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**21<sup>st</sup> August 2026**

Planning Department,  
Sligo County Council,  
County Hall,  
Riverside,  
County Sligo  
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**RE: Lissinagroagh Grid Connection Route and Substation – Strategic Infrastructure Development under S.182A of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended in relation to a proposed Grid Connection Route ('GCR') and Permanent on-site 110 kV Substation at County Leitrim and County Sligo**

Dear Sir/Madam,

On behalf of our client FuturEnergy Lissinagroagh Designated Activity Company (hereafter referred to as the Applicant), please find enclosed a planning application for the proposed construction of a Grid Connection Route ('GCR') and permanent on-site 110 kV substation associated with the previously submitted Lissinagroagh Wind Farm which was submitted to An Coimisiún Pleanála in May 2026 (Ref. ACP-324290-26). The term 'on-site' refers to the location of the proposed substation, which is situated within lands associated with the Lissinagroagh Wind Farm. The on-site substation forms part of this planning application.

The proposed permanent on-site 110 kV Substation is located in the townland of Faughary, Co. Leitrim, and the proposed GCR spans across the townlands of Curraghfore, Skreeny, Faughary, Amorset, Clooneen, Milltown, Cornastauk, Srabrick, Cloonaquin, Carrigeencor, Boihy, Aghameelta, Kilcoosy, Corrudda, Cleen, Tully, Killeen, Killanummery, Cleighran, Fawn, Drumahaire, Drumlease, and Carrowcrin, Co. Leitrim and Lavally, Drumeel, and Ballysumaghan, Co. Sligo.

This application is being made directly to An Coimisiún Pleanála as 'Strategic Infrastructure Development' (SID) under the provisions of Section 182A of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended. This position was confirmed by An Coimisiún Pleanála to the Applicant on 17<sup>th</sup> June 2026 following Pre-Application Consultation with An Coimisiún Pleanála (Case Number – ACP-323353-25). A copy of the noted correspondence is enclosed within the application form.

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A detailed description of the Proposed Development is set out in the enclosed public notices, and a complete description is set out in the application documents.

The Proposed Development for which consent is sought will comprise the following:

- A permanent 110 kV on-site electrical substation located on the proposed Lissinagroagh Wind Farm site (which is subject of a separate planning application lodged to An Coimisiún Pleanála on 14/05/2026 (ACP-324290-26)), including the following:
  - An EirGrid control building;
  - An Independent Power Producer (IPP) control building;
  - All electrical plant and infrastructure and grid ancillary services equipment;
  - A telecommunications mast (ranging up to 23m in height with 2.3m below ground level);
  - Car Parking spaces for up to 10 vehicles;
  - Lighting;
  - Security Fencing;
  - 2no. Wastewater holding tanks;
  - Rainwater harvesting equipment;
  - All associated infrastructure and services including site works and signage;
- A Grid Connection Route consisting of a 110 kV underground cable which is approximately 32 km in length (of which 30.6 km will be in the public road corridor), which will be installed from the 110 kV substation to the existing ESBN Srananagh Substation, Co. Sligo. The Grid Connection Route will also consist of the following works:
  - Eleven (11) bridge crossings, of which eight (8) will involve in-road HDD (Horizontal Directional Drill), two (2) will involve off-road HDD and one (1) will be a standard crossing within the bridge deck;
  - Eight (8) culvert crossings by open trenching; and
  - All related site works and ancillary development

The on-site Substation and Grid Connection Route subject of this planning application will remain permanent infrastructure and will form part of the national grid network.

The Proposed Development that is the subject of this application and the proposed development that is the subject of the Lissinagroagh Wind Farm application are functionally interdependent and constitute a single project for the purposes of Environmental Impact Assessment.

The proposed Lissinagroagh Wind Farm application seeks approval for a 14-turbine wind farm and all associated infrastructure, including a meteorological mast, 3 borrow pits, temporary construction compounds and works to facilitate a Turbine Delivery Route including a temporary road crossing and 7 no. permanent controlled access points.

The Proposed Project (which relates to both this application and the proposed Lissinagroagh Wind Farm) is likely to have significant effects on the environment of a Member State of the European Communities or other party to the Transboundary Convention (the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe Convention on Environmental Impact Assessment in a Transboundary Context, done at Espoo (Finland), on 25 February 1991) i.e. Northern Ireland, an area of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

Both this planning application and the Lissinagroagh Wind Farm application are accompanied by one Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR) and one Natura Impact Statement (NIS) prepared in respect of the construction and operation of the Proposed Project. The planning application, including the EIAR and NIS may be viewed on the following website: <https://lissinagroaghgridplanning.ie/>



## Supporting Documentation

The following documents are included in the application pack:

- Planning Application Documentation
  - Planning Application Form
    - Addendum 1: Schedule of Drawings & Confirmation of Drawing Scales
    - Addendum 2: Landowner Letters of Consent
    - Addendum 3: Statutory Undertaker Letter
    - Addendum 4: Letter of Notification of Transboundary Effects
    - Addendum 5: Details of consultations with An Coimisiún Pleanála including SID Determination
    - Addendum 6: Copies of Letters to Prescribed Bodies
    - Addendum 7: EIA Portal Confirmation
    - Addendum 8: Confirmation of payment of SID Planning Application Fee of €100,000.00
  - Site Notice
  - Newspaper Notices
  - Planning Cover Letter to Sligo County Council
  - Planning Cover Letter to Leitrim County Council
  - Planning Cover Letter to An Coimisiún Pleanála
- Planning Application Drawings
- Planning Statement

### **Supporting Documentation submitted as part of both this planning application and the Lissinagroagh Wind Farm application (ACP-324290-26):**

- Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR)
  - Volume 1- EIAR Non-Technical Summary (NTS)
  - Volume 2- EIAR Main Body
  - Volume 3- EIAR Appendices
  - Volume 4- Photomontages
- Appropriate Assessment Screening Report (AASR)
  - Please see AASR and associated appendices under 'Planning' heading on project website
- Natura Impact Statement
  - Please see NIS under 'Planning' heading on project website
- Water Framework Directive (WFD) Assessment Report (Appendix 8-1 of EIAR)

All elements of the Proposed Development, including the GCR, associated 110 kV underground cable and works required on public roads, have been considered and are assessed as part of the EIAR and NIS.

Please find enclosed a hard copy and electronic copies (USBs) of the planning application pack enclosed with this letter. An Coimisiún Pleanála and Leitrim County Council have also received copies of this application pack (as agreed with all of them in advance of planning application submission).

All prescribed bodies as identified are being provided with application documentation in a digital format via the website link and cover letter as agreed with all of them.

Any submissions or observations must be accompanied by a fee of €50 (except for certain prescribed bodies) and must be received by An Coimisiún Pleanála not later than 5.30pm on **16th October 2026** and must include the



following information: the name of the person making the submission or observation, the name of the person acting on his or her behalf, if any, and the address to which any correspondence relating to the application should be sent; the subject matter of the submission or observation, and the reasons, consideration and arguments on which the submission or observation is based in full (Article 217 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, as amended, refers).

As required by An Coimisiún Pleanála, you are hereby requested to keep this planning application available for public inspection/purchase in accordance with the terms of the public notice attached with this application. It is recommended that all of the application documentation will remain available for public inspection until a decision has been formally issued by An Coimisiún Pleanála.

I trust that you have all the information you require in relation to this planning application. If, however, you have any queries or wish to discuss any matter in detail, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,



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