

# GRID CONNECTION EXPERIENCES - SURVEY RESULTS

Connecting generation to electricity distribution networks in Australia can be an extremely complex process. The Clean Energy Council undertook two surveys in 2013 and 2014 as part of the largest and most comprehensive study to date on the experiences of businesses trying to connect generation to the distribution network.

The surveys, which canvassed generators from household size right up to utility-scale at a time of significant growth in the solar sector, found that the process of grid connection can be confusing and difficult to navigate. Learning curves have been steep on all sides.

The wheels are already in motion on a number of the recommendations to streamline processes, but there is still much work to be done.

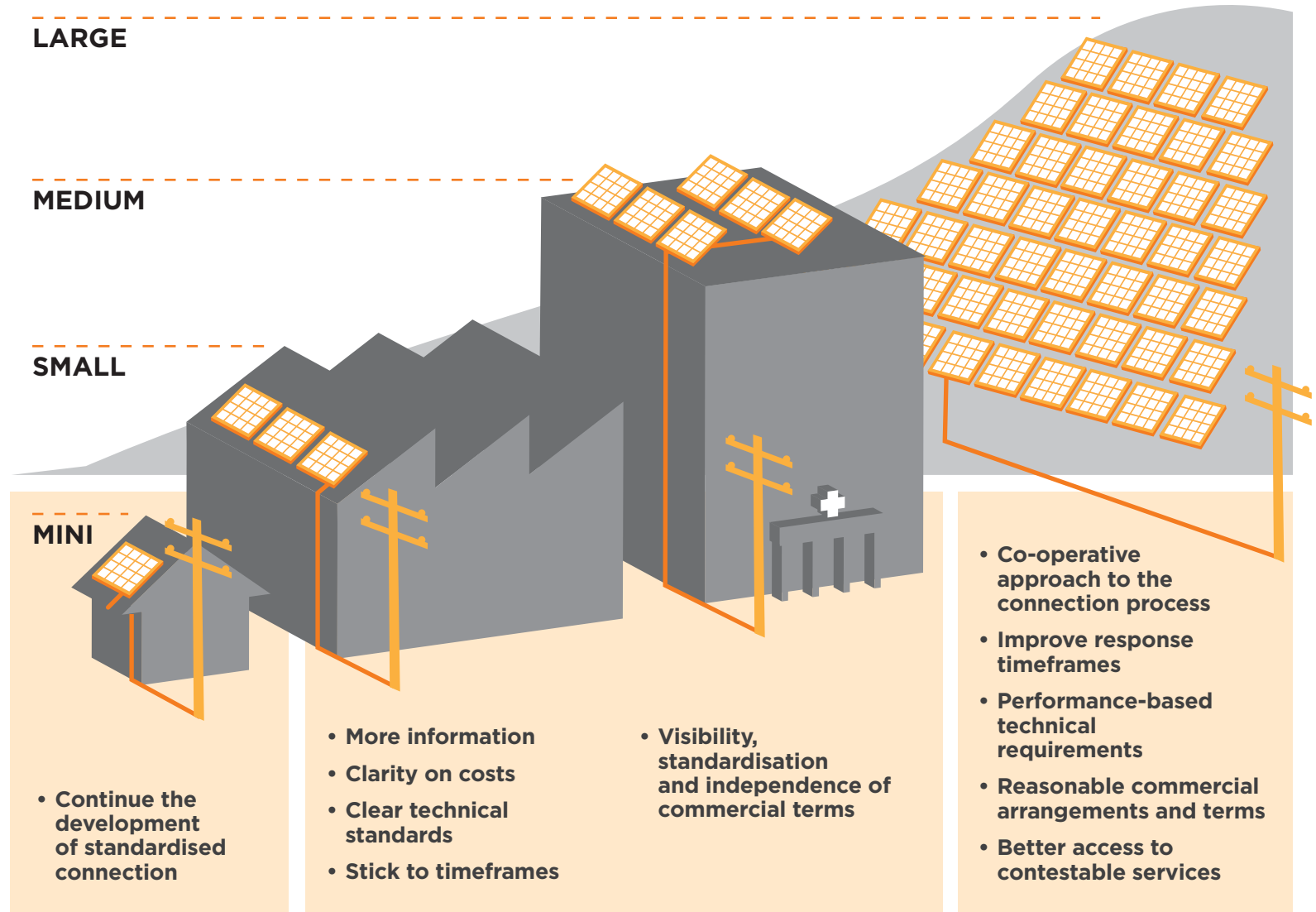
## RECOMMENDATIONS

### LARGE

### MEDIUM

### SMALL

### MINI



- Continue the development of standardised connection

- More information
- Clarity on costs
- Clear technical standards
- Stick to timeframes

- Visibility, standardisation and independence of commercial terms

- Co-operative approach to the connection process
- Improve response timeframes
- Performance-based technical requirements
- Reasonable commercial arrangements and terms
- Better access to contestable services

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