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Dear Sir/Madam,

Please find attached a copy of TII's observation on significant additional information in respect of the the above application.

Please acknowledge receipt of this submission.

Acknowledgements can be forwarded to landuseplanning@tii.ie.

Regards and thanks,

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20 October 2026	TII25-134006	VA01.323860

RE.: Proposed 220kV AIS/ 220kV GIS substation OR a 110kV electricity substation, associated 220kV or 110kV underground grid connection and ancillary works located in the townlands of Ballyloo, Knockbower, Linkardstown, Kilballyhue, Graiguenspiddoge, Castletown, Moyle Big, Leagh or Ballybeg, Kellistown West & Kellistown East, Co. Carlow.

Applicant: Ballyloo Solar Farm Limited

Dear Sir /Madam,

Transport Infrastructure Ireland (TII) acknowledges receipt of notice of significant additional information submitted to An Coimisiún Pleanála in respect of the above proposed development.

TII made original submission by letter dated the 6th of January 2026 which highlighted that the application includes crossing of the N80 in the vicinity of local roads junctions and where a maximum 100 kmh speed limit applies. TII also noted that the proposed development is to service 3 no. permitted solar farm developments located in the vicinity of the M9 which include planning permission conditions specifically for the protection of the maintenance of the safe and efficient operation of the national roads network.

The further information submitted includes a response to Commission in relation to the potential interaction of the proposed development with the Carlow County Council N80 Leagh Bends Scheme (approved under ACP ref. JP01.321416) in the vicinity of the proposed N80 crossing previously identified by TII. The Commission is advised that TII oversee the undertaking of national road construction and / or upgrades by local roads authorities i.e. the County Council's Roads Design Office (RDO). The iterations of assessment and design are communicated by local authorities to TII and the public at intervals. In this way, the Carlow County Council as the local roads authority holds the the most up to date information on the N80 Leagh Bends Scheme.

Having regard to the foregoing and in the interests of safe and efficient operation of the national roads network compatible with the construction and operation of the proposed development, the Authority's position remains as set out in original submission made on the 6th of January 2026 which concluded with the recommendation that that the following conditions be imposed in the event of a grant of planning permission:

- Prior to commencement of development, and the proposed construction method statement for the section of cabling crossing the N80 shall be submitted for the written agreement of the planning authority subject to the written agreement of TII which shall include details demonstrating compliance of works on, or in the vicinity of the N80 with TII Publications.

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- Prior to commencement of development, a Construction Traffic Management Plan (CTMP) shall be submitted for the written agreement of the planning authority subject to the written agreement of TII which shall include the following information in relation to the national road network:-

    a) details demonstrating compliance of proposed works to the national road network, including signage, to facilitate construction traffic with TII Publications;

    b) demonstration of consultation with TII Bridge Management Section to ensure that national road structures are not adversely affected and to ensure adherence to required standards and procedures;

    c) demonstration of consultation with all relevant PPP Companies, MMaRC Contractors and road authorities over which the haul route traverses to ascertain any operational requirements such as delivery timetabling, etc. to ensure that the strategic function of the national road network is maintained;

    d) copies of any proposals agreed between the road authority, PPP Concessions and MMaRC Companies and the applicant impacting on national roads; and

    e) demonstration of consultation with thirdpartyworks@tii.ie where temporary works within national road network maintenance boundaries are required to facilitate construction traffic to site, as a works specific Deed of Indemnity may be required by TII before the works can take place.

    f) Mitigation measures of the Construction Traffic Management Plan shall include that any damage caused to the pavement of the existing national road due to construction traffic shall be rectified in accordance with TII Pavement Standards and details in this regard shall be agreed with the Road Authority prior to the commencement of any development on site.

Please acknowledge receipt of this submission.

Yours faithfully,

on behalf of
Land Use Planning Unit

TII advises that no part of this submission shall be construed as TII giving consent to access or alter any national road infrastructure assets including drainage regimes, vehicle restraint and safety systems, ducting, HDD crossings, structures etc. In the event that any damage is caused by any development works to the national road or associated assets, overground or underground, costs arising to fully remediate all impacted infrastructure assets to TII Publications standards and requirements will be pursued by or on behalf of TII.

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