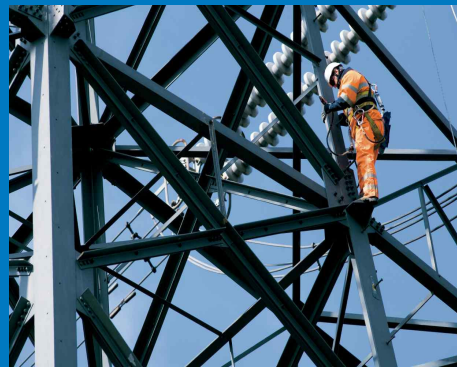
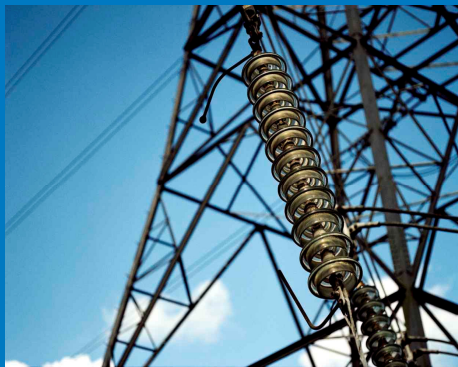


Electricity Scenario Illustrator



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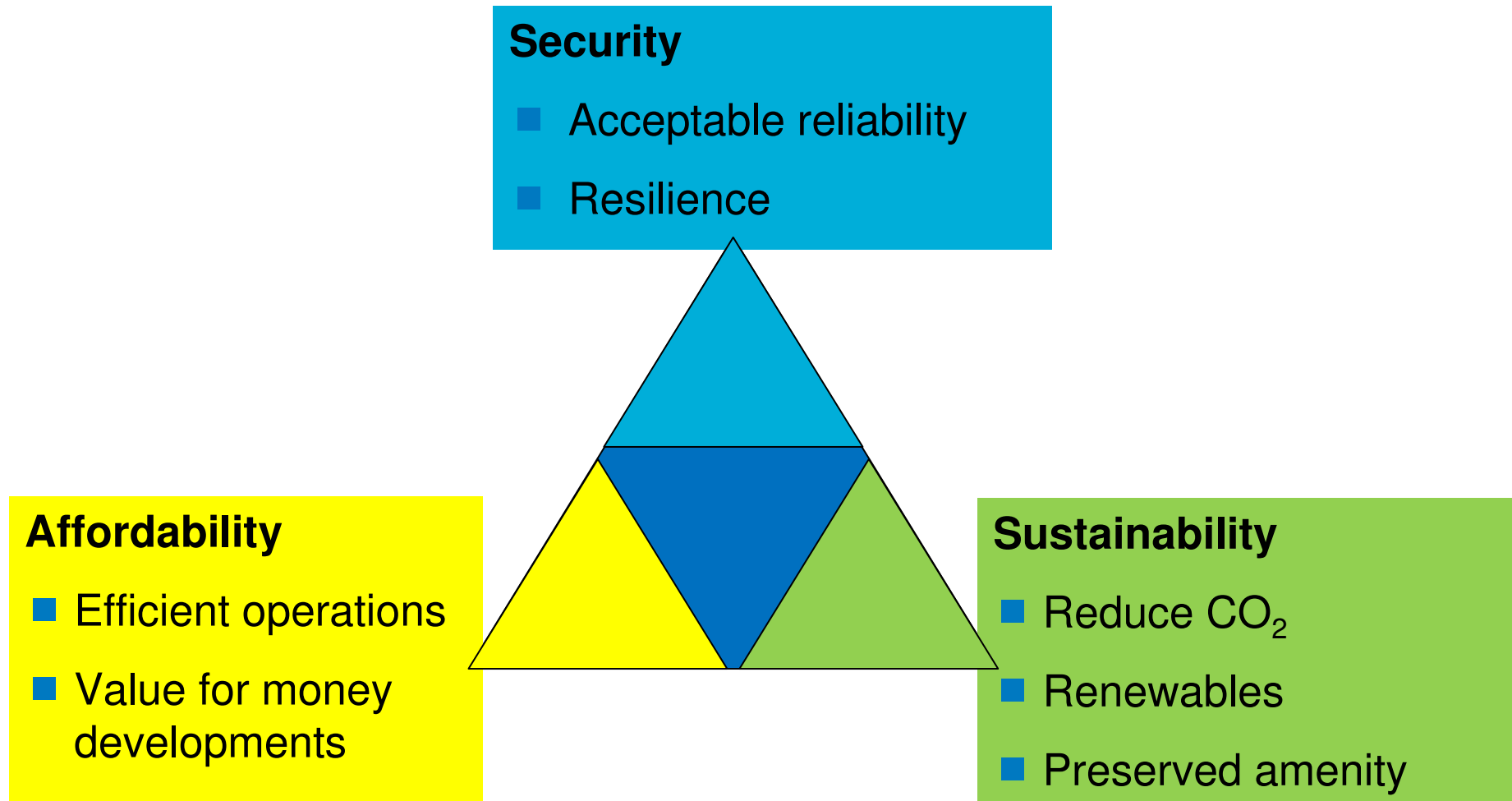
Introduction

- Ofgem's RIIO framework requires network licensees to provide a **well-justified business plan**
- To develop such a plan we need your views on:
 - What might be the future requirements (**scenarios**)
 - How these might be met (**responses by the network or others**)
- Some parts of the plan (e.g. connections) are justified by the specific needs of individual customers ...
- ... but plans concerning the shared network infrastructure are more complex and require collective views.
 - To assist stakeholders, we have prepared a simple model to illustrate the benefits and implications of these works.

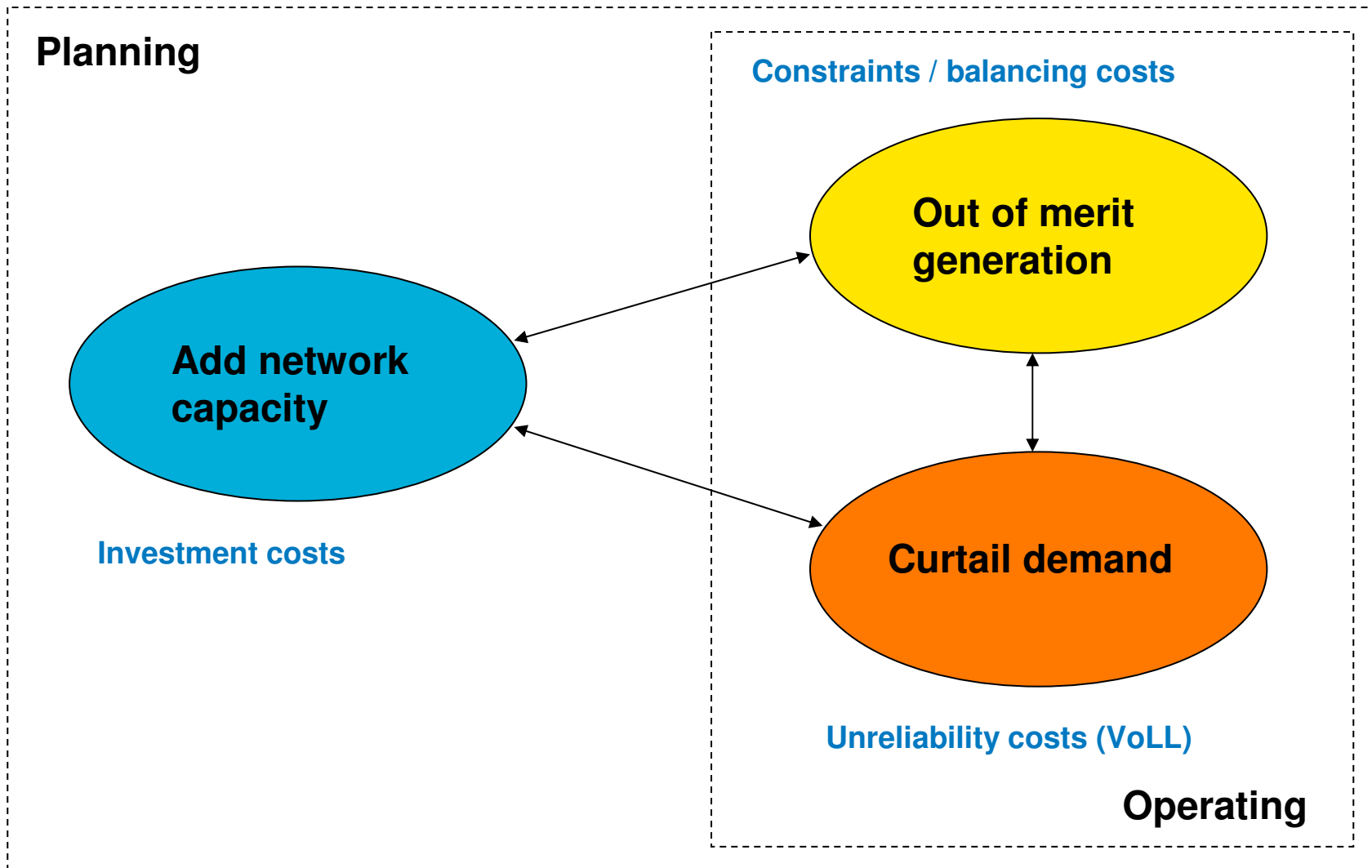
Our approach

- In our consultation (with workshops beginning end-March) we will describe:
 - The scenarios that we have derived
 - Our understanding of the implications for customers and other stakeholders
 - Our assessments of the transmission developments that can enhance value
- Recognising that stakeholders will wish to explore the details of our proposals by examining their own alternative scenarios/sensitivities and assessing the balance of trade-offs for themselves, this model is being distributed in advance of our consultation workshops.

Our understanding of high-level stakeholder requirements



In delivering, we must consider the key network trade-offs



Generic issues we want to discuss with stakeholders

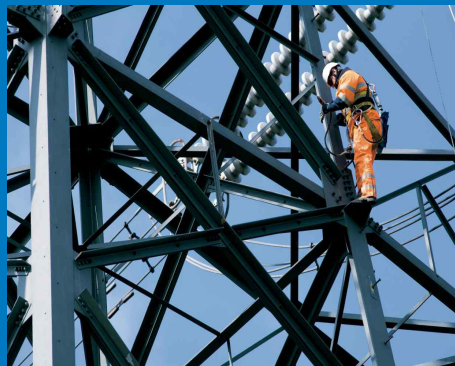
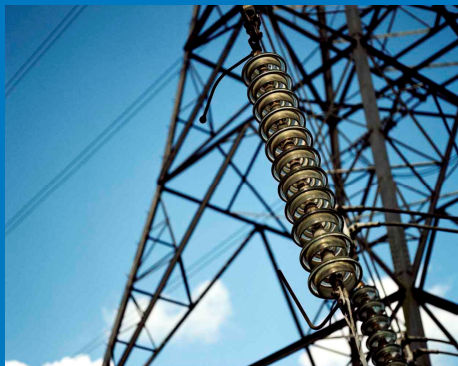
- Unsupplied energy
 - What is the appropriate cost to be attributed to curtailed load? *
 - What is the acceptable risk for different severities of potential loss of supply events?
- Operational cost
 - How to appropriately assess the cost of network limitations?
 - What are the demand-side and other balancing alternatives? And when will they be available?
- Transmission investment cost
 - What are the desired characteristics of our identified reinforcement options?
 - Should others be developed

* Ofgem have indicated in their RIIO-T1 consultation on outputs that £16/kWh may be a suitable upper bound value. As a conservative starting point we have derived what may be a useful lower bound estimate by dividing GDP by energy consumed \approx £4/kWh.

Specific issues we want to discuss

- Have we got the right scenarios?
 - Reasonable generation/demand developments?
 - A good span of potential outcomes?
- Is our representation of future operation sufficient?
 - Consumer requirements and use patterns?
 - Fuel burn & CO₂ emission choices?
 - Wind variability & other plant availability assumptions?
 - Interconnection transfer & pump storage utilisation?
- Are the consequences of network limitations sufficiently identified?
- Are sufficient reinforcement options identified and their benefits appropriately explained?

Overview: features & limitations



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Overview of the electricity scenario illustrator

- The electricity scenario illustrator (ESI) simulates merit order operation of generation resources* to meet consumer requirements*
 - For an extended period spanning the RIIO-T1 control
 - With transmission capacity* as currently established or extended by potential reinforcement schemes

* **Generation and transmission investments are set by the user – the model only illustrates how, once established, these might then be used to meet consumer needs**

- If there is insufficient generation or transmission then demand is curtailed
 - This curtailment is costed at a Value of Lost Load (default = £4/kWh approximately equal to GDP per unit of electricity consumed)
- The model reports the sensitivity of operating costs to generation and network capacity limits (e.g. in £/kW/yr)

Modelling and package approach

- The ESI is built to the principle “as simple as possible, but not simpler” and applies the 80/20 rule. E.g. seeking 80% of the answer from 20% of the potential detail.
- It is free and requires no additional proprietary product or licences other than a copy of Microsoft Excel
- All workings (outside a simple linear program code – see Appendix) are shown. Hence it should be easily customised and extended by users*.
- Scenarios based on Gone Green, Slow Progress & Accelerated Growth scenarios installed with illustrative cost and performance parameters (these chosen by package authors – no authoritative knowledge claimed!)

* Although National Grid will seek to assist users who are exploring RIIO-T1 issues with the ESI model, we cannot provide wider support for the code in this package.

National Grid has made strenuous efforts to ensure the package works reliably and functions acceptably for its intended purpose. However, we cannot provide guarantees that the algorithms and techniques are robust in all circumstances and results must, therefore, be used cautiously.

ESI features

- Consumer requirements represented by seasonal load duration curves
 - **Default = 2009/10 curves scaled by peak demand forecasts for future years**
- Wind availability represented by seasonal output duration curves by regions
 - **Default = 4 regions (Scotland, E&W onshore, offshore east, offshore west & south) derived from 10 yrs historic wind speed data**
- Generation fuel & CO2 cost assumptions are separated from BM bid & offer price assumptions (to represent alternative scheduling approaches & costs)
- Transmission capability represented by Seven Year Statement boundaries (augmented with some 'local-issue' boundaries)
- Interconnector and pump storage operation determined by marginal cost differences (i.e. operation is cost minimising)
- Wind availability is calculated by Monte Carlo simulation (**default=100 samples/year** with importance sampling of critical peak demand periods). Random numbers are fixed (until deliberately randomized) to aid comparison of scenarios.
- Check of “**peak demand with low wind**” and “**minimum demand with high wind**” cases included each year

ESI key limitations (1)

- Generation dynamic limitations are not represented
 - (no ramp rate, minimum stable generation limits, etc)
 - Hence the model will **underestimate generation operating costs**
- Availabilities of generation (other than wind) are represented at average seasonal values
 - this **tends to underestimate the impact of network limitations**
- No time step linkage and pump storage energy limits
 - so **potential for overestimating capabilities of pump storage**
- Assumes ideal curtailment of demand and immediate restoration
 - So **potential for underestimating demand disruption**
- Very limited (initially, fixed price) modelling of European market and Ireland & Northern Ireland SEM
 - gives rather simplistic modelling of interconnector operation

ESI key limitations (2)

- Boundary representation of network capacity - reflects thermal, voltage & stability limitations after current control measures (i.e. protection, switching, QBs & other Smart controls)
 - Approximates effects due to actual power sharing across circuits
 - May require recalculation for radical scenario changes and fault-level issues
 - **Generally overestimates effectiveness of running certain generators out of merit to alleviate constraints**
- Simple modelling of network availability - temperature effects reflected in seasonal average capabilities
 - Network unavailability due to maintenance and construction outages neglected (assumes perfect generation/network outage coordination)
 - **This will tend to underestimate actual network limitations**
- The in-built scenarios are currently being updated to reflect recent developments. These changes will be incorporated in due course.
- **The model does not calculate the reliability implications of transmission faults**

Appendix: Modeling details

Electricity Scenario Illustrator

Dispatch representations

- Load
 - Inelastic demand = peak demand x load duration curve sample value
 - Curtailment represented by generator matching demand at price = VoLL
 - Wind (& wave)
 - Dispatchable capacity = installed capacity x plant availability factor x wind availability
 - Other generation
 - Dispatchable capacity = installed capacity x plant availability factor
 - Interconnection
 - Export = load matching dispatchable export capacity
 - Float = generator matching export load at price of remote market less cost of link losses
 - Import = generator of dispatchable import capacity at price of remote market plus cost of link losses
 - Pump storage
 - Pump = load matching available pump capacity
 - Float = generator matching pump load at maximum pump price
 - Generation = generator of dispatchable capacity at generation price
- NB no min or max energy stored limits enforced. User must choose suitable availabilities and prices to get desired behaviour.

Linear program (LP) formulation

- The LP is a simple re-startable dual formulation using sparse matrix arithmetic:
 - LP variables are network & generation capacity sensitivity prices
 - LP constraints represent the requirement that dispatched generators must receive revenues greater than or equal to their short-run marginal costs (srmcs).
 - Starting from a network unconstrained merit order solution, the LP seeks to minimise the cost of network infringements
- To avoid unbounded solutions, generation SRMCs must be positive.
 - Balancing mechanism bids and offers can be negative prices if required. (These prices are applied as a post-processing calculation to the LP srmc –based dispatch)

Getting started

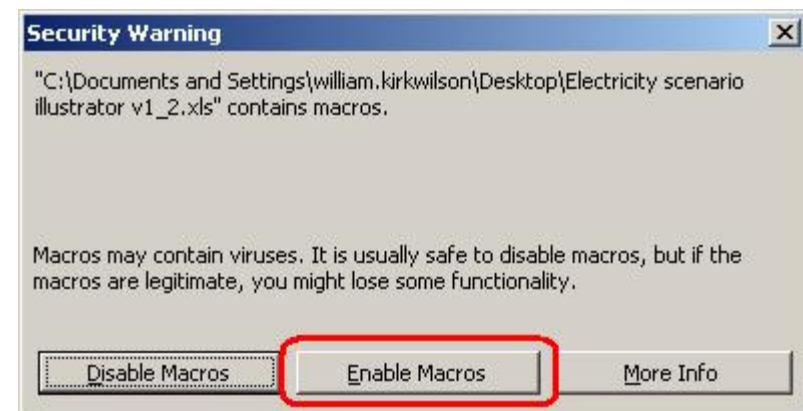
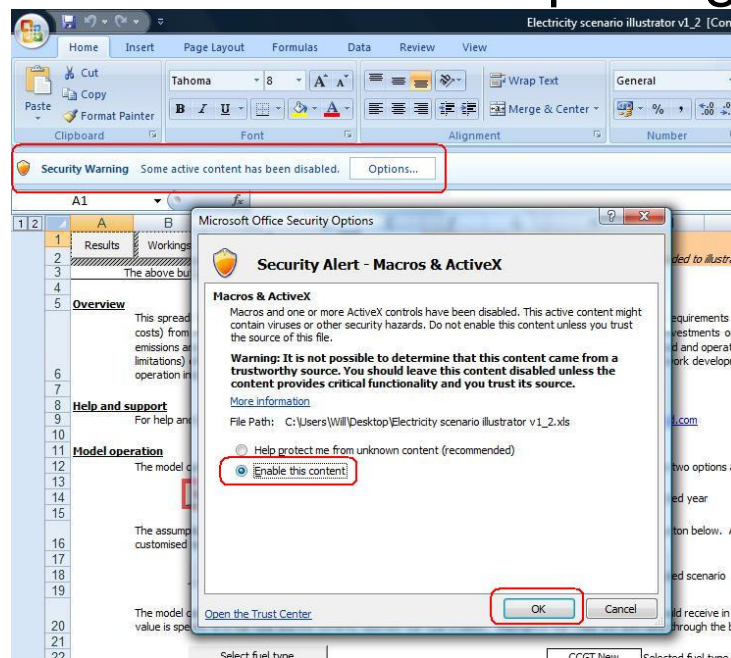
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Introducing the model

- Model can be downloaded from

<http://www.talkingnetworkstx.com/electricity1.aspx>

- Excel model
- Enable macros on opening



Navigating the model - Overview

The screenshot displays the 'Overview of illustrative model' section of a spreadsheet. At the top, a navigation bar contains buttons for 'Results', 'Workings', 'Inputs', and 'All', which are highlighted with a red box. Below this, the text reads: 'The above buttons filter visible sheets'. The main content area includes sections for 'Overview', 'Help and support', and 'Model operation'. In the 'Model operation' section, several buttons are highlighted with red boxes: 'Run multiyear analysis', 'Run single year analysis', 'Select scenario', 'Create new scenario', and 'Select fuel type'. To the right, three overlapping dialog boxes are shown: 'Select Year', 'Select Scenario', and 'Select fuel type'. The 'Select fuel type' dialog box contains a dropdown menu with the text 'Please select a fuel type' and a 'Continue' button. Below the main text, a 'Model structure' diagram is shown, which is also highlighted with a red box. This diagram illustrates the flow from 'Scenarios describing plan years' (including Consumer requirements, Generation facilities, and Network facilities) to 'Multiyear results aggregation' (including Annual results aggregation and Sample-based calculations). The 'Sample-based calculations' section is further divided into 'Unconstrained schedule' and 'Constrained schedule'.

Overview
This spreadsheet models the utilisation of scenario specific generation and network assets to meet consumer requirements at minimum fuel and CO₂ cost (i.e. short-run costs) from the present until 2025. It can be used to examine the impacts of both generation and network investments on operating costs, equipment utilisations, CO₂ emissions and security of supply. By examining the marginal costs of operating constraints (i.e. of meeting demand and operating in accordance with generation and network limitations) efficient price signals can be illustrated. It is inevitable that squeezing 20 years of market and network developments together with a representation of their operation into a spreadsheet requires a few simplifications, the key of which are listed below.

Help and support
For help and support please contact William Kirk-Wilson on 01926-655424 or email: william.kirkwilson@uk.ngrid.com

Model operation
The model can either examine the dimensions from the present until 2025 or a single year can be analysed. These two options are

Run multiyear analysis **Run single year analysis** Multi year analysis Selected year

The assumptions underpinning the analysis can be changed by selecting one of the existing scenarios from the button below. Alternatively you can create a new scenario to model a particular view of the future. The currently selected scenario is Gone Green

Select scenario **Create new scenario** Gone Green Selected scenario

The model calculates the value of transmission access which is the difference between the profits a generator would receive in a non-constrained world and the value specific to a fuel type and the currently selected fuel type is below. Alternative fuel types are selectable through the button

Select fuel type CCGT New Selected fuel type

Model structure
The model is divided up into inputs, outputs and the algorithm itself. This is shown graphically below. Click on an area to navigate to it.

Scenarios describing plan years

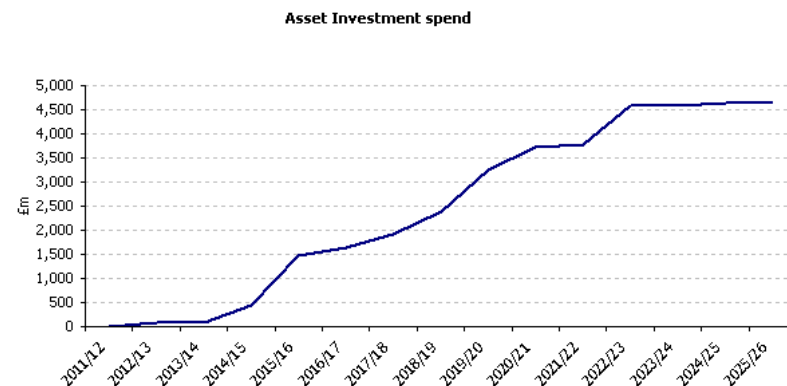
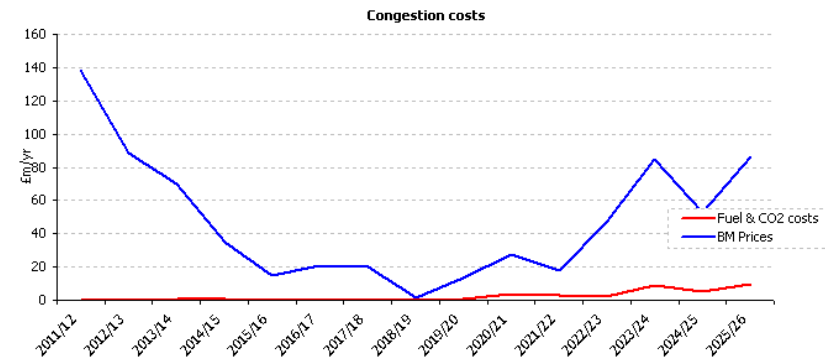
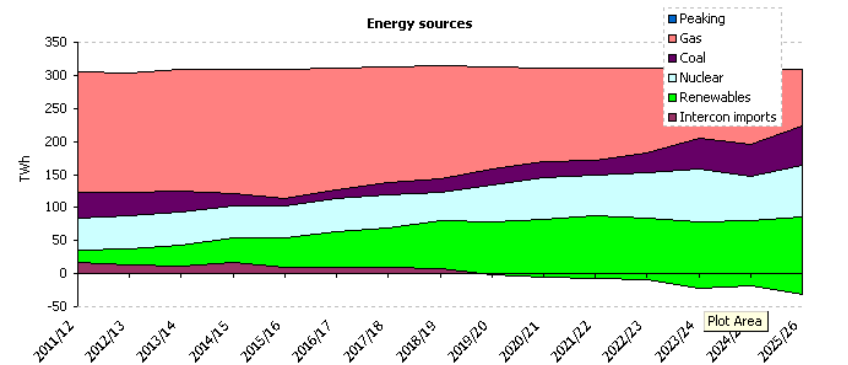
- Consumer requirements
 - Annual load duration
 - Geographical distribution
 - Annual peak loads
- Generation facilities
 - Type, locn capacity
 - Seasonal availabilities
 - SRMC costs, BM prices
- Network facilities
 - Current
 - Potential
 - Capacity

Multiyear results aggregation

- Annual results aggregation
- Sample-based calculations:
 - Unconstrained schedule:** Use of generation, network & demand curtailment facilities. System marginal price
 - Constrained schedule:** Use of generation, network & demand curtailment facilities. Gen & network limit shadow costs. Zonal dem and marginal prices. BM constraint costing

Navigating the model – Results (1)

- Where the energy is being supplied from
- Extra cost due to network system limitations
- NG reinforcement spend



Navigating the model – Input network assumptions

Network capacities and connectivity

Network Connectivity

The table on the right defines the connectivity between zones and boundaries. A 1 (or -1) means the surplus [or deficit] of generation over demand in the zone will determine the flow on the boundary. A 0 or blank indicates that the boundary is not affected by the zone. A boundary can be linked to multiple zones and the total flow across the boundary will be the sum of the generation less demand in all the zones affecting the boundary. For example it shows that generation minus demand in zone T determines the flows across boundary B4

The table below right shows the base network capability (ie the boundary ratings before transmission reinforcements are added).

The table beneath lists the planned wider network reinforcements, their impact on the boundary capabilities, the year of commissioning by scenario and the NG spend. The network scenario is selectable on the scenario definition sheet. Individual reinforcements can be "switched off" by toggling the <User Override> field to false.

Zone	Name	Transfer MW	Constraint		
			North to South	Scotland to Engl	Upper North
A	London				
B	S Coast				
C	Estuary				
D	S Central				
E	SW				
F	SW Peninsula				
G	W Central				
H	South Wales				
J	East Mids				
K	Trent				
L	West Mids				
M	North Wales				
N	NW				
P	Yorks				
Q	North East				1
R	Cumbria				1
S	S Scot (SPTL)			1	1
T	N Scot (SHETL)		1	1	1
U	Norwich, Sizewell & Bramford				
V	Wylfa & Dinorwig				
Use of capacity (MW)					

Existing network capacity

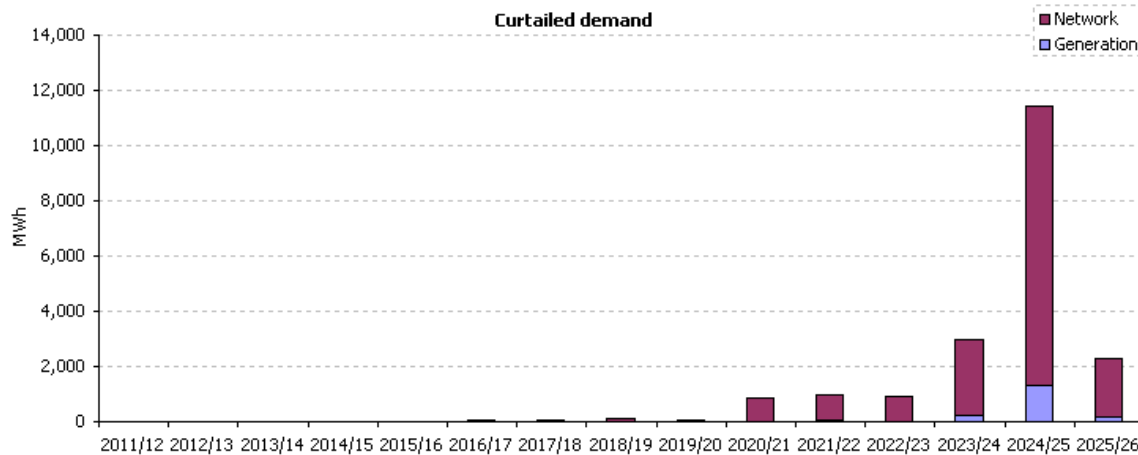
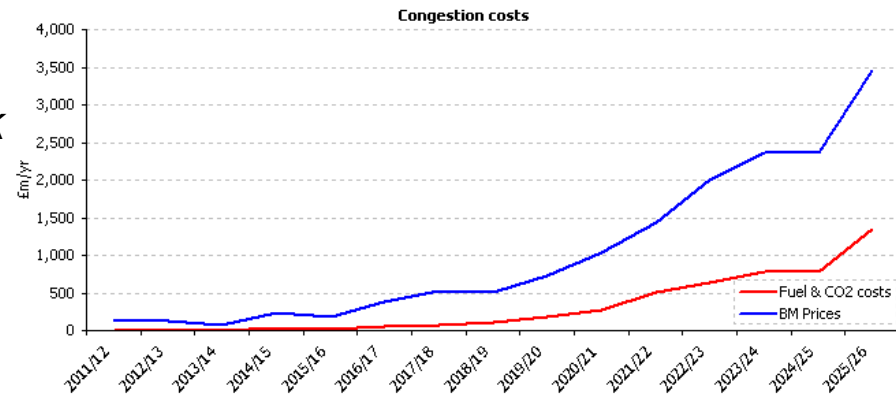
Base Cap (MW)		Constraint		
		B4	B6	B7a
		Winter	2,205	3,300
	90% Spr/Aut	1,985	2,970	4,860
	80% Summer	1,764	2,640	4,320

New schemes creating additional capacity

Slow Prog	Gone Green	Accel Growth	User Override	Active	OHL km	£m	Reinf package	Blank	Constraint		
									B4	B6	B7a
2014	2014	2014		TRUE			Beauly-Denny overhead line		950		
2016	2016	2016		TRUE			400kV Ring Kintore Reactive Compensation		750		
2016	2016	2016		TRUE			Denny-Kincardine 400kV		800		
2015	2015	2015		TRUE		730	Western HVDC Link			2,090	1,800
2015	2014	2014		TRUE		125	Anglo-Scottish Series & Shunt Compensation			1,100	
2024	2018	2017		TRUE		480	Eastern HVDC Link	1,430		1,430	1,000
2014	2014	2014		TRUE		30	Penwortham QBs				400
2023	2019	2019		TRUE	47	610	New Hinckley Point - Seabank OHL and assoc works				
2017	2015	2013		TRUE		90	Reconductoring circuits in East Anglia				
2021	2017	2015		TRUE	28	255	New OHL & reconductoring work in East Anglia				
3000	2024	2021		TRUE		40	QBs in East Anglia				
2014	2014	2013		TRUE		180	Establish 2nd Pentir-Traw 400kv circuit				
2014	2016	2020		TRUE		100	Series compensation and reconductoring work in North Wales				
2023	2022	2020		TRUE		810	Wylfa-Pembroke 2GW HVDC link				
2014	2014	2014		TRUE		5	Daines 225MVAR MSC DNs				
2020	2020	2020		TRUE		10	Sundon and Ratcliffe 225MVAR MSCs				
2020	2020	2020		TRUE		460	North London Reinforcements & St John's Wood - Hackney cable				
2019	2019	2019		TRUE		50	Turn in Sundon - Cowley circuit at East Claydon				
2019	2019	2019		TRUE		85	North East London uprate to 400kV				
2014	2014	2014		TRUE		30	East London reinforcements				
2016	2016	2016		TRUE		70	East London reconductoring				
2016	2016	2016		TRUE		20	Kingsnorth-Cobham reconductoring				
2015	2015	2015		TRUE		75	South London reconductoring				
2015	2015	2015		TRUE		35	Essex reconductoring				

Running a scenario – No network reinforcement

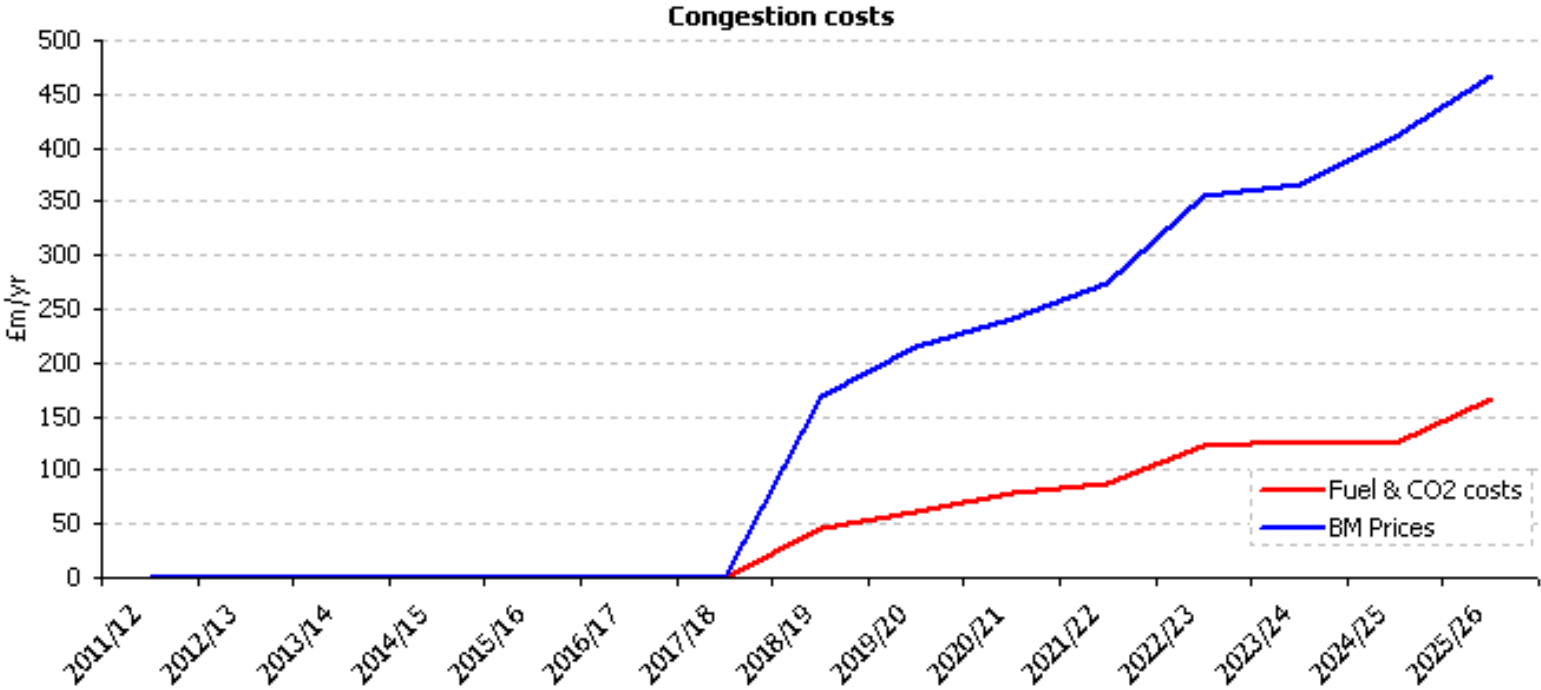
- Constraint costs rise(!)
(Compared to a total NG network investment spend of £4.6b)



- Unsupplied demand
(Compared to a maximum of 1.2GWh in the reinforced case)

Running a scenario – Eastern HVDC

- Eastern HVDC constraint costs saving
(Compared to a NG network investment spend of £480m)



Help

- If you need help running ESI or using any of its facilities please contact
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- If you wish to discuss potential developments to the economic modelling implemented in ESI please contact
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