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Good afternoon, please find attached our observations on the the proposed Ballincor Windfarm, ref PO92.322126

If there are any issues or questions, please do not hesitate to let me know

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Is don duine amháin nó don eintiteas amháin ainmnithe ar an seoladh an fhaisnéis agus d'fhéadfadh ábhar faoi rún, faoi phribhléid nó ábhar atá íogair ó thaobh na tráchtála de a bheith mar chuid den fhaisnéis. Tá toirmeasc ar aon daoine nó aon eititis; nach dóibh siúd an fhaisnéis- aon athbhreithniú a dhéanamh, aon atarchur a dhéanamh nó aon athdháileadh a dhéanamh, nó aon úsáid eile a bhaint as an bhfaisnéis, nó aon ghníomh a bhraithfeadh ar an bhfaisnéis seo a dhéanamh agus d'fhéadfaí an dlí a shárú dá ndéanfaí sin. Séanann Uisce Éireann dliteanas as aon ghníomh agus as aon iarmhairt bunaithe ar úsáid neamhúdaraíthe na faisnéise seo. Séanann Uisce Éireann dliteanas maidir le seachadadh iomlán agus ceart na faisnéise sa chumarsáid seo agus séanann Uisce Éireann dliteanas maidir le haon mhoill a bhaineann leis an bhfaisnéis a fháil. Má tá an ríomh-phost seo faighte agat trí dhearmad, déan teagmháil leis an seoltóir más é do thoil é agus scríos an t-ábhar ó gach aon ríomhaire. D'fhéadfadh ríomhphost a bheith so-ghabhálach i leith truaillithe, idircheaptha agus i leith leasuithe neamhúdaraíthe. Séanann Uisce Éireann aon fhreagracht as athruithe nó as idircheapadh a rinneadh ar an ríomhphost seo nó as aon dochar do chórais na bhfaighteoirí déanta ag an teachtaireacht seo nó ag a ceangaltáin tar éis a sheolta. Tabhair faoi deara go bhféadfadh monatóireacht a bheith á dhéanamh ar theachtaireachtaí chuig Uisce Éireann agus ó Uisce Éireann d'fhonn ár ngnó a chosaint agus chun a chinntiú go bhfuiltear ag teacht le beartais agus le caighdeáin Uisce Éireann. Is cuideachta gníomhaíochta ainmnithe é Uisce Éireann atá faoi theorainn scaireanna, a bunaíodh de bhun fhorálacha na n-Achtanna um Sheirbhísí Uisce 2007-2022, a bhfuil a bpríomh-ionad gnó ag Teach Colvill, 24-26 Sráid na Talbóide, BÁC 1.

Go raibh maith agat as d'aird a thabhairt.

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Thank you for your attention.

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Development Location

Within the townlands of Cloonaheen, Ballincor Demesne, and Curralanty, Co. Offaly, and Clonfree, Castletown and Cronehill, Co. Tipperary.

Development Description

Proposed Ballincor wind farm consisting of 11 turbines (61.6–77 MW), a substation, and a 12.2 km grid link. This application also includes construction works, drainage, biodiversity measures, and site infrastructure.

A Chara,

As the National Water Utility Uisce Éireann delivers water services pursuant to the Water Services Act (and other legislation) and in accordance with our statutory functions and ancillary responsibilities and in a manner which is consistent with public policy.

Uisce Éireann is responsible for the delivery of all public water and wastewater services in Ireland. We are committed to continuously upgrading and developing critical infrastructure to support growth in our economy, while protecting the environment and safeguarding water supplies. Our primary function is to provide clean drinking water to customers and to treat and return wastewater safely to the environment. In providing these services we play a central role in enabling economic growth, protecting both the environment and the health and safety of our customers and the wider public.

Uisce Éireann recognizes the national importance of infrastructure projects of this nature, and welcomes the opportunity to make observations at this juncture. Please accept this submission in respect of the above-referenced Strategic Infrastructure Development application.

Connection(s) to Public Water and Wastewater

No new connections to Uisce Éireann's water and wastewater networks are included in the applicant's proposal. Water for human sanitary use is to be stored onsite, while wastewater generated during operation is to be stored in a holding tank, to be emptied by private contractors as need arises.

Protection of Existing Public Water Supply

It is Uisce Éireann's policy to maintain safe and secure drinking water supplies and ensure that development will not give rise to any deterioration in water quality and that development proposals shall not impact public drinking water sources and/or abstraction point(s).

The project does not have any significant interactions with Uisce Éireann abstraction sites, with the nearest abstraction being the Rivertown well four kilometers to the north. The proposed project as does impact on Uisce Éireann abstraction catchments or zones of contribution, and groundwater vulnerability in the project area is characterised predominantly as moderate to low.

Protection of Existing Uisce Eireann's Assets

In Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) scoping advice submitted to the applicant on the 19th of August 2025, Uisce Éireann noted that the proposed 110kV underground grid connection route had the potential to come into interaction with Uisce Eireann network assets located along the grid connection route.

Uisce Éireann advised the applicant that It does not permit build over of its assets, that separation distances as per Uisce Éireann's Standards Codes and Practices must be achieved, and that prior to any planning application submission, it was necessary to submit a diversion enquiry to Uisce Éireann and receive a Confirmation of Feasibility (COF) letter from our Diversions Department, that would form part of the formal planning application lodgment documentation. To date a Diversion enquiry has not been submitted to Uisce Éireann, and no record of engagement with the applicant on this subject has been recorded.

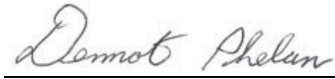
To ensures that its assets are protected during the construction & operation phases of the development, Uisce Éireann respectfully respectfully requests that the applicant:

1. Assess and submit a full schedule of interactions with Uisce Éireann's in situ network assets along the proposed Grid Connection Route.

2. Engage with Uisce Éireann's diversions department to agree any and all necessary diversions and confirm that any development near Irish Water's assets shall be carried out in compliance with Irish Water Standards codes and practices.

Queries relating to the terms and observations above should be directed to planning@water.ie

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Dermot Phelan". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Dermot Phelan
Connections and Developer Services