

**More refineries:**

This submission is concerned with the issue of the future of the Bellanaboy site and the prospect of more refineries being built there were the current proposed facility allowed to go ahead, ~~which~~

~~is not to be built~~ A Key issue for pollution prevention & control.

An Taisce have highlighted in their submission to the EPA that "the upstream pipeline and terminal are designed to have a life of between 30 and 40 years even though the Corrib field has an economic life of 17-20 years," commenting that "Shell will be interested in utilizing the terminal and upstream pipeline to process future discoveries and therefore the design and location should anticipate this future requirement."

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This contention is supported ~~by a look~~ at the site. The current Shell site at Bellanaboy is approximately 407 acres in area. The proposed refinery is approximately 32 acres in area leaving plenty of space for expansion and the construction.

In his submission to the hearing Leo Corcoran spoke about the zoning of the St Fergus as a designated area of national importance for oil and gas. ~~His~~ documents on the PAD website would seem to indicate that the Bellanaboy area has been designated a refining zone similar to the St Fergus site albeit informally or without public announcement.

case of planning by stealth.

A report from the PAD entitled "Cost effective development study for Atlantic Ireland Basins" assesses the economic viability of various field development concepts in each of the four Atlantic Basins: the Rockall Basin, the North Porcupine Basin, the South Porcupine Basin and the Slyne/Erris/Donegal Basins. The report was prepared for the PAD in association with the PIP Irish Shelf Petroleum Studies Group (ISPSG) by Douglas-Westwood Ltd and the TCS Partnership in February 2006.

Several of the hypothetical fields use the Corrib infrastructure or adjacent facilities at Bellanaboy.

For **Rockall Basin gas field 1B** the report recommends "Subsea wells tied back to a production manifold, pipeline to a new booster platform built in < 500m water with 450mmscf/d 24" 320km export pipeline back to an onshore terminal adjacent to Corrib."

For **North Porcupine Basin Gas/Condensate field 2B** the report states that, "Gas is exported by a 24inch pipeline; capacity of 450mmscf/d and a length of 240km back to the existing Corrib terminal."

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For **Slyne/Erris/Donegal Basin Gas/ Condensate fields 3A & 3B** the report states that "It is assumed that the optimum solution is subsea wells tied back to a manifold from which an export pipeline runs to the Corrib gas terminal or *an adjacent facility*... We have included in the financial model an additional Capex of \$256m to cover *a new-build terminal, adjacent to the existing [sic] Corrib terminal.*"

For **Slyne/Erris/Donegal Basin Gas/ Condensate field 3C** the report recommends "a 24 inch pipeline export[ing] gas; capacity of 450mmscf/d and a length of 120km back to the existing Corrib terminal."

For **Slyne/Erris/Donegal Basin Gas/ Condensate field 3D** "It is assumed that the optimum solution for Field 3D is a series of subsea wells tied back to a manifold from which an export pipeline runs to the Corrib onshore gas terminal or an *adjacent facility.*"

Suffice to say there is intent to use Bellanaboy for more so called "development". This has huge implications for pollution prevention and control. For all the reasons outlined in the course of this oral hearing Bellanaboy is not a suitable site for a gas refinery nevermind a series of them. To quote Kevin Moore "The proposed development of a large gas processing terminal at this rural scenic and unserved area on a boghill some 8km inland from the Mayo coastline landfall location, with all its site development works difficulties, public safety concerns, adverse visual, ecological, and traffic impacts and a range of other significant environmental impacts **defies any rational understanding of the term "sustainability."**"

Real sustainability is at the centre of what people in this community have envisioned for the future of this place as outlined in the Kilcommon Development Plan. The siting of a gas refinery and or a hydrocarbon refining zone jepordises that.

The EPA as a body is no stranger to criticism. Controversy arose in 2004 when the Green Party called for the newly appointed director of the EPA, Ms Laura Burke not to take her position on the basis that she had previously worked as a project manager for Indaver Ireland's two incinerator projects, and that her appointment in the words of Tervor Seargent would "utterly compromise the position of the EPA."

I would question the independance of the EPA given the fact that Dr Mary Kelly, director of the EPA appeared in a promotional video for the Corrib Gas project entitled "energy report: corrib gas" in a capacity as an IBEC representative.

Ireland's Atlantic basins are under-explored but contain a number of proven and emerging play types with potential for field developments in water depths ranging from 500 to 2,500 metres.

In order to assist oil companies in their evaluations of the region, we have modelled the economic viability of various field development concepts in each of the four Atlantic basins: the Rockall Basin with water depths varying from 1,000m to 4,000m, the North Foulness Basin where the water depth reaches 2,000m, the South Foulness Basin with water depths of up to 2,500m and finally the Synge/Ferris/Dunneal Basins where the water depth varies from 150m to 1,500m.

Although the region has a highly variable climate and experiences some of the harshest conditions in the world, these are similar to the extremes experienced in other deep water regions where the ability to drill and produce from water depths of 2,500m is now proven and being further developed to move into even deeper water.

The field development options described are for illustration only and the economic valuations are based on assumptions which are considered valid for scoping purposes at the time of writing. The report includes full details of the assumptions used.

Location	Field	Water Depth (m)	Field Size (ha)	Field Type	Field Status	Field Age (years)	Field Production (bbl/d)	Field Reserves (bbl)	Field Development Cost (\$m)	Field Payback (years)	Field NPV (\$m)
1A	1A	10	10	1A	1A	1A	1A	1A	1A	1A	1A
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**Field 1A** - This was found to meet all the economic hurdles with an oil price spread of US \$25-45/bbl.

**Field 1B** - This requires gas prices of around \$5.6/mmbtu to be even marginally economic. These fields are candidates for the application of offshore gas to liquid conversion, as yet this is unproven in such conditions, but could significantly reduce the capex for development and increase IRR from 10% to 27%.

**Field 1C** - This was found to meet all the economic hurdles with payback period of approximately five years across an oil price spread of US \$25-45/bbl.

**Field 1D** - This requires gas prices above \$3.2/mmbtu to be economic.

**Field 1E** - Oil fields of this size in deep water are shown to be uneconomic. This example illustrates the lower boundary for deep water stand-alone developments and the opportunities for tying marginal fields into host facilities.

**Field 1F** - Even with a long tieback and associated cost, the development option was found to be viable under all gas prices above \$3.2/mmbtu.

**Fields 1G and 1H** - These were selected as dry gas and a gas/condensate field each of 11c1. Both fields were found to robustly meet the economic indicators at gas prices above \$2.4/mmbtu, but even so, may struggle to match alternative investment opportunities on the basis of stringent payback periods.

**Field 1I** - This was found to robustly meet the economic indicators at gas prices above \$3.2/mmbtu.

**Field 1J** - This was found to be economic as a stand alone development at gas prices above \$4/mmbtu based on capital efficiency indicators. Below \$4/mmbtu, the Field would be economic if tied back as a satellite development to a field providing the infrastructure.

**Field 1K** - This was found to be economic as a stand alone development at gas prices above \$4/mmbtu based on capital efficiency indicators. Below \$4/mmbtu, the Field would be economic if tied back as a satellite development to a field providing the infrastructure.

**Field 1L** - This was found to be economic as a stand alone development at gas prices above \$4/mmbtu based on capital efficiency indicators. Below \$4/mmbtu, the Field would be economic if tied back as a satellite development to a field providing the infrastructure.

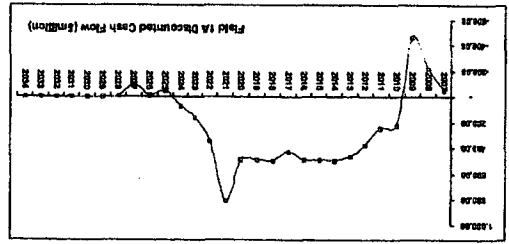
**Field 1M** - This was found to be economic as a stand alone development at gas prices above \$4/mmbtu based on capital efficiency indicators. Below \$4/mmbtu, the Field would be economic if tied back as a satellite development to a field providing the infrastructure.

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**Field 1P** - This was found to be economic as a stand alone development at gas prices above \$4/mmbtu based on capital efficiency indicators. Below \$4/mmbtu, the Field would be economic if tied back as a satellite development to a field providing the infrastructure.

Rockall Basin Oil Field 1A



The Rockall Basin is a steep-sided channel with water depths ranging from 1,000-1,500m in the northeast to 3,500-4,000m in the southwest. There is some evidence of seabed geohazards from slope failures that may impact on the foundations of fixed facilities.

The only published data implies the potential for oil & gas shows. No infrastructure exists within the Rockall Basin, but when the Corrib gas field is developed this will include a new onshore gas terminal at Belmullet Bridge.

Field 1A is assumed to be an oil field with Standard Tank Oil Initially in Place (STOIP) of 600,000 bbl. The recovery rate is assumed to be 40% with peak production rate of 110,000 bbl/d. It is assumed that the oil is similar to that tested on Conemara, i.e. 32-38° API crude. It is noted that in geologically-similar Eastern Canada, some oil is heavy, e.g. Ben Nevis is 19-21° API; if this was repeated in Field 1A, then flow assurance issues would need to be fully assessed. Water depth at the field is 2,500m.

This development scenario was found to meet all the economic hurdles with payback period of approximately seven years across an oil price spread of \$25-45/bbl. (The oil price is discounted net cash flow in 2021 is due to the drilling of water injection wells.)

**Field 1B** - This was found to be economic as a stand alone development at gas prices above \$4/mmbtu based on capital efficiency indicators. Below \$4/mmbtu, the Field would be economic if tied back as a satellite development to a field providing the infrastructure.

**Field 1C** - This was found to be economic as a stand alone development at gas prices above \$4/mmbtu based on capital efficiency indicators. Below \$4/mmbtu, the Field would be economic if tied back as a satellite development to a field providing the infrastructure.

**Field 1D** - This was found to be economic as a stand alone development at gas prices above \$4/mmbtu based on capital efficiency indicators. Below \$4/mmbtu, the Field would be economic if tied back as a satellite development to a field providing the infrastructure.

**Field 1E** - This was found to be economic as a stand alone development at gas prices above \$4/mmbtu based on capital efficiency indicators. Below \$4/mmbtu, the Field would be economic if tied back as a satellite development to a field providing the infrastructure.

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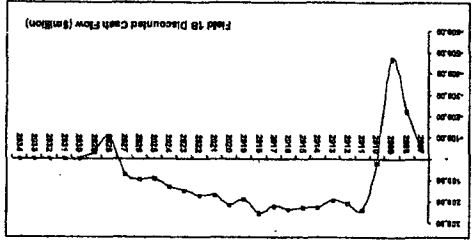
**Field 1H** - This was found to be economic as a stand alone development at gas prices above \$4/mmbtu based on capital efficiency indicators. Below \$4/mmbtu, the Field would be economic if tied back as a satellite development to a field providing the infrastructure.

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Rockall Basin Gas Field 1B



Field 1B is a dry gas field with initial gas in place of 11c1, a recovery rate of 70% and condensate of 0.5bbl/mmbtu. The pipeline to shore would be routed allowing flexibility in the event of seafloor geohazards and slope instability. It is assumed booster compression will be required early in the field life to ensure adequate flow pressures.

In this case, the field development would not pass the hurdle rates at gas prices below \$5.6/mmbtu and would struggle to match alternative investment opportunities.

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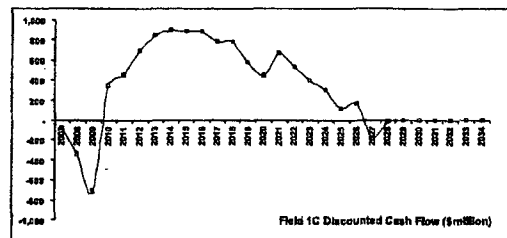
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**Field 1M** - This was found to be economic as a stand alone development at gas prices above \$4/mmbtu based on capital efficiency indicators. Below \$4/mmbtu, the Field would be economic if tied back as a satellite development to a field providing the infrastructure.

## Rockall Basin Oil Field 1C



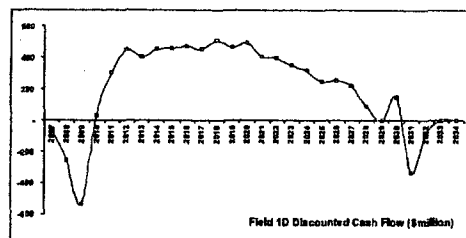
Field 1C is a variation of Field 1A and similarly assumed to be an oil field but with Standard Tank Oil Initially In Place (STOIIIP) of over 1,000mmbbl. The recovery rate is assumed to be 60% with recoverable reserves of 750mmbbl and peak production rate of 230,000bopd. It is assumed that the oil is similar to that tested on Connemara i.e. 32-38° API crude.

The optimum solution is a series of subsea production and injection wells, tied back to a central manifold by flexible flow lines. The manifold is connected to a riser base by infield flowline, and then by a riser system through the turret of a FPSO fitted out with production and utility systems. The FPSO provides storage for up to ten days production. Offloading is by shuttle tanker to one of a number of reception facilities throughout Europe.

Development Parameter	Element	Capex
Field	Oil	Subtotal \$1,736,656,000
Reserves	750 mmbbl recoverable - 35° API	Contingency \$336,840,000
Production	230,000bopd	Total \$2,137,496,000
Field life	17 years	
Wells	Up to 32 producing wells + 13 WI	
Water Depth	2,500m	
Facilities	Subsea wells tied back to production manifold, flexible line to riser base, hybrid riser to FPSO which has 10 days production storage, offloading by dedicated shuttle tanker	
	Tanker	\$187,611,200
	Flare	\$220,893,200
	Drilling 1	\$525,640,000
	Drilling 2	\$562,705,400
	Subsea 1	\$345,358,800
	Subsea 2	\$286,382,400
	Total	\$2,137,496,000

Oil Price at Start Production	\$45/bbl	\$35/bbl	\$25/bbl
NPV @10% - \$million	2,977	2,778	2,700
IRR	42%	40%	36%
NPV/INPCe	3.11	2.81	2.82
Payback - years			

## South Porcupine/Goban Basin Gas Field 1D



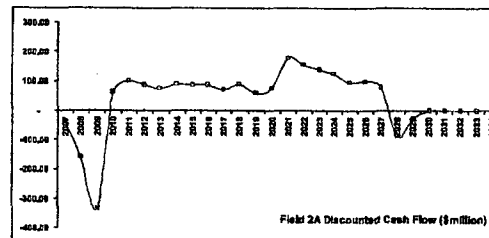
Field 1D is a variation of Field 1B and similarly assumed to be a dry gas field but with Initial gas in place of in excess of 2tcf with recovery rate of 70% and condensate of 55bbls/mmscf. We assume a 24 inch pipeline to shore with a capacity of 450mmscf/d. This option maintains pipeline sizing from Field 1B and hence field life increases with larger reserve quantities. The pipeline length is estimated to be 320km to be routed allowing flexibility in the event of seafloor geohazards and slope instability. The pipeline will land adjacent to the existing Corrib terminal. It is assumed booster compression will be required early in the field life to ensure adequate flow pressures.

The optimum solution would appear to be a combination of subsea wells tied back to a central production manifold. The manifold would be connected via a pipe-in-pipe to a fixed platform some 150-200km from the field and in shallower water. The fixed platform would act as a booster platform to control pipeline temperature and pressure and chemical injection to control hydrate formation. The fixed platform would then be connected by pipeline to a land based gas terminal.

Development Parameter	Element	Capex
Field	Gas	Subtotal \$1,281,840,000
Reserves	2tcf sweet gas	Contingency \$186,758,000
Production	480 mmscf/d	Total \$1,468,598,000
Field life	21 years	
Wells	Up to 13 producing wells	
Water Depth	2,500m	
Facilities	Subsea wells tied back to production manifold, pipeline to a new booster platform built in <500m water with export pipeline back to an onshore terminal	
	Jacket	\$121,366,400
	Topside	\$577,571,200
	Pipeline	\$567,484,000
	Drilling	\$217,860,800
	Subsea	\$180,334,400
	Total	\$1,468,598,000

Gas Price at Start Production	\$5.5/mmscf	\$4/mmscf	\$3.2/mmscf
NPV @10% - \$million	1,854	938	475
IRR	32%	23%	17%
NPV/INPCe	2.6	1.28	
Payback - years			

## North Porcupine Basin Oil Field 2A



The North Porcupine is a north-south trending deep water area with water depths ranging from 350m to 1,700m. There is no evidence of specific seabed geohazards that may impact on the foundations of facilities.

There is potential for sulphur-free sweet light crudes with API gravities of 32-41° API. Additionally the potential for gas exists.

No significant infrastructure exists, but when the Corrib gas field is developed in the nearby Sligo/Donegal region, this will include an export pipeline to a new gas terminal at Bellanaboy Bridge.

Field 2A is an oil field with STOIIIP of 250mmbbl and recovery of 50% oil. Individual well flow rates are taken as 1,500-5,000bopd. The distance to shore is 240km. Water depth at the field is 1,000m.

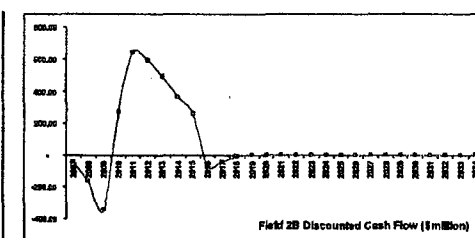
There are a number of feasible options for this field, one of which is to utilise a Spar or Semi-submersible with a pipeline tied back to a storage facility at Bantry Bay, from which the crude could be transferred to VLCC for transport to processing plants. If Bantry Bay could not be utilised, an FPSO option with shuttle tanker would be an alternative.

In this case, the field development would not pass the hurdle rates at the high oil price. To be economic it would require a tieback to an existing facility which would reduce the Capex from \$1,078m to around \$474m although there would be additional operating tariffs added into the Opex. Alternately, increasing the minimum recoverable reserves above 250mmbbl may significantly improve the financial assessment.

Development Parameter	Element	Capex
Field	Oil	Subtotal \$944,084,000
Reserves	125mmbbl - 35°API	Contingency \$152,490,000
Production	26,400 bopd	Total \$1,096,574,000
Field life	18 years	
Wells	Up to 8 producing wells + 3 WI	
Water Depth	1,000m	
Facilities	Subsea wells tied back to production manifold, flexible riser tied back to a semi-submersible/spar production unit with tanker offloading or pipeline to Bantry Bay	
	Semi sub	\$419,552,000
	Flare	\$53,018,000
	Pipeline	\$172,878,000
	Drilling 1	\$109,634,000
	Drilling 2	\$137,288,000
	Subsea 1	\$45,247,000
	Subsea 2	\$88,246,000
	Total	\$1,096,574,000

Oil Price at Start Production	\$45/bbl	\$35/bbl	\$25/bbl
NPV @10% - \$million	181	82	
IRR	14%	11%	9%
NPV/INPCe			
Payback - years			

## North Porcupine Basin Gas/Condensate Field 2B



Field 2B is a gas/condensate field with initial reserves of 1tcf, 70% recovery and condensate rates of 1bbt/mmscf. There is no H2S but 0.3% CO2. Gas is exported by a 24 inch pipeline, capacity of 450mmscf/d and a length of 240km back to the existing Corrib terminal.

The selected option is a series of satellite subsea wells tied into a central manifold and control centre and an export pipeline to shore. Pipeline flow assurance will need to be fully assessed including the potential use of subsea booster pumps and possibly a midline booster station.

If pipeline flow assurance proves problematical, the second option would likely be the use of subsea wells tied back to a manifold, which connects to a Mini-TLP. An export pipeline would run from the mini-TLP to the onshore gas reception terminal.

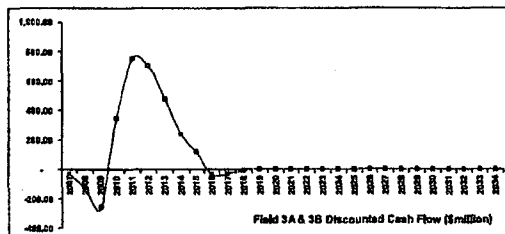
In this case, the field development would pass the hurdle rates at gas prices above \$4/mmscf, but may struggle to match alternate investment opportunities on the basis of payback periods

Development Parameter	Element	Capex
Field	Gas	Subtotal \$679,801,000
Reserves	1tcf sour gas 70% recovery	Contingency \$115,759,000
Production	560mmscf/d	Total \$795,560,000
Field life	8 years	
Wells	Up to 8 producing wells	
Water Depth	1,000m	
Facilities	Subsea wells tied back to production manifold, with export pipeline 240km back to onshore terminal - may need to incorporate subsea booster pumps.	
	Semi sub	\$468,017,000
	Flare	\$171,812,000
	Subsea 1	\$182,730,000
	Total	\$795,560,000

Gas Price at Start Production	\$5.5/mmscf	\$4/mmscf	\$3.2/mmscf
NPV @10% - \$million	118	674	432
IRR	69%	49%	33%
NPV/INPCe	2.4	1.5	
Payback - years			



## Slyne/Erris/Donegal Basin Gas/Condensate Fields 3A & 3B



Fields 3A and 3B are gas fields with initial reserves of 1tcf and a recovery rate of 70%; no H2S but 0.3% CO2. In one case, condensate rate is assumed to be 5bbl/mmscf/d; the other case assumes dry gas. Export of gas is by a 24 inch pipeline with capacity of 450mmscf/d and a length of 120km tying back to the Corrib onshore gas terminal.

It is assumed the optimum solution is subsea wells tied back to a manifold from which an export pipeline runs to the Corrib gas terminal or an adjacent facility. Depending on well shut-in pressures, it may be advantageous to incorporate a High Pressure Integrity Protection System to facilitate the use of a lower rated pipeline.

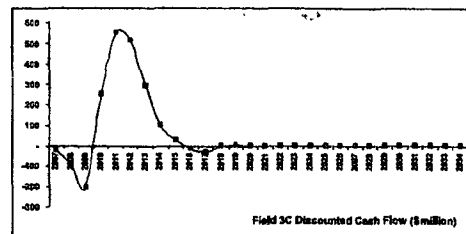
We have included in the financial model an additional Capex of \$256m to cover a newbuild terminal, adjacent to the existing Corrib terminal and its operating costs. It may be possible to reduce the Capex if it is feasible to add an additional two processing trains and slug catcher into the existing terminal (depending on tariffs charged by the existing terminal operator). The total Capex for this option of \$224m, plus terminal cost of \$256m, equating to \$480m, compared to the estimated total Capex cost for Corrib and the terminal of \$800m.

The field development for dry gas is virtually the same as that for wet gas and similarly would pass the hurdle rates at gas prices down to below \$2.4/mmscf, but even so may struggle to match alternate investment opportunities on the basis of stringent payback periods.

Development Parameter		Element	Capex
Field	Gas	Subtotal	\$444,845,000
Reserves	112t gas 70% recovery	Contingency	\$79,253,000
Production	870mmscf/d +340bbl/d condensate	Total	\$524,098,000
Field life	6 years		
Wells	Up to 9 producing wells	Drilling	\$223,443,000
Water Depth	500m	Pipeline	\$164,168,000
Facilities	Subsea wells tied back to production manifold, with export pipeline 120km back to onshore terminal	Subsea	\$146,485,000
		Total	\$524,098,000

Gas Price at Start Production	\$5.6/mmscf	\$4/mmscf	\$3.2/mmscf
NPV @ 10% - \$million	1284	787	820
IRR	84%	81%	63%
NPV/NPCo	3.8	2.2	1.8
Payback - years			

## Slyne/Erris/Donegal Basin Gas/Condensate Field 3C



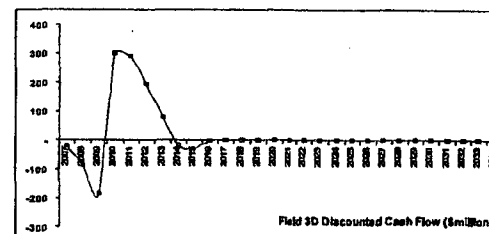
Field 3C is a variation of Field 3A and similarly assumed to be a gas/condensate field with smaller initial reserves of 500bct, 70% recovery, condensate rates of 5 bbl/mmscf. There is no H2S but 0.3% CO2. A 24-inch pipeline exports gas; capacity of 450mmscf/d and a length of 120km back to the existing Corrib terminal. Cost savings could be realised if instead of running the pipeline directly to the onshore terminal it ran to a tie-in point on the main Corrib export line.

No specific option screening has been undertaken for Field 3A and similarly it is assumed the optimum solution for Field 3C is a series of subsea wells tied back to a manifold from which an export pipeline runs to the Corrib onshore gas terminal or adjacent facility. Depending on well shut-in pressures it may be necessary to incorporate a High Pressure Integrity Protection System (HIPPS) to facilitate the use of a lower rated pipeline.

Development Parameter		Element	Amount
Field	Gas	Subtotal	\$382,550,400
Reserves	500 bct gas condensate	Contingency	\$66,793,600
Production	400 mmscf/d	Total	\$449,344,000
Field life	6 years		
Wells	Up to 6 producing wells	Drilling	\$223,443,000
Water Depth	500m	Pipeline	\$163,278,400
Facilities	Subsea wells tied back to production manifold, with export pipeline 120km back to an onshore terminal	Subsea	\$62,622,000
		Total	\$449,344,000

Gas Price at Start Production	\$5.6/mmscf	\$4/mmscf	\$3.2/mmscf
NPV @ 10% - \$million	827	495	328
IRR	77%	65%	43%
NPV/NPCo	3.1	1.82	1.21
Payback - years			

## Slyne/Erris/Donegal Basin Gas/Condensate Fields 3D



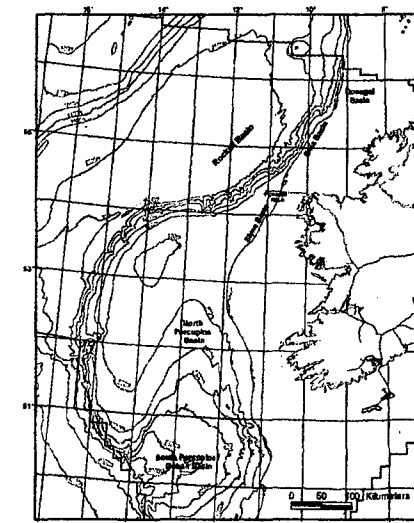
Field 3D is a variation of Field 3A and similarly assumed to be a gas/condensate field with smaller initial reserves of 250bct, 70% recovery, condensate rates of 5 bbl/mmscf. There is no H2S but 0.3% CO2. A 24-inch pipeline exports gas; capacity of 450mmscf/d and a length of 120km back to the existing Corrib terminal. Cost savings could be realised if instead of running the pipeline directly to the onshore terminal it ran to a tie in point on the main Corrib export line.

No specific option screening has been undertaken for Field 3A and similarly it is assumed the optimum solution for Field 3D is a series of subsea wells tied back to a manifold from which an export pipeline runs to the Corrib onshore gas terminal or adjacent facility. Depending on well shut-in pressures it may be necessary to incorporate a High Pressure Integrity Protection System (HIPPS) to facilitate the use of a lower rated pipeline.

Development Parameter		Element	Capex
Field	Gas	Subtotal	\$223,703,000
Reserves	250 bct gas condensate	Contingency	\$39,699,000
Production	232 mmscf/d	Total	\$263,372,000
Field life	4 years		
Wells	Up to 4 producing wells	Drilling	\$129,651,000
Water Depth	500m	Pipeline	\$89,353,000
Facilities	Subsea wells tied back to production manifold, with export pipeline 120km back to an onshore terminal	Subsea	\$44,368,000
		Total	\$263,372,000

Gas Price at Start Production	\$5.6/mmscf	\$4/mmscf	\$3.2/mmscf
NPV @ 10% - \$million	313	139	53
IRR	90%	33%	16%
NPV/NPCo	1.28	0.57	0.22
Payback - years			

## KEY MAP



This document summarises the key findings of a report prepared for the PAD in association with the PIP Irish Shelf Petroleum Studies Group (ISPSG) by Douglas-Westwood Limited and the TCS Partnership in February 2006. The full report 'Cost Effective Field Development Study for Atlantic Ireland Basins', PAD Special Publication No 2/06, which includes details of basin attributes, the production systems evaluated and the assumptions used in economics, is available for purchase from:

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