

Re: Planning Application No. 324429 – Cunlaghfadda 110kV Substation

I Loretta Connolly, Garrywadreen, Claremorris, Mayo wish to object to the proposed development.

My primary concern relates to cumulative impact. There are already five wind farms within

approximately ten kilometres of the proposed development area. The Cunlaghfadda proposal

would represent a further major industrial development within an already heavily developed

wind energy landscape. The Draft Mayo Renewable Energy Strategy highlights the need to

protect biodiversity, cultural heritage, peatlands, residential amenity and sensitive landscapes

while also considering cumulative impacts. The Draft Strategy also notes that County Mayo

has already exceeded renewable energy generation targets established under the County

Development Plan. I therefore question whether it is appropriate to permit a further industrial-scale wind farm/ substation within a landscape that contains protected species, a significant

archaeological landscape and a large number of nearby homes.

For these reasons, I respectfully request that planning permission be refused.

Yours sincerely,

Loretta Connolly.