

The Secretary,
An Bord Pleanála,
64 Marlborough Street,
Dublin 1.

5th March 2020

Dear Sir / Madam,

RE: PLANNING APPLICATION FOR PROPOSED DOUBLE CIRCUIT 220KV TRANSMISSION LINE AND A 220KV GAS INSULATED SWITCHGEAR (GIS) SUBSTATION

1.1 On behalf the applicant, Amazon Data Services Ireland Ltd. (ADSIL), and further to a determination received from An Bord Pleanála (see Appendix 1) confirming the proposed development constitutes Strategic Infrastructure Development (SID) pursuant to Section 182A of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended), we hereby submit this planning application in respect of the provision of a double circuit 220kV transmission line and a 220kV Gas Insulated Switchgear (GIS) substation along with associated and ancillary works.

1.2 The following documentation accompanies this SID planning application:

- 3 no. copies of the planning application form including attachments;
- 3 no. copies of the letters of consent;
- 3 no. copies of the site notice¹;
- 3 no. original copies of newspaper notices (Daily Mail and the Irish Examiner);
- 3 no. copies of this cover letter
- 7 no. electronic copies provided on CD ROM;
- Application Fee of €100,000;
- 3 no. copies of Planning Report prepared by John Spain Associates;
- 3 no. copies of Engineering Drawings and Schedule prepared by Clifton Scannell Emerson Associates (CSEA);
- 3 no. copies of an Outline Construction and Environmental Management Plan prepared by CSEA;
- 3 no. copies of an Engineering Services Report prepared by CSEA;
- 3 no. copies of Architectural Drawings, Schedule of Drawings prepared by MCA Architects.

¹ The site notice is on a yellow background, as part of the application site has been subject to a valid planning application (Reg. Ref.: FW19A/0177) lodged less than 6 months ago.

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- 1.3 The application is also accompanied by 3 no. copies of an Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR) and a Non-Technical Summary prepared by AWN. The EIAR includes a Screening Report for Appropriate Assessment prepared by Moore Group as Appendix 7.1. The EIAR comprises of the following chapters:
- Chapter 1: Introduction
 - Chapter 2: Description of the Proposed Development
 - Chapter 3: Alternatives
 - Chapter 4: Population and Human Health
 - Chapter 5: Land, Soils Geology & Hydrogeology
 - Chapter 6: Hydrology
 - Chapter 7: Biodiversity
 - Chapter 8: Air Quality
 - Chapter 9: Noise and Vibration
 - Chapter 10: Landscape and Visual
 - Chapter 11: Archaeological, Architectural and Cultural Heritage
 - Chapter 12: Traffic and Transportation
 - Chapter 13: Material Assets
 - Chapter 14: Waste Management
 - Chapter 15: Cumulative Impacts
 - Chapter 16: Interactions – Interrelationship between the Aspects
 - Non-Technical Summary
- 1.4 The planning application, the Environmental Impact Assessment Report and Natura Impact Assessment has been made available for inspection at the following locations:
- The Offices of An Bord Pleanála, 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1.
 - Fingal County Council, County Hall, Main Street, Swords, County Dublin.
- 1.5 The application may also be viewed/downloaded on the following website: www.cruiserathcorduffsid.com.
- 1.6 The public notices were published and erected on the **5th of March 2020** and which advise that the application will be available for viewing for a period of seven weeks commencing on **16th of March, 2020** and that submissions / observations must be made in writing directly to An Bord Pleanála (at An Bord Pleanála, 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1) not later than 5:30 pm on the **5th of May 2020**.
- 1.7 5 no hard copies and 2 no. electronic copies have been lodged on the **5th of March 2020** with the relevant planning authority, Fingal County Council, who were also named in the list of prescribed bodies provided by the Board.
- 1.8 In accordance with the Board's determination on the pre-application consultations in respect of the proposed development, copies of the application and notification have been sent to the prescribed bodies listed below on the **5th of March 2020**.
- Fingal County Council (Planning Authority)
 - Minister for Housing, Planning, and Local Government
 - Minister for Communications, Climate Action and the Environment

- Department of Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht
- Transport Infrastructure Ireland
- An Comhairle Ealaíon (The Arts Council)
- Fáilte Ireland
- An Taisce
- The Heritage Council
- The Commission for Regulation of Utilities, Water, and Energy
- Health Service Executive
- Irish Water

1.9 As an EIAR is submitted as part of this application, the application has been registered on the Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government's EIA Portal. A copy of the EIA Portal confirmation is attached as Appendix 2 of this cover letter. The EIA Portal ID number for this application is **2020036**.

1.10 In accordance with the requirements of the SID application form, a .dwg file with the application site boundary georeferenced using the ITM system is provided within the soft copies of the application herewith.

1.10 If you require any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours faithfully,



John Spain Associates

APPENDIX 1: AN BORD PLEANALA DETERMINATION



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Board Direction
BD-003777-19
ABP-301430-18

At a meeting held on 14/08/2019, the Board considered the report of the Planning Inspector, as well as the documents and submissions on file, in relation to the proposed development, consisting of a 220kV Gas Insulated Switchgear (GIS) substation and underground double circuit transmission line on lands off Cruiserath Road, Dublin 15 and cablebays in the 110kV/220kV Corduff substation.

The Board determined, in accordance with the Inspector's reasoning and recommendation, that the proposed development, as set out in the plans and particulars received by An Bord Pleanála on the 13th day of April, 2018, as amended by the plans and particulars received by An Bord Pleanála on the 22nd day of July, 2019, falls within the scope of section 182A of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, and that a planning application should be made directly to the Board.

Board Member:

Dave Walsh

Date: 14/08/2019

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Appendix 1

The following is a schedule of prescribed bodies considered relevant in this instance for the purposes of Section 182A(4)(b) of the Act.

- Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government
- Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment
- Department of Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht
- Fingal County Council
- Transport Infrastructure Ireland
- An Taisce
- Heritage Council
- Commission for Regulation of Utilities, Water and Energy
- Health Service Executive

APPENDIX 2: CONFIRMATION FROM EIA PORTAL


EIA Portal Confirmation Notice Portal ID 2020036...



EIAportal <EIAportal@housing.gov.ie>

To Luke Wymer

Fri 28/02

 Follow up. Start by Friday 28 February 2020. Due by Friday 28 February 2020.

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An EIA Portal notification was received on 28/02/2020 in respect of this proposed application. The information provided has been uploaded to the EIA Portal on 28/02/2020 under EIA Portal ID number **2020036** and is available to view at

<http://housinggovie.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=d7d5a3d48f104ecbb206e7e5f84b71f1>.

Portal ID: 2020036

Competent Authority: An Bord Pleanála

Applicant Name: Amazon Data Services Ireland Ltd

Location: Townlands of Cruiserath, Co. Dublin, Goddamendy, Co. Dublin, and Bay, Co. Dublin

Description: 220 kV gas insulated switchgear substation and 220kV electricity transmission line.

Linear Development: yes

Date Uploaded to Portal: 28/02/2020

Morgan O Reilly

EIA Portal team

An Roinn Tithíochta, Pleanála agus Rialtais Áitiúil
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