

## **Received by email – from HES**

Dear Gareth,

I've just seen the suggested amendment to G83 with particular regards to 'geographic closeness' for connecting PV installs to the grid.

As a small installer I work with local people to provide Solar PV solutions – and as a green person I didn't want to travel outside the locale to gain business. I believe I've completed 30 installations in the last year within a 3 mile radius of my home and will have installed at most of the postcodes to four significant places already (if you see what I mean AL1 5xx).

The proposed changes will impact our business disproportionately and while I see change of expectation on us, the installers, I see no mention of:

- i) Any commitment/expectation by the energy infrastructure providers to respond within a certain time
- ii) Any indication of the criteria they will use to judge their process or any idea of how often they would have to turn-down a request to connect to their infrastructure.

If there was a committed from the Energy companies to respond to 'requests to connect' with a three day turn-around, say, AND that there was a known upper limit (say already 75/100 installation per postcode area) then it might be perfectly reasonable request...

...Otherwise I see these changes as unfair and discriminatory to green SME installers.

Thank you for this opportunity to respond.

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