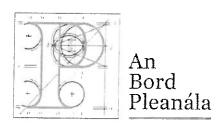
Our Case Number: ABP-317560-23

Your Reference: Mercury Renewable (Carrowleagh) Limited



Jennings O'Donovan & Partners Finisklin Business Park Finisklin Sligo Co. Sligo **F91 RHH9**

Date: 23 February 2024

Re: Proposed windfarm development including 13 no. wind turbines in Bunnyconnellan, Co. Mayo and

hydrogen plant in Castleconnor, Co. Sligo.

Carrowleagh, Bunnyconnellan, Co. Mayo and Curraun, Castleconnor, Co. Sligo.

Dear Sir / Madam

In accordance with section 134(1) of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, An Bord Pleanála has decided to hold an oral hearing in relation to the above-mentioned proposed development.

The details for the oral hearing are as follows:

Start date: Wednesday 20th March 2024

Start time: 10 a.m.

Location: Microsoft Teams

No. of Days: 3 days

If you wish to participate at the oral hearing you must complete and return the attached form by Friday 1st March 2024.

The completed form should be returned by email to sids@pleanala.ie, or by post/hand to: SIDs, An Bord Pleanála, 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1, D01 V902.

If you do not register your intention to participate, submissions to the oral hearing will only be heard at the Inspector's discretion and if time allows.

Where possible written statements of evidence to be given should be submitted and it will assist the conduct of the hearing if copies of these and any related drawings are made available for circulation.

Preparing your submission:

- Each submission to the oral hearing shall comprise solely of a response to the applicant's written response to your submission which was received by An Bord Pleanála and which is available on the project website https://firloughwindfarmplanning.com/
- Any documents or written submissions that we have already received should not be repeated at the oral hearing. The Inspector will have already read this information and normally they do not need to receive this information again. If you repeat information at the oral hearing that is not necessary, the Inspector may stop you and ask you to move on to another topic. Where similar issues are raised by a number of observers, the Inspector will not allow undue repetition.
- Any legal submissions must be part of the substantive submissions to the hearing.
- You should consider in advance what questions you might wish to pose to the applicant and prepare a list of potential questions which you can ask if you feel that they have not been already answered.
- If you wish to make one joint submission on behalf of several observers (for example, neighbours whose submissions raise similar issues), this would be welcomed by the Board in the interests of efficiency.
- Closing submissions are only for briefly summarising and should last no more than 5 minutes. No new points, issues or legal matters can be raised in the closing submissions.
- Submissions presented to this oral hearing will be recorded by a service provider organised by An Bord Pleanála. You are not permitted to record the proceedings of the oral hearing.

Copies of documents for viewing:

Copies of the submissions that An Bord Pleanála has received as well as all other documents and correspondence about the case can be viewed before and during the oral hearing at:

- Mayo County Councils Offices
- Sligo County Councils Offices
- An Bord Pleanála, 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1, D01 V902.

A copy of all correspondence can also be viewed during the oral hearing at the oral hearing venue.

Further information: For further information on oral hearings, you can read the "oral hearing guide" which is available on our website or by contacting us.

Information for the Applicant: The information already submitted, including the response to the submissions, should not be repeated. Your submission should deal specifically with a list of matters that will be provided to you with the forthcoming agenda.

What happens next?

After 1st March 2024, An Bord Pleanála will prepare and send you the agenda and order of proceedings for the oral hearing.

Queries:

If you have any queries about this oral hearing, please contact the undersigned. To help answer your query please quote An Bord Pleanála case reference number ABP-314724-22.

Yours faithfully,

Lauren Murphy **Executive Officer**

Direct Line: 01-8737275

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