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Chair, Environment and Sustainability Committee
The National Assembly for Wales
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29th October 2015

Dear Mr Jones

Inquiry into 'A Smarter Energy Future for Wales?'

Thank you for the opportunity to address the Environment and Sustainability Committee last week. I believe we can really build on the work we have been doing with communities and on innovation, both technical and commercial, to take new ideas and best practice forwards across Wales, and I was pleased to provide some information on this to the Committee.

At the Committee last week we presented you with evidence on the clean energy already connected in Mid and North Wales. We should all be proud that we have collectively achieved the position where there is 1400MW of clean energy connected or contracted against 800MW of peak demand for energy.

I am pleased to enclose a copy of our Heat Maps that we discussed last week. These maps are a simple geographical visualisation of the level of generation capacity available in our network at the different voltage levels.

I have included a map showing generation on the network. From this you will be able to see the volume of generation already connected and why much of the previously spare capacity has now been utilised, particularly at the lower voltage levels. The maps also give a picture following the investment that is planned within our current Regulatory Settlement Period RII0 ED1 and show the projected generation capacity by the end of this period.

I look forward to continuing our dialogue from last week,

Yours sincerely

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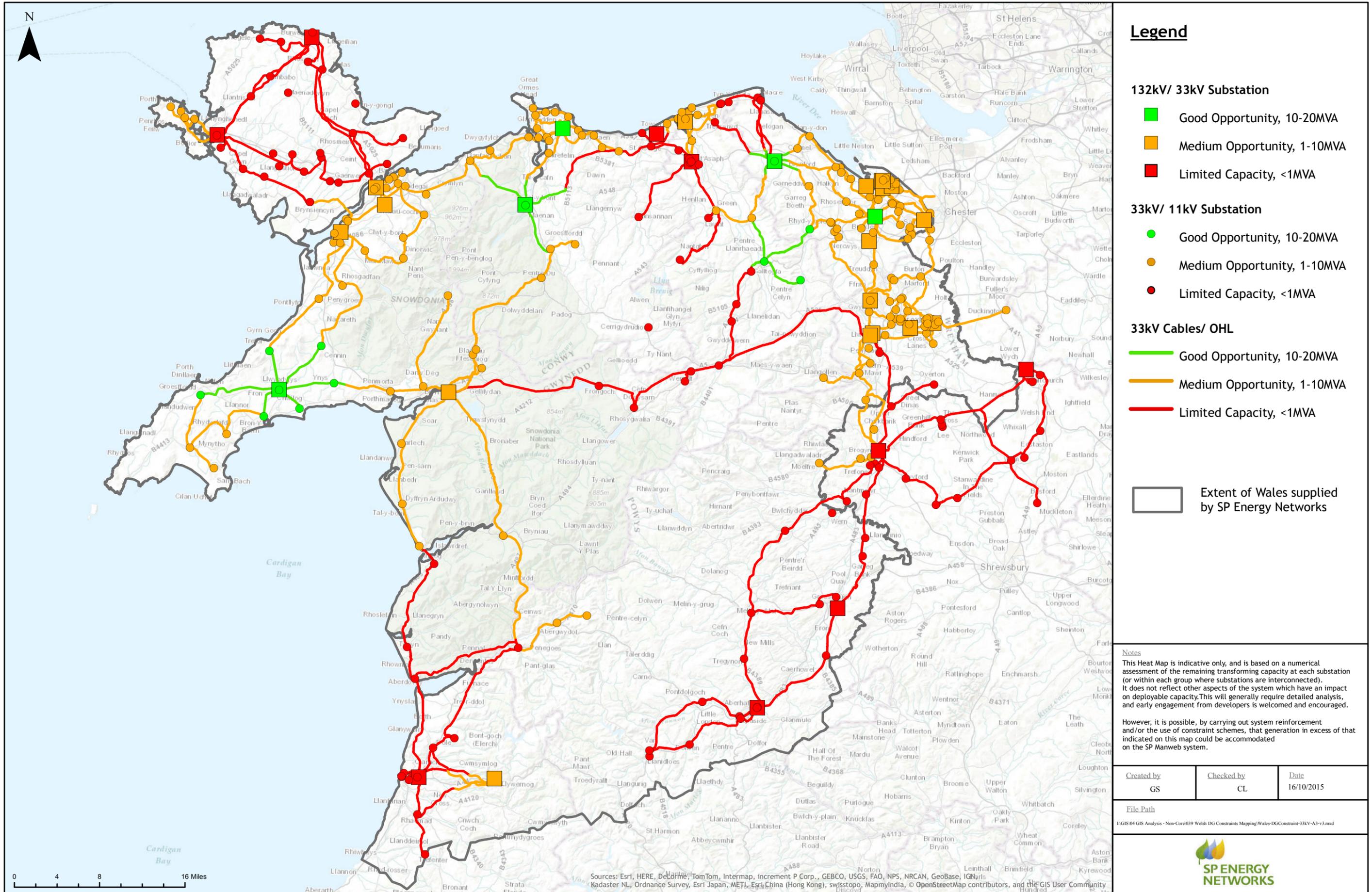
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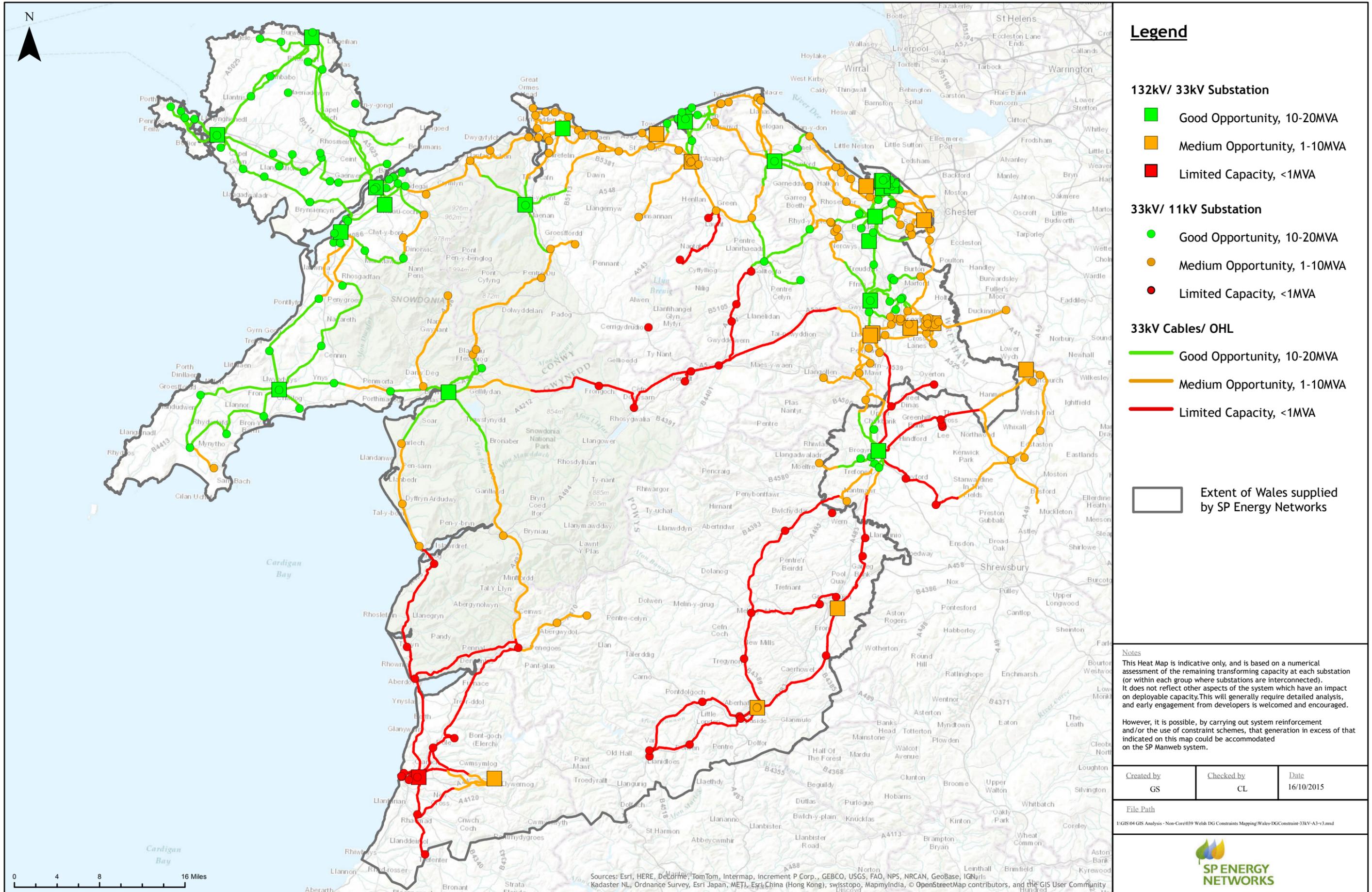
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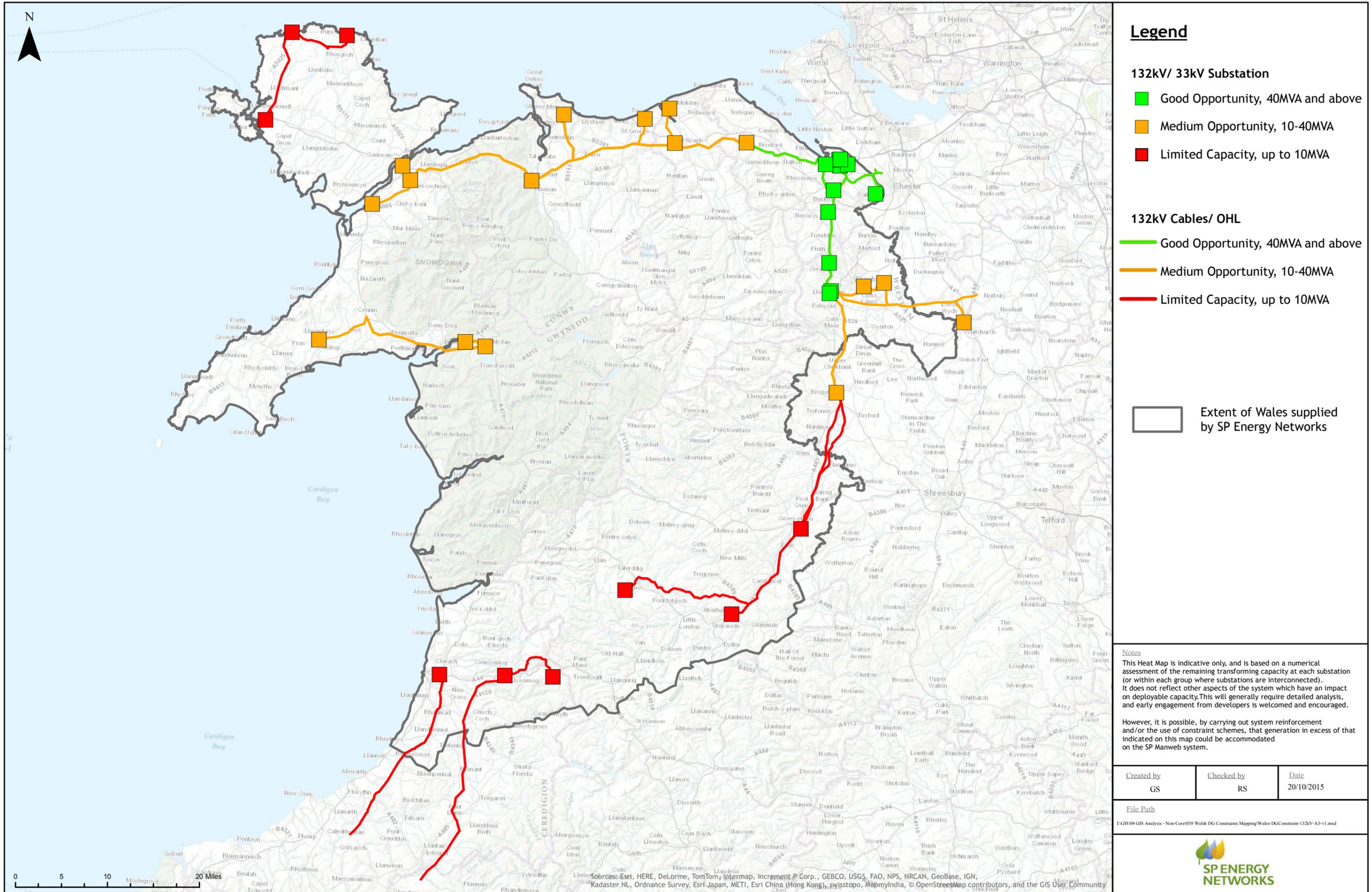
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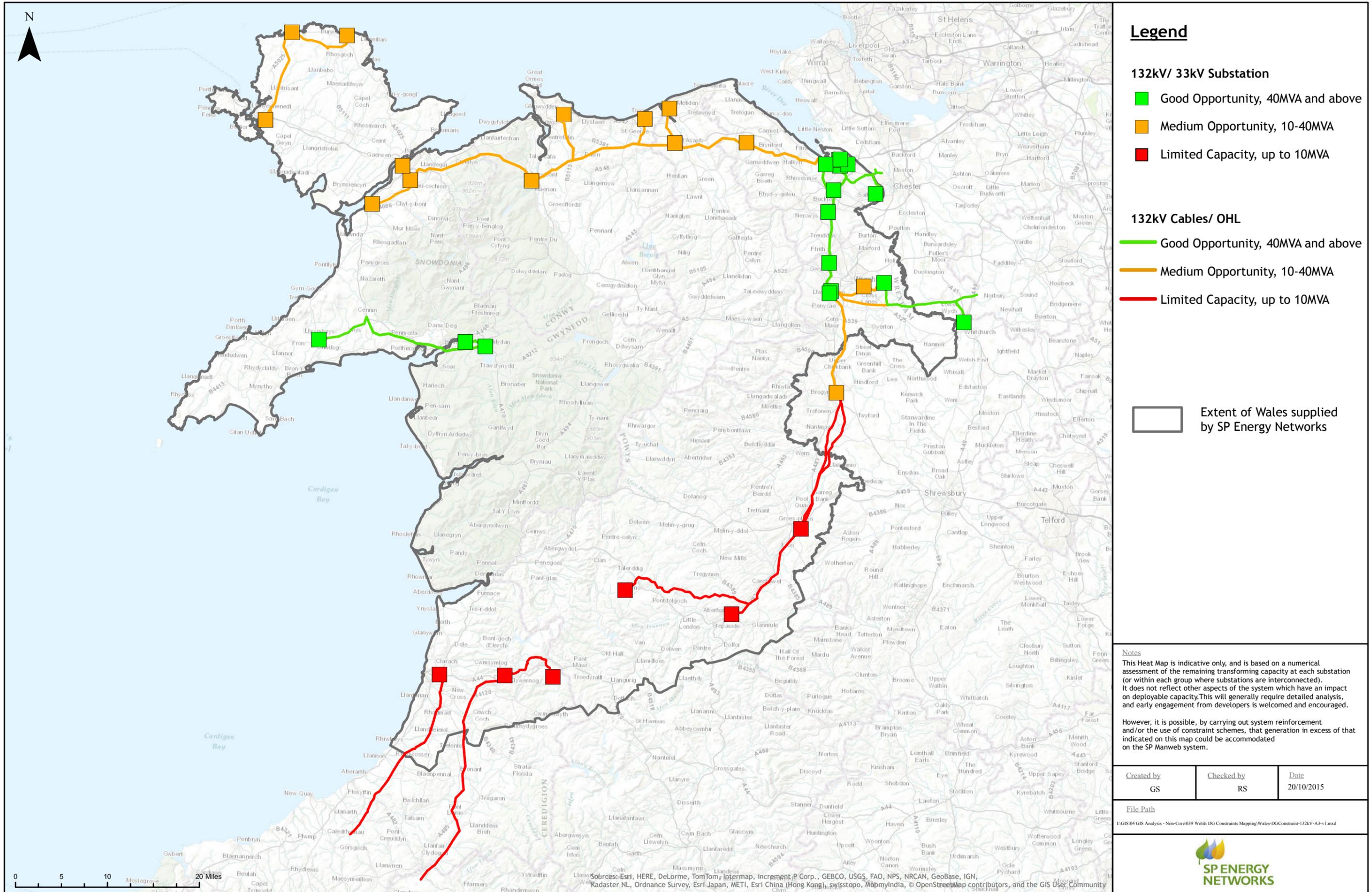
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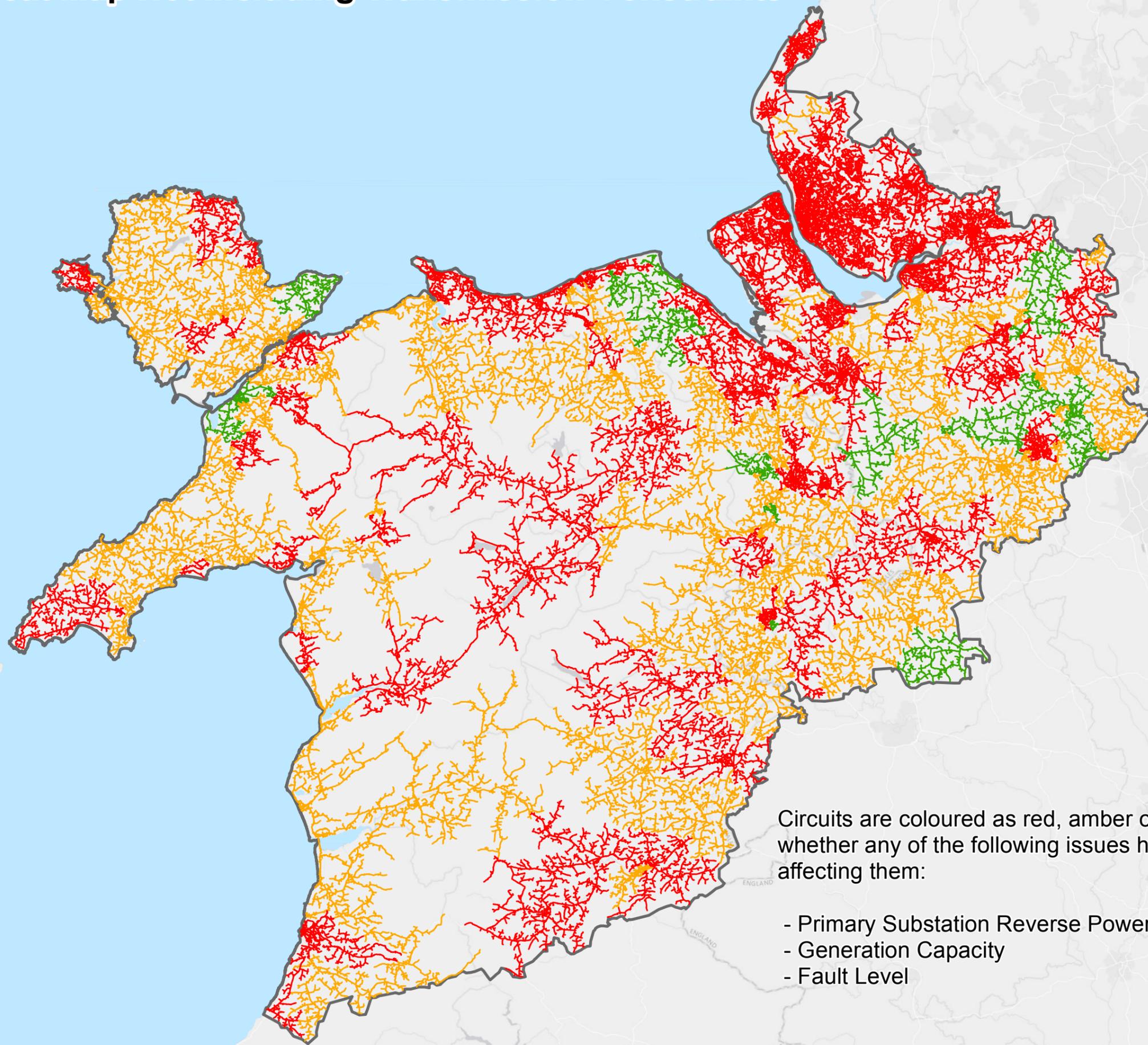
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11kV Circuit Heat Map Not Including Transmission Constraints



Circuits are coloured as red, amber or green depending on whether any of the following issues have been identified as affecting them:

- Primary Substation Reverse Power Flow
- Generation Capacity
- Fault Level

