

# Celtic Interconnector

# Volume 1A Statutory Particulars

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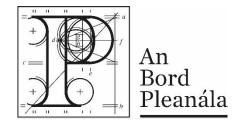
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# Application Form for Permission / Approval in respect of a Strategic Infrastructure Development

1.

Please specify the statutory provision under which your application is being made:	Section 182A of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended
application is being made.	

# 2. Applicant:

Name of Applicant:	EirGrid plc	
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# 3. Where Applicant is a company (registered under the Companies Acts):

Name(s) of company director(s):	Michael Hand, Liam O'Halloran, Shane Brennan, Lynne Crowther, John Trethowan, Eileen Maher, Theresa Donaldson, Mark Foley, Tom Coughlan, Brendan Tuohy
Registered Address (of company)	EirGrid plc, The Oval, 160 Shelbourne Road, Ballsbridge, Dublin 4, D04 FW28
Company Registration No.	338522
Telephone No.	+353 (0)1 677 1700
Email Address (if any)	celticinterconnector@eirgrid.com

# 4. Person / Agent acting on behalf of the Applicant (if any):

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	Dublin 16,
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Should all correspondence be sent to the above address? (Please tick appropriate box)
(Please note that if the answer is "No", all correspondence will be sent to the Applicant's address)
Yes: [ ] No:[✓]

Contact Name and Contact Details (Phone number) for arranging entry on site if required / appropriate:

Des Cox, Consents and Planning Lead, Celtic Interconnector Project

+353 (0)1 2370709

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Details all plans / drawings submitted – title of drawings / plans, scale and no. of copies submitted. This can be submitted as a separate schedule with the application form.

Please refer to Schedule 8: Schedule of Planning Drawings attached to this application form.

### 6. Site:

Site Address / Location of the Proposed Development (as may best identify the land or structure in question) The proposed development, the subject of the application for approval, will be located within the following townlands in County Cork: Aghaduff, Ballindinis, Ballyadam, Ballycarnane, Ballyedekin, Ballvedmond, Ballvhobert, Ballvmakeagh More, Ballynakilla, Ballynanelagh, Ballyrichard Beg, Ballyrichard More, Ballyspillane East, Ballyspillane West, Ballyvergan East, Ballyvergan West, Ballyvorisheen, Broomfield West, Burges Lower, Caherultan, Carrigane, Carrigogna, Castlemartyr, Churchtown, Clasharinka, Clashduff, Claycastle, Coolaha, Curragh, Curragrine, Dooneen, Dysart, Garranes, Gortacrue, Gortagousta, Gortago. Gortnahomna Beg, Gortnahomna More, Gortnamucky, Grange, Inchiquin, Kennel, Killamucky, Killeagh, Killeena, Knockane, Knockmonalea East, Knockmonalea West, Knocknaskagh, Lagile, Lisglasheen, Lismalaghlin, Lissacrue, Longstown, Loughaderry, Moanlahan, Mountbell, Pigeonhill, Poulaniska, Roxborough, Stumphill, Summerfield, Water-Rock and Woodstock.

A connection to the Irish National grid will be located within the existing Knockraha substation in the townland of Ballynanelagh. A temporary construction compound will be located in proximity to Knockraha substation in the townland of Killeena.

An electricity converter station and temporary construction compound will be located in the townland of Ballyadam, East of Carrigtwohill.

A submarine cable will be installed in the townland of Summerfield at Claycastle Beach including a temporary construction compound.

High Voltage Direct Current (HVDC) underground cables, and associated laydown areas and passing bays and joint bays and link boxes and water, rail and utility crossings, will be located between the Mean HWM at Claycastle Beach and the converter station compound at Ballyadam.

High Voltage Alternating Current (HVAC) underground cables and associated laydown areas and passing bays and joint bays and link boxes and water, rail and utility crossings will be located between the proposed converter station compound at Ballyadam and the connection point to the grid (at the existing Knockraha substation).

Ordnance Survey Map Ref No. (and the Grid Reference where available) OS Map Reference No.'s:

OS Mapping Reference (Discovery) 1:50,000:

OS1606, OS1608, OS1806, OS1808, OS2006,

# OS2008 OS Mapping Reference (Discovery) 1:2,500: OS6293, OS6294, OS6295, OS6296, OS6299, OS6300, OS6301, OS6341, OS6342, OS6343, OS6344, OS6345, OS6346, OS6347, OS6348 Where available, please provide the application site boundary, as shown in the submitted plans / drawings, as an ESRI shapefile in the Irish Transverse Mercator (ITM IRENET95) co-ordinate reference system. Alternatively, a CAD file in .dwg format, with all geometry referenced to ITM, may be provided. Area of site to which the application relates in hectares The overall planning application site area is approximately 141ha. The majority of this comprises underground cable routes. The area of the proposed converter station is approximately 3.5ha. Connection Point: Site zoning in current Development Plan for the area: None HVAC underground Cable Route: None Converter Station Compound: Industry (CT-I-03) **HVDC Underground Cable Route:** Primarily none, Greenbelt1 (YL-GB1-1) and Business (B-01) Transition Joint Bay / Temporary

# None Existing use of the site & proposed use of the site: Connection Point (Existing Knockraha substation) Existing Use: Electricity Transmission and associated Infrastructure Proposed Use: Electricity

Beach:

Construction Compound Area at Claycastle

Transmission and associated Infrastructure HVAC / HVDC Underground Cable Route: Existing Use: Roads and Agriculture Proposed Use: Roads and Agriculture with underground Electricity Transmission and associated Infrastructure Converter Station Compound Industrial Development Authority (IDA) site: Zoned for Industry: • Existing Use: Brownfield Industrial Development Authority (IDA) site Proposed Use: Electricity Transmission and associated Infrastructure Transition Joint Bay / Temporary Construction Compound Area at Claycastle Beach: Existing Use: Recreational Area and Car Park Proposed Use: Recreational Area and Car Park with Electricity Transmission and associated Infrastructure Other Temporary Construction Compounds, Laydown Areas and Passing Bays: Existing Use: Agriculture use and brownfield sites that currently have a redundant use (e.g. areas that were previously used as a construction compound) Proposed Use: Temporary Construction Compounds, Laydown Areas and Passing Bays Name of the Planning Authority(s) Cork County Council in whose functional area the site is situated:

# 7. Legal Interest of Applicant in respect of the site the subject of the application:

Please tick appropriate box to show applicant's legal interest in	Owner	Occupier
the land or structure:	Other ✓	

Where legal interest is "Other", please expand further on your interest in the land or structure.

EirGrid plc is the licensed Transmission System Operator for Ireland pursuant to the provisions of the Electricity Regulation Act, 1999. Pursuant to the provisions of S.I. No 445/2000, EirGrid plc has the exclusive function to operate and ensure the maintenance of and, if necessary, develop a safe, secure, reliable, economical and efficient electricity transmission system, and to explore and develop opportunities for interconnection of its system with other systems.

EirGrid is separately applying to the Commission for the Regulation of Utilities (CRU) under Sections 16, 48 and 49 of the Electricity Regulation Act 1999 (as amended), for authorisation to construct the proposed interconnector and consent to exercise the powers conferred on the ESB under Section 51, Section 52(1), Section 53(1) to (5) and (9) of the Electricity (Supply) Act 1927.

If you are not the legal owner, please state the name and address of the owner and supply a letter from the owner of consent to make the application as listed in the accompanying documentation.

The proposed development will primarily be constructed by EirGrid, subject to and in accordance with the authorisation and consent of the CRU, referenced above, pursuant to statutory powers. Notwithstanding this, the following are enclosed with this application:

**Connection Point (Existing Knockraha substation):** The owner of the existing substation at Knockraha is the Electricity Supply Board (ESB). A letter of consent to the making of the application from the ESB of Leopardstown Road, Foxrock, Dublin 18 is included in Schedule 2 attached to this Application Form.

Converter Station Compound (within the townland of Ballyadam): The current owner of the proposed converter station site compound is the Industrial Development Authority (IDA). A letter of consent to the making of the application from the IDA of Athlone Business and Technology Park, Dublin Road, Athlone, County Westmeath is included in Schedule 2 attached to this Application Form.

**Railway crossings:** The owner of the existing Cork to Midleton operational railway line, and Midleton to Youghal disused railway line that is crossed at 4 locations by the underground cable is CIE. A letter of consent to the making of the application from CIE of Limerick Junction Station, County Tipperary is included in Schedule 2 attached to this Application Form.

HVAC and HVDC cables, Transition Joint Bay / Temporary Construction Compound Area at Claycastle Beach: The owner of this proposed area is Cork County Council. A letter of consent to the making of the application from the Divisional Manager of the Southern Division of Cork County Council is included in Schedule 2 attached to this Application Form.

Does the applicant own or have a beneficial interest in adjoining, abutting or adjacent lands? If so, identify the lands and state the interest.

No

# 8. Site History:

Details regarding site history (if known):
Has the site in question ever, to your knowledge, been flooded?
Connection Point (Existing Knockraha Substation)
Yes: [] No: [ ✓ ]
Converter Station Compound (within the townland of Ballyadam):
Yes: [] No: [✓]
Transition Joint Bay / Temporary Construction Compound Area at Claycastle Beach:
Yes: [ ] No: [✓]
HVAC / HVDC Underground Cable Route, Temporary Construction Compounds, Laydown Areas and Passing Bays:
Yes: [✓] No: [ ]
If yes, please give details e.g. year, extent:
Some minor localised flooding may have occurred in particular locations along the N25 in the past.
A flood risk assessment is included in Volume 3C Part 2 of this application.
Are you aware of previous uses of the site e.g. dumping or quarrying?
Yes: [ ] No:[✓]
If yes, please give details:
Notwithstanding the answer above, the proposed converter station compound site at Ballyadam was formerly intended for the location of the Amgen biotechnology manufacturing facility. Following previous grant of consent for this facility, the site was prepared for development. Extensive clearance of surface vegetation was carried out and substantial earthworks were undertaken. Stone / gravel was imported for roads and hardstand areas. The

preparatory site works were abandoned in ca. 2009 / 2010, and since then the site has remained undeveloped. Prior to 2007, the site was in agricultural use.

Are you aware of any valid planning applications previously made in respect of this land / structure?				
Yes: [ ✓ ] No: [	]			
If yes, please state and details of app	te planning register reference nu plications	ımber(s) of same if known		
Development		Nature of Final Decision of Application Grant of Refusal by Planning Authority / An Bord Pleanála		
Connection Point	(Existing Knockraha Substation	)		
136402	Extension of the existing 220 kV substation busbar in an easterly direction by approximately 109m	Planning Consent was granted by Cork County Council on 30 September 2014		
Converter Station	Compound (within the townland	of Ballyadam)		
0613225 / PL04 .222364	Site development works to facilitate the future construction of biotechnology manufacturing facility	Planning consent was granted by An Bord Pleanála, on appeal, on 17 July 2007		
068669	Erection of 2 no. steel masts to facilitate the retirement of portion of overhead line	Planning consent was granted on 30 August 2006		
0610555	Construction of enclosed 110kV indoor substation and boundary fence	Planning consent was granted on 7 November 2006		
Laydown Areas a	derground Cable Route, Tempora nd Passing Bays (please note the able route and other areas)			
058197	Construction of a bird watching pond & viewing area	Planning consent was granted on 4 June 2006		
088199	Residential development of 10 no. detached dwelling houses and 6 no. semi-detached dwelling houses and associated site works and services	Planning consent was granted on 12 March 2009		
186770	To construct a dwelling house, connect to foul sewer, public water and ancillary site works	Planning consent was granted on 5 March 2019		
189862	The construction of a new two storey dwelling house and domestic garage, vehicular access from public road, domestic waste water treatment system and all ancillary site works.	Planning consent was granted on 14 August 2017		

185550	The construction of a single storey side extension, new gable window in existing cottage, internal alterations to existing cottage, demolish existing front porch and replace existing external door with a new window along with and all associated site work  Single storey extension to front	Planning consent was granted on 8 August 2018  Planning consent was granted
	of dwelling and two-storey extension to rear of dwelling, along with elevational changes to front and rear of dwelling, and associated site works	on 21 July 2016
196709	Construct a dwelling house, installation of a new wastewater treatment unit and percolation area and alterations to existing vehicular entrance and all associated site works	Planning consent was granted on 15 January 2020
206856	Construction of a dwelling, garage, wastewater treatment unit, percolation area, well and associated site works.	Planning consent was granted on 27 April 2021
214364	Demolition of single storey extension and construction of new two-storey extension to rear and side of existing single-storey dwelling house, alteration to existing dwelling comprising increased ridge height and all ancillary works	Planning consent was granted on 9 April 2021
214712	1) The construction of a single storey extension to an existing dwelling, 2) A new vehicular access to the site from the public road and to block up the existing access off a right-of-way laneway, 3) Permission for retention of elevational alterations to the existing dwelling, 4) Permission for retention of a detached domestic use garage on the site.	Planning consent was granted on 17 May 2021
214243	The construction of a new part single storey, part two storey, detached dwelling including an attached single storey garage, a new site entrance, all associated site works, a new waste water treatment unit and percolation area and associated landscaping	Planning consent was granted on 24 May 2021

To erect a new 2 storey dwelling house, with a single storey annex, as a replacement dwelling for the existing habitable dwelling for the site (Eircode T56 X065), for permission to install a new onsite sewage treatment unit, construct a new main entrance to the site from the local road L-2966-0, and for all associated site development works.  215174 To construct two storey dwelling house with site entrance, driveway and domestic effluent treatment plant together with all associated site development works.  215076 Permission for retention of the following: 1) the change of use of an existing house to storage and facilities ancillarly to the existing shop/restaurant; 2) extension to former house to allow for extra storage space and service area; 3) construction of a lobby to front elevation; 4) modifications to external elevation; 5) erection of floodlights and bollards; and 6) all associated site development works.  Transition Joint Bay / Temporary Construction Compound Area at Claycastle Beach:  None  If a valid planning application has been made in respect of this land or structure in the 6 months prior to the submission of this application, then any required site notice must be on a yellow background in accordance with Article 19(4) of the Planning and Development regulations 2001 as amended.  Is the site of the proposal subject to a current appeal to An Bord Pleanála in respect of a similar development?  Yes: [ ] No:[/]  If yes please specify  An Bord Pleanála Reference No.: Not Applicable					
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An Bord Pleanála Reference No.: Not Applicable	If yes please specify				
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# 9. Description of the Proposed Development:

Brief description of nature and extent of development The overall electricity transmission interconnector (the 'Celtic Interconnector'), approximately 575km in length, will link the existing electricity transmission networks of Ireland and France. The Celtic Interconnector has been designated as a Project of Common Interest (PCI) pursuant to the provisions of Regulation (EU) No. 347/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 April 2013 on guidelines for trans-European energy infrastructure.

The proposed development, the subject of the application for approval, will be located within the following townlands in County Cork: Aghaduff, Ballindinis, Ballyadam, Ballycarnane, Ballyedekin, Ballyedmond, Ballyhobert, Ballymakeagh More, Ballynakilla, Ballynanelagh, Ballyrichard Beg, Ballyrichard More, Ballyspillane East, Ballyspillane West, Ballyvergan East, Ballyvergan West, Ballyvorisheen, Broomfield West, Burges Lower, Caherultan, Carrigane, Carrigogna, Castlemartyr, Churchtown, Clasharinka, Clashduff, Claycastle, Coolaha, Curragh, Curragrine, Dooneen, Dysart, Garranes, Gortacrue, Gortagousta, Gortaroo, Gortnahomna Beg, Gortnahomna More, Gortnamucky, Grange, Inchiquin, Kennel, Killamucky, Killeagh, Killeena, Knockane, Knockmonalea East, Knockmonalea West, Knocknaskagh, Lagile, Lisglasheen, Lismalaghlin, Lissacrue, Longstown, Loughaderry, Moanlahan, Mountbell, Pigeonhill, Poulaniska, Roxborough, Stumphill, Summerfield, Water-Rock and Woodstock.

The proposed development, the subject of the application for approval, consists of the following principal elements:

- A. A connection to the Irish National grid within the existing Knockraha substation in the townland of Ballynanelagh. The new equipment, with a combined area of approximately 2ha, will be accommodated within the existing fence line of Knockraha substation and will comprise the following:
  - i. 400 kV and 220 kV Air Insulated Switchgear (AIS) equipment.
  - ii. Four 400 / 220 kV transformers (three operational and one spare).
  - iii. Five lightning protection poles of approximately 20m in height.
  - iv. A control and protection cabin of approximately 30sq.m and approximately 2.5m in height.
- B. An electricity converter station in the townland of Ballyadam, East of Carrigtwohill on a site at approximately 18m OD within a compound of approximately 3.5ha comprising:

Converter station compound

 A converter station building, with a combined gross floor area of approximately 4,840sq.m and extending in height to approximately

- 25m.
- ii. A converter station control building, with a combined gross floor area of approximately 700sq.m and extending in height to approximately 8.5m.
- iii. A storage building, with a combined gross floor area of approximately 600sq.m and extending in height to approximately 8.5m.
- iv. A chilled water cooling area of approximately 375sq.m and extending in height to approximately 6.5m.
- v. A harmonic filter compound extending in height to approximately 11m.
- vi. 400 kV AIS equipment and transformers extending in height to approximately 12m.
- vii. An emergency generator.

### 400 kV substation compound

- viii. A 400 kV control building, with a combined gross floor area of approximately 375sq.m and extending in height to approximately 7.2m.
- ix. 400 kV AIS equipment extending in height to approximately 13m.
- x. A shunt reactor compound comprising six structures (all extending in height to approximately 10m).

### Combined common items in both compounds

- xi. Fourteen lightning protection poles extending in height to approximately 25m.
- xii. A security hut of approximately 50sq.m, extending in height to approximately 6m.
- xiii. 1.4m high property fence and gates.
- xiv. 2.6m high palisade security fence / gates with approximately 0.9m high anti-climbing devices.
- xv. All associated landscaping.
- xvi. Internal access road of approximately 475m in length and 5m in width.
- xvii. A car parking area for up to 18 cars.
- xviii. All other associated site development works including surface water and water supply infrastructure including a compensatory storage area and attenuation tanks required to facilitate the development.

An existing building of approximately 72sq.m and approximately 4m in height will be removed to facilitate the proposed converter station.

C. Installation of a Transition Joint Bay (TJB) of a total area of approximately 60sq.m at the proposed landfall point at Claycastle Beach in Youghal in the townland of Summerfield where the proposed High Voltage Direct Current (HVDC) underground cables will connect with the proposed submarine cables (the subject of a separate application for a Foreshore

- Licence which will be made under the Foreshore Act 1933, as amended). The proposed development includes approximately 2m of the overall proposed submarine cable.
- D. Installation of HVDC underground cables, approximately 32km in length, connecting the landfall point at Claycastle Beach and the converter station compound at Ballyadam. The cables will generally be laid in a trench of approximately 0.8m in width and 1.3m in depth. The proposed installation of the cables will require associated joint bays and link boxes, temporary laydown areas, passing bays and water, rail and utility crossings using either Horizontal Directional Drilling (HDD) or open cut techniques.
- E. Installation of High Voltage Alternating Current (HVAC) underground cables, approximately 11km in length, connecting the proposed converter station compound at Ballyadam and the connection point to the grid (at the existing Knockraha substation). The cables will generally be laid in a trench of approximately 0.8m in width and 1.5m in depth and associated joint bays and link boxes, temporary laydown areas, passing bays and water, rail and utility crossings using either HDD or open cut techniques.
- F. Installation of fibre optic, telecommunication and other associated cabling all carried in underground ducts within the proposed HVDC and HVAC trenches.
- G. Associated temporary construction compounds on sites up to approximately 1.5ha, including associated site works and associated ancillary staff facilities and parking in the townlands of Killeena, Ballyadam and Summerfield.
- H. Associated temporary construction laydown areas on sites of approximately 0.7ha each, including associated site works and parking in the townlands of Ballyadam, Ballyedekin, Ballyrichard More, Broomfield West, Gortnahomna Beg and Gortnahomna More.
- All associated and ancillary above and below ground development including works comprising or relating to construction works, roadworks, excavation (including HDD) and vegetation clearance.

10. In the case of mixed development (e.g. residential, commercial, industrial, etc.), please provide breakdown of the different classes of development and a breakdown of the gross floor area of each class of development:

Class of Development:	Gross Floor Area in m <sup>2</sup>
Not Applicable	Not Applicable

# 11. Where the application relates to a building or buildings:

Gross floor space of any existing buildings(s) in m <sup>2</sup>	An existing building approximately 72sq.m at proposed converter station site (Ballyadam)
Gross floor space of proposed works in m <sup>2</sup>	<ul> <li>Gross Floor Space of the Proposed Electricity Converter Station (Ballyadam) is comprised of:</li> <li>A proposed converter station building of approximately 4,840sq.m</li> <li>A proposed control building of approximately 700s.qm</li> <li>400 kV control building of approximately 375sq.m</li> <li>A proposed storage building of approximately 600sq.m</li> <li>A proposed security hut of approximately 50sq.m</li> </ul>
	Combined Gross Floor Space of Proposed Electricity Converter Station is approximately 6,565sq.m
Gross floor space of work to be retained in m <sup>2</sup> (if appropriate)	Not Applicable
Gross floor space of any demolition in m <sup>2</sup> (if appropriate)	A building of approximately 72sq.m

# 12. In the case of residential development please provide breakdown of residential mix: Not Applicable

Number of	Studio	1 Bed	2 Bed	3 Bed	4 Bed	4 + Bed	Total
Houses							

Apartments							
Number of car-parking spaces to be provided		Exis	ting:	Pr	oposed:	Total:	

# 13. Social Housing:

Please tick appropriate box:	Yes	No
Is the application an application for permission		
for development to which Part V of the Planning		<b>✓</b>
and Development Act 2000 applies?		·

If the answer to the above question is "yes" and the development is not exempt (see below), you must provide, as part of your application, details as to how you propose to comply with section 96 of Part V of the Act.

If the answer to the above question is "yes" but you consider the development to be exempt by virtue of section 97 of the Planning and Development Act 2000, a copy of the Certificate of Exemption under section 97 must be submitted (or, where an application for a certificate of exemption has been made but has not yet been decided, a copy of the application should be submitted).

If the answer to the above question is "no" by virtue of section 96 (13) of the Planning and Development Act 2000, details indicating the basis on which section 96 (13) is considered to apply to the development should be submitted.

14. Where the application refers to a material change of use of any land or structure or the retention of such a material change of use:

Existing use (or previous use where retention permission is sought)

Converter Station Compound (IDA lands at Ballyadam): Zoned for Industry:

Existing Use: Brownfield IDA site

Proposed use (or use it is proposed to retain)

Converter Station Compound (IDA lands at Ballyadam): Zoned for Industry:

Proposed Use: Electricity Transmission and associated Infrastructure

Nature and extent of any such proposed use (or use it is proposed to retain).

Please refer to Section 9 Description of the Development

# 15. Development Details:

Please tick appropriate	If answer is yes please	YES	NO	
box:	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •			
Does the proposed development involve the demolition of a Protected Structure(s), in whole or in part?			<b>√</b>	
Does the proposed development consist of work to a protected structure and / or its curtilage or proposed protected structure and / or its curtilage?			<b>✓</b>	
Does the proposed development exterior of a structure which is architectural conservation are	is located within an		<b>√</b>	
Does the application relate to affects or is close to a monur under section 12 of the Natio (Amendment) Act, 1994.	ment or place recorded	<b>√</b>		
Does the application relate to European Site or a Natural H			<b>√</b>	
Does the development require the preparation of a Natura Impact Statement?				
Does the proposed developm of an Environmental Impact A	<b>✓</b>			
Do you consider that the properto have significant effects on transboundary state?	<b>√</b>			
Does the application relate to comprises or is for the purpo an integrated pollution preven		<b>✓</b>		
Does the application relate to a development which comprises or is for the purpose of an activity requiring a waste license?			<b>√</b>	
Do the Major Accident Regulations apply to the proposed development?			<b>√</b>	
Does the application relate to Strategic Development Zone		<b>√</b>		
Does the proposed developm of any habitable house?		<b>√</b>		

# 16. Services:

Proposed Source of Water Supply:
Converter Station Compound (at Ballyadam):
Existing connection: [ ] New Connection: [✓]
Public Mains: [✓] Group Water Scheme: [] Private Well:[]
Other (please specify):
Not Applicable
Name of Group Water Scheme (where applicable):
Not Applicable
Proposed Wastewater Management / Treatment:
Converter Station Compound (at Ballyadam):
Existing: [ ] New:[✓]
Public Sewer: [ ] Conventional septic tank system: [ ]
Other on site treatment system: [✓] Please Specify:
Proprietary holding tanks (periodically emptied)
Proposed Surface Water Disposal:
Connection Point (Existing Knockraha substation) Public Sewer Drain:[] Soakpit:[✓]
Proposals will connect into the existing drainage system
Converter Station Compound (at Ballyadam): Public Sewer :[✓]/ Drain:[] Soakpit
Watercourse: [] Other: [] Please specify:

### 17. Notices:

Details of public newspaper notice – paper(s) and date of publication

Copy of page(s) of relevant newspaper enclosed Yes: [✓] No:[]

Irish Examiner: Friday 2 July 2021 The Echo: Friday 2 July 2021

Details of site notice, if any, - location and date of erection

Copy of site notice enclosed Yes: [✓] No:[ ]

A copy of the Site Notice is contained in Schedule 3.

Five copies of the Site Notice (2 No. A3 sized pages per notice) were erected on at key locations on the site on 8 July 2021. The location of the site notices is set out on the following drawings:

- 1. 229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-1101
- 2. 229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-1108
- 3. 229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-1130

Details of other forms of public notification, if appropriate e.g. website

www.eirgridcelticinterconnector.ie (the standalone website for the application)

The public will also be notified by way of a public brochure and information on the project website @ www.eirgridgroup.com, as well as other social media.

Schedule 7 accompanying this Application Form includes confirmation notice in relation to the EIA Portal where an EIAR accompanies the application.

### 18. Pre-application Consultation:

## Date(s) of statutory pre-application consultations with An Bord Pleanála

ABP-302725-18

- 7 March 2019
- 29 April 2019
- 13 September 2019
- 8 September 2020
- 3 November 2020
- 23 February 2021
- 15 April 2021

Schedule of any other pre application consultations –name of person / body and date of consultation to be provided as appropriate and also details of any general public consultations i.e. methods, dates, venues etc. This can be submitted as a separate schedule with the application form.

Enclosed:

Yes: [✓] No:[ ]

Please refer to Schedule 5 for details of engagement with prescribed bodies and Volume 2B Public and Landowner Consultation Report for details of general public consultations including methods, dates, venues etc.

Schedule of prescribed bodies to whom notification of the making of the application has been sent and a sample copy of such notification.

Enclosed:

Yes: [✓] No:[ ]

Please refer to Schedule 6 accompanying this Application Form which identifies the prescribed bodies to whom notification of the making of the application has been sent and copies of the letters notifying them of the making of the application.

### 19. Confirmation Notice:

# **Copy of Confirmation Notice**

Attach a copy of the confirmation notice in relation to the EIA Portal where an EIAR accompanies the application.

Please refer to Schedule 7 accompanying this Application Form

# 20. Application Fee:

	€100,000
Fee Payable	

I hereby declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the information given in this form is correct and accurate and that the application documents being deposited at the planning authority offices, and any other location specified by the Board in pre application consultations, including a website (if any) will be identical to the application documents being deposited with the Board.

Signed: (Applicant or Agent as appropriate)	Seon Cox
	Des Cox, for EirGrid plc (Applicant)
Date:	8 July 2021

### **General Guidance Note:**

The range and format of material required to be compiled / submitted with any application in respect of a proposed strategic infrastructure development shall generally accord with the requirements for a planning application as set out in the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001 to 2018 and those Regulations should therefore be consulted prior to submission of any application.

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1st March, 2021

Re: Celtic Interconnector Project

Dear Sir/Madam,

Cork County Council as owner and/or manager of the lands at Claycastle Beach that include folio No. CK72998F acknowledges that EirGrid plc has the exclusive function to operate and ensure the maintenance of and, if necessary, develop a safe, secure, reliable, economical and efficient electricity transmission system, and to explore and develop opportunities for interconnection of its system with other systems pursuant to the provisions of the Electricity Regulation Act, 1999 and S.I. No 445/2000.

Consequently we hereby consent to the planning application by Eirgrid plc under Section 182A of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) for the proposed development of the Celtic Interconnector Project (An Bord Pleanála Project of Common Interest Ref. No. PCI0003) in so far as it relates to lands in the ownership and/or management control of Cork County Council at Claycastle Beach.

Yours sincerely,

VALERIE O'SULLIVAN

**DIVISIONAL MANAGER** 

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5th May, 2021

Re:	Eirgrid	Celtic	Interconnector	Project

Dear Sir/Madam,

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## **East Cork Municipal District**

- 1. National Road N25 in East Cork MD
- 2. Regional road numbers of the section in East Cork MD from Claycastle Carpark to N25 as follows: R-908-0 (part); R-634-16 (part); R-634-19; R-634-20
- 3. Local road number at crossing point of off-road section at Killeagh Village: L-3811-0
- 4. Local road number at crossing point of off-road section at Castlemartyr Village: L-3805-44
- **5.** Local & regional road numbers of the section in East Cork MD from junction with N25 at Two Mile Inn to junction of R-626 with Carrigane Road as follows: L-3627-0 (part); L-7629-0; L-7617-44; L-3613-0; L-3610-25 (part); R-626-0 (part).

Note that this letter also consents to the application with respect to the National Road N25.

As occupiers of the former Midleton to Youghal railway line at Claycastle, Killeagh and Roxborough, Cork County Council has no objection to Eirgrid seeking the consent of the property owners, Irish Rail / Iarnród Éireann.

### **Cobh Municipal District**

- 1. National Road N25
- **2.** Local Roads, L-6890-0, L-7631-0, L-7634-0, L-7634-6, L-3606-23, L3606-37, L-7639-0, L7640-0, L-3617-25.

Yours sincerely,

VALERIE O'SULLIVAN

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Des Cox, B.A. (mod.), MRUP, MIPI, MRTPI. Consents and Planning Lead, Celtic Interconnector Project. c/o EirGrid.

Date: 10th of June 2021.

Re:

Celtic Interconnector Letter of Consent.

Dear Mr. Cox,

Irish Rail acknowledges that EirGrid plc has the exclusive function to operate and ensure the maintenance of and, if necessary, develop a safe, secure, reliable, economical and efficient electricity transmission system, and to explore and develop opportunities for interconnection of its system with other systems pursuant to the provisions of the Electricity Regulation Act, 1999 and S.I. No 445/2000. Consequently we hereby consent to the application for Approval by Eirgrid plc under Section 182A of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) for the proposed development of the Celtic Interconnector Project (An Bord Pleanála Project of Common Interest Ref. No. PCI0003) insofar as it relates to lands in the ownership and/or management control of Irish Rail.

The section of the line from Midleton to Youghal is closed to rail traffic and has been licenced to Cork County Council for the development and operation of the proposed MY Greenway, which is currently under construction. The Council must be consulted at the appropriate time in the event of the Interconnector project proceeding.

Yours sincerely,

Andrew A. Wilson Limerick Junction

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Leopardstown Road, Foxrock, Dublin 18, Ireland Phone 1850 372 757

An Bord Pleanála,

64 Marlborough Street,

**Dublin 1** 

13th April 2021

### Re: Planning Application for Celtic Interconnector project

ESB confirms that it is the legal owner of the lands registered in Folio CK30351 in the townland of Ballynanelagh, Co Cork.

As legal owner of the lands ESB consents to the submission of a planning application by EirGrid PLC in respect of underground transmission cables connecting to the existing 220kV Knockraha Substation.

This consent letter is not intended to be a reflection on the merits or otherwise of this planning application.

This consent letter does not give permission to access the lands for the execution of the proposed works.

Yours sincerely,

Ciaran Byrne

For and on behalf of ESB.

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Mr. Sean Kenny Eirgrid plc **Transmission System Operator** 160 Shelbourne Road **Ballsbridge Dublin 4** 

By email to: <a href="mailto:sean.kenny@eirgrid.com">sean.kenny@eirgrid.com</a>

12th March 2021

Re: IDA Ireland Consent to apply for Planning Permission – Eirgrid Converter Station on IDA lands Ballyadam, Co. Cork

Dear Mr. Kenny,

IDA refer to your request for the consent of IDA (Ireland) to a planning application for construction of a converter station at IDA lands Ballyadam, Co. Cork as per the drawing submitted for review namely:

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IDA consents to your lodging the said planning application on condition that the consent is not to be construed as:

- 1. conferring any obligation on IDA to enter into negotiations with you, your servants or agents to sell the above lands;
- 2. constituting a Memorandum between the parties for the purposes of satisfying the provisions of the Statute of Frauds (Ireland )1695;
- 3. an approval (express or implied) by IDA of the plans and specifications regarding the proposed planning application;
- 4. an authorisation (express or implied) to you, your servants or agents to enter upon the said lands to carry out excavation or construction work associated with any grant of planning permission issued on foot of the planning application.

Furthermore, the consent is issued subject to the following conditions:

- 1. Compliance with the regulations and obtaining approval of all public, local, and other authorities.
- 2. Obtaining planning permission and complying with conditions.
- 3. Compliance with appropriate Regulations.
- 4. Compliance with the rights of lessees and occupiers of adjoining and surrounding properties.
- 5. The reinstatement to the satisfaction of IDA Ireland, of any damaged areas/services adjoining the development.
- 6. IDA Ireland to be notified of proposed start and completion dates.
- 7. Compliance with all Licencing requirements as agreed with the Local Authority.

It should be noted that this confirmation does not affect IDA Ireland's right to make observations or to object to the proposed development.

Yours sincerely,

Claire McGovern Portfolio Executive

Property Division IDA Ireland



Mr. Raymond McNamara, Mott MacDonald, South Block, Rockfield, Dundrum, Dublin 16

6 July 2021

Uisce Éireann Bosca OP 448 Oifig Sheachadta na Cathrach Theas Cathair Chorcaí

Irish Water PO Box 448, South City Delivery Office, Cork City.

www.water.ie

Re: DIV21170 EirGrid Celtic Interconnector Project, Co Cork. Confirmation of Feasibility Letter. Subject to contract | Contract denied

Dear Mr. McNamara,

Irish Water has reviewed your enquiry in relation to building near/under multiple Irish Water watermains and wastewater sewers, along the proposed route of High Voltage underground cable circuits between Knockraha, Ballyadam and Youghal in Co. Cork that form part of the EirGrid Celtic Interconnector Project. Based upon the drawings you have provided listed in Appendix 1, and as assessed by Irish Water, we wish to advise you that subject to valid agreements being put in place, the proposed building near/under can be facilitated.

You are advised that this correspondence does not constitute an agreement in whole or in part to build near/under any Irish Water infrastructure and is provided subject to a Build Over Agreement or similar form of Agreement being executed between EirGrid and Irish Water at a later date.

If you have any further questions, please contact Brendan Kearney from the Diversions team on 0871016233 or email <a href="mailto:brkearney@water.ie">brkearney@water.ie</a>. For further information, visit: <a href="mailto:https://www.water.ie/connections/developer-services/diversions/">https://www.water.ie/connections/developer-services/diversions/</a>.

Yours sincerely,

Gronne Haceis

Yvonne Harris Head of Customer Operations

### Appendix 1 – List of drawings submitted by EirGrid / Mott MacDonald

- 1) 229100428-MMD-00-XX-SK-E-1100-P1
- 2) 229100428-MMD-00-XX-SK-E-1101-P1
- 3) 229100428-MMD-00-XX-SK-E-1102-P1
- 4) 229100428-MMD-00-XX-SK-E-1103-P1
- 5) 229100428-MMD-00-XX-SK-E-1104-P1
- 6) 229100428-MMD-00-XX-SK-E-1105-P1
- 7) 229100428-MMD-00-XX-SK-E-1106-P1
- 8) 229100428-MMD-00-XX-SK-E-1107-P1
- 9) 229100428-MMD-00-XX-SK-E-1108-P1
- 10) 229100428-MMD-00-XX-SK-E-1109-P1
- 11) 229100428-MMD-00-XX-SK-E-1110-P1
- 12) 229100428-MMD-00-XX-SK-E-1111-P1
- 13) 229100428-MMD-00-XX-SK-E-1112-P1
- 14) 229100428-MMD-00-XX-SK-E-1113-P1
- 15) 229100428-MMD-00-XX-SK-E-1114-P1
- 16) 229100428-MMD-01-XX-DR-E-2103-P3
- 17) 229100428-MMD-01-XX-DR-E-2104-P3
- 18) 229100428-MMD-01-XX-DR-E-4104-P2



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The proposed development, the subject of the application for approval, will be located within the following townlands in County Cork: Aghaduff, Ballindinis, Ballyadam, Ballycarnane, Ballyedekin, Ballyedmond, Ballyhobert, Ballymakeagh More, Ballynakilla, Ballynanelagh, Ballyrichard Beg, Ballyrichard More, Ballyspillane East, Ballyspillane West, Ballyvergan East, Ballyvergan West, Ballyvorisheen, Broomfield West, Burges Lower, Caherultan, Carrigane, Carrigogna, Castlemartyr, Churchtown, Clasharinka, Clashduff, Claycastle, Coolaha, Curragh, Curragrine, Dooneen, Dysart, Garranes, Gortacrue, Gortagousta, Gortaroo, Gortnahomna Beg, Gortnahomna More, Gortnamucky, Grange, Inchiquin, Kennel, Killamucky, Killeagh, Killeena, Knockane, Knockmonalea East, Knockmonalea West, Knocknaskagh, Lagile, Lisglasheen, Lismalaghlin, Lissacrue, Longstown, Loughaderry, Moanlahan, Mountbell, Pigeonhill, Poulaniska, Roxborough, Stumphill, Summerfield, Water-Rock and Woodstock.

The proposed development, the subject of the application for approval, consists of the following principal elements:

- A. A connection to the Irish National grid within the existing Knockraha substation in the townland of Ballynanelagh. The new equipment, with a combined area of approximately 2ha, will be accommodated within the existing fence line of Knockraha substation and will comprise the following:
  - . 400 kV and 220 kV Air Insulated Switchgear (AIS) equipment.
  - i. Four 400 / 220 kV transformers (three operational and one spare).
  - iii. Five lightning protection poles of approximately 20m in height.
  - iv. A control and protection cabin of approximately 30sq.m and approximately 2.5m in height.
- B. An electricity converter station in the townland of Ballyadam, East of Carrigtwohill on a site at approximately 18m OD within a compound of approximately 3.5ha comprising:

### Converter station compound

- i. A converter station building, with a combined gross floor area of approximately 4,840sq.m and extending in height to approximately 25m.
- A converter station control building, with a combined gross floor area of approximately 700sq.m and extending in height to approximately 8.5m.
- iii. A storage building, with a combined gross floor area of approximately 600sq.m and extending in height to approximately 8.5m.
- iv. A chilled water cooling area of approximately 375sq.m and extending in height to approximately 6.5m.
- v. A harmonic filter compound extending in height to approximately 11m.
- vi. 400 kV AIS equipment and transformers extending in height to approximately 12m.
- vii. An emergency generator.

### 400 kV substation compound

- viii. A 400 kV control building, with a combined gross floor area of approximately 375sq.m and extending in height to approximately 7.2m.
- x. 400 kV AIS equipment extending in height to approximately 13m.
- x. A shunt reactor compound comprising six structures (all extending in height to approximately 10m).

### Combined common items in both compounds

- xi. Fourteen lightning protection poles extending in height to approximately 25m.
- xii. A security hut of approximately 50sq.m, extending in height to approximately 6m.
- xiii. 1.4m high property fence and gates.
- xiv. 2.6m high palisade security fence / gates with approximately 0.9m high anti-climbing devices.
- xv. All associated landscaping.
- xvi. Internal access road of approximately 475m in length and 5m in width.
- xvii. A car parking area for up to 18 cars.
- xviii. All other associated site development works including surface water and water supply infrastructure including a compensatory storage area and attenuation tanks required to facilitate the development.

An existing building of approximately 72sq.m and approximately 4m in height will be removed to facilitate the proposed converter station.

- C. Installation of a Transition Joint Bay (TJB) of a total area of approximately 60sq.m at the proposed landfall point at Claycastle Beach in Youghal in the townland of Summerfield where the proposed High Voltage Direct Current (HVDC) underground cables will connect with the proposed submarine cables (the subject of a separate application for a Foreshore Licence which will be made under the Foreshore Act 1933, as amended). The proposed development includes approximately 2m of the overall proposed submarine cable.
- D. Installation of HVDC underground cables, approximately 32km in length, connecting the landfall point at Claycastle Beach and the converter station compound at Ballyadam. The cables will generally be laid in a trench of approximately 0.8m in width and 1.3m in depth. The proposed installation of the cables will require associated joint bays and link boxes, temporary laydown areas, passing bays and water, rail and utility crossings using either Horizontal Directional Drilling (HDD) or open cut techniques.
- E. Installation of High Voltage Alternating Current (HVAC) underground cables, approximately 11km in length, connecting the proposed converter station compound at Ballyadam and the connection point to the grid (at the existing Knockraha substation). The cables will generally be laid in a trench of approximately 0.8m in width and 1.5m in depth and associated joint bays and link boxes, temporary laydown areas, passing bays and water, rail and utility crossings using either HDD or open cut techniques.
- F. Installation of fibre optic, telecommunication and other associated cabling all carried in underground ducts within the proposed HVDC and HVAC trenches.
- G. Associated temporary construction compounds on sites up to approximately 1.5ha, including associated site works and associated ancillary staff facilities and parking in the townlands of Killeena, Ballyadam and Summerfield.
- H. Associated temporary construction laydown areas on sites of approximately 0.7ha each, including associated site works and parking in the townlands of Ballyadam, Ballyedekin, Ballyrichard More, Broomfield West, Gortnahomna Beg and Gortnahomna More.

I. All associated and ancillary above and below ground development including works comprising or relating to construction works, roadworks, excavation (including HDD) and vegetation clearance.

Both an Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR) and a Natura Impact Statement (NIS) have been prepared in respect of the proposed development and accompany this application for approval. In addition, this application includes a Joint Environmental Report (JER) in respect of the overall Celtic Interconnector, having regard to the European Commission "Guidance on the Application of the Environmental Impact Assessment Procedure for Large-Scale Transboundary Projects (2013)".

The proposed development is likely to have significant effects on the environment of France, a Member State of the European Union and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland which is a party to the Transboundary Convention (the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe Convention on Environmental Impact Assessment in a Transboundary Context, done at Espoo in Finland on 25 February 1991).

A separate Foreshore Licence application will be made to the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage for the Ireland offshore element of the Celtic Interconnector, below the Mean HWM.

A copy of the application for approval including the EIAR, NIS and JER may be inspected free of charge or purchased on payment of a specified fee (which fee shall not exceed the reasonable cost of making such copy) during public opening hours for a period of seven weeks commencing on the 19 July 2021 at the following locations:

- The Offices of An Bord Pleanála, 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1, D01 V902.
- The Offices of Cork County Council, Planning Department, Ground Floor, County Hall, Carrigrohane Road, Cork, T12 R2NC.

The application may also be viewed / downloaded on the following website: www.eirgridcelticinterconnector.ie

Submissions or observations may be made **only** to An Bord Pleanála ('the Board') 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1, D01 V902 during the above-mentioned period of seven weeks relating to –

- i. the implications of the proposed development for proper planning and sustainable development in the area or areas concerned;
- ii. the likely effects on the environment of the proposed development; and
- iii. the likely adverse effects on the integrity of a European site, if carried out.

Any submission / observation must be accompanied by a fee of €50 (except for certain prescribed bodies) and must be received by the Board no later than 5.30p.m. on the 6 September 2021. Such submissions / observations must also 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, considerations and arguments on which the submission or observation is based in full.

Any submissions / observations which do not comply with the above requirements cannot be considered by the Board.

The Board may at its absolute discretion hold an oral hearing on the application (for further details see "A Guide to Public Participation in Strategic Infrastructure Development" at www.pleanala.ie).

The Board may make the following types of decision, under Section 182B of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, in relation to the application for approval –

- a. approve the proposed development,
- b. make such modifications to the proposed development as it specifies in the approval and approve the proposed development as so modified,
- c. approve, in part only, the proposed development (with or without specified modifications of it of the foregoing kind), or
- d. refuse to approve the proposed development,

and may attach to an approval under paragraph (a), (b) or (c) such conditions as it considers appropriate.

Any enquiries relating to the application process should be directed to the Strategic Infrastructure Development Section of An Bord Pleanála (Tel. 01 8588100).

A person may question the validity of any such decision by the Board by way of an application for judicial review, under Order 84 of the Rules of the Superior Courts (S.I. No. 15 of 1986, as amended), in accordance with Section 50 of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended.

Practical information on the review mechanism can be accessed on the Board's website (www.pleanala.ie) under the heading 'Judicial Review Notice'. This information is also available on the Citizens Information Service website at www.citizensinformation.ie.

Signed:

Des Cox, for EirGrid plc

Address: The Oval, 160 Shelbourne Road, Ballsbridge, Dublin 4, D04 FW28

Date of erection of site notice: 8 July 2021



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- A. A connection to the Irish National grid within the existing Knockraha substation in the townland of Ballynanelagh. The new equipment, with a combined area of approximately 2ha, will be accommodated within the existing fence line of Knockraha substation and will comprise the foll i. 400 kV and 220 kV Air Insulated Switchgear (AIS) equipment.

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- A converter station building, with a combined gross floor area of approximately 4,840sq.m and extending in height to approximately 25m.
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An emergency generator.

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  A shunt reactor compound comprising six structures (all extending in height to approximately 10m).

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- 2.6m high palisade security fence / gates with approximately 0.9m high anti-climbing devices. All associated landscaping.
- xvi. Internal access road of approximately 475m in length and 5m in width
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- F. Installation of fibre optic, telecommunication and other associated cabling all carried in underground ducts within the proposed HVDC and HVAC trenches
- G. Associated temporary construction compounds on sites up to approximately 1.5ha, including associated site works and associated ancillary staff facilities and parking in the townlands of Killeena, Ballyadam and Summerfield
- H. Associated temporary construction laydown areas on sites of approximately 0.7ha each, including associated site works and parking in the townlands of Ballyadam, Ballyrichard More, Broomfield West, Gortnahomna Beg
- All associated and ancillary above and below ground development including works comprising or relating to construction works, roadworks, excavation (including HDD) and vegetation clearance.

Both an Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR) and a Natura Impact Statement (NIS) have been prepared in respect of the proposed development and accompany this application for approval. In addition, this application includes a John Environmental Report (JER) in respect of the overall Celtic Interconnector, having regard to the European Commission "Guidance on the Application of the Environmental Impact Assessment Procedure for Large-Scale Transboundary

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A separate Foreshore Licence application will be made to the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage for the Ireland offshore element of the Celtic Interconnector, below the Mean HWM

A copy of the application for approval including the EIAR, NIS and JER may be inspected free of charge or purchased on payment of a specified fee (which fee shall not exceed the reasonable cost of making such copy) during public opening

hours for a period of seven weeks commencing on the 19 July 2021 at the following locations

The Offices of An Bord Pleanala, 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1, D01 V902.

The Offices of Cork County Council, Planning Department, Ground Floor, County Hall, Carrigrohane Road, Cork, T12 R2NC.

The application may also be viewed / downloaded on the following website: www.eirgridcelticinterconnector.ie

Submissions or observations may be made only to An Bord Pleanala ('the Board') 64 Mariborough Street, Dublin 1, D01 V902 during the above-mentioned period of seven weeks relating to -

- i. the implications of the proposed development for proper planning and sustainable development in the area or areas concerned;
   ii. the likely effects on the environment of the proposed development; and
- iii. the likely adverse effects on the integrity of a European site, if carried out

Any submission / observation must be accompanied by a fee of €50 (except for certain prescribed bodies) and must be received by the Board no later than 5.30p.m. on the 6 September 2021. Such submissions / observations must also 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, considerations and arguments on which the submission or observation is based in full.

Any submissions / observations which do not comply with the above requirements cannot be considered by the Board

The Board may at its absolute discretion hold an oral hearing on the application (for further details see \*A Guide to Public Participation in Strategic Infrastructure Development" at www.pleanala.ie).

The Board may make the following types of decision, under Section 1828 of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, in relation to the application for approval -

- a. approve the proposed development.
- b. make such modifications to the proposed development as it specifies in the approval and approve the proposed development as so modified,
- approve, in part only, the proposed development (with or without specified modifications of it of the fo

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 refuse to approve the proposed development,

and may attach to an approval under paragraph (a), (b) or (c) such conditions as it considers appropriate

Any enquiries relating to the application process should be directed to the Strategic Infrastructure Development Section of An Bord Pleanála (Tel. 01 8588100).

A person may question the validity of any such decision by the Board by way of an application for judicial review, under Order 84 of the Rules of the Superior Courts (S.I. No. 15 of 1986, as amended), in accordance with Section 50 of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended.

Practical information on the review mechanism can be accessed on the Board's website (www.pleanala.ie) under the heading 'Judicial Review Notice'. This information is also available on the Citizens Information Service website at www.citizensinformation.ie.

Friday, 2.07.2021

### **Next to godliness**



Painter James Cawley and John Cummins, sacristan at St Patrick's Oratory, with his dog Toss, spruce up the chapel on Croagh Patrick. Picture: Conor McKeown

# Electric Ireland to increase prices

### Nicole Glennon

Electric Ireland customers will be the latest to feel a burn in their wallet as the ESB subsidiary is set to hike its prices from next month.

The partially State-owned company is increasing the price of its electricity by 9% and the price of its gas by 7.8% from August 1.

The price rises will affect more than 1m electricity customers, who can expect to see their annual bill go up by almost €100, while gas customers can expect to pay an average of €60 more.

The news follows a raft of recent price hikes from the country's top energy suppliers including Flogas, Pinergy and Panda Power, all of which have raised their prices on two separate occasions this year.

According to Eurostat, electricity prices in Ireland are already 23% above the EU average, and the fourth most expensive in the 27-nation EU.

Electric Ireland says the rise in the cost of wholesale electricity and gas is the reason for the price increases. "In March, many suppliers increased prices," said executive director Marguer-

ite Sayers. "We had hoped that prices might stabilise but unfortunately wholesale energy costs have continued to increase and are significantly higher than this time

last year.

"As a result, we must reluctantly pass on some of these costs to our customers from August 1.'

Bonkers.ie head of communications Daragh Cassidy



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said the news was "almost to be passed on," he said.

"The cost of electricity in particular on the wholesale market has almost trebled since July of last year so these increases were bound "What's more, trans-

Mr Cassidy said that while the price of coal and gas collapsed at the height of the pandemic, it has risen significantly in recent months.

mission and distribution network charges were increased by the energy regulator late

last year.
"To make things worse, several power plants have been out of action for maintenance reasons over the past few months while the level of wind output has been lower than usual too.

It's all created the 'perfect storm' for price increases." Mr Cassidy is advising households that the best way to offset the price increases

is switch suppliers.
"Despite the rising prices there is still huge competition among all the suppliers for new customers," he said.

'At the moment someone who is paying standard rates and who switches supplier could save themselves well over €400 a year on

### Hearing over nurse who made living from prostitution

### **Niamh Griffin** and Gordan Deegan

A male nurse convicted of making a living from prostitution with his wife told gardaí they did not know this was illegal in Ireland and that they did it to fund their children's education

education A Nursing and Midwifery Board of Ireland fitnessto-practise committee yes-terday heard details of the man's conviction, at Ennis District Court in 2018, for aiding and abetting prostitution in the family

The court had fined the couple €600 each and they

did not appeal. A complaint was made to the nursing board following

that court decision.
David Navaro, a Spanish national, faces a claim of misconduct for allegedly bringing the nursing profession into disrepute.

Navaro, formerly a nurse in a Clare nursing hone, tid not attend the hearing in Dublin. A barrister acting for the committee chief executive said he was in-

formed of proceedings. Evidence was heard from Detective Garda Damien O'Connor of Ennis Garda Station, who said Navaro fully co-operated with the in-

vestigation. He said Navaro and his wife worked together, adding that "they only participated

in these acts together". Det Garda O'Connor said "He outlined that they had children in college in Spain, and that this was for their

education." Gardaí needed to explain to the couple what they were doing is illegal in Ireland, he

"He wasn't aware that it was an offence, that's what he outlined to me," he

The couple had advertised on an escort website.

Their income was between €4,000 and €5,000 per month from this, and they charged €200 an hour, Det Garda O'Connor said.

The fitness-to-practise committee also heard evidence from Detective Garda Noelle Bergin that a garda had been observing the house in 2016.

"He came to the conclusion that brothel-keeping was going on at that address," she said.

The committee was advised that having a conviction does not necessarily amount to professional mis-

It must consider whether Navaro brought the nursing profession into disrepute and if, by admitting to aiding and abetting prostitution, this amounts to professional misconduct.

The inquiry concluded for the committee to deliberate, and no findings were announced

It is not yet known when a decision will be made.

In 2018, the Irish Examiner reported from Ennis District Court that Navaro, then aged 50, and his Brazilian-born wife Celia Galan, then aged 41, arrived into Ireland from Barcelona in 2015.

According to Inspector Tom Kennedy on July 23, 2016, gardaí entered their home at Station View, Ennis, and discovered a laptop computer, phone, notebook with clients' names, and an Escort Ireland advert, confirming that prostitution was being conducted at the prop-

Navaro and his wife were advertising themselves as "Anne and Peter"

In the court, solicitor for the couple, Daragh Hassett, said his clients were not aware what they were doing was illegal here. He said they had to leave Clare.

### PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT ACT 2000, AS AMENDED

Notice of Direct Planning Application to An Bord Pleanála for Approval in Respect of a Strategic Infrastructure Development (Electricity Transmission Interconnector Development)

### **Cork County Council**

In accordance with Section 182A of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, EirGrid plc, gives notice of its intention to seek the approval of An Bord Pleanála for the development of that portion of an electricity transmission interconnector to be constructed onshore in Ireland, to the Mean High Water Mark (HWM), herein referred to as the 'proposed development'

The overall electricity transmission interconnector (the 'Celtic Interconnector'), approximately 575km in length, will link the existing electricity transmission networks of Ireland and France. The Celtic Interconnector has been designated as a Project of Common Interest (PCI) pursuant to the provisions of Regulation (EU) No. 347/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 April 2013 on guidelines for trans-European energy infrastructure.

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- a. approve the proposed development,
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### Pre-Application Consultation (Ref. Question 18 of the SID Application Form)

### Schedule of Engagement with Prescribed Bodies

EirGrid plc (the Applicant / EirGrid) and EirGrid's consultants have held numerous preapplication meetings with Cork County Council. **Table 1** sets out the details of the date that those meetings were held and the relevant Department of Cork County Council that was involved in particular meetings.

**Table 1: Pre-Application Meetings with Cork County Council** 

Department	Meeting Date
Numerous	10 May 2019
Planning and Environmental Departments	20 June 2019
Planning, Biodiversity (Ecology) and Heritage Departments	15 September 2020
Heritage Department	3 November 2020
Roads Department and East Cork Municipal District	23 November 2020
Biodiversity and Ecology Department	18 February 2021

EirGrid and EirGrid's consultants have held numerous pre-application meetings with the Foreshore Unit of the Department of Housing Local Government and Heritage (DHLGH). **Table 2** sets out the dates of those meetings.

Table 2: Pre-Application Meetings with the Foreshore Unit of the DHLGH

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Meeting Dates
13 December 2018
Mid-April 2019
8 July 2020
20 August 2020
5 November 2020
24 November 2020
1 February 2021
18 May 2021

The Applicant and EirGrid's consultants have been engaging in pre-application meetings with numerous Prescribed Bodies in relation to the proposed development since 2019. Please refer to **Table 3** below which provides a schedule of the dates when focused meetings were held. Please note that ongoing written and verbal consultation took place with many of these Prescribed Bodies outside of these dedicated pre-application focused meetings. In addition, to the meetings that EirGrid held with the Prescribed Bodies listed in Table 3, EirGrid also held numerous consultation meetings with the Industrial Development Agency regarding the Converter Station location at Ballyadam in County Cork.

Table 3: Pre-Application Meetings with key Prescribed Bodies

Name of Prescribed Body	Meeting Date
Inland Fisheries Ireland	14 January 2020
Inland Fisheries Ireland	2 October 2020
National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS)	15 January 2021
Underwater Archaeology Unit of NPWS	5 March 2021
Environmental Protection Agency	23 September 2020
Environmental Protection Agency	14 October 2020
Department of Environment, Climate and Communications	2 November 2020
Department of Environment, Climate and Communications	7 December 2020
Transport Infrastructure Ireland	11 March 2019
Transport Infrastructure Ireland	3 July 2019
Transport Infrastructure Ireland	22 August 2019
Transport Infrastructure Ireland	18 September 2020
Commission for the Regulation of Utilities	27 January 2021
Commission for the Regulation of Utilities	9 February 2021
Irish Water	1 December 2020
Irish Water	27 May 2021
ESB Networks	11 February 2021
ESB Networks	27 May 2021
ESB Networks	25 June 2021
ESB Networks	28 June 2021

In addition to the focused pre-application consultation meetings listed in Tables 1-3 above, as part of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) process, pre-application consultation letters were issued to the following list of consultees in December 2019. Responses received were taken on board during the preparation of the documentation accompanying the planning application for consent.

- An Taisce
- Bat Conservation Ireland
- · Bord lascaigh Mhara
- Birdwatch Ireland (and Cork Branch)
- Commission for Railway Regulation
- Commission for Regulation of Utilities

- Cork County Council
- Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine
- Department of Communications, Climate Action and Environment
- · Department of Defence
- Department Housing, Planning, Community and Local
- Government (Coastal Zone Management Division)
- Development Applications Unit
- Environmental Protection Agency
- Failte Ireland
- Geological Survey of Ireland
- Health & Safety Authority
- Health Service Executive
- Inland Fisheries Ireland
- Irish Aviation Authority
- Irish Coast Guard
- Irish Farmers Association
- Irish Naval Association
- Irish Whale and Dolphin Group
- Marine Institute
- Met Eireann
- National Monuments Service (including the Underwater Archaeology Unit)
- National Parks and Wildlife Service
- Southern & Eastern Regional Assembly
- The Defence Forces
- The Heritage Council
- Waterford City & County Council
- Waterways Ireland

Following on from this and as part of the EIA process, additional pre-application consultation letters were issued to the following list of consultees in November – December 2020. Responses received were taken on board during the preparation of the documentation accompanying the planning application for con.

- An Taisce
- Arts Council
- Bat Conservation Ireland
- Birdwatch Ireland (and Cork Branch)
- Commission for Railway Regulation
- Commission for Regulation of Utilities
- Cork City Council
- Coras Iompair Eireann
- Cork County Council
- Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine
- Department of Defence

- Department of Justice and Equality
- Department of Transport, Tourism and Sport
- Development Applications Unit
- Environmental Protection Agency
- Geological Survey of Ireland
- Health & Safety Authority
- Health Service Executive
- Iarnrod Eireann
- Irish Aviation Authority
- Irish Farmers Association
- Irish Water
- Met Eireann
- National Inshore Fisheries Forum
- National Monuments Service (including the Underwater Archaeology Unit)
- National Parks and Wildlife Service
- Office of Public Works
- Railway Safety Commission
- Southern & Eastern Regional Assembly
- Teagasc
- Transport Infrastructure Ireland
- The Defence Forces
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In addition, an extensive period of public and landowner consultation has been underway in relation to this proposed development since 2017. Please refer to the **Volume 2B Public** and Landowner Consultation Report for more details in this respect.



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Schedule of prescribed bodies to which notification of the making of the application has been sent and copies of the letters notifying them of the making of the application. (Ref. Question 18 of the SID Application Form)

EirGrid plc (the Applicant / EirGrid) notified the following prescribed bodies in writing of the making of the planning application with reference to the Direction of An Bord Pleanála.

No.	Name of Prescribed Body
1	Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage
2	*Minister for Environment, Climate and Communications
3	Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media
4	Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine
5	Minister for Transport
6	Transport Infrastructure Ireland
7	Environmental Protection Agency
8	Irish Water
9	Commission for Regulation of Utilities
10	Fáilte Ireland
11	An Taisce
12	The Heritage Council
13	The Arts Council
14	Inland Fisheries Ireland
15	Coras Iompair Eireann
16	Railway Safety Commission
17	Irish Aviation Authority
18	Health Service Executive
19	The Southern Regional Assembly
20	Cork County Council
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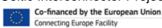
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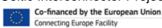
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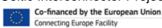
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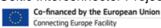
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July 2021







From: Housing Eiaportal
To: Donna.Hassett

**Subject:** EIA Portal Confirmation Notice Portal ID 2021130

**Date:** 02 July 2021 17:40:05

An EIA Portal notification was received on 02/07/2021 in respect of this proposed application. The information provided has been uploaded to the EIA Portal on 02/07/2021 under EIA Portal ID number **2021130** and is available to view at

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

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Competent Authority: An Bord Pleanála

Applicant Name: EirGrid plc

**Location:** County Cork, between the existing Knockraha substation in the townland of Ballynanelagh in County Cork and Claycastle Beach in Youghal in the townland of Summerfield in County Cork

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Linear Development: Yes

**Date Uploaded to Portal:** 02/07/2021

Regards

**Tatiane Arantes**EIA Portal team

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### Schedule of Drawings (Ref. Question 5 of the SID Application Form)

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Drawing Reference Number	Title of Drawing	Scale
Key Plan and Site Location Plans		(at A1)
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-1100	Celtic Interconnector - Overall Site Location Plan - Key Plan	1:50,000
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-1101	Celtic Interconnector - Site Location Plan - Sheet 1 of 30	1:2,500
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-1102	Celtic Interconnector - Site Location Plan - Sheet 2 of 30	1:2,500
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-1103	Celtic Interconnector - Site Location Map - Sheet 3 of 30	1:2,500
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-1104	Celtic Interconnector - Site Location Map - Sheet 4 of 30	1:2,500
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-1105	Celtic Interconnector - Site Location Map - Sheet 5 of 30	1:2,500
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-1106	Celtic Interconnector - Site Location Map - Sheet 6 of 30	1:2,500
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-1107	Celtic Interconnector - Site Location Map - Sheet 7 of 30	1:2,500
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-1108	Celtic Interconnector - Site Location Map - Sheet 8 of 30	1:2,500
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-1109	Celtic Interconnector - Site Location Map - Sheet 9 of 30	1:2,500
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-1110	Celtic Interconnector - Site Location Map - Sheet 10 of 30	1:2,500
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-1111	Celtic Interconnector - Site Location Map - Sheet 11 of 30	1:2,500
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-1112	Celtic Interconnector - Site Location Map - Sheet 12 of 30	1:2,500
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-1113	Celtic Interconnector - Site Location Map - Sheet 13 of 30	1:2,500
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-1114	Celtic Interconnector - Site Location Map - Sheet 14 of 30	1:2,500
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-1115	Celtic Interconnector - Site Location Map - Sheet 15 of 30	1:2,500
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-1116	Celtic Interconnector - Site Location Map - Sheet 16 of 30	1:2,500
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-1117	Celtic Interconnector - Site Location Map - Sheet 17 of 30	1:2,500
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-1118	Celtic Interconnector - Site Location Map - Sheet 18 of 30	1:2,500
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-1119	Celtic Interconnector - Site Location Map - Sheet 19 of 30	1:2,500
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-1120	Celtic Interconnector - Site Location Map - Sheet 20 of 30	1:2,500
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-1121	Celtic Interconnector - Site Location Map - Sheet 21 of 30	1:2,500
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-1122	Celtic Interconnector - Site Location Map - Sheet 22 of 30	1:2,500
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229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-1124	Celtic Interconnector - Site Location Map - Sheet 24 of 30	1:2,500
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-1125	Celtic Interconnector - Site Location Map - Sheet 25 of 30	1:2,500
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-1126	Celtic Interconnector - Site Location Map - Sheet 26 of 30	1:2,500
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-1127	Celtic Interconnector - Site Location Map - Sheet 27 of 30	1:2,500
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-1128	Celtic Interconnector - Site Location Map - Sheet 28 of 30	1:2,500
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-1129	Celtic Interconnector - Site Location Map - Sheet 29 of 30	1:2,500
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-1130	Celtic Interconnector - Site Location Map - Sheet 30 of 30	1:2,500
HVDC Cable Drawings		
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-2030	Celtic Interconnector - HVDC Subsea Cable Landfall- Claycastle Beach - Site Layout Option 1	1:500
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-2031	Celtic Interconnector - HVDC Subsea Cable Landfall- Claycastle Beach - Site Layout Option 2	1:500
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-2035	Celtic Interconnector - HVDC Subsea Cable Landfall- Claycastle Beach - Sections	1:200
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-2100	Celtic Interconnector - HVDC Land Cable - In Public Roadway - Typical Section	1:10
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-2105	Celtic Interconnector - HVDC Land Cable - Off Road in Private Lands - Typical Section	1:10
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-2107	Celtic Interconnector - HVDC Land Cable - HVDC Joint Bay - Typical Details	1:20
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-2108	Celtic Interconnector - HVDC Land Cable - HVDC Joint Bay - Typical Road Layout Plan	1:100
229100482-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-2109	Celtic Interconnector - HVDC Land Cable - Joint Bay & Passing Bay Arrangement	1:100
Converter Station Drawings		
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-2998	Celtic Interconnector - Converter Station Site (at Ballyadam) - Overall Site Layout - Key Plan	1:500
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-2999	Celtic Interconnector - Converter Station Site (at Ballyadam) - Site Layout - Sheet 1 of 3	1:500
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-3000	Celtic Interconnector - Converter Station Site (at Ballyadam) - Site Layout - Sheet 2 of 3	1:500
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-3001	Celtic Interconnector - Converter Station Site (at Ballyadam) - Site Layout - Sheet 3 of 3	1:500
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-3002	Celtic Interconnector - Converter Station Site (at Ballyadam) - Converter Station Compound & 400kV AIS Switchyard - Plan Layout	1:500
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-3003	Celtic Interconnector - Converter Station Site (at Ballyadam) - Converter Station Compound & 400kV AIS Switchyard - Section - Sheet 1 of 2	1:200
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-3004	Celtic Interconnector - Converter Station Site (at Ballyadam) - Converter Station Compound & 400kV AIS Switchyard - Section - Sheet 2 of 2	1:200

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229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-3005	Celtic Interconnector - Converter Station Site (at Ballyadam) - Converter Station Compound & 400kV Compound - Plan Layout	1:500
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-3006	Celtic Interconnector - Converter Station Site (at Ballyadam) - 400kV Compound - Section - Sheet 1 of 2	1:200
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-3007	Celtic Interconnector - Converter Station Site (at Ballyadam) - 400kV Compound - Section - Sheet 2 of 2	1:200
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-3010	Celtic Interconnector - Converter Station Site (at Ballyadam) - Contiguous Elevations - Sheet 1 of 4	1:200
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-3011	Celtic Interconnector - Converter Station Site (at Ballyadam) - Contiguous Elevations - Sheet 2 of 4	1:200
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-3012	Celtic Interconnector - Converter Station Site (at Ballyadam) - Contiguous Elevations - Sheet 3 of 4	1:200
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-3013	Celtic Interconnector - Converter Station Site (at Ballyadam) - Contiguous Elevations - Sheet 4 of 4	1:200
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-3020	Celtic Interconnector - Converter Station Site (at Ballyadam) - Converter Station Building - Ground Floor Plan	1:200
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-3022	Celtic Interconnector - Converter Station Site (at Ballyadam) - Converter Station Building - Roof Plan	1:200
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-3023	Celtic Interconnector - Converter Station Site (at Ballyadam) - Converter Station Building - Sections	1:200
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-3024	Celtic Interconnector - Converter Station Site (at Ballyadam) - Converter Station Building - Elevations - Sheet 1	1:200
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-3025	Celtic Interconnector - Converter Station Site (at Ballyadam) - Converter Station Building - Elevations - Sheet 2	1:200
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-3030	Celtic Interconnector - Converter Station Site (at Ballyadam) - Control Building (Converter Station) - Plan & Section	1:100
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-3031	Celtic Interconnector - Converter Station Site (at Ballyadam) - Control Building (Converter Station) - Roof Plan	1:200
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-3032	Celtic Interconnector - Converter Station Site (at Ballyadam) - Control Building (Converter Station) - Elevations	1:100
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-3034	Celtic Interconnector - Converter Station Site (at Ballyadam) - Storage Building - Plan & Section	1:100
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-3035	Celtic Interconnector - Converter Station Site (at Ballyadam) - Storage Building - Elevations	1:100

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229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-3036	Celtic Interconnector - Converter Station Site (at Ballyadam) - 400kV Control Building - Plan & Section	1:100
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-3037	Celtic Interconnector - Converter Station Site (at Ballyadam) - 400kV Control Building - Elevations	1:100
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-3040	Celtic Interconnector - Converter Station Site (at Ballyadam) - Overview of Water and Drainage Proposals	1:2,000
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-3041	Celtic Interconnector - Converter Station Site (at Ballyadam) - Proposed Storm Drainage Layout - Sheet 1 of 2	1:1,000
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-3042	Celtic Interconnector - Converter Station Site (at Ballyadam) - Proposed Storm Drainage Layout - Sheet 2 of 2	1:1,000
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-3043	Celtic Interconnector - Converter Station Site (at Ballyadam) - Proposed Wastewater Drainage Layout	1:1,000
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-3044	Celtic Interconnector - Converter Station Site (at Ballyadam) - Proposed Water Main Layout - Sheet 1 of 2	1:1,000
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-3045	Celtic Interconnector - Converter Station Site (at Ballyadam) - Proposed Water Main Layout - Sheet 2 of 2	1:1,000
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-3046	Celtic Interconnector - Converter Station Site (at Ballyadam) - Typical Drainage Details Sheet 1 of 6 - Stormwater Manholes and Gullies	1:20
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-3047	Celtic Interconnector - Converter Station Site (at Ballyadam) - Typical Drainage Details Sheet 2 of 6 - Oil / Fuel Interceptor	1:50
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-3048	Celtic Interconnector - Converter Station Site (at Ballyadam) - Typical Drainage details Sheet 3 of 6 - Flow Control Chamber	1:25
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-3049	Celtic Interconnector - Converter Station Site (at Ballyadam) - Typical Drainage Details Sheet 4 of 6 - Attenuation Storage Tank	1:50
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-3050	Celtic Interconnector - Converter Station Site (at Ballyadam) - Typical Drainage Details Sheet 5 of 6 - Compensation Storage Tank	As shown
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-3051	Celtic Interconnector - Converter Station Site (at Ballyadam) - Typical Drainage Details Sheet 6 of 6 - Emergency Shut-Off Valve Chamber	1:20
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-3060	Celtic Interconnector - Converter Station Site (at Ballyadam) - Fence and Gate Details	1:50
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-3070	Celtic Interconnector - Converter Station Site (at Ballyadam) - Site Lighting Layout	1:500
HVAC Cable Drawings		
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-4110	Celtic Interconnector - HVAC Land Cable - Trench in Public Roadway - Typical Section	1:10

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229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-4115	Celtic Interconnector - HVAC Land Cable - Typical Section - Off Road	1:10
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-4117	Celtic Interconnector - HVAC Land Cable - HVAC Joint Bay - Typical Details	1:20
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-4119	Celtic Interconnector - HVAC Land Cable - Typical Joint Bay - Passing Bay Arrangement	1:100
Knockraha Substation and Typical (	Construction Compound Drawings	
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-5030	Celtic Interconnector - Knockraha Substation - 400kV Transformer Bay - Site Layout	1:500
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-5031	Celtic Interconnector - Knockraha Substation - 400kV Transformer Bay - Sections	1:250
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-5032	Celtic Interconnector - Knockraha Substation - 400kV Transformer Bay - Contiguous (Southern) Elevation	1:250
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-5050	Celtic Interconnector - Knockraha Substation - 400kV Transformer Bay - Drainage Layout Plan	1:500
229100428-MMD-00-XX-DR-E-7000	Celtic Interconnector - Typical Construction Compound and Laydown Areas	1:500



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