

Enduring Connection Policy - 2.4 (ECP-2.4) 2023 Category B & Category C

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Background

ECP-2 is the second stage of the CRU's development of enduring connection policy in Ireland. On the 10th June 2020 the CRU published their decision on ECP-2, which set policy for at least three annual batches of connection offers (ECP 2.1, ECP-2.2, and ECP-2.3). Subsequently, the CRU published their decision on ECP-2.4, which set policy for an additional batch of connection offers (ECP-2.4).

ESB Networks have used the ECP-2 decision paper¹, subsequent ruleset² and ECP-2.4 decision paper³ to determine which Category B and Category C applicants have been successful in making the list of projects due to receive connection offers in the ECP-2.4 Batch.

This report contains the list of ECP-2.4 applicants processed under Category B and Category C as per the ECP-2 Decision Paper.

The CRU has decided that for ECP-2, there should be a possible connection pathway for specific sub-categories of projects to be connected outside the framework of the batch process.

The non-batch category B was open to the following projects:

- Small projects i.e. MEC greater than 6kW/11kW and less than or equal to 500kW
- DS3 system services trial projects up to 500kW; and
- Auto-producers

The non-batch category C was open to the following projects:

100% community- owned projects where MEC greater than 0.5MW and less than or equal to 5MW

¹ https://cruie-live-96ca64acab2247eca8a850a7e54b-5b34f62.divio-media.com/documents/CRU20060-ECP-2-Decision.pdf

² https://www.esbnetworks.ie/docs/default-source/default-document-library/ecp-2-ruleset.pdf

³ https://cruie-live-96ca64acab2247eca8a850a7e54b-5b34f62.divio-media.com/documents/Enduring ConnectionPolicy ECP 2.4 Decision 1.PDF

ECP-2.4 Category B applicants are summarised in table below:

Generator Type	Total Applications	Total Sum of MEC (MW)
Gas	1	9.99
Solar	6	1.894
Hybrid: Battery/Solar	1	4.49
Wind	1	0.499
Total:	8	16.873

ECP-2.4 – List of Projects for Category B

** Please note that the 'assumed nodes' have been assigned based on Gate 3 Nodal Assignment Rules and are for guidance purposes only. They are subject to change once studies commence.

Status	Name of Facility	Applicant (Legal Entity)	County	Co- ordinates	Generator Type	MEC (MW)	Assumed Node**	Planning Permission Reference
Contracted	AMS	Architectural and Metal Systems Limited	Cork	174817; 071185	Battery; Solar	4.49	Castleview	N/A
Contracted	Butlers Chocolate Solar	Butlers Chocolates ULC	Dublin	318420240 765	Solar	0.5	Kilmore	2349/20
Contracted	Comharchumann Mhicdara SPV Phase 2	Comharchumann Mhicdara	Galway	093029, 224414	Solar	0.069	Screeb	191649
Contracted	Country Crest (Phase 2)	Country Crest ULC	Dublin	320987, 256847	Wind	0.499	Glasmore	F23A/0326
Processing	Eastmont DC Generators 2	Eastmont Developments Ltd.	Cork	174653; 071951	Gas	9.99	Castleview	175895

Contracted	Errigal Mushrooms Solar Ltd.	Errigal Mushrooms Limited	Monaghan	263793; 348613	Solar	0.35	Lisdrum	22/35
Contracted	Ltd.	Meadhill Farm		569828;	Joiai	0.55		
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Contracted	Meadstown Solar	Limited	Cork	608078	Solar	0.475	Mallow	17/7043
		Nellcor Puritan						
	Nellcor Puritan Bennett	Bennett Ireland	Galway	53.28353;			Galway	21/394
Contracted	Ireland	ULC		-9.01690	Solar	0.2		
	Schenker (Ireland)	Schenker (Ireland)		298919;				
Contracted	Limited	Limited	Kildare	234313	Solar	0.3	Rinawade	20/873

ECP-2.4 Category C applicants are summarised in table below:

Generator Type	Total Applications	Total Sum of MEC (MW)		
Solar	3	14.97		
Total Applications	3	14.97		

ECP-2.4 – List of Projects for Category C

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Status	Name of Facility	Applicant (Legal Entity)	County	Co- ordinates	Generator Type	MEC (MW)	Assumed Node**
Live Connection Assessment	Ardass Solar	Compass Vision Limited	Roscommon	170715; 279769	Solar	4.99	Carrick on Shannon
Live Connection Assessment	Brighter Community Solar Farm Kilcummin	Brighter Community Energy CLG	Kerry	097037; 094557	Solar	4.99	Knockearagh
Live Connection Assessment	Project GiMAT (Gréine i mBaile Átha Troim)	Trim Sustainable Energy Community CLG	Meath	278900; 256042	Solar	4.99	Navan

ECP-2.4 – List of Withdrawn Projects for Category B & C

The table below reflects the ECP-2.4 applications that were offered a place in the 2023 Batch and subsequently withdrew their ECP-2.4 application.

Name of Facility	Applicant (Legal Entity)	County	Co-ordinates	Generator Type	MEC (MW)	Category
Sanmina BESS	Sanmina Ireland ULC	Cork	182191; 099128	Battery	6.7	В
	Terra Spirits & Liqueurs					
Terra Limited PV 01	ULC	Cavan	668121; 795696	Solar	0.31	В
	Vermilion Exploration and					
BBGT Power Generation	Production Ireland Limited	Mayo	086788; 333229	Gas	1	В
	M Staunton and Sons					
Staunton Foods	Limited	Cork	146765; 042450	Solar	0.5	В
Callowhill Energy						
Recovery	Uisce Eireann	Wicklow	325011, 202755	Hydro	0.499	В
Moy Valley						
Decarbonising	Moy Valley Decarbonising	Mayo				
Community CLG	Community CLG		128716; 300806	Solar	4.99	С