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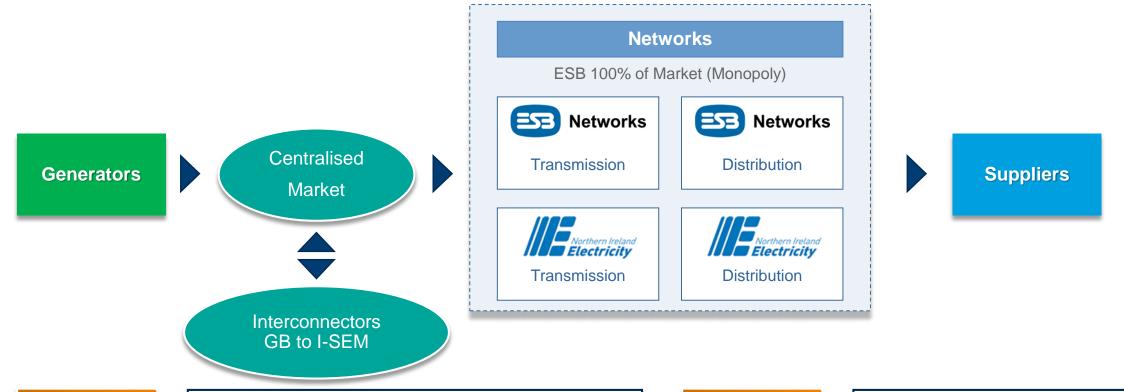


ESB Background and Strategy

Electricity Industry Structure: Ireland



One Single Electricity Market (SEM) - All-Island















ESB Overview





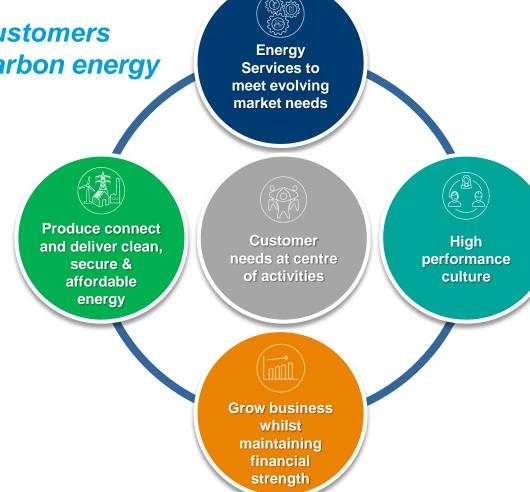
Regulated	Networks	Generation	Supply	Innovation	
ESB Networks	NIE Networks	Generation & Wholesale Markets	Electric Ireland		
History	 Established 1927, Leading Irish Utility, 95% Government-owned. Markets Ireland & UK 				
Networks	 Owner of the Regulated Republic of Ireland transmission & distribution networks (2016 RAB €7.5bn) Owner of the Regulated Northern Ireland transmission & distribution networks (2016 RAB €1.6bn) 				
Generation	 Portfolio 5.7 GW. All-Island ¹ capacity 4.4 GW and 43% Market Share. GB Capacity 1.3 GW. Diversified fuel mix. Benefits from capacity & regulatory supports. 				
Supply	34% Market Share and 1.4 million customers accounts on an All-Island ¹ basis				
Innovation	 International Engineering consultancy, Telecoms, Smart energy services, e-Transport and e-Heat 				
Financial	 Regulated Networks Businesses account for ~ 66% of EBITDA and assets Solid EBITDA 2016 €1.32bn, Assets €12.9bn, Gearing 51% Strong liquidity position and senior unsecured debt credit ratings A- / A3 / A- 				

ESB - Strategy for a Brighter Future

Energy for generations

ESB's Purpose: Create a brighter future for our customers by leading transition to reliable, affordable, low carbon energy

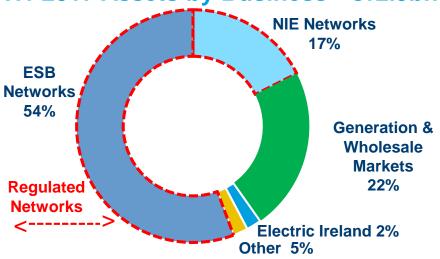
- Diverse businesses across energy value chain
- Markets Ireland and Great Britain
- Five strategic objectives
- Investment focus
 - Smart reliable networks
 - Low carbon energy
 - New business growth potential
- Prudent financial management



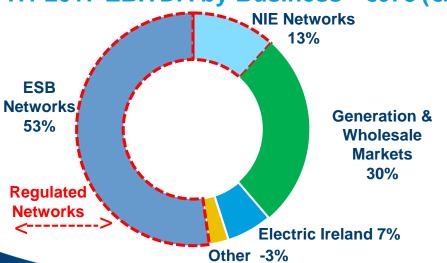
Stable Business Profile



H1 2017 Assets by Business - €12.9bn



H1 2017 EBITDA by Business - €673 (€m)



Networks

Regulated electricity networks in Ireland account for ~ 2/3 of EBITDA and assets supported by established and transparent regulatory frameworks

Generation

Generation portfolio has a diversified fuel mix benefitting from capacity and quasi-regulated supports. All Island Market share 43%

Supply

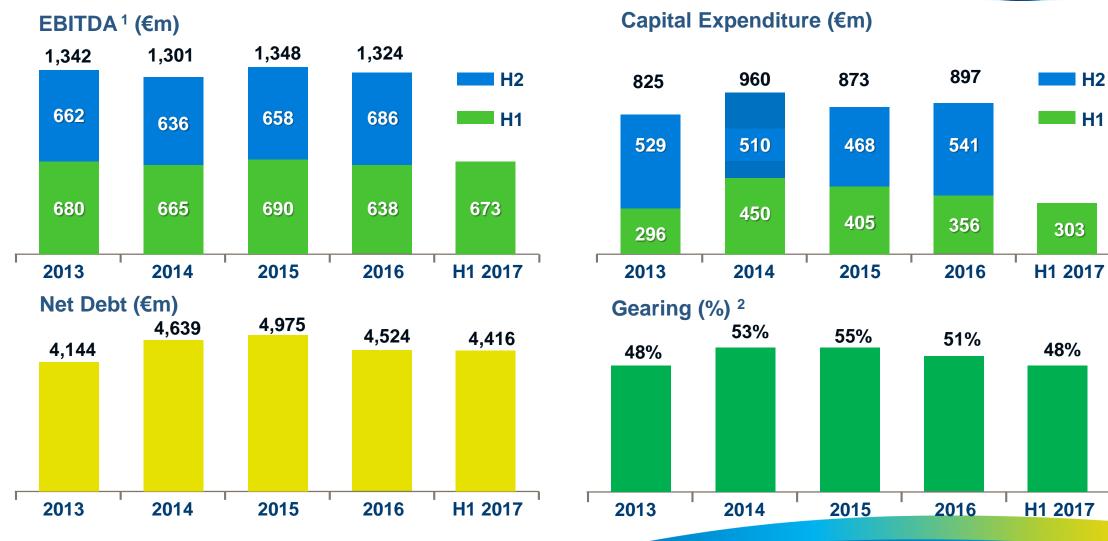
Electric Ireland has leading position in supply of electricity, gas and energy services in Ireland with All-Island market share 34%



Financial Overview

Consistent Financial Performance





¹ Before Exceptional items

² Gearing = Net Debt / (Debt + Equity) on IFRS basis



Business Profile

Macro Environment



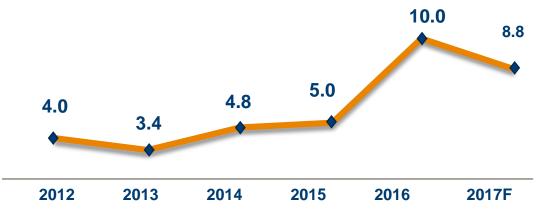
SEM¹ System Demand Growth (%)



¹ Single Electricity Market = Republic of Ireland and Northern Ireland

UK

GB Base Load Clean Spark Spread (£/ MWh)



Source: Epex & Marex Spectron

Ireland

- Irish economy performing strongly
- Forecast GDP 4.9% 2017 3.9% 2018
- SEM Electricity demand growth
- Irish sovereign rating strengthened
 - A+ Stable (S&P and Fitch) and A2 Stable (Moody's)

- Forecast GDP 1.5% 2017 & 1.4% 2018
- Brexit: Prudent financial management protecting ESB's credit metrics
- UK Electricity
 - Tight capacity reserve margins
 - Increasing spreads 2016 & 2017

Network Regulation Overview in Ireland



- Revenue determined by ROI and NI Regulators
 - CRU (Republic of Ireland)
 - Utility Regulator (Northern Ireland)
- Similar principles as apply in Great Britain
- Regulatory Objectives: Protect customers' interests, while ensuring safe, secure, sustainable Networks at reasonable cost, that earn a fair return
- Multi-year Price / Revenue Control Cycles
 - Allowance for Opex and Capex
 - Allowed real return on Regulated Asset Base (RAB)
 - No Volume Risk. Inflation Adjustment
 - Incentives for Strategic Innovation, customer service and network performance
- Model well established and considered robust by investors and rating agencies



ESB Networks



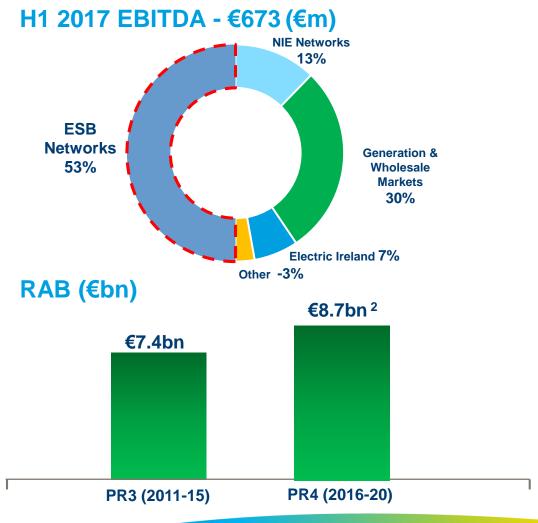
Business Description

- ~ 53% of Group EBITDA and Assets
- Sole owner and operator of distribution network and sole owner of transmission network in Republic of Ireland
- Regulated Asset Base (RAB) 2016 €7.5bn
- Strategy: Smart Reliable Networks
- PR4 Revenue Determination (2016-2020)

Significant Capital Investment

WACC 4.95% pre tax real ¹

Focus: PR4 delivery



¹ WACC pre tax real calculated real pre tax cost of debt and real pre tax cost of equity

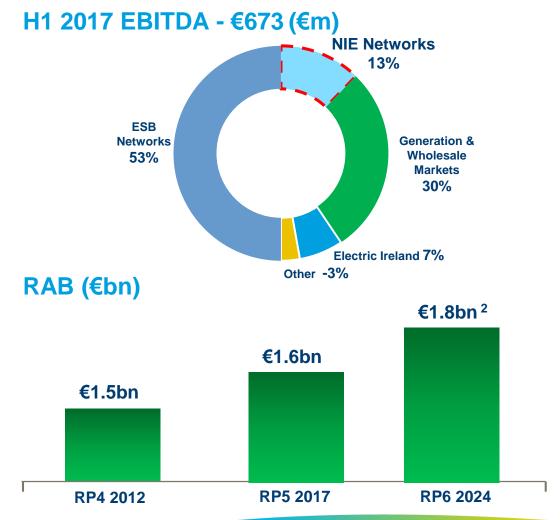
² Estimated RAB value end 2020 (in 2014 money) per CRU published PR4 revenue determination esb.ie/ir

Northern Ireland Electricity (NIE) Networks



Business Description

- ~13% of Group EBITDA and 17% Group Assets
- Sole owner and operator of distribution network and sole owner of transmission network in Northern Ireland
- Regulated Asset Base 2016 €1.6bn / £1.4bn
- Strategy: Smart Reliable Networks
- RP6 (Oct 2017 Mar 2024)
 Satisfactory but challenging final revenue determination
- RP6 WACC 3.2% vanilla real (3.8% pre tax real) reflecting low interest rate environment¹
- Focus: RP6 Implementation



¹ Vanilla WACC ACC calculated real pre tax cost of debt and real post tax cost of equity

² Estimated RAB value March 2024 (in 2016 money) per UR published RP6 revenue determination

Generation & Wholesale Markets

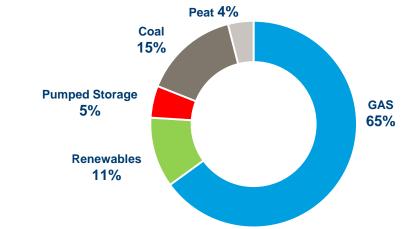


Business Description

- ~ 30% of Group EBITDA and 22% Group Assets
- Strategy: Transition to low carbon energy Develop energy services
- 5.7 GW: 4.4 GW All-Island and 1.3 GW in GB
- All-Island SEM market share 43% by volume
- Diversified fuel mix: gas, coal, peat, renewables
- SEM portfolio benefits from capacity & quasi regulatory supports
- Investment: low carbon renewables
- Focus: Integrated Single Electricity Market

Renewable Investment

2016 Installed Capacity by Fuel Type



SEM Generation Market Share (MWh) 2017



Integrated Single Electricity Market Transition



I-SEM

- EU Internal Energy Market compliance and changes how ancillary services rewarded to support more intermittent renewables
- "Go live" May 2018
- Energy trading more closely aligned with EU
- Capacity payments remain, but lower and awarded on auction basis
- Ancillary services revenue cap increased Cap €235m 2020 from €75m 2016
- Significant energy margin expected to continue from capacity payments and quasi-regulated regulatory supports
- More challenging with more margin at risk.
 ESB portfolio mix advantageous and well positioned.
 Will take number of years to evolve.

Broad Indicative Changes

SEM

Energy Payments

Mandatory centralised pool with ex-post pricing

Regulatory Supports

Capacity Payments

Availability based

Ancillary Services

I-SEM

Energy Payments

Centralised market with day ahead, intra-day and balancing markets

Regulatory Supports

Capacity Payments

Competitive auction

Ancillary Services

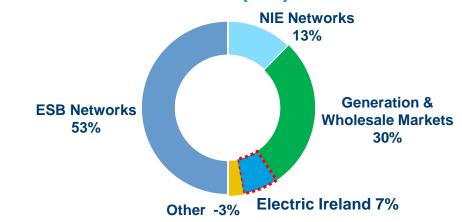
Supply: Electric Ireland

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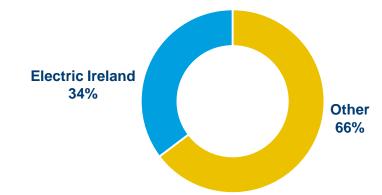
Business Description

- ~7% of Group EBITDA
- Strategy: Meet customer energy needs
 - Competitive Offerings
 - Excellent Customer Service
 - Innovative and value driven solutions
- Competing effectively
- Market share 34% with 1.4m customer accounts
- GB Supply residential market entry as long term growth opportunity
- Focus: Meet customer energy needs through value driven solutions at appropriate margins

H1 2017 EBITDA - €673 (€m)



SEM Retail Market Share (MWh) 2017





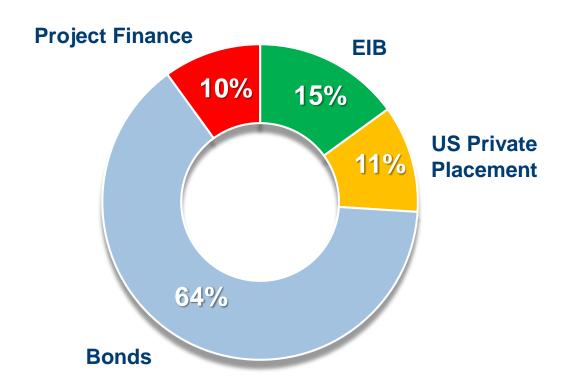
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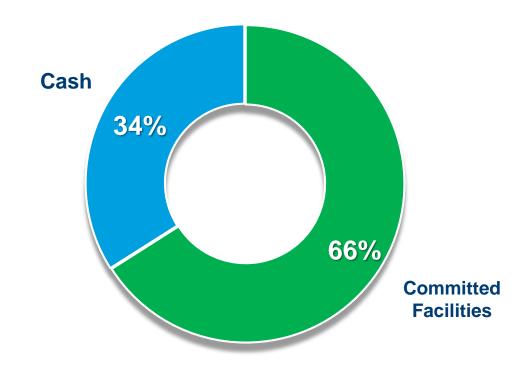
ESB Group Debt – Diversified Funding and Strong Liquidity



Group Debt 30 June 2017 - €5.2bn

Available Liquidity - €2.3bn

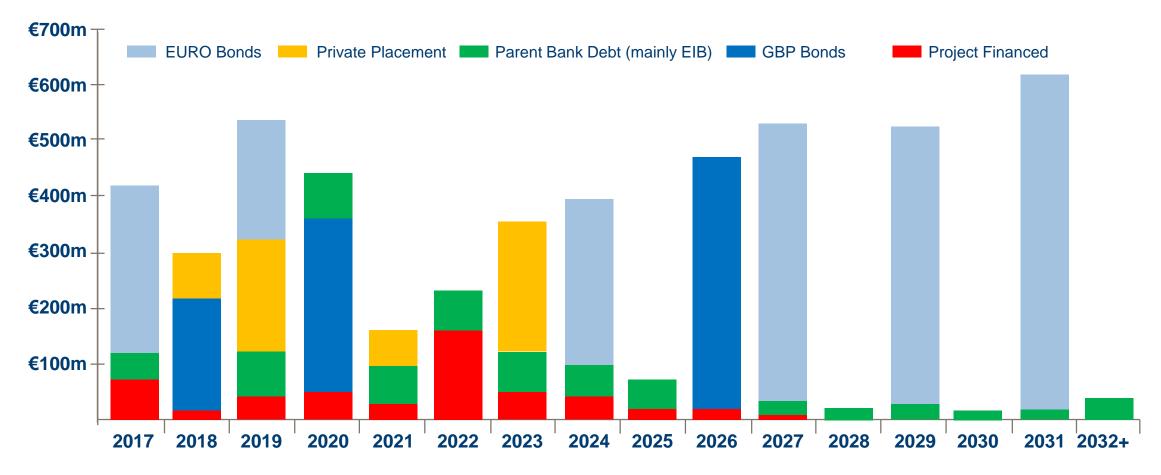




● €500m 12 year bond issued early 2017 at 1.75%

Repayment Profile – 30 June 2017





• Manageable Profile. €2.3bn liquidity and EBITDA ~ €1.3bn pa.

ESB Credit Ratings



	Senior Unsecured Debt Rating	Long Term Rating
S&P Global Ratings	A-	A-
MOODY'S INVESTORS SERVICE	A3	A3
Fitch Ratings	A-	BBB+



Outlook and Summary

Outlook 2018



- Continued growth in Irish economy and SEM electricity demand expected
- Networks
 - ROI: PR4 2016-20 delivery
 - NI: NIE Networks implement RP6 (Oct 2017- March 2024)
- Generation
 - Integrated Single Electricity Market (I-SEM)
 - Low carbon renewable investment
- Electric Ireland
 - Meet customer energy needs through value driven solutions at appropriate margins
- Ongoing focus on growing business while maintaining financial strength

Summary



Leading Irish utility meeting customers' energy needs through diverse businesses

- 95% Irish Government owned
- Markets Ireland and Great Britain
- Operating across energy value chain: Generation, Transmission, Distribution, Supply and related services
- Owns all transmission & distribution networks in ROI and NI. Regulated RAB 2016 €9.1bn
- All Island Market: 43% share of generation & 34% share of All Island supply. 1.4m customer accounts
- Generation: 5.7 GW. Diversified fuel mix. Benefits from capacity and regulatory supports

Stable Business Profile

 Regulated networks businesses in Ireland account for approximately 2/3 EBITDA and assets supported by established & transparent regulatory frameworks

Consistently Solid Financial Performance

- Consistently solid EBITDA
- Strong liquidity position
- Senior unsecured credit ratings of A- / A3 / A-

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