Our Case Number: ABP-308120-20
Your Reference: OBM Solar Limited



Peter Thomson Planning Solutions 4 Priory Grove, Kells, Co. Kilkenny

Date: 09 December 2020

Re: Proposed 110kV substation at Srah, Rhode, Co. Offaly

Srah, Rhode, Co. Offaly

Dear Sir / Madam,

Please be advised that following consultations under section 182E of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended, the Board hereby serves notice that it is of the opinion that the proposed development falls within the scope of section 182A of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 as amended. Accordingly, the Board has decided that the proposed development would be strategic infrastructure within the meaning of section 182A of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended. Any application for approval for the proposed development must therefore be made directly to An Bord Pleanála under section 182A(1) of the Act.

Please also be informed that the Board considers that the pre-application consultation process in respect of this proposed development is now closed.

In accordance with section 146(5) of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended, the Board will make available for inspection and purchase at its offices the documents relating to the decision within 3 working days following its decision. This information is normally made available on the list of decided cases on the website on the Wednesday following the week in which the decision is made.

Please see attached a list of prescribed bodies and procedures for the purpose of submitting an application under section 182A(1) of the Act. Also, attached is 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.

Yours faithfully,

Jennifer Sherry Executive Officer

Direct Line: 01-8737266

<u>List of Prescribed Bodies - ABP-308120-20</u>

The following list identifies the prescribed bodies which are considered relevant in this instance for the purposes of Section 182A(4)(b) of the Act.

- Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government
- Minister for Communications, Climate and Environment
- Offaly County Council
- Meath County Council
- Westmeath County Council
- Kildare County Council
- Transport Infrastructure Ireland
- An Taisce
- Heritage Council
- Irish Water
- Commission for Regulation of Utilities, Water and Energy
- An Chomhairle Ealaíon
- Fáilte Ireland