

# Changing consumer behaviour through information provision

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# Irish National Smart Metering project



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- Smart Metering Project - Phase 1.
  - Established by the Commission for Energy Regulation (CER) in late 2007 to analyse the feasibility of implementing smart meters throughout Ireland.



National Smart Meter Plan



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# Customer Behaviour Trials



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## Customer Behaviour Trials (CBTs)

- to ascertain the potential for smart metering enabled energy efficiency initiatives:
  - to effect measurable change in consumer behaviour
  - reductions in peak electricity demand
  - Reductions in overall energy (electricity & gas) use.
- Focus on Residential & SME (small-to-medium enterprise) electricity & gas consumers.
- Design - statistically robust
  - indicate national smart metering roll-out implications
  - inform the Cost Benefit Analysis.

# Customer Behaviour Trials

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Or, more simply...

Could Smart Meters save energy  
and change usage behaviour?

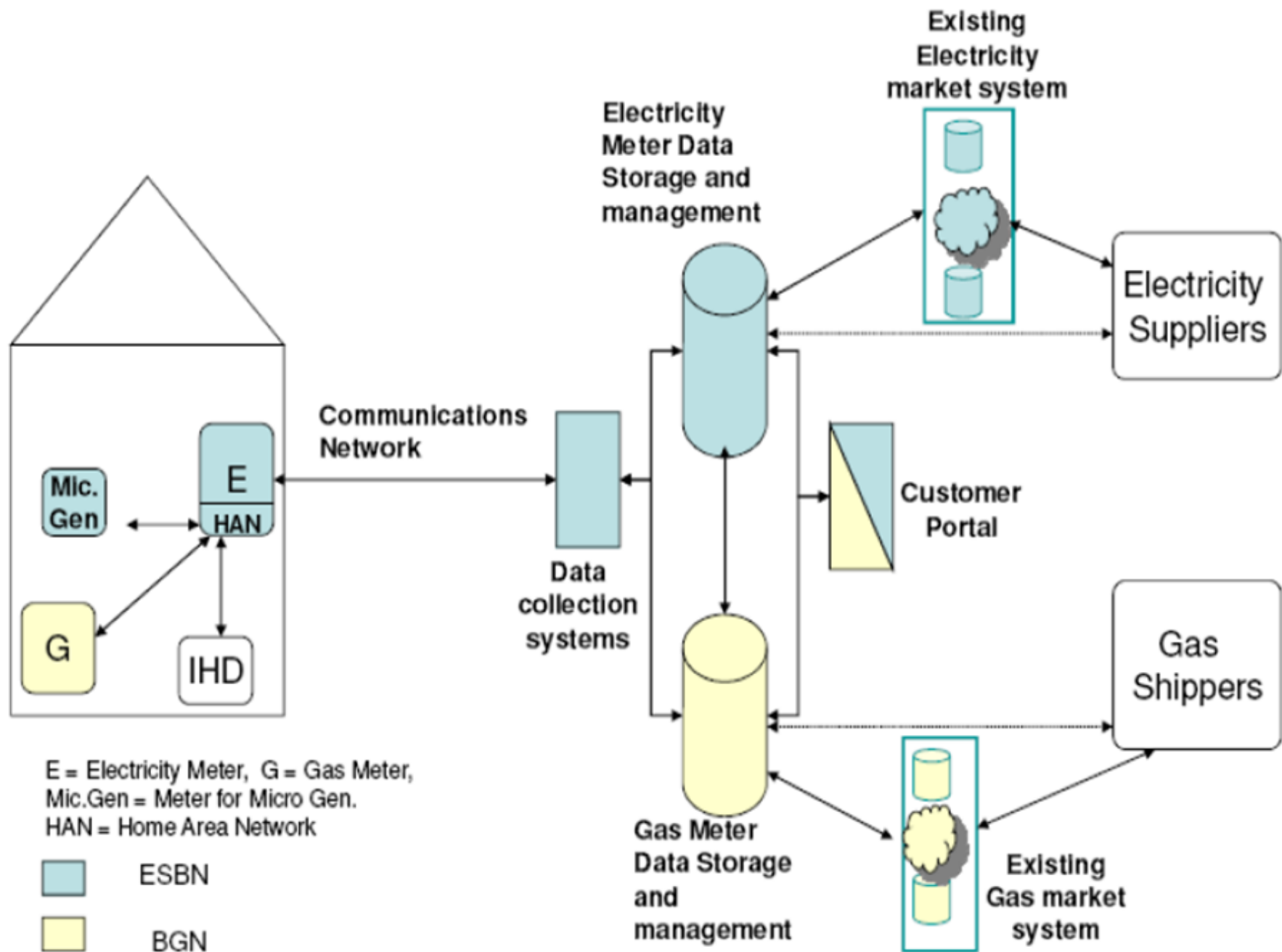


## Is it a Smart Meter?

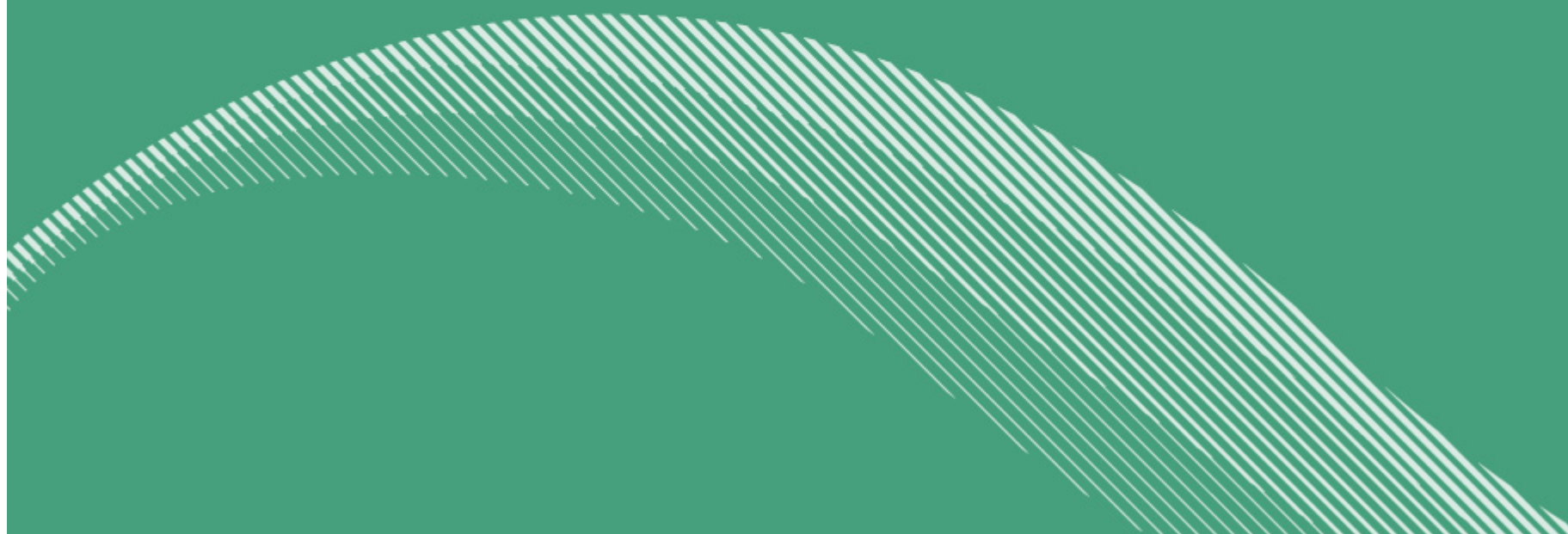


Not my house!  
*Meter in Outdoor Meter Box*





# Design





# National Smart Meter Trial 2009-2010



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Tariff	Bi-monthly detailed bill and energy use statement	Monthly detailed bill and energy use statement	Bi-monthly detailed bill and Electricity Monitor	Bi-monthly detailed bill, energy use statement plus Overall Load Reduction	
Tariff A	342	342	342	342	1,368
Tariff B	127	129	127	128	511
Tariff C	342	342	343	343	1,370
Tariff D	127	129	126	127	509
Weekend					100
Control Group					1,170
	<b>938</b>	<b>942</b>	<b>938</b>	<b>940</b>	<b>5,028</b>

Tariff	Bi-monthly bill and energy usage statement	Monthly bill, and energy usage statement	Bi-monthly bill, energy usage statement and in-home display	Bi-monthly bill, energy usage statement, in-home display and variable tariff	Total
Existing Tariff	303	303	303	-	909
New Tariff	-	-	-	302	302
Control Group					681
	<b>303</b>	<b>303</b>	<b>303</b>	<b>302</b>	<b>1,892</b>

## Energy awareness



### Typical cost of running various appliances over a full year\*

Main household appliances (excl. Electric Oven)	NIGHT RATE	DAY RATE	PEAK RATE
Washing machine	€55	€64	€91
Tumble dryer	€183	€213	€305
Dishwasher	€73	€85	€122
Immersion - 6 months only	€203	€236	€338

\* Average usage 1 cycle per day, 5 days a week for a full year. Immersion: 1 tank per day 6 months only.

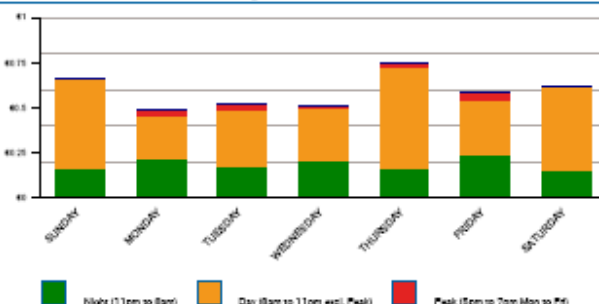
## Hints and Tips

- Money Down the Drain - During the peak period (5pm to 7pm) an instantaneous electric shower running for 15 minutes costs you €14.30 per year. At day rates it would cost you €80.01 per year.
- Remember! To make the greatest savings always try to be energy efficient when you use your appliances even when you shift to an Off-Peak time.
- Beat the Peak. If using a dishwasher washing your dishes at peak rate will cost you €121.92 per year; on the day rate it would cost you €85.34 per year.

## Has your electricity usage changed?

- 2.8% of your electricity for last month was used in the peak period. By using some of your appliances at day rate rather than at peak rate you could save money.
- Last month 572 customers on your tariff have reduced the amount of electricity they use. You are one of them. Congratulations!

## Your average day of the week costs



## Further information

Values given above may be slightly different to Page 1 due to rounding impacts. The correct final values are those displayed on Page 1 of the Bill.

## Learn More

### 2010 Electricity Reduction Target

Your Target

Use less than **330** Units By 31 Dec

Used so far **330** Units

Reduce your usage Goals

Goal THIS bill - Use less than **330** Units

Goal NEXT bill - Use less than **330** Units

You are outside your goal for this period, can you reduce your usage more? See the energy tips above.

Your goals help to meet your annual target. Reach your target in December and earn €20 AS WELL as any savings you make on your bill.

# Detail Bills

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Customer Supply

JOE  
18 STREET  
OWN  
COUNTY

Your Account Number is **123456789**

Date of issue: 2 MARCH 10

Invoice number: 987654321

Your MPRN number is: M  
10 10 10

Useful contacts

For Accounts General enquiries  
contact the Customer Support  
1850 372 372

For Emergency/Electrical  
Interactions  
contact the emergency  
1850 372 999

Please have your utility numbers ready

Electricity bill

meter readings	Quantity and price	Description of charges	Amount €
Previous			CR = Credit
FF: DOMESTIC			
837 X €0.1400		DAY UNITS	117.18
110 X €0.2300		PEAK UNITS	25.30
140 X €0.1000		NIGHT UNITS	14.00
59 DAYS @ €0.2520/DAY		STANDING CHARGE	14.87
		PUBLIC SERVICE OBLIGATION LEVY JAN	0.00
		VAT @ 13.5% ON 171.35	23.13

Did you know?

You can pay this bill easily by phone with your Laser card.

Simply call 1850 372 372 from a phone or computer.

For ESB CUS/OWNER SUPPLY

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Then enter your nine digit account number and follow the instructions.

Payment terms are 14 days from date of bill issue or immediately if overdue.

Billing period: 1 JAN 10 - 28 FEB 10

Pay by: 16 MAR 10

Total now due: € 194.48

Customer Supply

Notes/Code

Total Cash

Chgs., etc.

TOTAL €

Fuel Mix

For information on the fuel mix and environmental impact, please see reverse.

## Domestic Time of Use Tariffs

Vs. Normal Rate = 14.1 € cents/ kWh		Week Night 23.00 – 8.00	Week Day 8.00 – 17.00 19.00 – 23.00	Peak 17.00 – 19.00 (Monday to Friday), ex. holidays
Tariff A	Cents per kWh	12.00	14.00	20.00
Tariff B	Cents per kWh	11.00	13.50	26.00
Tariff C	Cents per kWh	10.00	13.00	32.00
Tariff D	Cents per kWh	9.00	12.50	38.00

Shows how you are doing against your daily budget

## In Home Display

Indicates the current cost of electricity per hour (does not include standing charge and VAT)



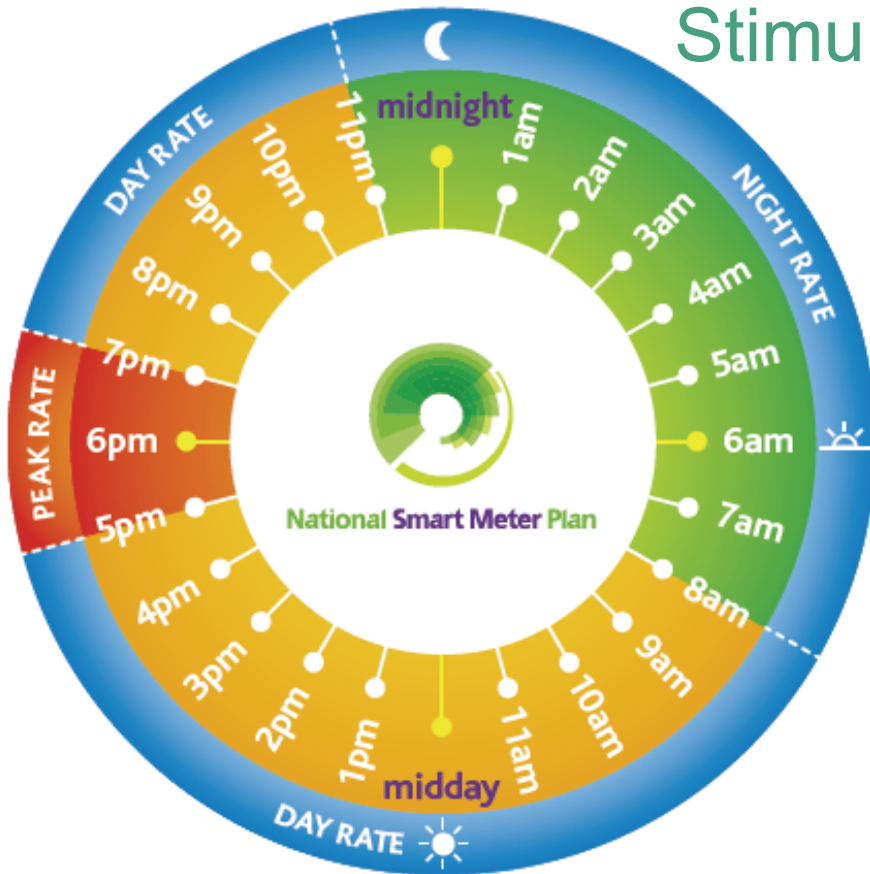
Indicates price at peak (red), day (orange) and night (green) rates

Indicates how much your electricity has cost this month (does not include standing charge and VAT)

# Stimulus Design: ToU Aids



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## Different times, different prices

DAY 8am - 5pm	PEAK* 5pm - 7pm	DAY 7pm - 11pm	NIGHT 11pm - 8am
14c	20c	14c	12c

\* Peak rate applies Monday to Friday only excluding Public Holidays.  
Time of Use pricing will apply from 1st January - 31st December 2010.  
Rates may be subject to change in line with ESB Customer Supply tariff changes.  
Prices exclude VAT.





## your natural gas bill



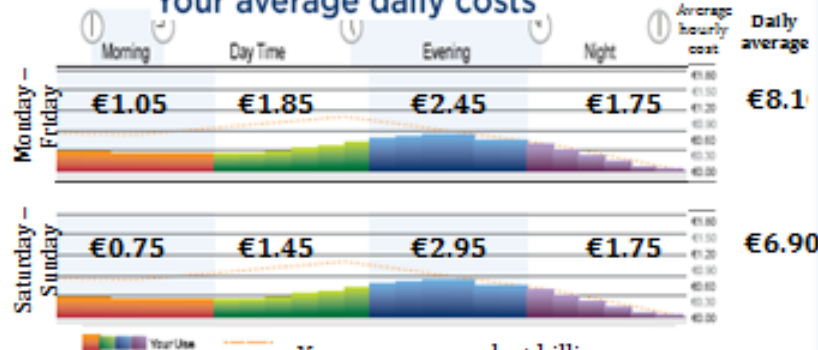
Sample Company Ltd.  
1 Any Street  
Any Town  
Any County  
Ireland

Billing period  
01 Jul to 31 Aug 09

Date of issue  
Sep 17 2009

Account number  
123456789

### Your average daily costs



### Your average use last billing period

This graph shows your daily usage over the last billing period. It is broken down by time of day: Morning, Day Time, Evening and Night. You can use it to see when you are using gas and if you need to reduce it at certain times.

### Your general costs

	Date	Daily Use	Daily Cost
Avg. this period	1 Nov—1 Dec	38kWh	€1.90
Avg. last billing period	1 Oct—1 Nov	44kWh	€2.20
Avg. this period '08	1 Nov—1 Dec	38kWh	€1.90
Avg. last billing period '08	1 Oct—1 Nov	44kWh	€2.20

### Handy tips to reduce your energy use

- Take some time to consider how you use your heating. Is it on for too long, on too high or on in the wrong rooms?
- You should turn off your central heating if you are going to be out for a few hours.
- Check your room temperatures, the ideal living room temperature is around 20°C, while the ideal bedroom temperature is 18°C.\*
- Your boiler is the heart of your heating system and should be looked after by having it checked annually. Annual servicing will ensure that your system is working at maximum efficiency, improve safety and also extend the life of your boiler.
- Make sure that doors leading to colder or poorly insulated parts of your home are kept closed.

\* Figures quoted in this guidance are based on Sustainable Energy Ireland.

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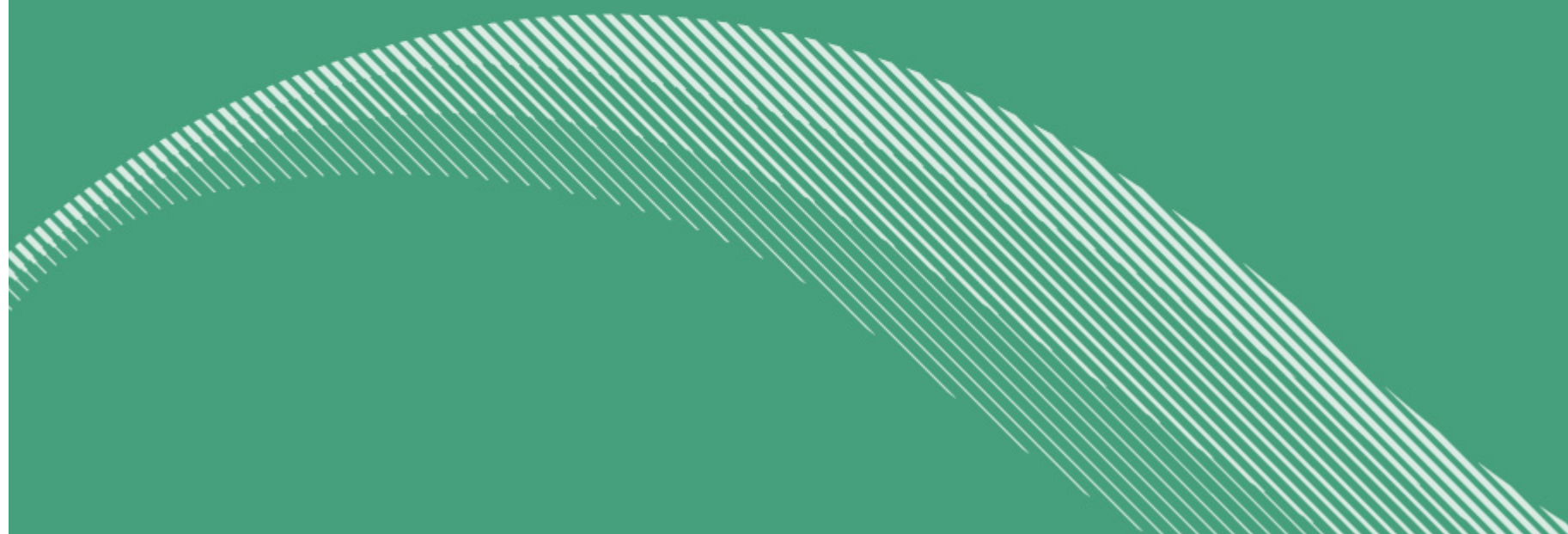


## Gas Trial – Stimulus Design

	June/July Cents per kWh	Aug/Sept Cents per kWh	Oct/Nov Cents per kWh	Dec/Jan Cents per kWh	Feb/Mar Cents per kWh	Apr/May Cents per kWh
Unit Rate excl. VAT	3.3c	3.3c	3.8c	4.6c	3.9c	3.4c

**Normal rate = 3.932c**

# Ireland – National Smart Meter Plan – Results



## Overall Reduction - Electricity

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	Overall	Peak Usage	Day Usage	Night Usage
Overall Change	-2.52%*	-8.81%*	-2.57%*	0.12%
* denotes results which are statistically significantly different from control group using a 90% confidence level				



## By Stimuli

Usage	All Tariff Groups and DSM Stimuli	Tariff Groups A-D by DSM Stimulus			
		Bi-monthly Bill and energy use statement (Stimulus 1) %	Monthly Bill and energy use statement (Stimulus 2) %	Bi-monthly Bill, energy use statement and electricity monitor (Stimulus 3) %	Bi-monthly Bill, energy use statement and OLR incentive (Stimulus 4) %
<b>Overall</b>	<b>-2.5*</b>	-1.1	-2.7*	-3.2*	-2.9*
<b>Peak</b>	<b>-8.8*</b>	-6.9*	-8.4*	-11.3*	-8.3*
* denotes results statistically significantly different from control group using a 90% confidence level					

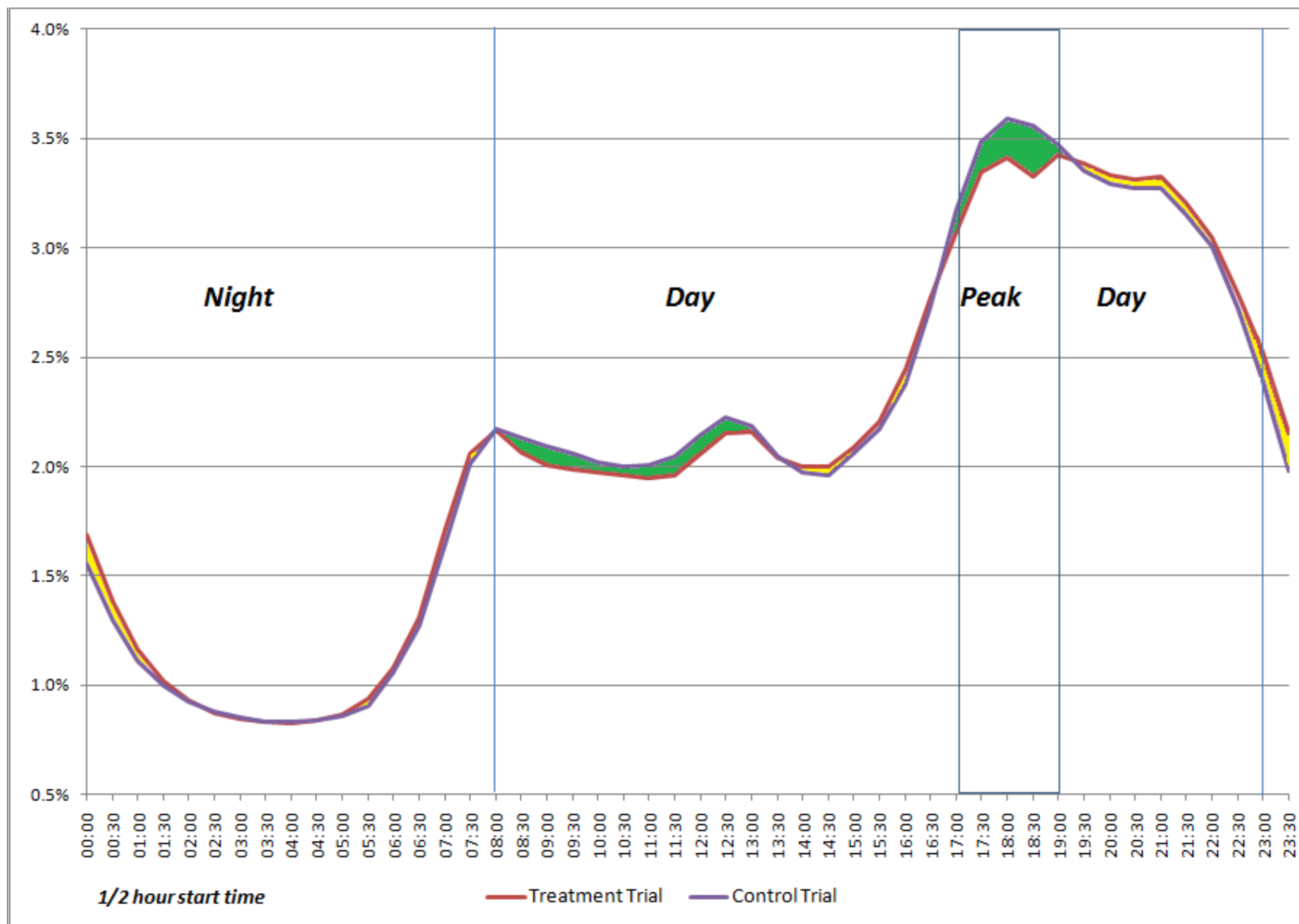
1 <sup>st</sup> 6 Months				
	Overall	Peak Usage	Day Usage	Night Usage
Overall Change	-2.60%	-8.32%	-2.47%	-0.84%

2 <sup>nd</sup> 6 Months				
	Overall	Peak Usage	Day Usage	Night Usage
Overall Change	-2.44%	-9.29%	-2.66%	1.09%

# Gas Trial – Main Results

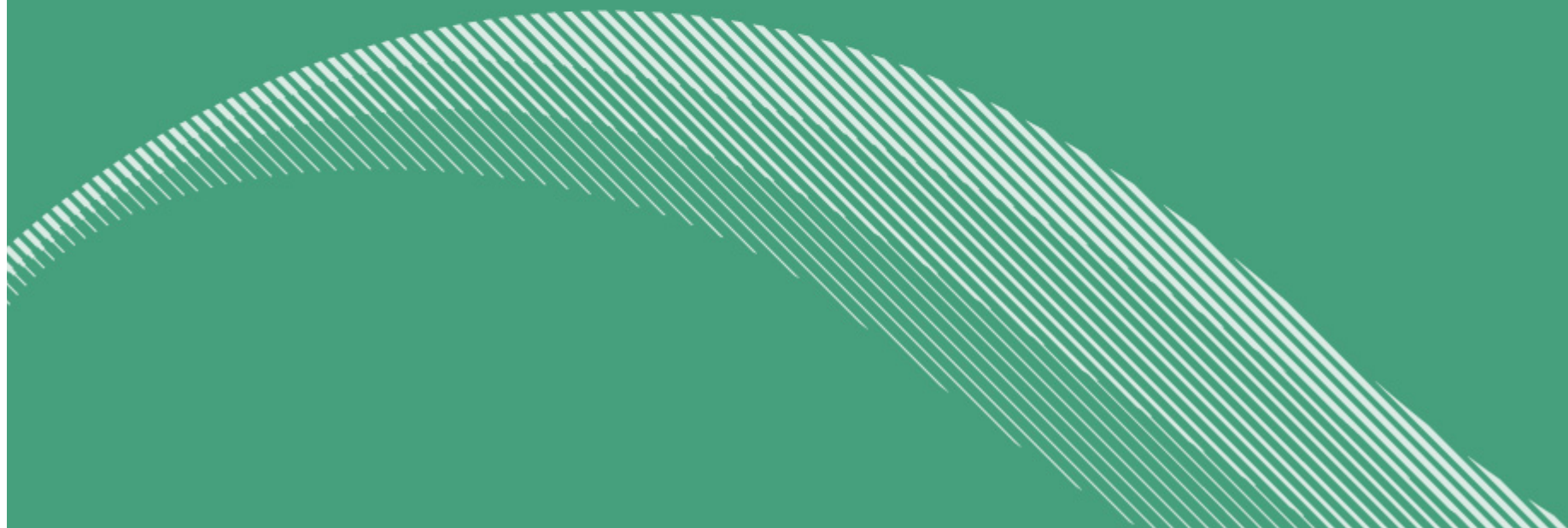
Usage	All DSM Stimuli Groups
Overall	<b>-2.9*</b>
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		Bi-monthly bill / energy statement (Stimulus 1)	Monthly bill / energy statement (Stimulus 2)	Bi-monthly bill / energy statement / IHD (Stimulus 3)	Bi-monthly bill / energy statement / IHD / Variable tariff (Stimulus 4)%
Overall	<b>-2.9*</b>	<b>-2.2%*</b>	<b>-2.8%*</b>	<b>-2.9%*</b>	<b>-3.6%*</b>
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% usage over day

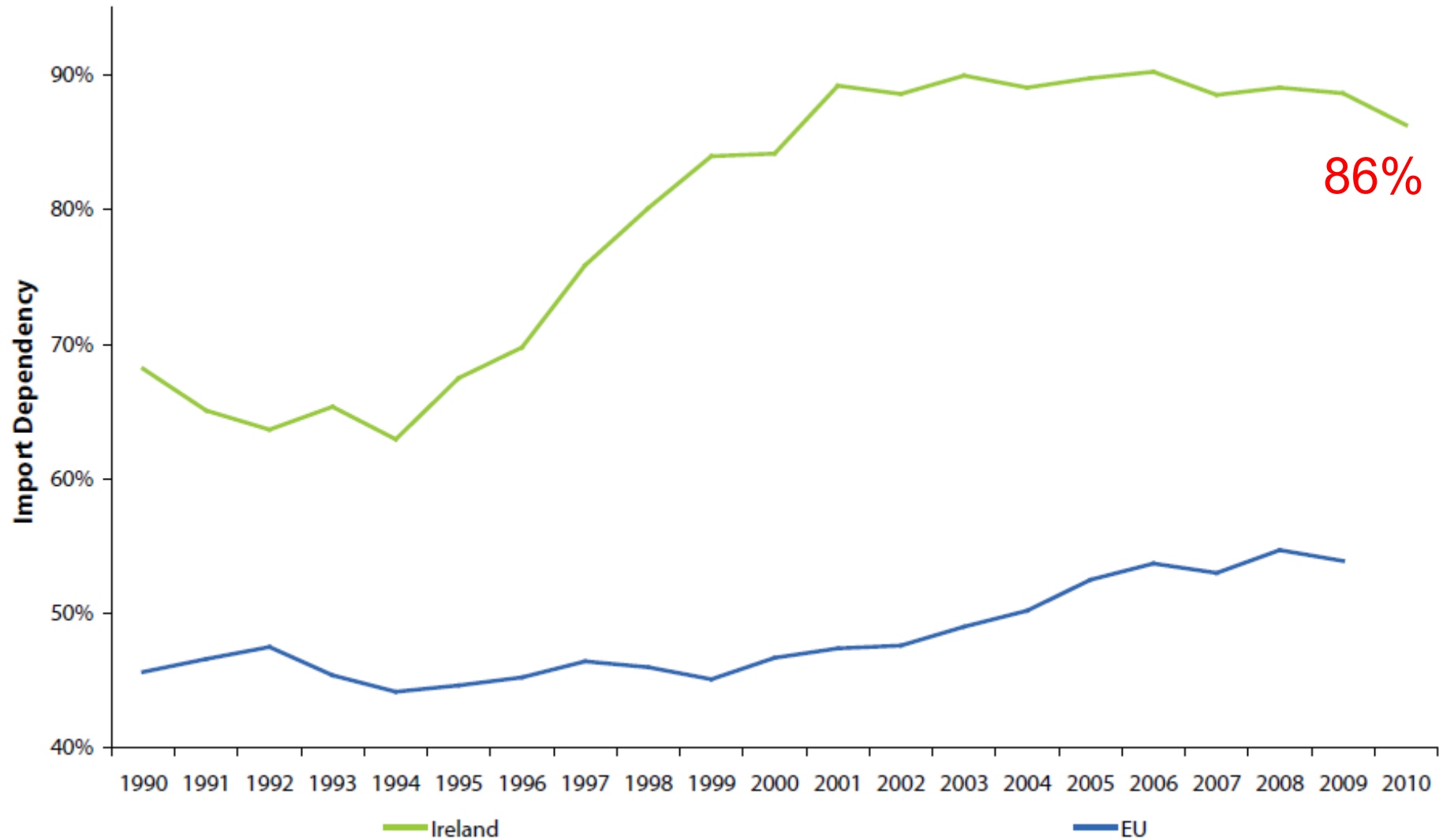
Is this relevant?





# Ireland – Energy Supply

Figure 31 *Import Dependency of Ireland and EU*



Source: SEAI and Eurostat

# Ireland: Energy Policy Drivers

## Renewable energy

16% of total energy by 2020

40% electricity by 2020

12% heat by 2020

10% transport by 2020

**National Renewable Energy Action Plan - EU 20/20/20 Strategy**

## GHG Reduction

20% greenhouse gas reduction in the non-EU ETS sectors

## Energy efficiency

20% energy savings across all sectors by 2020

**National Energy Efficiency Action Plan - EU 20/20/20 strategy**

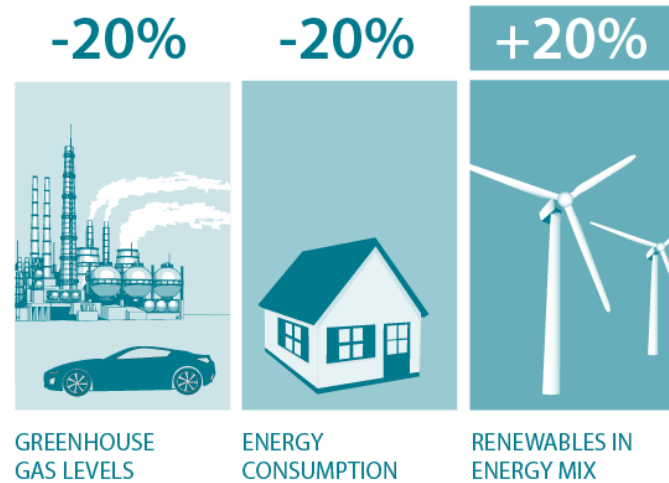
## Electric vehicles

10% of all vehicles to be electric by 2020 (target)

~230,000 electric vehicles

**Energy White Paper 2007**

# National Energy Efficiency Action Plan / National Renewable Energy Action Plan



## RENEWABLE ELECTRICITY



**40%**

## TRANSPORT ENERGY



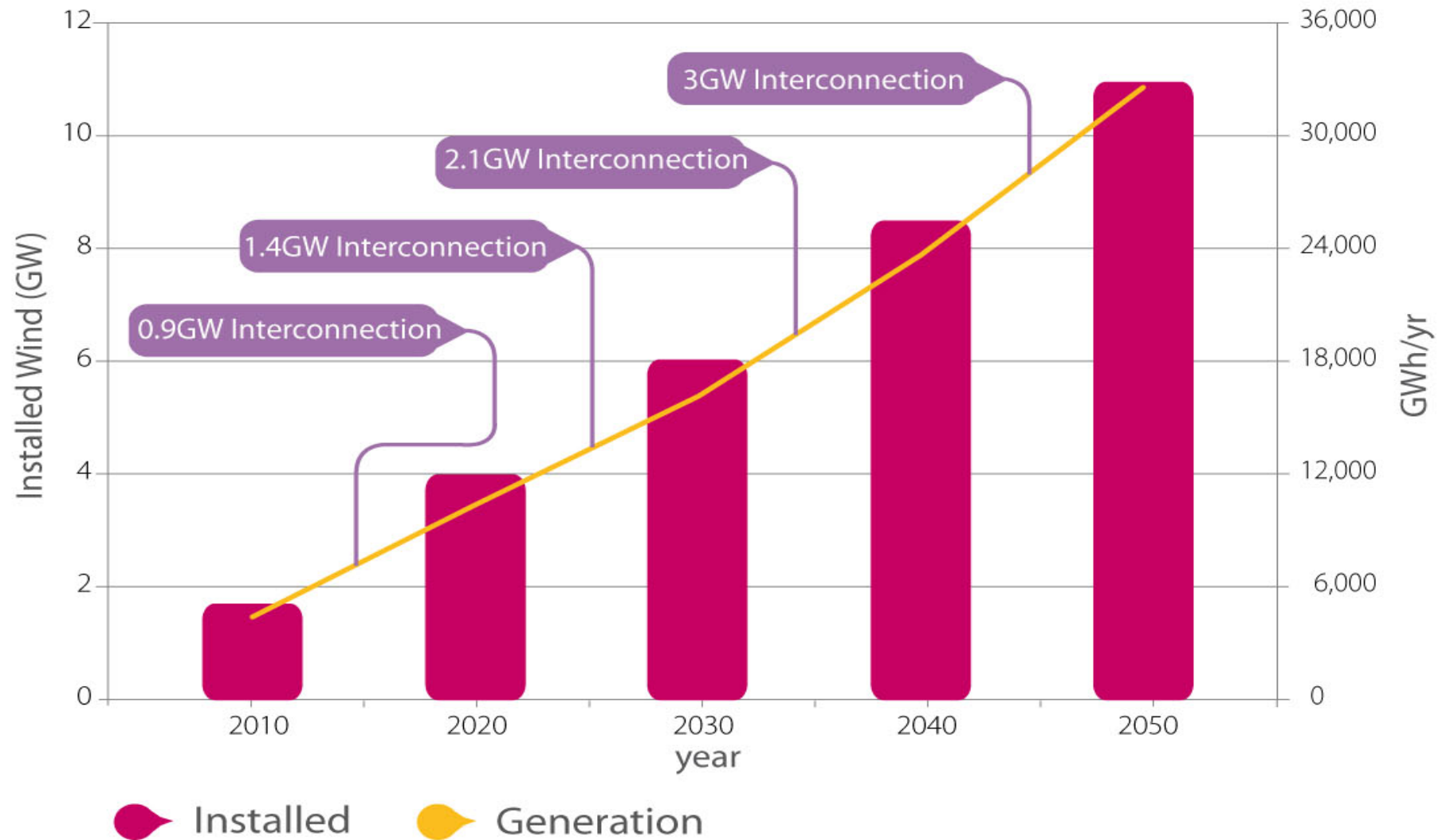
**10%**

## ENERGY EFFICIENCY



**20%**

# Electricity from Onshore Wind

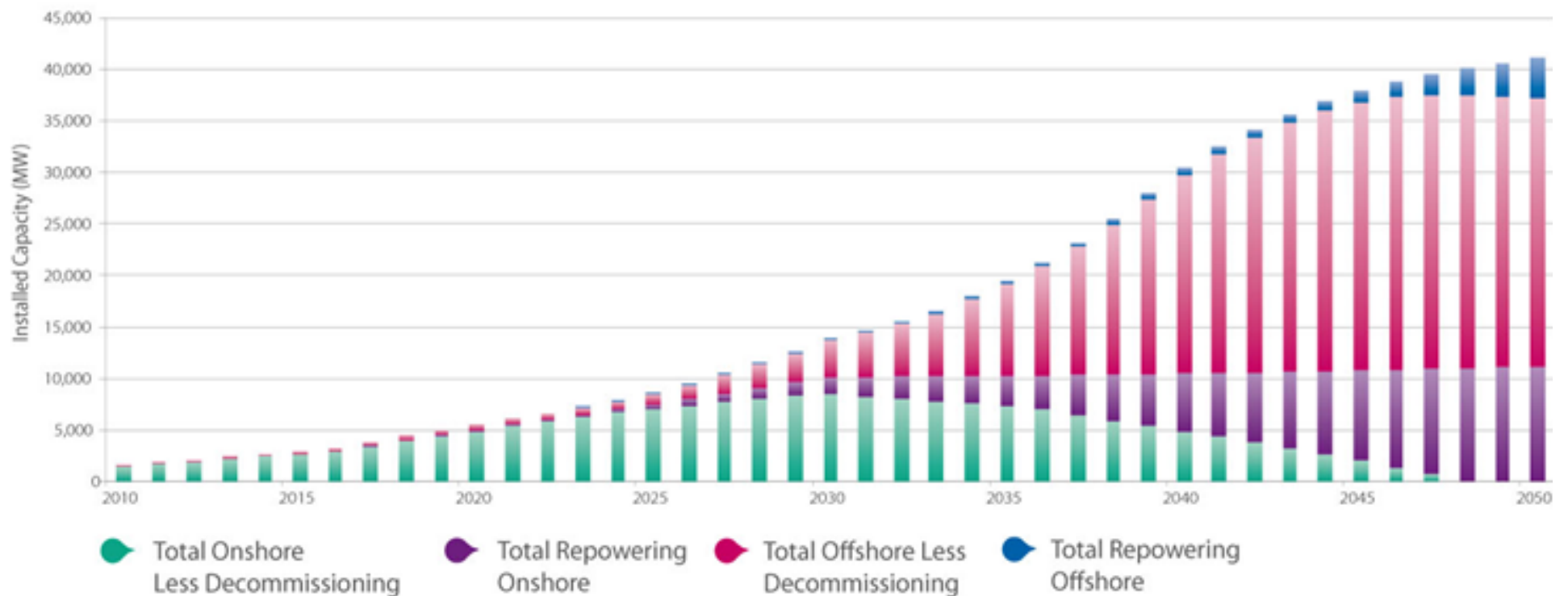


Source: SEAI Smart Grid Roadmap 2050



# Wind – Installed Potential

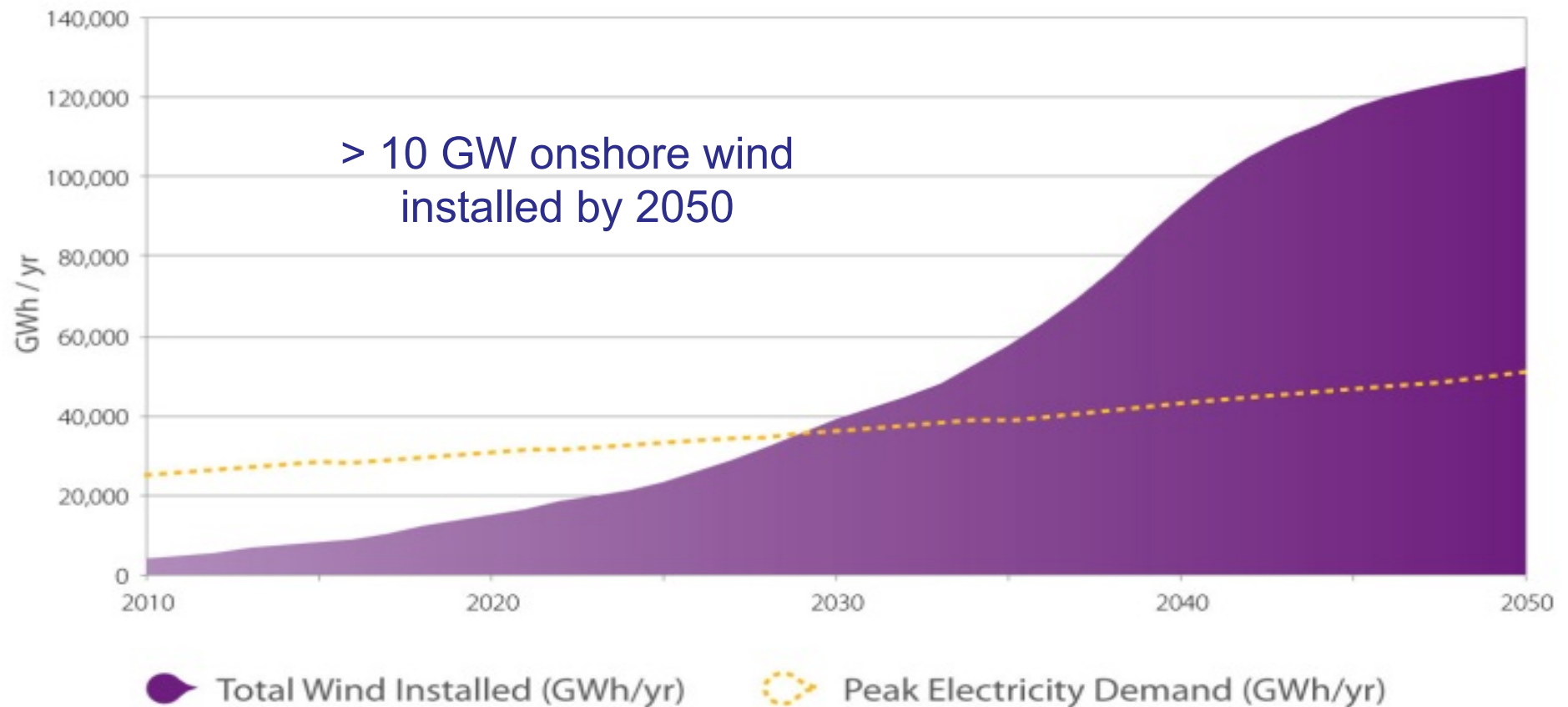
## Cumulative Capacity with Repowering of Onshore and Offshore Wind Installations to 2050



Source: SEAI Wind Energy Roadmap 2050

# Wind – Generation Potential

## Annual Electricity Demand vs. Wind Generation

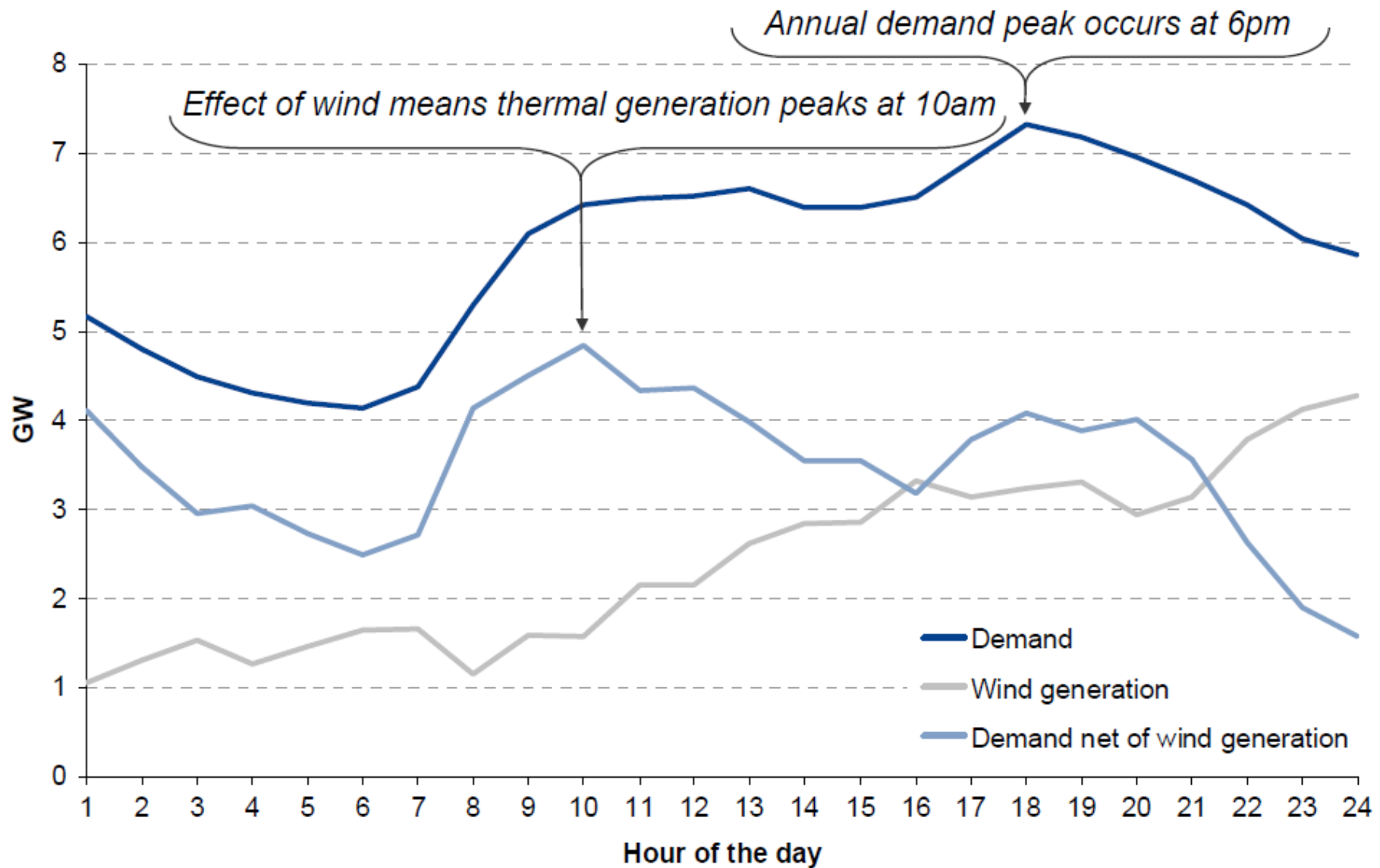


Source: SEAI Wind Energy Roadmap 2050

# A problem with wind

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## Monthly average within-day profile of SEM demand and wind generation in November 2020 (assuming 6.1 GW of installed wind capacity)



Source: Pöyry Energy Consulting / CER: Demand Side Vision for 2020 consultation paper.

# Benefits of Smart Meters



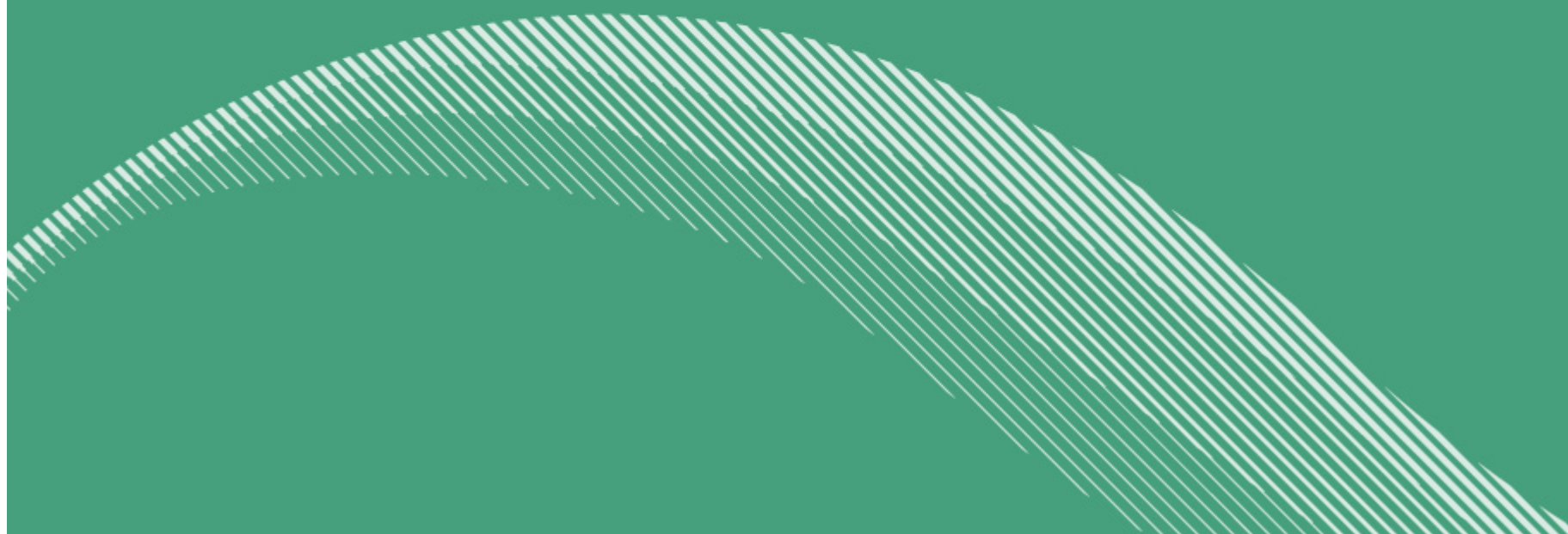
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## Balancing variable supply with demand Without breaking the system



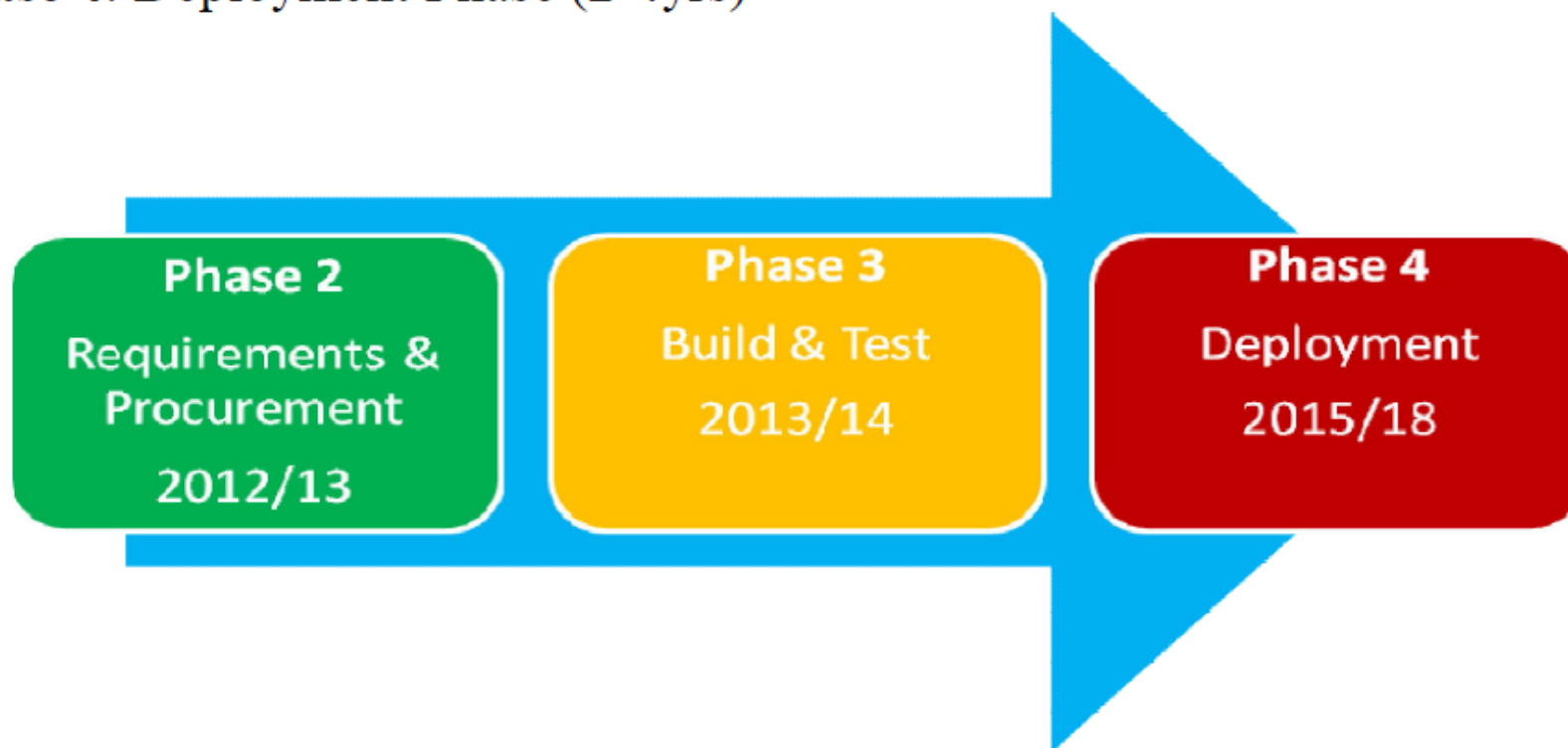


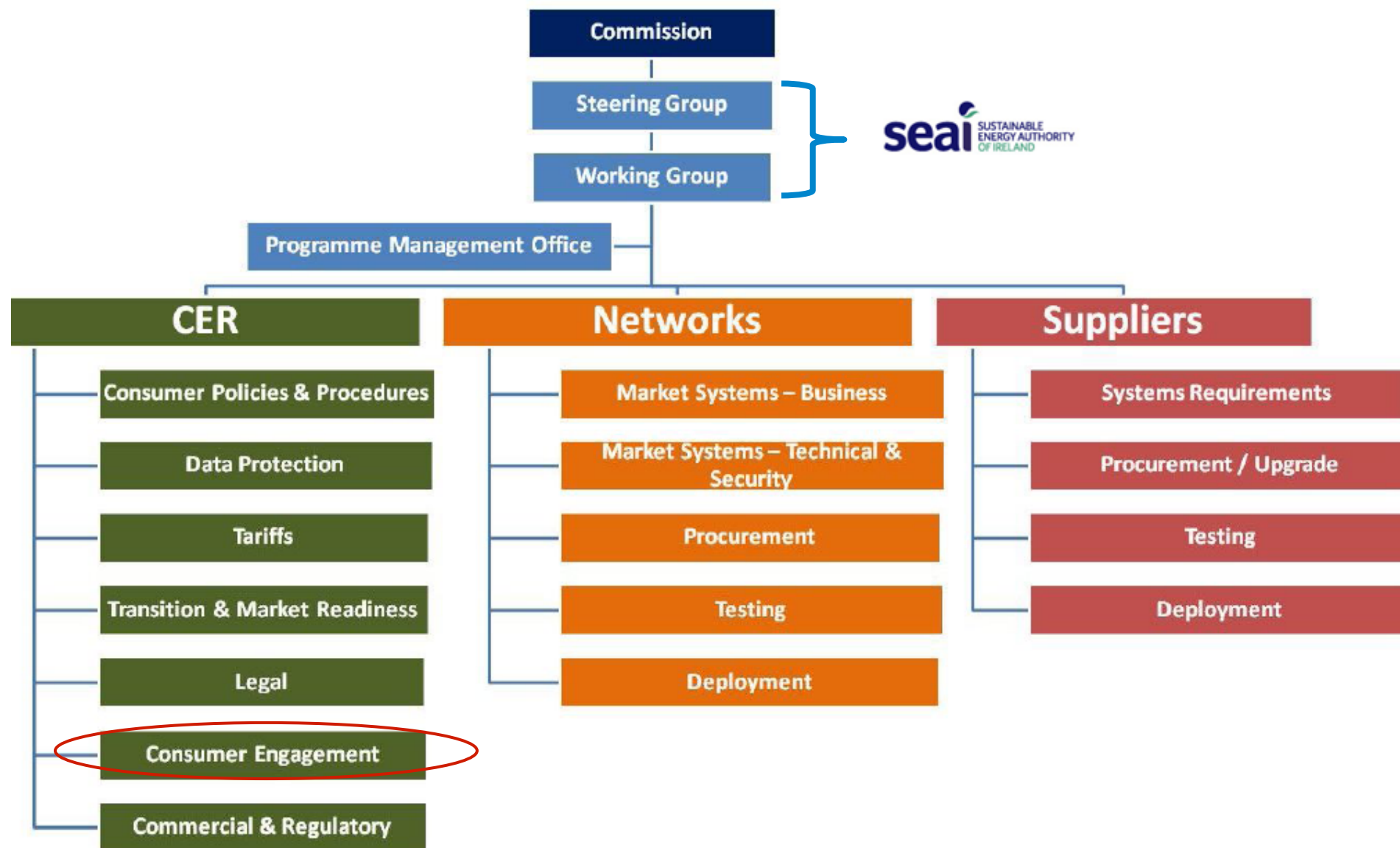
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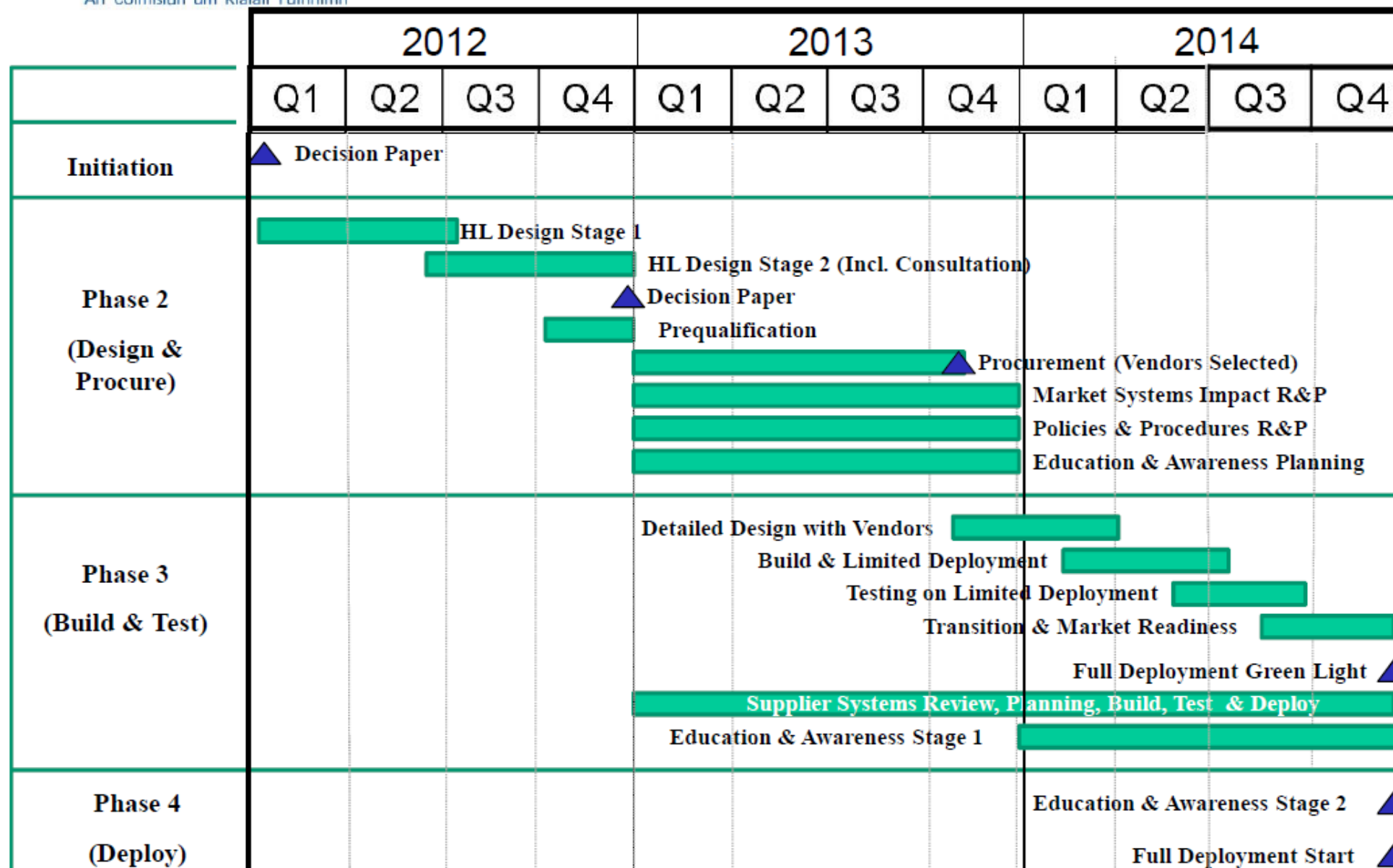
# High Level Implementation Timelines

- **Phase 1:** Discovery, Exploration and Business Case Development (Q1 2012)
- **Phase 2:** Planning, Requirement Definition, Procurement and Selection ( $\leq 2$  yrs)
- **Phase 3:** Detailed design, System testing and Pre-Deployment roll out ( $\leq 2$  yrs)
- **Phase 4:** Deployment Phase (2-4 yrs)





# High Level Timelines



## Some figures:

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- 2 million meters
- Half hourly consumption reads
- 35 Billion reads per year (35,040,000,000)
- Potential ???





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DEVELOPMENT FUND



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