

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

7th September 2022

Dear Sir / Madam,

RE: PLANNING APPLICATION FOR THE PROVISION OF A PROPOSED UNDERGROUND 110KV TRANSMISSION LINES TO PROVIDE A LOOP IN CONNECTION FROM THE KISHOGE 110KV GAS INSULATED SWITCHGEAR (GIS) SUBSTATION ON A SITE WITHIN THE TOWNLAND OF BALLYMAKAILY, WEST OF NEWCASTLE ROAD (R120), LUCAN, CO. DUBLIN, AND THE PERMITTED AUNGIERSTOWN – CASTLEBAGGOT 110KV TRANSMISSION LINE AT GRANGE CASTLE SOUTH BUSINESS PARK, BALDONNEL, DUBLIN 22

On behalf the applicant, EdgeConneX Ireland Limited, 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 underground 110kV transmission line connections between the permitted Kishoge 110kv Gas Insulated switchgear (GIS) substation on a site within the townland of Ballymakaily, West of Newcastle Road (R120), Lucan, Co. Dublin, and the permitted Aungierstown – Castlebaggot underground 110kV transmission line located at Grange Castle South Business Park, Baldonnel, Dublin 22. The proposed transmission lines provide for a loop-in connection to the permitted Aungierstown – Castlebaggot transmission line.

The proposed development is located within the townlands of Ballymakaily, Clutterland, Grange, Ballybane, Kilmactalway, Milltown, and Aungierstown and Ballybane. The application site has an area of c. 3.78 hectares.

The proposed development is described as follows in the public notices:

“The proposed development primarily comprises the provision of underground 110kV transmission line connections between the permitted Kishoge 110kv Gas Insulated switchgear (GIS) substation on a site within the townland of Ballymakaily, west of Newcastle Road (R120), Lucan, Co. Dublin, and the permitted Aungierstown – Castlebaggot underground 110kV transmission line located at Grange Castle South Business Park, Baldonnel, Dublin 22. The proposed transmission lines provide for a loop-in connection to the permitted Aungierstown

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– *Castlebaggot underground transmission line along with associated and ancillary works.*

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The proposed development is described as follows:

The proposed 110kV underground transmission line connections will originate from the Kishoge 110kV GIS substation. The substation was permitted under Reg. Ref.: SD19A/0042 and ABP Ref.: 305948-19, as amended under Reg. Ref.: SD22A/0105. The proposed 110kV underground transmission line connections extend northwards from the Kishoge 110kV substation, before proceeding to the east and then to the south, along the periphery of the lands in the ownership of the applicant, and continuing alongside the R120 before continuing to the south and crossing the R134 New Nangor Road. The route then proceeds further southward and to the southeast to cross the R120, continues to the south and then to the east (adjacent to the Old Nangor Road), crossing the Griffeen River and proceeding eastwards and then south before crossing the Baldonnel Road and proceeding eastward within lands to the south of the Grange Castle South Business Park access road, before reaching and connecting to the Aungierstown – Castlebaggot underground transmission line. The Kishoge to Aungierstown transmission line circuit will include 4 no. joint bays, while the Kishoge to Castlebaggot transmission line circuit will include 5 no. joint bays. The proposed 110kV underground transmission line connections will cover a distance of c. 2.2 kilometres.

The development includes enabling works, services diversions, joint bays, connections to the Kishoge substation and the Aungierstown – Castlebaggot transmission line, provision of a medium voltage electricity connection to serve the Kishoge substation from an existing ESB substation to the east of the R120, landscaping, services, all associated construction works, and all ancillary works.

An Environmental Impact Assessment Report has been prepared in respect of this application.”

The following documentation accompanies this SID planning application:

- 3 no. copies of the planning application form;
- 3 no. copies of the letters of consent (attached to the application form);
- 3 no. copies of the site notice;
- 3 no. original copies of the newspaper notices (Irish Daily Mail and The Irish Daily Star);
- 3 no. copies of this cover letter;
- 7 no. electronic copies provided on CD ROM;
- Application Fee of €100,000;
- 3 no. copies of a Planning Report prepared by John Spain Associates;
- 3 no. copies of the Engineering Drawings including Site Location Map and Site Layout Plans, and Schedule prepared by Clifton Scannell Emerson Associates (CSEA);

- 3 no. copies of a Construction and Environmental Management Plan prepared by CSEA.

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 as Appendix 7.1. The EIAR comprises of the following chapters:

- Chapter 1: Introduction
- Chapter 2: Description of the Proposed Development
- Chapter 3: Planning and Development Context and Alternatives
- Chapter 4: Population and Human Health
- Chapter 5: Land, Soils Geology & Hydrogeology
- Chapter 6: Hydrology
- Chapter 7: Biodiversity; Flora & Fauna
- Chapter 8: Air Quality
- Chapter 9: Noise and Vibration
- Chapter 10: Landscape and Visual Impact
- Chapter 11: Archaeological and Cultural Heritage
- Chapter 12: Traffic and Transportation
- Chapter 13: Waste Management
- Chapter 14: Material Assets
- Chapter 15: Interactions – Interrelationship between the Aspects
- Non-Technical Summary

The planning application, including the Environmental Impact Assessment Report, has been made available for inspection at the following locations:

- The Offices of An Bord Pleanála, 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1.
- South Dublin County Council, County Hall, Tallaght, Dublin 24.

The application may also be viewed/downloaded on the following website: www.kishogesid.com

The public notices were published and erected on the **7th of September 2022** and which advise that the application will be available for viewing for a period of seven weeks commencing on the **15th of September 2022** 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 **3rd of November 2022**.

5 no hard copies and 2 no. electronic copies have been lodged on the **7th of September 2022** with the relevant planning authority, South Dublin County Council.

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 **7th of September 2022**.

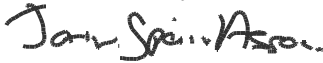
- Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage
- Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment
- Transport Infrastructure Ireland
- South Dublin County Council
- Irish Water
- Irish Aviation Authority
- Commission for Regulation of Utilities

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 **2022172**.

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.

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

Yours faithfully,



John Spain Associates

APPENDIX 1: AN BORD PLEANALA DETERMINATION

Our Case Number: ABP-311907-21
Your Reference: Edgeconnex Ireland Ltd



John Spain Associates
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Date: 22 March 2022

Re: Proposed underground 110kV transmission line connections between the Kishoge 110kV GIS substation in Ballymakailly, West of Newcastle Road, Lucan, Co. Dublin and the permitted Aungierstown-Castlebaggot underground 110kV transmission line at Grange Castle South Business Park, Baldonnel, Dublin 22.
 Ballymakailly, West of Newcastle Road, Lucan, Co. Dublin to Grange Castle South Business Park, Baldonnel, Dublin 22.

Dear Sir / Madam,

Please be advised that following consultations under section 182E of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended, the Board hereby serves notice that it is of the opinion that the proposed development falls within the scope of section 182A of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 as amended. Accordingly, the Board has decided that the proposed development would be strategic infrastructure within the meaning of section 182A of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended. Any application for approval for the proposed development must therefore be made directly to An Bord Pleanála under section 182A(1) of the Act.

Please also be informed that the Board considers that the pre-application consultation process in respect of this proposed development is now closed.

In accordance with section 146(5) of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended, the Board will make available for inspection and purchase at its offices the documents relating to the decision within 3 working days following its decision. This information is normally made available on the list of decided cases on the website on the Wednesday following the week in which the decision is made.

The attachment contains information in relation to challenges to the validity of a decision of An Bord Pleanála under the provisions of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended.

Please also find attached a list of prescribed bodies to be notified when making the application.

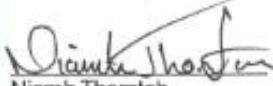
If you have any queries in relation to the matter please contact the undersigned officer of the Board.

Please quote the above mentioned An Bord Pleanála reference number in any correspondence or telephone contact with the Board.

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Yours faithfully,



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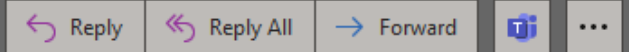
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APPENDIX 2: CONFIRMATION FROM EIA PORTAL

EIA Portal Confirmation Notice Portal ID 2022172



Housing Eiaportal <EIAportal@housing.gov>
To ✓ Luke Wymer



Mon 05/09/2022 15:12

Follow up. Start by Monday 5 September 2022. Due by Monday 5 September 2022.
You replied to this message on 05/09/2022 17:14.

Dear Luke,

An EIA Portal notification was received on 05/09/2022 in respect of this proposed application. The information provided has been uploaded to the EIA Portal on 05/09/2022 under EIA Portal ID number **2022172** and is available to view at <http://housinggov.ie/maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=d7d5a3d48f104ecbb206e7e5f84b71f1>.

Portal ID: 2022172

Competent Authority: An Bord Pleanála

Applicant Name: EdgeConnex Ireland Limited

Location: The proposed development is located within the townlands of Ballymakailly, Clutterland, Grange, Ballybane, Kilmactalway, Milltown, and Aungierstown and Ballybane.

Description: 110kV underground transmission line connections between the permitted Kishoge 110kV substation and the permitted Aungierstown – Castlebaggot underground 110kV transmission line, and all associated works.

Linear Development: Yes

Date Uploaded to Portal: 05/09/2022

Regards,

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EIA Portal team

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