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- Transmission and Distribution Networks are critical to electricity security.
- Losses on line:
- = I²R where I is the current and R is resistance
- the power transmitted P = V * I V = voltage
- Typical UK domestic voltage 240V
- European Voltage -
- North American Voltage 110V
- These are nominal voltages and system must control voltages within a narrow band of this.

220V

	Voltage	%loss relative to 240 V
	240	100.0%
Losses are reduced by increasing	11000	0.047603%
voltage	33000	0.005289%
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- The consequence of resistive losses is that the transmission and distribution cables heat up and may typically be running at 50° C+
- As they heat up they expand and the cables will sag more at mid-span with a the possibility of a flashover.
- This means that there will be less sag when the cable temperature is lower – i.e. in winter and also in times of higher wind speeds when the cooling effect of the wind will be greatest.

There is thus a maximum power load that any cable can take and this limits the number of connections that can be made.



A further problem with AC transmission is that current flows mostly through the skin with much of the cross section not used effectively. Unlike DC

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Traditional way to allocate generation connections:

- Order of application according to potential maximum connection capacity up to total capacity of transmission/distribution line.
- A safe approach which ensures that transmission/ distribution lines are not overloaded.

BUT

- May not make optimum use of transmission capacity.
- Suppose a line has 2000 MW capacity a typical twin circuit 400 kV line.
- Order of connection allocations:
- Generator 1: 1000 kW say with 2 x 500 kW sets
- Generator 2: 500 kW
- ⁹ Generator 3: 500 kW with 2 x 250 kW sets.

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	Generating Sets	Total installed capacity
Generator 1	2 x 500 kW	100kW
Generator 2	1 x 500 kW	500 kW
Generator 3	2 x 250 kW	500 kW

 If all sets are generating – 2000kW i.e. capacity of line and no more sets can connect without the expense of transmission line upgrade.

- If generating sets are fossil fuel, then they may have a relatively high load factor and traditionally that has not been a problem.
- BUT if say one of Generator 1's sets is not generating, only 1500 kW or the 2000 kW of the line capacity is used.
- BUT no new generators can connect as the inactive set may come back on line.

Grandfathering Rights

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Problem is exacerbated with generating plant of low load factor e.g. wind and was first identified in Orkney where significant renewable generation threatened to seriously overload distribution system.

Orkney is connected to mainland by 1 x 30 MW and 1 x 20 MW cable. A fossil fired power station on Flotta associated with the oil terminal must run for safety reasons typically around 4.5 MW.

Burgar Hill had historic rights of around 7 MW with the European Marine Energy Centre a further 7MW also in this category.

Thereafter there were several other wind developments which threatened to exceed total capacity of cables to mainland as it was assumed that one of the two cables might be out of action giving only a maximum potential connection capacity of 20 MW.

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Total Historic Generating Capacity18.5 MWMinimum Demand in Orkney7 MWCapacity of smaller cable to mainland20 MW

Maximum Generation on Orkney which would not overload single mainland cable is

27 MW - i.e 8.5 MW new capacity could be connected.

But EMEC capacity is often 0 MW, and rarely is Burgar Hill at its rated output.

If dynamic dispatch of generation capacity is used much more generation could be connected.

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Evaluate total system capability at any one time C = mainland connection capacity (i.e. 20 or 30 or 50 MW) + instantaneous demand on Orkney

Subtract from this those generating connection which have grandfathering rights, but only up to the amount of instantaneous generation (NOT maximum connection rights)

This gives maximum additional capacity which can be connected at that time.

If this also is done on a first application first served basis, it would be possible to connect much more renewable generation than otherwise possible.

However, it may mean that wind turbines at the end of the queue may not be able to generate when wind speed is optimum and returns on investment are best

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Suppose C = 60 MW – i.e. both cables operating and demand is 10 MW

If Flotta output is 7 MW and EMEC is 7MW and Burgar Hill say 3.5 MW (i.e less than rated connection of 7MW as wind speed is low – i.e. instantaneous load factor is 50%)

Available additional connection is 60 - 17.5 i.e 42.5 MW

If this were taken by additional Wind at 50% load factor then 85 MW of additional capacity could connect.

BUT if wind speed increased to rated speed of wind turbines, Burgar Hill would now be at 7 MW and available capacity would be 39 MW.

If all of this were as wind turbines at rated output (i.e. 100% load factor) only 39 MW could actually generate and 46 MW would have to shut down at the time they were most productive.

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Consequence of Dynamic Regulation of Power Zone

- More effective use of transmission/distribution cables is made
- A greater proportion of renewable energy can be brought on line at an earlier stage

BUT

- Those connecting last may find return on investment poor.
- Lincolnshire RPZ operates only to transmit power from offshore wind farm
- Does not primarily address demand, but cooling effect on cables to minimise sag
- In winter higher wind speeds greater output capacity from wind turbines
- BUT weather is cooler and cooling effect of wind on cables is ¹⁵ greater so cables can transmit more



ELECTRIC VEHICLES: Widespread deployment of electric vehicles could adversely affect the generation of electricity – leading to less effective use of generating capacity.



















Non Fossil Fuel Obligation: NFFO-1

- Introduced at time of Privatisation in 1990
- Initially seen as a subsidy for nuclear, but later termed NFFO with separate tranche for Renewables
- NFFO became associated only with Renewables and was subdivided into technology bands
- 5 Tranches: NFFO-1, NFFO-2, NFFO-3, NFFO-4, NFFO-5
- NFFO-1 (1990) required a minimum contribution of 102 MW from new
 "renewables"
- Contracts made 152 MW but by November 2000 the residual capacity was 144.5 MW.
- Fixed Price paid for electricity generated.
- Wind had highest guaranteed price of 11p per kWh compared with typical consumer price at time of 6 7p and wholesale prices around 3p. This meant that there was a substantial subsidy for wind.
- Potential generators had to submit applications for the subsidy, but not all ultimately received planning permission, or alternatively the schemes ultimately failed through lack of finance.
- Subsidy was paid until 31st December 1998 a limit initially placed by the
 EU

Non Fossil Fuel Obligation: NFFO-2

- As with NFFO-1 a fixed price was paid to all generating capacity
 NFFO-2 (1991) was further divided the capacity by technology type and the outcome was as indicated in the table below.
- The navments under NFFO-2 also expired on 31st December 1998

Technology Group	NFFO-2 Requirement	Actual Contracts	Remaining in November 2000	price p/ kWł
	(MW)`	(MW)	(MW)	
WASTE Municipal/ industrial	261.48	271.48	31.5	6.55
Other Waste	28.15	30.15	12.5	5.9
Landfill	48.0	48.45	46.4	5.7
Sewage	26.86	26.86	19.1	5.9
Hydro	10.36	10.86	10.4	6.00
Wind	82.43	84.43	53.8	11.00
Total	457.28	472.23	173.7	

NFFO – 3 – January 1995

- As with previous tranches many of the schemes failed through planning permission etc.
- Clearance was given from EU for NFFO-3 to extend beyond 1998, and
- covers period up to 30th November 2014
 Unlike NFFO -1 and NFFO-2, the price paid for renewables was not a fixed price. Each potential supplier had to bid to supply electricity.
 Within any one technology band, there were a number of different bids.
- Total tranche was 627.8 MW divided between technology bands- successful ones were those which required the least subsidy to provide this amount of installed capacity.

NFFO –Orders 4 and 5

- NFFO orders 4 and 5 were announced in mid 1990s and came into effect in 1996 and 1998 respectively.
- Very similar to NFFO-3 and both have a twenty year timescale finishing in 2016 and 2018 respectively.
- The bid prices were noticeably lower than for NFFO-3.







 Renewable Obligation – targets set for each year and a mechanism of payments for failure to comply.

Renewables Obligation Renewables Obligation Requires all suppliers to provide a minimum percentage of electricity from Eligible (New) Renewables. **On whom should Obligation Fall** Generators Each 1 MWh generated by renewable qualifies for a System Operator (National Grid) Renewable Obligation Certificate (ROC) **Distributed Network Operator** Obligation increases each year - currently it is 10.4% of electricity supplied to consumers. Accounting Period is 1st • Supplier April - 31st March • Consumer Compliance can be achieved by: For various reasons the obligation fell on Suppliers Either For an enhanced move towards low carbon an obligation Generating sufficient renewable energy to get required number of ROCs on large businesses may be more effective but retaining Purchase ROCs from another generator obligation on suppliers for small businesses and domestic Pay a Buy - Out Fine market. Buy-Out set initially at £30 / MWh but indexed linked each >> An integrated renewable obligation ???????? year. This is decided by OFGEM usually in Janua preceding accounting period and is currently (2010-11) set at Decision taken that only Suppliers should be Obligated 36 00

	% Obligation	Buy Out Price (£ / MWh)	The percentage obligation was initially
2002-2003	3	30	set as far as 2010 – 2011,
2003-2004	4.3	30.51	but later extended to
2004-2005	4.9	31.39	2015 - 2016.
2005-2006	5.5	32.33	The scheme has now
2006-2007	6.7	33.24	been extended to 2037,
2007-2008	7.9	34.30	but with a
2008-2009	9.1	35.76	Pur Out Price is
2009-2010	9.7	37.19	increased annually by
2010-2011	10.4	36.99	OFGEM and is
2011-2012	11.4		approximately equal to
2012-2013	12.4		RPI.
2013-2014	13.4		Tetal secolarit have
2014-2015	14.4		value of around
2015-2016	15.4	COMPANY N	f300M+









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	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08	2008 - 09	1
Total Obligation (% of demand)	4.3%	4.9%	5.5%	6.7%	7.9%	9.10%	
Total obligation (MWh)	12,387,720	14,315,784	16,175,906	19,390,016	22,857,584	25,944,763	
Total number of ROCs presented	6,914,524	9,971,851	12,232,153	12,868,408	14,562,876	16,813,731	
Shortfall in ROCs presented	5,473,196	4,343,933	3,943,753	6,521,608	8,294,708	9,131,032	
Buy Out Price	£30.51	£31.39	£32.33	£33.24	£34.30	£35.76	1
Value of ROC Market	£167M	£136M	£128M	£217M	£280M	£321.00	
Markup value	£22.92	£13.66	£10.21	£16.04	£18.65	£18.61	l
Full Value of ROC	£53.43	£45.05	£42.54	£49.28	£52.95	£54.37	
% compliance	55.80%	69.70%	75.60%	66.40%	63.71%	64.81%	1
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Developments in the Renewables Obligation

- Banding System was introduced from 1st April 2009.
- Reference projects such as on-shore wind will continue to get 1 ROC per MWh,
- Technologies such as offshore wind get 1.5 ROCs per MWh,
- Solar PV, advanced gasification Biomass get 2.0 ROCs per MWh,
- Co-firing generates 0.5 ROCs per MWh
- With no banding: incentive only to exploit established technologies
- Banding will enhance returns for developing technologies.
- If targets are kept the same, it is easier to achieve targets and "Cliff Edge" Problem could become acute.
- Targets for a given % of renewables in terms of MWh will not be met under current legislation if there is an upward drift in banding.
- Only if reduced ROCs from co-firing balance enhanced ROCs from newer technologies will system remain stable.



Marine Supply Obligation: Example of Headroom

- Assume Marine devices have a load factor or 33% and use a 30% headroom of the projected output
- Assume that in 2008, 5 MW are initially assumed to be commissioned, but only 2.5MW are in reality.
- On basis of 5MW @ 33% load factor, 14454 MWh would be generated and the headroom would be set at 30% of this i.e. 4336 MWh.
- The actual amount generated from 2.5 MW would be 7227 MWh and the headroom would in fact be 60% in this first year.
- i.e. the total on which buyout would be paid would be 4336 MWh

Year	Planned new capacity (MW)	Achieved new capacity (MW)	Cumulative capacity installed (MW)	Delivered Output* (MWh)	calculated Headroom for current year (MWh)	Headroom as a percentage of output
2008	5	2.5	2.5	7,227	4,336	60.0%

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Year	Planned new capacity (MW)	Achieved new capacity (MW)	capacity installed at end of year (MW)	Output* (MWh)	current year (MWh)	percentage of output
2008	5	2.5	2.5	7,227	4,336	60.0%
2009	10	7.5	10	28,908	10,841	37.5%
2010	15	12.5	22.5	65,043	21,681	33.3%
2011	20	17.5	40	115,632	36,858	31.9%
2012	25	22.5	62.5	180,675	56,371	31.2%

Energy Source	Scale	Generation 1	Generation Tariff (p/kWh)		
		to 31/03/2012	after 01/04/12	(years)	
Anaerobic digestion	≤500kW	11.5	11.5	20	
Anaerobic digestion	>500kW	9	9	20	
Hydro	≤15 kW	19.9	19.9	20	
Hydro	>15 - 100kW	17.8	17.8	20	
Hydro	>100kW - 2MW	11	11	20	
Hydro	>2kW - 5MW	4.5	4.5	20	
Micro-CHP****	<2 kW	10	10	10	
Solar PV	≤4 kW new	36.1	33.0	25	
Solar PV	≤4 kW retrofit	41.3	37.8	25	
Solar PV	>4-10kW	36.1	33.0	25	
Solar PV	>10 - 100kW	31.4	28.7	25	
Solar PV	>100kW - 5MW	29.3	26.8	25	
Solar PV	Standalone	29.3	26.8	25	
Wind	≤1.5kW	34.5	32.6	20	
Wind	>1.5 - 15kW	26.7	25.5	20	
Wind	>15 - 100kW	24.1	23.0	20	
Wind	>100 - 500kW	18.8	18.8	20	
Wind	>500kW - 1.5MW	9.4	9.4	20	
Wind	>1.5MW - 5MW	4.5	4.5	20	
Existing generators tr	ansferred from RO	9	9	to 2027	

Feed in Tariffs – Export and Issue of Deeming

Payment for tariffs will be from a levy on Utility Companies which MAY see a cumulative rise in bills of around £1 billion or more.

In addition there will be a payment of 3p per kWh for any electricity exported as opposed to consumed on premises.

BUT an export meter is needed to identify this,

Householder will save on imported electricity at ~ 11 - 12p per kWh, so optimum financial model may not be to generate as much as possible

- i.e. for each unit generated and consumed it is worth 41.3+11=52.3p /kWh for each unit exported it is worth 41.3+3=44.3 p/kWh
- If no export meter is fitted a transition arrangement of deeming that 50% of generation will be exported will be made
- that may well not be as attractive to consumer.
- http://www.decc.gov.uk/en/content/cms/what_we_do/uk_supply/energy_mix/ren_ ewable/feedin_tariff/feedin_tariff.aspx

From the National Infra-Structure Plan 2010 following Comprehensive Spending Review

- The Government will reform the electricity market, so that it attracts the private sector investment necessary to meet the UK's energy security and climate change objectives, including the investment in nuclear, carbon capture and storage and renewable technology.
- In addition to supporting the carbon price, this will also assess the role that revenue support mechanisms (such as Feed-In Tariffs), capacity mechanisms and emission performance standards could play.
- For complete information see Section 4 of
- http://www.hm-treasury.gov.uk/d/nationalinfrastructureplan251010.pdf

From the National Infra-Structure Plan 2010 following Comprehensive Spending Review

The Government will assess proposals against the criteria of cost-effectiveness, affordability and security of supply;

- to ensure that regulation of national electricity networks enables the investment needed in transmission infrastructure to connect new low-carbon generation, such as nuclear power stations and offshore and onshore wind turbines;
- maintain the Feed-In-Tariffs to support investment in emerging small-scale generation technologies in electricity, saving £40M by improving their efficiency, and complement this with the Renewable Heat Incentive to reward groundsource heat pumps and other renewable heat sources, while making efficiency savings of 20% by 2014-15 compared with the previous government's plans.

For complete information see Section 4 of

From the National Infra-Structure Plan 2010 following Comprehensive Spending Review The Government will (para 4.18): • Support investment in low carbon energy supply by: maintaining Feed-In Tariffs for small-scale generation, funded through an obligation on electricity suppliers equating to a levy of almost £900 million over the period to 2014-15. At the same time, the efficiency of Feed-In Tariffs will be improved at the next formal review [2012], rebalancing them in favour of more cost effective carbon abatement technologies. Equivalent to £36 per household May be an issue for PV as carbon abatement using PV is around £700 per tonne saved way above many other strategies – see German Example For complete information see Section 4 of http://www.hm-treasury.gov.uk/d/nationalinfrastructureplan251010.pdf



Experience of German Feed In Tariff

- Feed in tariff guarantees a fixed income for unit of electricity generated for 20 years.
- Promoted as a means to promote renewables and in particular Solar PV.
- Tariff for new entrants decreases each year existing generators continue with their agreed levels
 - Tariff different for Wind (8.5 cents/kWh) and for Solar PV (51.5 cents/kWh) in 2006
- Feed in Tariff for PV increased in 2004



German Feed In Tariff

- Each household with no PV is subsidising those with by $\pounds 6$ a figure which will rise progressively
- Subsidy for PV alone in Germany is costing consumers approaching €2 billion (£1.5 billion) a year in subsidy. For all green electricity it reaches ~€10 billion a year
- In UK under ROCs consumers paid an addition $\pounds 0.3$ billion a year or around 1% extra.
- Secondary aim was to promote German Industry
 In early years this was true
- However high proportion are now manufactured overseas
- In May 2008, German Government increases reduction rate in feed-in tariff following concerns over cost.
- Cost of carbon dioxide abatement of subsidy by German Feed In Tariff for PV is ~ £750 per tonne way above the majority of other technologies
- See article in Ruhr Economic Series for a critique
- "Germany's Solar Cell Promotion: Dark Clouds on the Horizon"
- <u>http://www2.env.uea.ac.uk/gmmc/energy_links/renewables_Obligation/Feed_</u> in_Tariffs/PV_Cost_critique_Ruhr_papers.pdf

Kenewable Transp	ort ruel Obligation (KIFO)
Came into force 1 st Apri EU Directive 2003	1 2008
- Consultation Docum	nont April 2007
See also UE A's mean	anent April 2007
 Ambition to save 1 Mtor 	nnes CO ₂ by 2010/2011
Financial year UK Ta	arget (by volume)
2008 - 09	2.75 %
2009 - 10	3.5 %
2010 - 11	5 %
Obligation on Suppliers as	with Renewables Obligation
Note: EU requirement is fo	or 5.75% by Energy Content
Represents 8% by vo	olume.
Energy content per litre from energy content of p	for bioethanol is very different petrol
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The level of the obligation? • Calculated as percentage of volume of fossil fuel sales, rather than of total sales of all fuels	
 5 % of total fuels represented as 5.2651 % of fossil fuel sales 	
- Reduces UK commitment further	
– Reason	
Duty paid in terms of volume	
Need to switch to energy based pricing	
Would make comparison between petrol_diesel and	

- Would make comparison between petrol, diesel and biofuels more rational
- Maximum 5 % by volume additive is already permitted in EN-standard petrol and diesel fuels -
 - Warranty issues
- Unlike RO, where recycled money is used in UK, recycled RTFO money is likely to go abroad

	Scale Proposed Deemed/or Tariff (p/kWh) metered		Deemed/or metered	lifetime (years)
Solid biomass	Up to 45 kW	9	Deemed	15
Bioliquids	Up to 45 kW	6.5	Deemed	15
Biogas on-site combustion	Up to 45 kW	5.5	Deemed	10
Ground source heat pumps	Up to 45 kW	7	Deemed	23
Air source heat pumps	Up to 45kW	7.5	Deemed	18
Solar thermal	Up to 20kW	18	Deemed	20
Tariffs for Larg	e Installations	are less.		



