

An Bord Pleanála

Mr. Des Cox Consents and Planning Lead EirGrid, The Oval. 160 Shelbourne Road, Ballsbridge, Dublin D04 FW28.

Date: 22nd June, 2021

Re: Celtic Interconnector Project (PCI Number 1.6)

Dear Mr. Cox,

I refer to the draft application file (DAF) submitted by Eirgrid on 29th April, 2021 under Article 10 of Regulation (EU) No 347/2013.

The DAF was circulated for examination for any missing information. Responses have been received and are attached as follows:

- Foreshore Unit (Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage),
- Strategic Infrastructure Division (An Bord Pleanála), and
- Commission for Regulation of Utilities (2 letters).

Please note that the statement on page 2 of the letter relating to consent under section 48 and 49 of the Electricity Regulation Act, 1999 has been clarified by the CRU that it is not intended as a request for missing information to be supplied under Article 10 of EU Regulations 347/2013.

As no missing information is being sought under Article 10, subject to you submitting a hard copy and a soft copy of the DAF to us, the pre-application procedure will close.

The statutory permit granting procedure, which covers the period of the date of acceptance of the submitted application file until the comprehensive decision is taken, shall commence on the date we, as PCI unit, acknowledge acceptance of the hard copy application file.

Yours Sincerely,

Nichola Meehan **Executive Officer**

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