

Donegal County Council Planning Department County House The Diamond Lifford Co. Donegal F93 Y622

Date: 14 July 2020

**Re:** Proposed wind farm consisting of up to 12 number turbines and ancillary site works. Townlands of Cark, Meenadaura (Drumnahough Mountain), Carrickalangan, Treankeel, Tullytrasna and Culliagh, Co. Donegal.

## A Chara,

I have been asked by An Bord Pleanála to refer further to the above-mentioned pre-application consultation. Please be advised that following consideration of the issues raised during the consultation process the Board is of the opinion that the proposed development would be strategic infrastructure within the meaning of Planning and Development Act, 2000 as amended. Any application for permission for the proposed development must therefore be made directly to An Bord Pleanála.

A copy of the documentation relating to the Board's pre-application file will be forwarded by post for your information including a copy of the written record of the pre-application consultation meetings between An Bord Pleanála and the prospective applicant. A copy of the pre-application consultation file can be made available for public inspection at this stage and must be associated with any application file documentation when such an application is made. In this regard please note that the Board has directed the prospective applicant to include a statement in the public notices of any planning application indicating that the application will be made available for public inspection at the offices of the local authority (as well as the offices of the Board) and on a stand alone website. The Board would therefore be obliged if you could make the necessary arrangements in this regard following receipt of the copies of any application documentation from the prospective applicant. Please note that the public will have the right to make submissions/observations on the application only to An Bord Pleanála and within a time limit which will be specified in the public notices (copies of same will accompany the application documentation) and the public should be alerted to this fact when inspecting the file. It is the Board's intention that all of the application documentation will remain available for public inspection during the currency of the application.

The Board will also separately communicate with you when any application is lodged indicating the date by which the planning authority may lodge its report on the application. Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

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Please quote the above mentioned An Bord Pleanála reference number in any correspondence or telephone contact with the Board.

Yours faithfully,

pp Rob Mac Giollarnáth

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