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Attached please find Heritage observations of the Department of Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht in connection with the above.

Can you please confirm receipt of same.

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Our Ref: G Pre00323/2018
(Please quote in all related correspondence)

01 March 2019

The Secretary
An Bord Pleanála
64 Marlborough Street
Dublin 1
D01 V902
Via email to bord@pleanala.ie

Re: Notification to the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht under the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended.

Proposed Development: PCI 1.6 'Celtic Interconnector' Project
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On behalf of the Department of Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht, I refer to correspondence received in connection with the above.

Outlined below are heritage-related observations/recommendations of the Department under the stated heading(s).

Archaeology

EirGrid plc is of the opinion that the following consents are **potentially** required from the Department of Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht to realise the Celtic Interconnector project:

- Excavation Licence (Archaeological)
- Ministerial Consent for works at / near a National Monument
- Detection Device Consent (Archaeological)
- Dive Survey Licence

Having considered the documentation supplied to date, and having had consultations with EirGrid plc, the National Monuments Service of the Department of Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht considers that, with regard to the archaeological heritage, there is no reason to reject the notification under Article 10.1(a) of Regulation (EU) 347/2013.

Nature Conservation

The request from An Bord Pleanála, in relation to the above mentioned project, dated 9th January 2019 is noted, together with the Pre-application Notification document submitted to An Bord Pleanála providing formal notification under Article 10(1)(a) of the TEN-E



Regulations to An Bord Pleanála as the competent authority in relation to projects of Common Interest (PCI).

In addition the Department advises that a meeting was held with the applicant (EirGrid) on 10th January 2019 to discuss the Celtic Interconnector Project which included discussion of matters arising in relation to nature conservation as a consequence of the planned project. EirGrid subsequently wrote to the Department on 5th February 2019 providing further information in relation to its intended approach to the ecological surveys which are required to inform future environmental assessment, including environmental impact assessment and appropriate assessment, which will form part of the consent process in this case.

On the basis of its discussions with the applicant, the correspondence referred to above, and its current understanding of the project, the Department is of the view that the necessary ecological survey and assessment work should be able to be completed within the 2 year window available as part of the PCI process.

The Department notes and welcomes EirGrid's commitment to ongoing engagement as part of this process.

You are requested to send further communications to this Department's Development Applications Unit (DAU) at manager.dau@chg.gov.ie (team monitored); if this is not possible, correspondence may alternatively be sent to:

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