

Board Direction BD-015042-24 ABP-317599-23

The submissions on file and the inspector's report were considered at a Board Meeting held on the 10/01/202.

The Board decided having regard to the size, scale and location of the proposed development consisting of the development of a 400 kV underground cable between Woodland 400 kV Substation in Co. Meath and Belcamp Substation in Co. Dublin, installation of additional electrical equipment and apparatus at both substations and ancillary development, known as the 'East Meath – North Dublin Grid Upgrade' and as set out in the plans and particulars received by An Bord Pleanála, falls within the scope of section 182A of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended. Accordingly, the proposed development would constitute strategic infrastructure within the meaning of the Act and any application for approval must therefore be made directly to the Board.

The applicant shall be informed that the application documentation should be forwarded to the appropriate prescribed bodies:

- Meath County Council
- Fingal County Council
- Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage
- Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications
- Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport
- Commission for the Regulation of Utilities (CRU)
- An Taisce

- Heritage Council
- An Chomhairle Ealaíon
- Fáilte Ireland
- Córas Iompair Éireann
- Irish Rail
- Commission for Railway Regulation
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- Uisce Éireann
- Inland Fisheries Ireland
- Office of Public Works

Board Member	Date:	12/01/2024
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