

An Coimisiun Pleanála,
64, Marlborough St.,
Dublin 1.

Dated: 12.02.2026

Name: Billy Fitzgerald,
Address: Ballymuntan Slieveue.

Dear Sir/Madam,

Please find enclosed my Observation on the proposed **Development of a 110kv Grid Connection for Ballyfasy Wind Farm. Case Reference number – VA10.323958**

Also included are the observations of the following people listed below:

1. Seamus Fitzgerald,
2. Bridget Fitzgerald,
3. Mary Fitzgerald,
4. James Fitzgerald,
5. Kullian Fitzgerald
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We would appreciate your consideration on this matter which will hugely impact the lives and health of the community within this area.

Yours Sincerely,

BILLY FITZGERALD

Name: Billy Fitzgerald
Address: Ballymonteen Slavers

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Address:

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