Nicho Meehan

From:

Diarmuid Collins

Sent:

Friday 30 April 2021 14:07

To:

Nichola Meehan

Subject:

FW: Celtic Interconnector Project

Hi Nicola,

For information.

Diarmuid.

From: Diarmuid Collins

Sent: Friday 30 April 2021 14:06

To: BLANCHARD Sidonie (Chargée de mission) - DGEC/DE/SD3/3C < Sidonie. Blanchard@developpement-

durable.gouv.fr>

Subject: Celtic Interconnector Project

Bonjour Sidonie,

Merci pour votre réponse. Il peut y avoir un malentendu. My email to you concerned Article 10.4 (b) of the Regulation :for projects crossing the border between two or more Member States, the competent authorities of the Member States concerned shall prepare a joint schedule, in which they endeavour to align their timetables/pour les projets traversant la frontière de deux ou plusieurs États membres, les autorités compétentes des États membres concernés élaborent un planning conjoint, pour lequel ils s'efforcent d'aligner leurs calendriers.

I am satisfied with your response/Je suis satisfait de votre réponse.

Cordialement, Diarmuid.

From: BLANCHARD Sidonie (Chargée de mission) - DGEC/DE/SD3/3C < <u>Sidonie.Blanchard@developpement-</u>

durable.gouv.fr>

Sent: Wednesday 28 April 2021 10:20

To: Diarmuid Collins < <u>D.Collins@pleanala.ie</u> > **Subject:** Re: FW: Celtic Interconnector Project

Dear Diarmuid,

Thank you very much for your message. I appreciate that the Irish administration keep us informed and I think it is important that we work in good cooperation, but I really cannot understand why our comments should affect in any way the course of Eirgrid application to An Board Pleanala? this would be a breach of sovereignty, and the procedure on the Irish territory cannot affect the development of the project in France. In my view, the most important thing is that we do our best to support our respective parts of the authorizations so that they are delivered in time in the end, which I have no doubt.

So I really apologize for having no time to compare the new versions of the schedules provided by RTE and Eirgrid at the moment, so please consider we are ok with it and excuse-me for my late answer.

Kind regards Sidonie

Le 27/04/2021 à 16:31, > D.Collins (par Internet) a écrit :

Bonjour Sidionie,

Le promoteur du project veut donner le project de demande. The project promoter wishes to submit the draft application file to us. When might you be able to give your comments on the time schedules? Regards, Diarmuid.

From: Diarmuid Collins

Sent: Thursday 22 April 2021 10:54

To: BLANCHARD Sidonie (Chargée de mission) - DGEC/DE/SD3/3C

<Sidonie.Blanchard@developpement-durable.gouv.fr>

Subject: FW: Celtic Interconnector Project

Bonjour Sidonie,

Voici l'e-mail. Pouvez-vous répondre le Vendredi?

Good Morning Sidonie,

I enclose the email received from the project promoter below. Would you be able to respond to me on Friday?

Regards, Diarmuid.

Dear Mr Collins,

RTE tells me that they (RTE & Eirgrid) have agreed on a new schedule that Eirgrid is about to send you, could you please keep me informed if they did? It appears that the document they agreed on in March is no longer valid.

Thank you very much in advance, Kind regards Sidonie Blanchard We greatly appreciate your advice that you will endeavour to ensure that the schedule is finalised quickly.

We just wanted to update you on 2 associated matters now arising that you may wish to consider:

- 1. We acknowledge that since our previous correspondence to you on 18 March 2021, the Irish timeline has shifted forward by approximately 1 month from the dates that were set out in the schedule that we issued to you. Please find set out below an updated extract from the table and timeline to reflect this delay.
- Please also note that the CRU have advised us that they will not process the authorisations
 that concern them until after the SID planning decision has issued (estimated April
 2022). As such we have included the CRU Authorisation period as April-July 2022 and
 therefore it may be August 2022 when the comprehensive decision will be issued.

Yours sincerely,

Valerie.

Table 2.1: TEN-E Regulation Progress to Date and Indicative Timelines

Progress to Date and Indicative Timelines			Status	
Article	Specific Requirement	Ireland	UK	France
10(4)(b)	The CA shall draw up, in close cooperation with the project promoters and other authorities concerned, a detailed schedule for the permit granting process in line with Annex VI.(2).	□ Apr 21	Ø	Ø
	For projects crossing the border between two or more Member States, the CAs of the Member States concerned shall prepare a joint schedule, in which they endeavor to align their timetables.			
10(4)(c)	The Draft Application File (DAF) shall be submitted to the relevant CAs.	☐ Apr 21	□ June 21	Ø
	Upon receipt of the DAF, the relevant CA shall request any additional information that is required (completeness checking).	□ June 21	□ July 21	□ Apr 21
10(1)(b)	The statutory permit granting procedure commences on the date of acceptance of the submitted application file.	□ June 21	□ July / Aug 21	□ Apr 21
	The statutory permit granting procedure shall not exceed 18 months. Member states may set an earlier date, if considered appropriate.	□ Aug 22	□ Nov 21	□ Apr 22

Figure 2.2: TEN-E Regulation Progress to Date and Indicative Timelines

