Integrated Smart Networks





Climate Change Challenges

EU C0₂%



Cleaning up these makes electricity the fuel of choice

ESB STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK 2020

World Class Sustainable Networks A Renewable Business Of Scale Best Practice Generation Portfolio Customer Focused Supply Business Significant International Business

> Net Carbon Neutral By 2035 Leader In Energy Efficiency



Evolving Smart Networks Model



Networks Will Be The Enabler



Smarter Accessible Flexible Efficient







ESBN/EPRI/ERC Wind Demonstration Project

- A. Exploration of Voltage / Var control on Distribution connected wind farms
- B. Use of voltage regulators to limit voltage rise
- C. Single transformer cluster stations for wind farms
 Photo: John Smith



Smart Networks

Green circuits :

- Self Healing Networks
- Losses Reduction.
 - Voltage Upgrading i.e. 20kV Conversion
 - Dynamic re-configuration of networks to minimise losses
 - Re-conductoring
 - Amorphous core transformers
 - Installation of Capacitor banks
 - Lower average supply voltage using line drop compensation







Connected Home



Improve load management through smart thermostats



Renewables & Clean Generation

Smart Networks Smart Metering

Customer enabled automated response through energy smart appliances

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Energy Information drives Energy Conservation & peak lopping



Connected Home





opportunities through Plug-in electric vehicles

Customer Home Storage creates opportunities for increased renewables



Electric Vehicles Government Targets for 2020

10% of all Vehicles will be electric
 Battery or PHEV
 250k vehicles

10% of all road transport energy will be renewable





Large Focus on EV !





Issues

- Can the Electricity Grid cope with EVs?
- Are the Batteries up to it?
- Will the Vehicles have sufficient range?
- Will there be affordable vehicles available?
- Will charging infrastructure be available and will it be standard across Europe?
- Are there opportunities for Ireland Inc?



Can the Electricity Grid cope with EVs?





Solving Range Needs

- 86% of Irish work commutes under 50km (return)
- Battery EVs can easily meet most daily needs
- But occasional needs for longer journey both actual and psychological (Range Anxiety)
- Range Extension provided different ways
 - Plug-in Hybrids
 - Battery Electric Vehicles
 - Battery Exchange
 - Fast Charging of Battery







Negotiating Supply of Vehicles

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- Non Exclusive Agreement
 - Infrastructure requirements and roll-out
 - Short-term Incentives needed to kick start market
 - Education
 - Supply of Vehicles
- Discussions with other vehicle manufacturers
 Imminent agreement with some others



Informal EV Standardisation Group Electric Utilities Manufacturers









Electric Vehicle Implementation



- Ensure supply of EV's to Ireland !
- Demonstration: Cars + Charge I/S
- Identify IT /Market System Options
- Link to Smart Networks
- R&D

- Secure large scale penetration
- Address scale infrastructure requirement
- Address System Issues storage/demand









'Plug' in to International & National Bodies





Smart Networks R&D Projects





Eirgrid/ESB N – Solving the Challenges Together!

- Eirgid, ESBN together with wind industry maximising Ireland's wind potential
- Integration of wind (>50% at Dist. Level)
- Utility Management of Heat /EV loads
- Enable market models customer as "trader"
- Joint research ERC, SRC, FP7's

Integrated Smart Networks - A new world !



Strategic Challenges & Issues

Industry leadership and commitment

Regulatory engagement and support

Emergence of open standards and interoperability

Management of IT risks and costs

Resources and direction to R&D activities

New industry skill sets and expertise

An Immense Challenge With Potentially Huge Benefits for Ireland and Electricity Customers

