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Dear Mr. Green,

Further to our correspondence regarding Meenbog Wind Farm in Co. Donegal and the query as to why it cannot connect to the existing overhead line that passes through Barnesmore Gap in Co. Donegal I have set out some details below.

Firstly, for the benefit of third parties who may be privy to this letter Ionic Consulting Ltd (formerly Wind Prospect) are a renewables consulting company with considerable experience in connecting Irish renewables projects, this year we celebrated the milestone of being engaged as Owners Engineer for over 1000MW of completed renewables projects. We are assisting Planree Ltd. in the development of the Meenbog Wind Farm (EirGrid reference P133E)

The method of connection for Meenbog wind farm is determined by EirGrid as Transmission System Operator and the wind farm's contracted connecting partner. In this regard the developer must comply with EirGrid requirements and specifications as they are the operator of the transmission grid, and it is they that will take the grid connection in charge once completed.

EirGrid is required by the CRU (Commission for Regulation of Utilities) to identify the Least Cost Chargeable (LCC) connection for proposed larger generation facilities such as Meenbog Wind Farm. The LCC is the most cost effective technically acceptable way of physically connecting to the transmission system.

Meenbog wind farm can therefore only connect directly to the existing Barnesmore Gap overhead line infrastructure if it was offered by EirGrid within its connection agreement contract.

The LCC for Meenbog Wind Farm does not include an option for connecting to existing overhead line as it is our understanding that there are capacity limitations on this overhead line which restrict the addition of the proposed Meenbog generation.

EirGrid has determined that the LCC for Meenbog Wind Farm is the proposed underground cable from the existing Clogher 110kV Station to the proposed Meenbog site. This is set out in Meenbog's connection agreement contract.

Yours faithfully,



Snr Project Manager
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