

## **Board Direction**

## PL26.VC0102

At a meeting held on 29/07/2020, the Board considered the report of the Inspector and the documents and submissions on file generally.

Having regard to the provisions of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, and the nature of the proposed development which comprises the construction of an electricity interconnector, consisting of a AC-DC converter station close to the Great Island 220kV substation and a 23km underground electricity cable from the converter station to a location at Baginbun Beach, County Wexford, as set out in the plans and particulars submitted, it is considered that the proposed development falls within the scope of section 182A of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, and is therefore strategic infrastructure within the meaning of the Act. Accordingly, a planning application should be made directly to the Board and should be accompanied by a Natura Impact Statement and an Environmental Impact Assessment Report, which is proposed to be submitted with the planning application.

<b>Board Member:</b>		Date:	29/07/2020
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