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Dear Ms. White

I refer to the above request to enter pre-application consultations made on the 23rd June 2026 in respect of an 110kV loop-in substation, a dual 110kV cable circuit and 2 no line cable interface masts (LCIMs).

On behalf of Kilbrew Eco Developments Limited we wish to formally request the closure of this pre-application consultation and for a determination to be reached on the basis of the proposal as submitted.

As was set out in the request, the proposed development is a slight modification to a development that the Board previously determined was strategic infrastructure development (Case Reference ABP-312226-21). Prior to the closure of that consultation, the scope of the proposed development in the request as submitted was amended – the substation compound was relocated to the north east; the grid connection route was amended; the distance between the two LCIMs was increased and the route of the underground cables in the vicinity of the LCIMs was adjusted accordingly.

The principal changes from the previous amended pre-application consultation are the relocation of the southern LCIM to a location further to the south along the same 110kV overhead line and an additional c. 180m of 110kV underground cable in the public road.

The location of the proposed substation and the method of connection to the grid are unchanged from that in the previous consultation as amended in advance of its closure.

The proposed development remains 110kV infrastructure being delivered for the system operator that does not alter the functionality and operation of this infrastructure and is fundamentally of the same character and description as the development on which the Commission previously made a determination. Accordingly, it is considered that the proposed development falls within the definition of strategic infrastructure development as set out in Section 37A(2) of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended; however, it is fully acknowledged that the Commission is the ultimate arbitrator of this as per the relevant legislation.

As Kilbrew Eco Developments Limited wishes to submit an application without due delay, a timely determination from the Commission is requested and any time efficiencies that could be achieved in this regard would be appreciated.

Yours sincerely

Kilbrew Eco Developments Limited