Our Case Number: ABP-307022-20



Laois County Council Áras an Chontae Portlaoise Co. Laois R32 EHP9

Date: 27 July 2020

Re: A 110kV underground electricity cable to facilitate connection of the proposed Dernacart Wind Farm

to the national grid at the proposed Bracklone 110kV substation

Townlands of Forest Lower, Ballymorris, Coolnavarnoge and Coolaghy, Doolough, Kilbride, Cooltederry, Bracklone and Lea in Co. Laois; and townlands of Annamoe, Garryhinch and

Barranaghs in Co. Offaly.

Dear Sir / Madam,

I have been asked by An Bord Pleanála to refer to the above mentioned pre-application consultation request.

Please be advised that following consideration of the issues raised to the above consultation and having regard to the scale and nature of the proposed development An Bord Pleanála has decided that the proposed development does not come within the scope of section 182A of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended. Accordingly any application for planning consent should be made to the local authority in accordance with the provisions of section 34 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000.

A copy of the documentation submitted to the Board from the prospective applicant will be sent to you in due course.

The attachment contains information in relation to challenges to the validity of a decision of An Bord Pleanála under the provisions of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended.

If you have any queries in relation to the matter please contact the undersigned officer of the Board.

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

Yours faithfully,

Jennifer Sherry Executive Officer

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