

North South Interconnector Letters of Support Matrix			
Submitted Letters of Support Issues raised			
	Organisation	Contact	Issues raised
1.	DUP Parliamentary Group	Jeffery Donaldson MP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arguably the most important planning application currently under consideration in NI • Vital that NI avoids a supply deficit in 2021 • Load shedding would have a significant negative impact on homes and businesses • Businesses depend on competitive and efficient energy prices • Cost savings of £14m will be delivered to consumers • Interim arrangements will no longer be needed
2.	Institute of Civil Engineers (ICE)	Richard Kirk <i>Regional Director</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project will secure NIs vulnerable electricity supply • Project will positively affect the economy • Project will sustain renewable energy integration
3.	Belfast City Council Development Department	Keith Sutherland <i>Development Plan and Policy Officer</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support agreed by the Council's City Growth and Regeneration Committee on 9th March 2016 • Strategically important transmission infrastructure. • Important to provide the capacity that will support the continued growth of the economy. • Also offers the potential to contribute to lower energy prices, enhances network capacity, facilitates renewables and ensures security of supply.
4.	Mid Ulster District Council	Dr Chris Boomer <i>Planning Manager</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supportive of NSI and work that will flow from it • Council does not support OHL and requests consideration be given to the UGC to ensure there are no negative effects on heritage, tourism and habitats.

5.	Brett Martin Ltd	Laurence Martin <i>Managing Director</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One of the largest and long established manufacturing companies in NI employing 400 people locally and 800 worldwide. • Energy intensive industry and high costs are making it increasingly difficult to remain competitive in export markets. • Important requirement to provide enhanced network security and delivery of reduced electricity costs.
6.	IOD, Northern Ireland Division	Linda Brown <i>Director</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM • Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices • Utilises renewable energy resources • Required to help security of supply • IOD concerned about capability of existing electricity infrastructure to cope with the growing demands of business. • Members already experience difficulties in the capacity and stability of electricity supply and in obtaining maximum import capacity to allow them to grow – particularly in the Moy, Dungannon and Newry areas. • Moyle interconnector problems demonstrate NI's security of supply vulnerability. • Absent NSI, security of supply vulnerability will increase with planned reduction in fossil fuel generation in NI. • NSI is critical to the future success of the NI economy.
7.	Lisburn & Castlereagh City Council	Theresa Donaldson <i>Chief Executive</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Need to maintain adequate levels of electricity supply. • Many major employers rely heavily on security of supply to provide jobs and important services. • Eradicates the need for interim generation agreement contracts • Any measure taken to reduce energy costs of households and businesses, such as the NSI, is very much welcomed and encouraged by members
8.	Causeway Coast & Glens Borough Council	Richard Baker <i>Corporate Director, Leisure and Development Services Department</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM • Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices • Utilises renewable energy resources • Required to help security of supply

9.	Pinsent Masons	Richard Murphy <i>Partner</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Priority strategic infrastructure project. • Urgently required for security of supply avoiding a predicated shortfall which will have a direct impact on homes and businesses. • More efficient SEM leading to removal of constraint costs • More renewable energy generator capacity to be connected to the electricity grid. • Project of Common Interest and therefore essential for completing the Europe internal energy market.
10.	Causeway Chamber	Ian Donaghey <i>President</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 150 members across NI. • Cost of energy is a key consideration for businesses. • It will enhance the SEM and reduce constraint costs. • Urgently required for security of supply.
11.	Circa Energy LLP - John Thompson	John Thompson <i>Managing Director</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Achieves long-term and sustainable security of electricity supply. • Allows full implementation of the SEM. • Current constraints result in higher prices for consumers • Fully utilises renewable energy resources. • Must be completed in the most cost effective way.
12.	Chambers Ireland - business network		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Represent 47 members Chambers across ROI • NSI necessary for energy supply and security • Primary need for developing the grid is to facilitate sustainable growth – without NSI demand from businesses will not be met • Increased connectivity would help bring renewables on stream • Imperative for NI and ROI to remain attractive destinations in which to do business and invest
13.	Devenish Nutrition	Patrick McLaughlin <i>CEO UK & Ireland</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maintaining a competitive cost base is key and NSI ensures the cost of electricity is as economical as possible • NI facing significant challenges regarding security of supply and any delay in the NSI will impact on businesses ability to sustain current operations and expand
14.	AES - Kilroot Power Ltd	Carla Tully <i>President UK & Ireland</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supports actions to better align the physical with the financial connection that underlie the integrated all island system. • Important piece of additional infrastructure that the market needs to deliver secure, affordable and sustainable energy for NI

15.	Bryson Energy	Nigel Brady <i>Director</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices Utilises renewable energy resources Required to help security of supply
16.	TG Eakin Ltd	Jeremy Eakin <i>Managing Director</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices Utilises renewable energy resources Required to help security of supply
17.	Ulster University	Professor NJ Hewitt & Dr <i>Patrick Keatley</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices Utilises renewable energy resources Required to help security of supply
18.	NI Water	Sara Venning <i>Chief Executive</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices Utilises renewable energy resources Required to help security of supply
19.	ERNACT	Colm McColgan <i>General Manager</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices Utilises renewable energy resources Required to help security of supply
20.	Newry, Mourne & Down District Council	Liam Hannaway <i>Chief Executive</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Council is unanimous in its support for the project Underground cabling should be used where possible
21.	Londonderry Chamber	Sinead McLaughlin <i>Chief Executive</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices Utilises renewable energy resources Required to help security of supply
22.	NIIRTA	Glyn Roberts <i>Chief Executive</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices Utilises renewable energy resources Required to help security of supply
23.	Acheson & Glover	Brian Johnston <i>Procurement Manager</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices Utilises renewable energy resources Required to help security of supply

24.	Ulster University	John Simpson <i>Visiting Professor</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Electricity plans rely on interconnection Adequate generating capacity on the island No need for AES contract Problems made worse by issues with Moyle interconnector Any delay will lead to long term costs falling on consumers and would damage the prospects for the regional economy
25.	Willis Insurance and Risk Management	Andrew Galway <i>Business Development Director</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices Utilises renewable energy resources Required to help security of supply
26.	See number 6 as two letters were submitted by IOD		
27.	Fleming Agri Products	George Fleming <i>Chairman</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices Utilises renewable energy resources Required to help security of supply
28.	Nuprint	Gavin Kileen <i>Managing Director</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices Utilises renewable energy resources Required to help security of supply
29.	Northstone (NI) Limited	Eamon Sweeney <i>Chief Executive</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices Utilises renewable energy resources Required to help security of supply
30.	Bistro at the Warehouse	Alan McClure <i>Director</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Welcome initiative which will reduce overhead costs significantly Will also benefit household consumers who face traditionally high utilities costs Security of supply would no longer be a concern Renewables targets could be met
31.	See number 13 as the same letter from Devenish was recorded twice		
32.	Smart Energy Solutions	Rodney Crawford <i>Director</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices Utilises renewable energy resources Required to help security of supply

33.	Hutchinson Engineering	Mark Hutchinson <i>Managing Director</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ability to compete at a national level is vital and costs must be driven down as much as possible • Project is critical to the full implementation of the SEM through removal of constraints costs and capacity payments which will mean a reduction in electricity payments • The interconnector will ensure security of supply will no longer be an issue • The NSI must be taken forward as currently proposed as this is the most cost efficient manner available
34.	Solmatix Renewables	Neville Bell <i>Managing Director</i> Richard Bartlett <i>Operations Manager</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM • Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices • Utilises renewable energy resources • Required to help security of supply
35.	Dupont (UK) Industrial Limited	Petra Grashoff <i>Plant Manager</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ability to compete on a cost basis with other businesses throughout the world is vital to success • Security of supply is essential for the economy • Any delays will have a direct impact on business growth and job creation throughout all sectors of the economy
36.	Kilmona Holdings Ltd	Alan Mains	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM • Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices • Utilises renewable energy resources • Required to help security of supply
37.	Construction Employers Federation	John Armstrong <i>Managing Director</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM • Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices • Utilises renewable energy resources • Required to help security of supply
38.	RiverRidge Recycling	Brett Ross <i>Managing Director</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM • Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices • Utilises renewable energy resources • Required to help security of supply

39.	Dunbia	Denver Willis <i>Group Environment and Efficiency Manager</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM • Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices • Utilises renewable energy resources • Required to help security of supply
40.	SDC Trailers	Connor Ward <i>Property and Energy Manager</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One of Europe's market leaders in the manufacture of trailers • Critical piece of infrastructure required to enable full implementation of the SEM • Removal of constraints costs and capacity payments • Urgently required for security of supply due to decommissioning of older plant • Fundamental for large, energy intensive employers
41.	Open Hydro	Jacques Chatelet <i>Chief Operating Officer</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM • Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices • Utilises renewable energy resources • Required to help security of supply
42.	Minprint	Jamie McMinnis <i>Director</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM • Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices • Utilises renewable energy resources • Required to help security of supply
43.	Danny Kinahan MP		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Helps underpin security of supply • Takes advantage of upcoming ISEM • Interconnector network operates as efficiently as possible • Enables more renewables to be connected
44.	Federation of Small Businesses (FSB)	Wilfred Mitchell <i>Policy Chairman</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Represents around 6,00 small businesses in NI • Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM • Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices • Utilises renewable energy resources • Required to help security of supply
45.	Boyles Ballycastle Limited	Aidan Boyle <i>Director</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM • Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices • Utilises renewable energy resources • Required to help security of supply

46.	NIRIG	Rachel Anderson <i>Chair</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices Utilises renewable energy resources Required to help security of supply
47.	RES Group	Lucy Whitford Head of Projects – Ireland	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices Utilises renewable energy resources Required to help security of supply
48.	See number 18 as the same letter from NI Water was recorded twice		
49.	Liberty IT	William Hamilton Managing Director	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cost is a key consideration and in that context the NSI is vital A safe and reliable supply of electricity is also a necessity for Liberty IT and the NSI is urgently required to address potential shortfalls Proposal should be granted without undue delay
50.	Steve Aiken MLA		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Secure, reliable and efficient electricity supply is needed for home and businesses (particularly large users and manufacturing sector) Westminster inquiry indicates the significance of the issue Help underpin security of supply and allow for full implementation of the SEM Allows full advantage of ISEM Vital that downward pressure is exerted on cost of energy Facilitates investment in green energy Reasonable measures to mitigate objections should be taken forward
51.	Kelvin Properties	Hector Lester <i>Director</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices Utilises renewable energy resources Required to help security of supply
52.	Nicobrand	Mark McQuillan <i>Managing Director</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices Utilises renewable energy resources Required to help security of supply

53.	SERC	Ken Webb <i>Principal and Chief Executive</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM • Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices • Utilises renewable energy resources • Required to help security of supply
54.	Hunter Apparel Solutions Limited	Simon Hunter <i>Chief Executive Officer</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM • Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices • Utilises renewable energy resources • Required to help security of supply
55.	Henry Brothers	David Henry <i>Managing Director</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM • Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices • Utilises renewable energy resources • Required to help security of supply
56.	Huhtamaki	Richard Smith <i>General Manager</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Direct benefit to consumers through a reduction in electricity prices • Improve security of supply in NI through a reliable high capacity link to ROI – important for existing businesses and investors • Helps meet renewable targets
57.	Pam Cameron MLA		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM • Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices • Utilises renewable energy resources • Required to help security of supply
58.	Grafton Recruitment	Pete Feldman <i>Managing Director</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM • Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices • Utilises renewable energy resources • Required to help security of supply
59.	Staffline Ireland	Tina McKenzie	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM • Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices • Utilises renewable energy resources • Required to help security of supply
60.	Unite the Union	Jimmy Kelly <i>Ireland Secretary</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The employers of many Unite members are large energy users reliant on the efficient supply of electricity • Cost of electricity has resulted in the closure of major factories therefore it is essential that the market is operating as efficiently as possible and to the benefit of consumers • Will enable consumers to enjoy the full benefits of the SEM and ISEM • Avoids the need for expensive interim generation agreements

61.	Paul Frew MLA		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM • Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices • Utilises renewable energy resources • Required to help security of supply
62.	Think People Consulting	Emer Hinphey	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM • Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices • Utilises renewable energy resources • Required to help security of supply
63.	Montupet Ltd	John McMichael <i>Managing Director</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM • Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices • Utilises renewable energy resources • Required to help security of supply
64.	Mutual Energy (Recorded as sup 65 by PAC as well as John Thompson & Sons)	Paddy Larkin Chief Executive	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM • Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices • Utilises renewable energy resources • Required to help security of supply
65.	John Thompson & Sons	Declan Billington <i>Chief Executive</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM • Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices • Utilises renewable energy resources • Required to help security of supply
66.	Lagan Construction	Colin Loughran	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM • Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices • Utilises renewable energy resources • Required to help security of supply
67.	Core Systems	Tommy Maguire	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM • Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices • Utilises renewable energy resources • Required to help security of supply
68.	Norman Shannon & Company Solicitors	Julie Knight <i>Partner</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM • Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices • Utilises renewable energy resources • Required to help security of supply

69.	Freight Transport Association	Seamus Leheny <i>Policy & Membership Manager</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM • Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices • Utilises renewable energy resources • Required to help security of supply
70.	Renewable NI	Rob McMillan <i>General Manager</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM • Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices • Utilises renewable energy resources • Required to help security of supply
71.	Ovolo Hotels (Recorded as sup 70 by PAC as well as Renewable NI)	Neil McLaren <i>Director</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM • Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices • Utilises renewable energy resources • Required to help security of supply
72.	Inislyn	Neil McLaren <i>Director</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM • Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices • Utilises renewable energy resources • Required to help security of supply
73.	Paul Girvan MLA	William Barnett <i>CEO</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM • Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices • Utilises renewable energy resources • Required to help security of supply
74.	W&R Barnett		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM • Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices • Utilises renewable energy resources • Required to help security of supply
75.	Flowlens	Rich Dale	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM • Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices • Utilises renewable energy resources • Required to help security of supply
76.	Zenith	David McIlroy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM • Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices • Utilises renewable energy resources • Required to help security of supply

77.	NI Chamber of Commerce & Industry	Ann McGregor MBE Chief Executive	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM • Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices • Utilises renewable energy resources • Required to help security of supply • Several members (Ulster Carpets / Glen Dimplex / Crash Services / Henry Group) asked Chamber to note their commitment via their letter
78.	Catalyst Inc	Prof N.Apsley	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM • Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices • Utilises renewable energy resources • Required to help security of supply
79.	Budget Energy	Eleanor McEvoy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM • Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices • Utilises renewable energy resources • Required to help security of supply
80.	Social Enterprise NI	Colin Jess <i>Director</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM • Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices • Utilises renewable energy resources • Required to help security of supply
81.	Northern Ireland Food and Drink Association	Michael Bell <i>Chief Executive</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM • Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices • Utilises renewable energy resources • Required to help security of supply
82.	BlueMAC Manufacturing Ltd	Levina Cavanagh <i>Accounts Manager</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM • Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices • Utilises renewable energy resources • Required to help security of supply
83.	DMAC Engineering Ltd	Daniel McCusker <i>General Manager</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM • Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices • Utilises renewable energy resources • Required to help security of supply
84.	NI Centre for Competitiveness	Bob Barbour <i>Chief Executive</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM • Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices • Utilises renewable energy resources • Required to help security of supply

85.	Smart Grid Ireland	Paddy Turnbull <i>Chairman</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project necessary for security of supply, affordability and sustainability • Greater levels of interconnection between jurisdictions is needed to achieve macro-economic benefits
86.	Schlumberger	Cate McCandless <i>Centre Manager</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM • Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices • Utilises renewable energy resources • Required to help security of supply
87.	Gordon Dunne MLA		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM • Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices • Utilises renewable energy resources • Required to help security of supply
88.	Green Connect NI	Nicola Murphy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM • Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices • Utilises renewable energy resources • Required to help security of supply
89.	R&H Hall Trading Ltd	Claudine Heron <i>CEO</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM • Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices • Utilises renewable energy resources • Required to help security of supply
90.	Mount Charles	Cathal Geoghegan <i>Managing Director</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM • Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices • Utilises renewable energy resources • Required to help security of supply
91.	Action Renewables	Terry Waugh <i>Deputy Director</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM • Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices • Utilises renewable energy resources • Required to help security of supply
92.	Southern Eastern HSC Trust	Eddie Kerr <i>Energy Manager</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM • Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices • Utilises renewable energy resources • Required to help security of supply
93.	See number 34 as Solmatix sent two letters raising similar points		

94.	Dungannon Enterprise Centre	Brian MacAuley <i>Chief Executive</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM • Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices • Utilises renewable energy resources • Required to help security of supply
95.	Teutoniq	Paul James Stewart <i>Managing Director</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM • Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices • Utilises renewable energy resources • Required to help security of supply
96.	IBEC	Neil Walker <i>Head of Infrastructure, Energy and Environment</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Largest business representative body in ROI with over 7000 members across every sector • Any further delay will have costly implications for electricity consumers across the island • Completing the project will secure the electricity supply at an affordable price for consumers • Cost effective mitigation of greenhouse gases • Least cost dispatch of indigenous power generation • Avoidance of unnecessarily high capital investment costs • UK referendum on EU membership does not change situation
97.	TC Renewables	Ravi Sharma	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM • Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices • Utilises renewable energy resources • Required to help security of supply
98.	Glenwerry Wind	Stephen Robinson <i>Director</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM • Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices • Utilises renewable energy resources • Required to help security of supply
99.	D & A Taylor	Alastair Taylor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM • Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices • Utilises renewable energy resources • Required to help security of supply

100.	Manufacturing NI	Stephen Kelly <i>Chief Executive</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Manufacturing sector responsible for employing c85,000 people and 15% GDP. • Energy is the third largest input cost for business after labour and materials costs • Need to ensure competitive prices • NSI will assist in ensuring the sector can have a secure and more affordable energy market by enabling full implementation of SEM. • Removes constraints costs and capacity payments • Ensures regions security of supply • Negates the need for back up generation costs • Any further delay will ultimately have a direct effect on business growth, job creation and retention.
101.	Hospitality Ulster	Colin Neill <i>Chief Executive</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM • Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices • Utilises renewable energy resources • Required to help security of supply
102.	NIE	Con Feeney <i>Network Performance and Safety Director</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM • Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices • Utilises renewable energy resources • Required to help security of supply
103.	Tennent's NI	Tom McCusker <i>Managing Director</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM • Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices • Utilises renewable energy resources • Required to help security of supply
104.	Elite Electronic Systems	Jonathan Balfour <i>Managing Director</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM • Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices • Utilises renewable energy resources • Required to help security of supply
105.	Energia	Gary Ryan <i>Retail Director</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fully endorse the construction of this critical piece of infrastructure • Extremely important for future development • Greater competition, facilitation of renewables and enhancing security of supply will benefit electricity producers, suppliers and consumers. • Encourage prompt delivery of this project.

106.	T M Wind Energy Ltd	Terry Grant	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM • Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices • Utilises renewable energy resources • Required to help security of supply
107.	Brookfield Renewable	Niamh Buckley <i>Regulatory and Power Markets Analyst</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improves security of supply • Alleviates constraints restricting efficient performance of SEM • Supports the deployment of renewable power generation • Improves competition • Should be given priority status as a Project of Common Interest
108.	CBI NI	Angela McGowan <i>Regional Director</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NSI is vital to the provision of a secure, sustainable and cost-efficient energy supply which contributes to economic growth • CBI NI and Ibec are producing a collaborative research project early next year examining the importance of the NSI • Required to help security of supply • Makes electricity more affordable • Stimulates the regional economy • Allows for sustainable electricity through renewables
109.	CBI NI	David Gavaghan <i>Regional Chair</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Necessary for economic growth as recognised within the Executive's draft PfG. • 87% of NI businesses surveyed support the NSI • Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM • Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices • Utilises renewable energy resources • Required to help security of supply
110.	William Humphrey MLA Chair, Committee for Infrastructure		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM • Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices • Utilises renewable energy resources • Required to help security of supply

111.	Gaelectric	Barry Gavin <i>Chief Executive Officer</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leading independent developer and operator of renewable energy projects in wind, bioenergy and solar on the island of Ireland • Challenging renewable targets cannot be met without further interconnection in place • NSI will enable further investment and job creation by companies such as Gaelectric • Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM • Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices • Required to help security of supply
112.	IDA Ireland		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The availability of a highly advanced modern reliable electricity grid is a very significant factor in IDAs strategy of attracting investors • International research strongly indicates that robust infrastructure is a key driver behind winning FDI • NSI will create an opportunity for further advancement of the IDA investment promotion strategy • Will help to attract high technology service investments to Ireland • Consolidate our position as a premier location for economic development
113.	Ryobi	John Hughes Jr <i>Senior Strategic Buyer</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM • Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices • Utilises renewable energy resources • Required to help security of supply
114.	IWEA	Gary Healy <i>Chief Executive Officer</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Irelands leading energy representative body representing more than 200 members involved in wind and renewable energy development. • Increase flow of electricity both North and South and will enable and empower the two networks to operate jointly and more efficiently • Enable more efficient use of our island significant renewable energy resource • Improve security of supply and enables high-tech, high electricity requirement FDI which needs this • Increase competition and promote cross border trading thus reducing costs • Stands in line with integration of markets across Europe

115.	Ms Denise McLoughlin		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM • Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices • Utilises renewable energy resources • Required to help security of supply
116.	Northern Ireland Hotels Federation	Janice Gault <i>Chief Executive</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hotel sector going through unprecedented growth and therefore security of supply is vital • Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM • Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices • Utilises renewable energy resources
117.	RICS	Ben Collins Regional Director	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows full implementation of SEM and I-SEM • Exerts downward pressure on electricity prices • Utilises renewable energy resources • Required to help security of supply
118.	Derry City & Strabane District Council	Karen Philips Director of Environment & Regeneration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • References SONI briefing to Council's Environment and Regeneration Committee in March 2016 • Secure and efficient electricity supply important for growth of local economy • Cost of electricity is a key consideration and NSI removes constraints allowing full implementation of the SEM • Ensures NI has security of supply • DC&SDC has some of the best renewable energy sources in the world and delivery of NSI will help utilise them