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To: Niamh Thornton
Subject: 201050a- Umma More Wind Farm (SID) PA25M.316051-23
Attachments: 2023.04.25-ABP Site Notice Removal -F-201050.pdf

Re: Strategic Infrastructure Development – Umma More Wind Farm, County Westmeath (ABP ref: PA25M.316051)

Dear Niamh,

A Strategic Infrastructure Development (SID) planning application was lodged with An Bord Pleanála on the 10th of March 2023 for a renewable energy development comprising 9 no. wind turbines, and associated works. The Applicant is monitoring the site notices and it has come to their attention that a number of site notices are being removed and/or misplaced on a regular basis. This was previously noted to the Board in our letter of 20th March 2023. Through the monitoring process underway, we are aware that notices are still being removed. Although these are being re-erected by the Applicant in a timely manner, we believe they are being purposefully removed. As such we would draw the Boards attention to Section 26 of the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001.

I trust this information is of use. Please do not hesitate to contact me should you wish to discuss the matter further. A copy of the attached letter is also being posted out to the Board today.

Yours sincerely,

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"Sub-articles (3) and (4) shall not apply where the planning authority is satisfied that the applicant complied with the provisions of articles 17, 18 and 19 but that any site notice erected by the applicant has been maliciously defaced or destroyed by any person other than the applicant."

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