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5th July 2023

The Secretary An Bord Pleanála 64 Marlborough Street Dublin 1 D01 V902

Re: Strategic Infrastructure Development under Section 37E of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (As Amended)

Proposed Firlough Wind Farm, Carrowleagh Td., Bunnyconnellan, Co. Mayo & Hydrogen Plant, Carraun Td., Castleconnor, Co. Sligo (Ref. No. ABP-307264-20)

Dear Sirs,

On behalf of our Client, Mercury Renewables (Carrowleagh) Limited, we hereby submit a planning application for Strategic Infrastructure Development to An Bord Pleanála. This planning application follows on from the submission of a pre-application request to An Bord Pleanála by Mercury Renewables (Carrowleagh) Limited, which confirmed that the development constitutes Strategic Infrastructure Development (SID). A copy of that SID pre-application determination is enclosed with this application.

Accordingly, we enclose the following items for your consideration:

- 1) Planning Cover Letter to An Bord Pleanála;
- 2) Completed Planning Application Form;
- 3) Details of legal owners and relevant legal interest;
- 4) Newspaper Notices;
- 5) Site Notices;
- 6) Copies of Notification Letters sent to the bodies prescribed by An Bord Pleanála;
- 7) Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR) in Four Volumes:
 - Non-Technical Summary (Volume I);
 - Environmental Impact Assessment Report (Volume II);
 - EIAR Figures (Volume III);
 - EIAR Appendices (Volume IV);
 - Landscape and Visual Impact Amenity Viewpoint Photomontage Booklets;
- 8) Natura Impact Statement (in accordance with Article 6 of EU Habitats Directive 92/43/EEC);

Directors: D. Kiely, C. McCarthy **Regional Director:** A. Phelan **Consultants:** C. Birney, R. Gillan

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- 9) Planning Statement;
- 10) Copy of the confirmation notice, issued by the Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government, confirming notification to the EIA Portal;
- 11) Drawing schedule and planning application drawings consistent in size and scale with typical large-scale developments such as a wind farm. The scales of the drawings have been issued to and agreed with An Bord Pleanála;
- 12) Letter from the Applicant confirming that they will be a Statutory Undertaker for the purpose of the proposed grid connection works; and
- 13) CD with AutoCAD version of the Site Boundaries.

This planning application submission also includes 2 No. hard copies and 8 No. electronic copies as requested by An Bord Pleanála.

Please note that payment of the application fee of €100,000 has been made by Electronic Fund Transfer on the 29th of June and evidence of this is enclosed.

The public notices state that any submissions/observations must be made to the Board not later than 5.30 pm on the 1st of September 2023. A standalone website containing all the above particulars can be viewed at www.firloughwindfarmplanning.com.

We look forward to receiving your formal acknowledgment of this planning application in due course. In the meantime, do not hesitate to contact Ms Sarah Jones should you require any further clarification or information on the planning application.

Yours faithfully,

Sarah Jones Planner

For: Jennings O'Donovan & Partners Ltd.

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