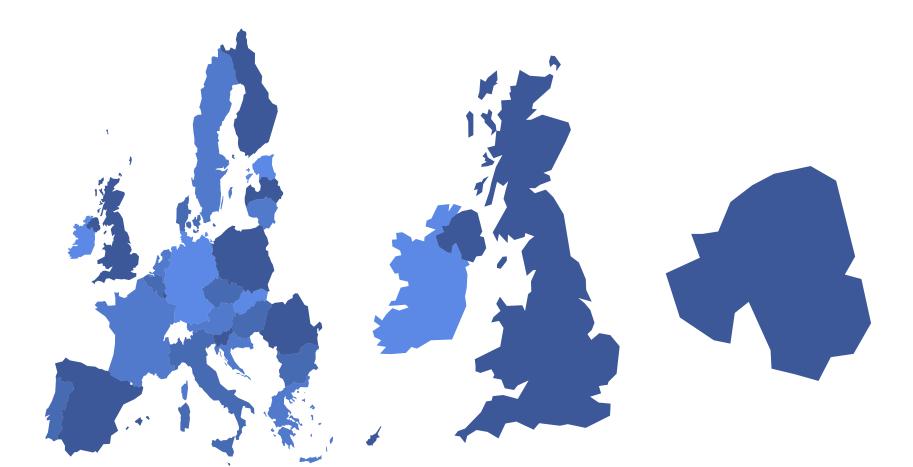
## **TESNI Development Cycle**





# Setting the scene for scenarios

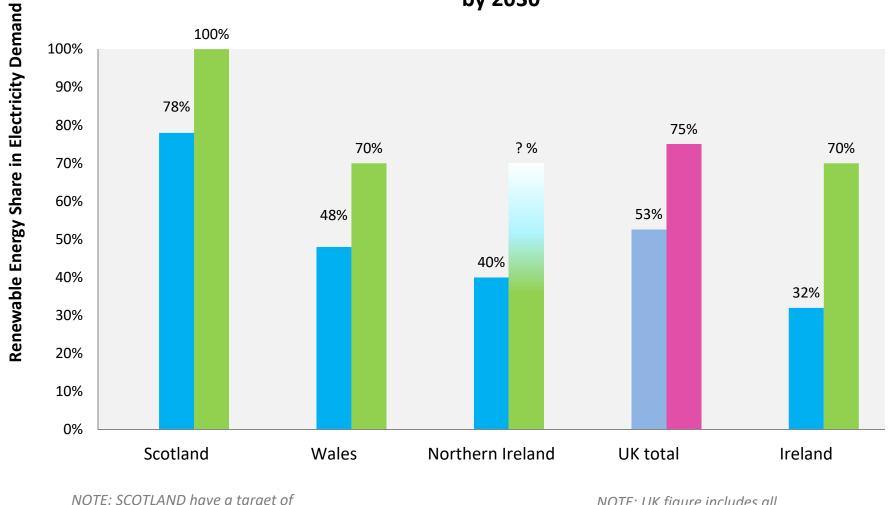




Net zero by 2050? European Commission National Energy and Climate Plans Net zero by 2050 UK Climate Change Act 2008

Northern Ireland's contribution?





# Recent achievements and future ambitions for renewable electricity by 2030

NOTE: SCOTLAND have a target of 100% Renewable Electricity by 2030

NOTE: UK figure includes all low carbon generation types





# **Overall Energy Slide Explainer**

Primary Energy Mix



Primary Energy Renewable
Share



Reduction in Greenhouse
 Gas from 1990



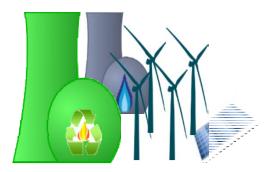
• Final Energy Use Mix





# **Electricity Sector Slide Explainer**

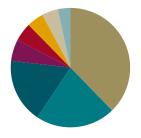
Installed Capacities 2030



Renewable Electricity
 Share



Generation Output 2030



Annual Energy (TWh) By Technology

Final Energy Use
 Electricity



#### Draft Scenario 1 Least Effort

- 50% Renewables
- **35%** Reduction in CO2

**Restricted growth in renewables** alongside diversification with growth in onshore wind and solar PV

Switching away from domestic oil-fired boilers is restricted due to cost

Electric vehicles only reach 10% share due to costs and range anxiety





#### Draft Scenario 2 Modest Progress

- 60% Renewables
- **40%** Reduction in CO2

Significant decarbonisation in generation as new policies and cost reductions lead to growth in onshore wind and solar PV

**Domestic insulation improves; 1 in 4 adopt heat pumps** – both driven by new builds and renovations

**Increased demand for EVs** due to positive economy





Disclaimer: These are draft scenarios until consultation process is complete.

#### Draft Scenario 3 Addressing Climate Change

- 70% Renewables
- **45%** Reduction in CO2

**Diverse renewable generation mix:** Growth in offshore wind, tidal, solar PV and onshore wind.

Low-carbon technologies adopted widely

Carbon capture technologies contribute to reduced emissions





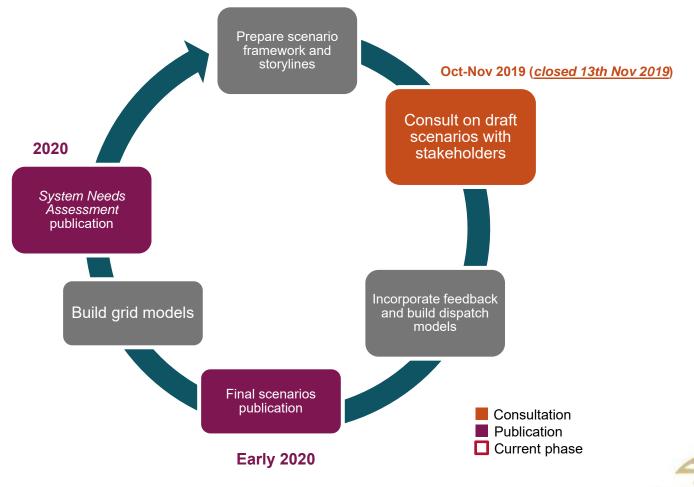
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## Next Steps and Tools

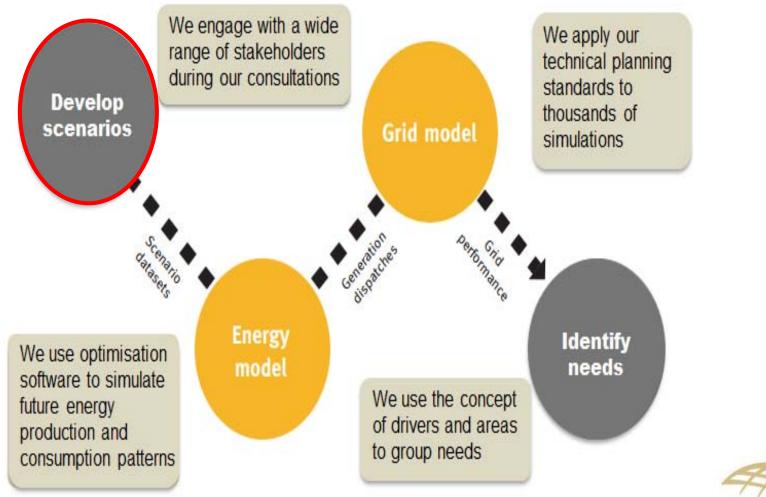


# **TESNI Development Cycle**





#### **System Needs Assessment**





#### **System Needs Example**

#### Driver

Integration of renewable energy generation

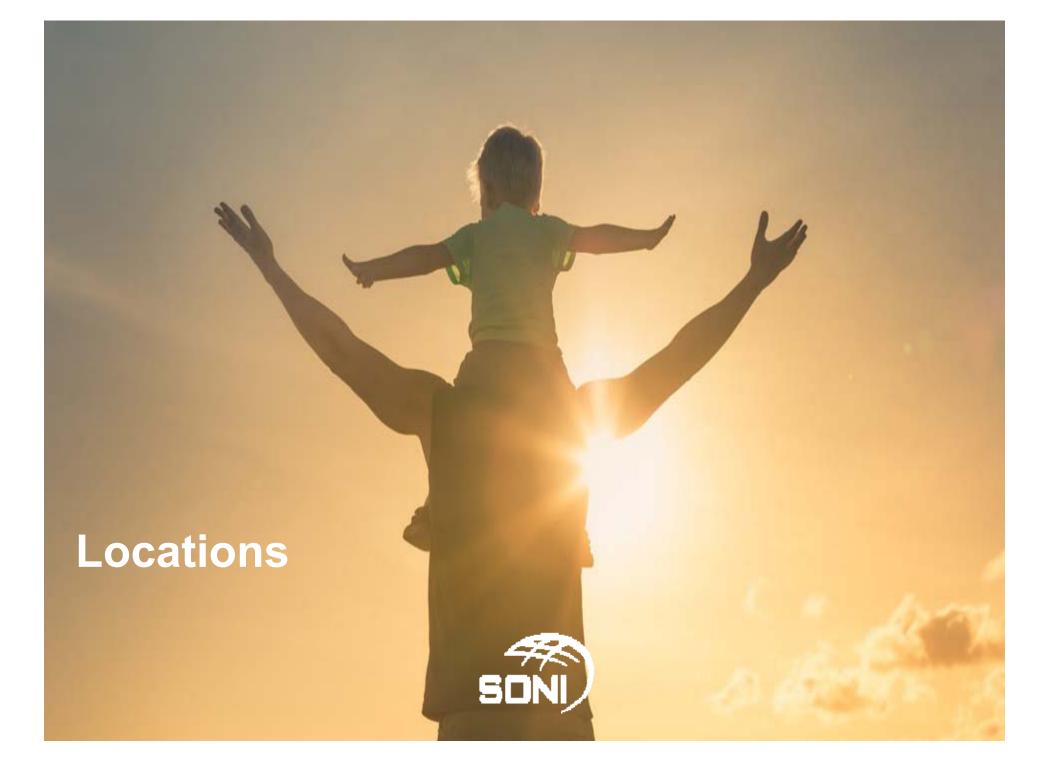
#### Need

Power transfer capacity Voltage support





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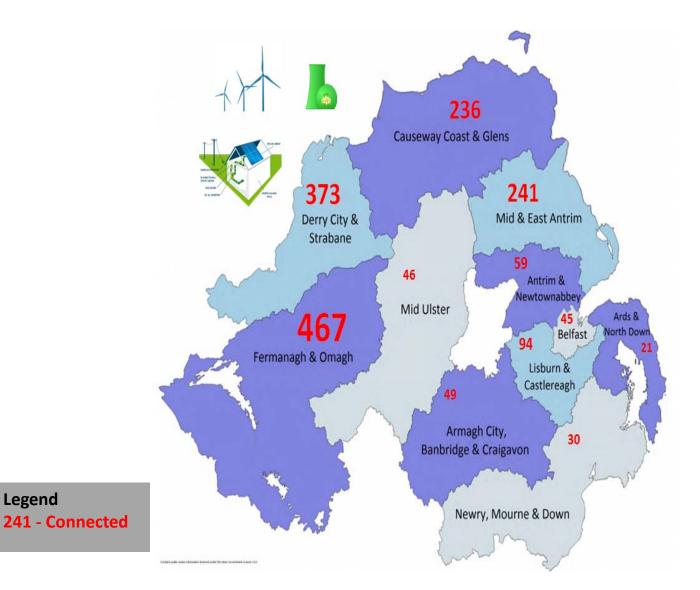


#### **Council Area Breakdown**





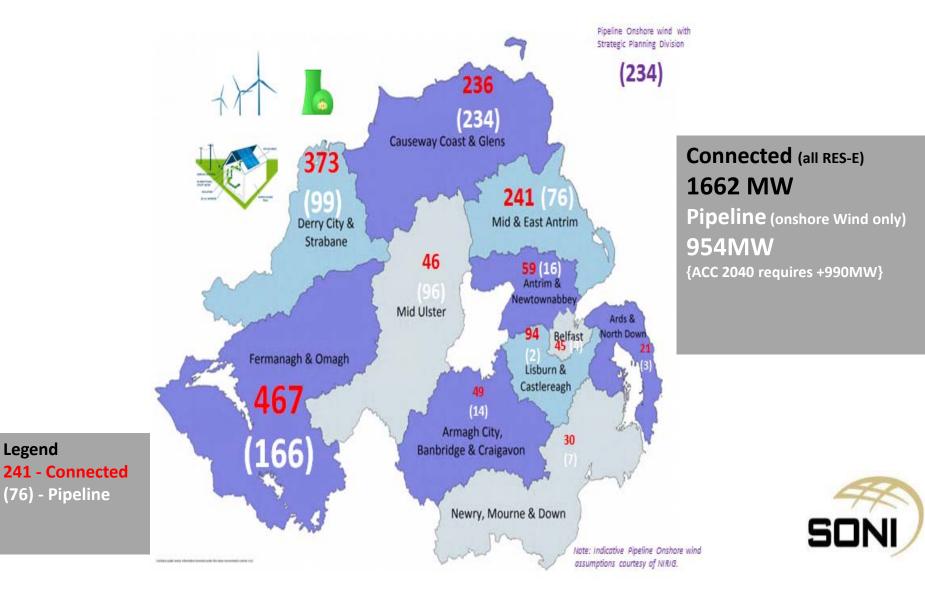
## Installed Capacity of Connected RES Generation (MW)



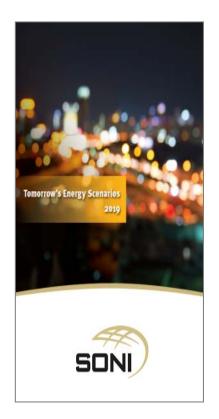
Connected (all RES-E) 1662 MW



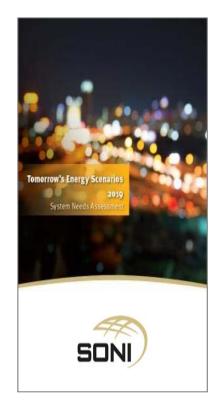
### Installed Capacity of Connected RES Generation & Pipeline Onshore Wind (MW)



## **Upcoming Reports**



Early 2020



2020









## ROCOF IMPLEMENTATION PROGRAMME

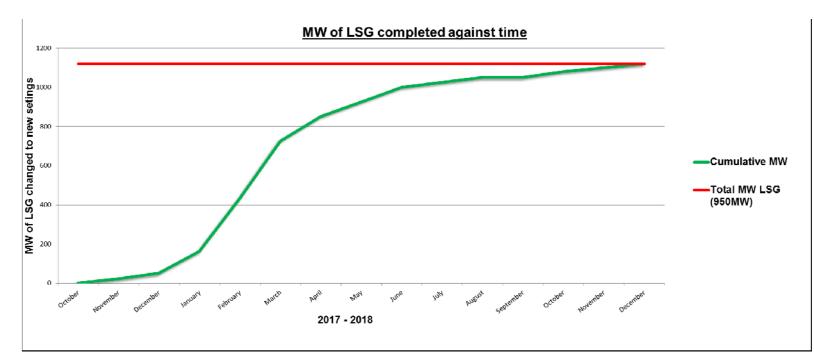
Update 03/12/19







- All LSG sites >5MW have been changed to new RoCoF setting
- 1120 MW changed to 1Hz/s RoCoF setting (including new LSG's connected during the programme)





- 1338 SSG's (99.6%) have been changed to new RoCoF setting
- 399.4 MW (99.85%) SSG now changed to 1Hz/s RoCoF setting



#### Total RoCoF (LSG & SSG) – Current Status



- 1406 Generators (99.6%) have been changed to new RoCoF setting
- 1519.4 MW (99.96%) Generation now changed to 1Hz/s RoCoF setting

