

**Board Direction BD-019905-25 ABP-322217-25** 

The submissions on file and the inspector's report were considered at a Board Meeting held on 11/6/2025.

The Board considered that the proposed 220kV substation and the associated works which are intended to connect into the existing Finglas - Shellybanks 220 kV circuit constitutes the 'transport of electricity by means of a transmission system' as defined in Section 2(1) of the ERA and therefore meets the definition of transmission as set out in S182A(9) of the PDA. Accordingly, I consider the proposed 220kV infrastructure would fall under S182A (1) of the Act and would be deemed to be Strategic Infrastructure Development.

The applicant shall be informed that the proposed development consisting of a 220 / 110 kV 220/110kV Gas Insulated Switchgear substation does fall within the scope of section 182A of the 2000 Act, as amended and that a planning application should be made directly to the Board.

The applicant shall be advised that the application documentation should be forwarded to the following the prescribed bodies which are considered relevant in this instance for the purposes of Section 182A(4)(b) of the Act:

- Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage
- Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications
- Dublin City Council
- Commission for the Regulation of Utilities

- Transport Infrastructure Ireland
- Uisce Éireann
- Inland Fisheries Ireland
- Office of Public Works
- An Taisce
- Heritage Council
- An Chomhairle Ealaíon
- Fáilte Ireland
- ESB
- Health Service Executive

Further Notifications should be made where deemed appropriate.

**Board Member:** 

Mick Long

Date: 11/06/2025