

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

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Please specify the statutory provision under which your application is being made:	Section 37E of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended
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### 2. Applicant:

Name of Applicant:	SSE Generation Ireland Limited.
Address:	Red Oak, South County Business Park, Red Oak South, Leopardstown, Dublin 18, Dublin, D18 W688.
Telephone No:	01 655 6099
Email Address (if any):	N/A

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

Name(s) of company director(s):	Martin Beattie, John Johnson, Stephen Wheeler
Registered Address (of company)	Red Oak, South County Business Park, Red Oak South, Leopardstown, Dublin 18, Dublin, D18 W688.
Company Registration No.	459400
Telephone No.	01 655 6099
Email Address (if any)	N/A

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

Name:	Ed Barrett
Address:	Gravis Planning, 41 Baggot Street Lower, Dublin 2, D02 NN67
Telephone No.	01 2241590
Mobile No. (if any)	N/A
Email address (if any)	ebarrett@gravisplanning.com

# 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:

Contact: Ed Barrett Phone: 01-224-1590

Email: ebarrett@gravisplanning.com

### 5. Person responsible for preparation of Drawings and Plans:

Name:	Conor Cooney
Firm / Company:	AECOM
Address:	4 <sup>th</sup> Floor Adelphi Plaza, Georges Street Upper, Dun Laoghaire, Dublin.
Telephone No:	01 696 6220
Mobile No:	N/A
Email Address (if any):	conor.cooney@aecom.com

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 see attached Appendix A

### 6. Site:

Site Address / Location of the Proposed Development (as may best identify the land or structure in question)		in the existing SSE Tark te at Tarbert Island, Tarl	
Ordnance Survey Map	OS Map S	Sheets 4854, 4853-B, 48	353-D
Ref No. (and the Grid Reference where available)	X: 475237	7; Y: 5826671	
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.			
Please refer to submitted USB			
Area of site to which the application re		lates in hectares	15.18 ha
Site zoning in current Devel	opment	Other Rural Area	
Plan for the area:		(Note: The site lies within the Strategic Development Loca Tarbert/Ballylongford under Integrated Framework Plan Estuary [SIFP])	ation at the Strategic
Existing use of the site & proposed use of the site:		Power Station	
Name of the Planning Author whose functional area the s situated:	• ( )	Kerry County Council	

# 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 the land or structure:	Owner √	Occupier
	Other √	

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

The Applicant is the owner of all of the lands contained within the red line boundary, save for the land which the existing [Tarbert] substation is on ('the Substation Lands). ESB is the owner of the Substation Lands and a letter of consent from ESB to the making of the application is included at Appendix B.

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.

ESB

ESB Networks DAC Three Gateway East Wall Road Dublin 3 D03 R583

Refer to the attached letter of consent (Appendix B)

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

Yes.

Refer to blue line boundary on the submitted site location map, which shows the full extent of the adjoining, abutting or adjacent lands that the Applicant owns or has a beneficial interest in.

## 8. Site History:

Details regarding site history (if known):		
Has the site in question ever, to your knowledge, been flooded?		
Yes: [ ] No: [ √ ]		
If yes, please give details e.g. year, extent:		
Are you aware of previous uses of the site e.g. dumping or quarrying?		
Yes: [ √ ] No:[ ]		
If yes, please give details:		
The site has been in use as a power station since the 1960's.		

Are you aware of any valid planning applications previously made in respect of this land / structure?			
Yes: [ √ ] No: [ ]			
If yes, please and details of	state planning register reference if applications	number(s) of same if known	
Reg. Ref. No:	Nature of Proposed Development	Nature of Final Decision of Application Grant of Refusal by Planning Authority / An Bord Pleanála	
23350	Underground electricity cabling and new switchgear bay within existing substation	Pending	
ABP- 315838-23	Emergency Electricity Generation – Designated Development	Conditions Recommended	
18392	Battery Storage	Grant	
13477	Substation works	Grant	
ABP 08.PA0017	SID in two phases: 1. OCGT (305MW); 2. Balance of plant to deliver a 450MW CCGT	Grant	
972500	Effluent treatment plant	Grant	
921738	Office Extension	Grant	
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.:			

### 9. Description of the Proposed Development:

Brief description of nature and extent of development

The Proposed Development will include: Demolition of existing structures on site (Including workshop and storage buildings, shot blasting shed, lube oil store, toilet block, chemical storage bund, boiler wash storage tank, canteen, demineralised water tank, water treatment plant building associated infrastructure, 'puraflo' wastewater treatment plant, tanks and fuel lines); Construction of OCGT power plant (350MW), and associated building (30m high) including air intake; Emissions stack (55m high) with continuous emissions monitoring systems ('CEMS'); Selective Catalytic Reduction ('SCR') with air intake, filters and dilution fans: Skids: 2no. blocks of fin fan coolers: Power control module; Emergency generator; One unit transformer and one grid transformer with a firewall separating, and overhead cable connection to existing 220kV substation; Aqueous ammonia tank; Propane gas tank, compound and unloading bay; Demineralised water treatment plant; 2no. Demineralised water storage tanks; Raw water and fire water storage tank; Fire water module; 3no. fuel storage tanks with 2no. unloading bays; Fuel polishing and transfer system; Fuel pipework; Wastewater treatment plant; Administration building and workshop with associated car parking area (8no. spaces); Store; Flood defence wall and gates; And all associated ancillary development, site works and services including internal roads, security fencing and gates, drainage infrastructure, lighting, underground pipework and cabling.

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An Environmental Impact Assessment Report ('EIAR') and Natura Impact Statement ('NIS') will be submitted with the application.

 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: N/A

Class of Development:	Gross Floor Area in m <sup>2</sup>

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

Gross floor space of any existing buildings(s) in m <sup>2</sup>	20,706
Gross floor space of proposed works in m <sup>2</sup>	4,205
Gross floor space of work to be retained in m <sup>2</sup> (if appropriate)	N/A  (Retention permission is not being sought, however it should be noted that the existing Tarbert HFO Power Station building is not proposed for demolition as part of this application)
Gross floor space of any demolition in m <sup>2</sup> (if appropriate)	2,730

Refer to Schedule of Areas attached at Appendix C

# 12. In the case of residential development please provide breakdown of residential mix:

Number of	Studio	1 Bed	t	2 Bed		3 Bed	4 Bed	4 + Bed	Total
Houses	N/A								
Apartments	N/A								
Number of ca spaces to be p		E	Exist	ting:	Pr	oposed:		Total:	

### 13. Social Housing:

Yes	No
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	Yes

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

### 15. Development Details:

Please tick appropriate	If answer is yes please	YES	NO
box:	give details		
Does the proposed developm of a Protected Structure(s), in			
Does the proposed development protected structure and / or it protected structure and / or it		V	
Does the proposed development exterior of a structure which is architectural conservation are		√	

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Does the application relate to development which		V
affects or is close to a monument or place recorded under section 12 of the National Monuments		
(Amendment) Act, 1994.		
Does the application relate to work within or close to a	$\sqrt{}$	
European Site or a Natural Heritage Area?		
Does the development require the preparation of a	$\sqrt{}$	
Natura Impact Statement?		
Does the proposed development require the preparation		
of an Environmental Impact Assessment Report?		
Do you consider that the proposed development is likely		V
to have significant effects on the environment in a		
transboundary state?		
Does the application relate to a development which	$\sqrt{}$	
comprises or is for the purpose of an activity requiring an integrated pollution prevention and control license		
arrantegrated political prevention and control license		
Does the application relate to a development which		
comprises or is for the purpose of an activity requiring a waste license?		
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Do the Major Accident Regulations apply to the	V	
proposed development?		
Does the application relate to a development in a		V
Strategic Development Zone?		
Does the proposed development involve the demolition		V
of any habitable house?		
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### 16. Services:

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Proposed Source of Water Supply:
Existing connection: [√] New Connection: []
Public Mains: [] Group Water Scheme: [] Private Well:[]
Other (please specify):
Existing on-site reservoir
Name of Group Water Scheme (where applicable):
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Proposed Wastewater Management / Treatment:
Existing: [ ] New:[ √ ]
Public Sewer: [] Conventional septic tank system: []
Other on site treatment system: [ ] Please Specify:
New on-site wastewater treatment plant proposed
Proposed Surface Water Disposal:
Public Sewer / Drain:[ ] Soakpit:[]
Watercourse: [ ] Other: [ $\sqrt{\ }$ ] Please specify:
On-site drainage infrastructure connecting to existing outfall

#### 17. Notices:

Details of public newspaper notice – paper(s) and date of publication
Copy of page(s) of relevant newspaper enclosed Yes: [ $\sqrt{\ }$ ] No:[ ]
Refer to Appendix D
Details of site notice, if any, - location and date of erection
Copy of site notice enclosed Yes: [ √ ] No:[ ]
Defer to Appendix E and to submitted Cita Legation Dian for legations
Refer to Appendix E and to submitted Site Location Plan for locations
Details of other forms of public notification, if appropriate e.g. website
Application Website: <u>www.ssetarbertnextgen.com</u>
Notification letters issued to prescribed bodies
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### 18. Pre-application Consultation:

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

Meeting with An Bord Pleanála held 28/08/23. SID Determination issued 16/10/23 (ABP-316229-23).

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:  $[\sqrt{\ ]}$  No: $[\ ]$  Refer to Appendix F.

Refer also to submitted Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR)

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: $[\ \ \ ]$  Refer to Appendix G

#### 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.

Refer to Appendix H

### 20. Application Fee:

Fee Payable	€100,000

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)	E3A
Date:	28 November 2023

#### **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.

September 2018

## Appendix A – Drawing Register

### **Drawing Schedule - Tarbert Power Generating Plant**

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Project		Tarbert Power Generating Plant			
Client		SSE Generation Ireland Limited			
Client Contact		David Colston			
Project Manager		Conor Cooney			
		·		Issue	Date
				1	23/11/2023
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Drawing Reference	Include in	Drawing Title	Revision	Size	Number of Pages
	Planning Pack				
60695232-TBT-DR-000		Site location plan	А	A3	1
60695232-TBT-DR-001		Proposed Site Plan	В	A1	3
60695232-TBT-DR-002A		Proposed existing site elevations - A,B,C,D	В	A0	9
60695232-TBT-DR-002B		Proposed site elevations - A,B,C,D	В	A0	9
60695232-TBT-DR-002C		Proposed site elevations (without flood wall) - A,B,C,D	В	A0	9
60695232-TBT-DR-003		Existing site topographical survey	A	A1	2
60695232-TBT-DR-004		Existing site plan - proposed buildings to be demolished	В	A1	3
60695232-TBT-DR-005		Site services layout	В	A1	8
60695232-TBT-DR-006		Proposed Site Surface Finishes Layout	В	A1	3
60695232-TBT-DR-007		Site key overlay plan	В	A1	3
60695232-TBT-DR-008		Surface Level Finishes and Drainage Details - Typical Construction Details	В	A1	1
60695232-TBT-DR-009		Proposed admin building and workshop, plan, elevations and sections	В	A1	2
60695232-TBT-DR-010		Proposed store, plan, elevations and sections	В	A1	2
60695232-TBT-DR-011		Proposed demineralised water plant, plan, elevations and sections	В	A1	2
60695232-TBT-DR-012		Proposed power control modules, plan, elevations and sections	В	A1	2
60695232-TBT-DR-013		Gas turbine unit, plan, section and elevations	В	A0	3
60695232-TBT-DR-014		Water tanks and fire water module, plan and elevations	В	A0	2
60695232-TBT-DR-015		Fuel tanks and Fuel Polishing and Transfer System plan, sections and elevations	A	A0	2
60695232-TBT-DR-016		HV connection and transformers, plan and elevations	А	A0	1
60695232-TBT-DR-017		Emergency generator, plan and elevations	A	A0	1
60695232-TBT-DR-018		Propane tank, plan and elevations	А	A0	1
60695232-TBT-DR-019		Proposed flood defence layout	В	A1	3
60695232-TBT-DR-020		Proposed flood defence sections	В	A1	1

60695232-TBT-DR-021	Proposed fencing details	Α	A1	1
60695232-TBT-DR-022	Proposed Lighting overall plan	В	A1	3

## Appendix B – ESB Consent Letter



Gréasáin BSL CGA Three Gateway, Bóthar An Phoirt Thoir Baile Átha Cliath 3, D03 R583, Éire Fón 1800 928 123 nó 01 698 5005

#### esbnetworks.ie

ESB Networks DAC Three Gateway, East Wall Road Dublin 3, D03 R583, Ireland Phone 1800 928 123 or 01 698 5005

5<sup>th</sup> September 2023

An Bord Pleanála, 64 Marlborough Street Dublin 1, D01 V902

Proposed Development: 350MW (electrical output) Open Cycle Gas Turbine (OCGT) Power Plant

Site: Land at Tarbert Power Station, Tarbert

Applicant: SSE Generation Ireland Limited

#### Dear Sir/Madam

This letter is to confirm that we, ESB, hereby consents to SSE Generation Ireland Limited lodging a planning application in respect of a 350MW (electrical output) Open Cycle Gas Turbine (OCGT) Power Plant with a single exhaust stack and associated buildings, fuel pipelines and storage, demin water plant and storage and associated grid connection equipment. The planning application will encompass the above power plant components as well as the grid connection overhead line into the Tarbert 220kV substation.

ESB Networks is acutely aware of strategic national importance of the proposed new Power Plant. The proposed development is located in part on the lands within ESB's ownership to which we confirm our consent to SSE's planning application.

Yours Sincerely

Greg Hanna

Greg Hanna
Manage Renewable and Major Customer Connections
ESB Networks

## Appendix C – Schedule of Areas



## **Schedule of Areas**

Project name Tarbert Next Generation Power Station **Project number** 60695232

Client SSE Generation Ireland **Date** 24 November 2023

## **Existing Buildings Gross Floor Area (GFA)**

Building / Structure	Quantity	GFA per Unit (m2)	Total GFA (m <sup>2</sup> )
Existing Power Station	1	17,976	17,976
Chemical Store	1	28	28
Carpenters Workshop	1	196	196
Prefab Showers	1	23	23
Salt House	1	33	33
WTP Compressor House & WC Block	1	70	70
WTP Building	1	790	790
Site Canteen	1	273	273
Riggers Store	1	135	135
Temp Mech Workshop	1	174	174
Shot Blasting Shed	1	317	317
Storage Sheds	2	10	20
Lube Oil Store	1	507	507
Buildings next to Site Toilets	4	25	101
Site Toilets	1	63	63
		Total (m <sup>2</sup> )	20,706

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# **Proposed Buildings Gross Floor Area (GFA)**

Building / Structure	Quantity	GFA per Unit (m2)	Total GFA (m <sup>2</sup> )
Fuel Polishing & Transfer System	1	300	300
Fire Water Module	1	100	100
Demineralised Water Plant Building	1	450	450
Power Control Module	1	121	121
Power Control Centre	1	121	121
Gas Turbine Enclosure	1	2,280	2,280
Store	1	313	313
Administration Building & Workshop	1	520	520
+		Total (m²)	4,205

## Appendix D – Newspaper Notices

(Note: Published pages included with physical submission)

#### Planning and Development Act, 2000 (As Amended)

# Notice of Direct Planning Application to An Bord Pleanála in respect of a Strategic Infrastructure Development

#### **Kerry County Council**

In accordance with Section 37E of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended), SSE Generation Ireland Limited gives notice of its intention to make an application to An Bord Pleanála for a 10-year planning permission to develop an Open Cycle Gas Turbine ('OCGT') power plant fuelled by Hydrotreated Vegetable Oil ('HVO') along with associated buildings, plant, site works, services and ancillary development on land within the existing SSE Tarbert Power Station site at Tarbert Island, Tarbert, Co. Kerry.

The Proposed Development will include: Demolition of existing structures on site (Including workshop and storage buildings, shot blasting shed, lube oil store, toilet block, chemical storage bund, boiler wash storage tank, canteen, demineralised water tank, water treatment plant building and associated infrastructure, 'puraflo' wastewater treatment plant, tanks and fuel lines); Construction of OCGT power plant (350MW), and associated building (30m high) including air intake; Emissions stack (55m high) with continuous emissions monitoring systems ('CEMS'); Selective Catalytic Reduction ('SCR') with air intake, filters and dilution fans; Skids; 2no. blocks of fin fan coolers; Power control module; Emergency generator; One unit transformer and one grid transformer with a firewall separating, and overhead cable connection to existing 220kV substation; Aqueous ammonia tank; Propane gas tank, compound and unloading bay; Demineralised water treatment plant; 2no. Demineralised water storage tanks; Raw water and fire water storage tank; Fire water module; 3no. fuel storage tanks with 2no. unloading bays; Fuel polishing and transfer system; Fuel pipework; Wastewater treatment plant; Administration building and workshop with associated car parking area (8no. spaces); Store; Flood defence wall and gates; And all associated ancillary development, site works and services including internal roads, security fencing and gates, drainage infrastructure, lighting, underground pipework and cabling.

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An Environmental Impact Assessment Report ('EIAR') and Natura Impact Statement ('NIS') will be submitted with the application.

The planning application, including the EIAR and NIS, may be inspected free of charge or purchased on payment of a specified fee (which shall not exceed the reasonable cost of making a copy) during public opening hours for a period of seven weeks commencing on 5<sup>th</sup> December 2023 at the following locations:

- The offices of An Bord Pleanála, 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1, D01 V902;
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The planning application, including the EIAR and NIS, may also be viewed or downloaded on the following website: <a href="https://www.ssetarbertnextgen.com">www.ssetarbertnextgen.com</a>.

Submissions or observations may be made only to An Bord Pleanála ("the Board"), 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1, D01 V902; or via the Board's website, <a href="www.pleanala.ie/en-ie/observations">www.pleanala.ie/en-ie/observations</a>, during the aforementioned period relating to:

- i. The implications of the Proposed Development for proper planning and sustainable development; and
- ii. The likely effects on the environment of the Proposed Development; and
- iii. The likely significant effects of the Proposed Development on a European site, if carried out.

Any submissions or observations must be accompanied by a fee of €50 (except for certain prescribed bodies) and must be received by the Board not later than 5.30 p.m. on 1<sup>st</sup> February 2024 (The provisions of section 251 of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, relating to the holiday period between the 24<sup>th</sup> December and 1<sup>st</sup> January, both days inclusive, have been taken into account in the calculation of the response date). Such submissions or 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; and
- The subject matter of the submission or observation; and
- The reasons, considerations and arguments on which the submission or observation is based in full (Article 217 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, as amended, refers).

Any submissions or 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 (refer to 'A Guide to Public Participation in Strategic Infrastructure Development' at <a href="https://www.pleanala.ie">www.pleanala.ie</a>).

The Board may, in respect of an application for permission/approval, decide to:

- a) (i) grant the permission/approval; or
  - (ii) make such modifications to the Proposed Development as it specifies in its decision and grant permission/approval in respect of the Proposed Development as so modified; or
  - (iii) grant permission/approval in respect of part of the Proposed Development (with or without specified modifications of the foregoing kind), and any of the above decisions may be subject to or without conditions; or
- b) Refuse permission to grant the permission/approval.

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 of the Board by way of an application for judicial review, under Order 84 of the Rule of the Superior Courts (S.I. No. 15 of 1986, as amended by S.I. No. 691 of 2011), 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 (<a href="www.pleanala.ie">www.pleanala.ie</a>) under the following heading: Legal Notices — Judicial Review Notice. This information is also available on the Citizens Information Service website (<a href="www.citizensinformation.ie">www.citizensinformation.ie</a>).

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- i. The implications of the Proposed Development for proper planning and sustainable development; and
- ii. The likely effects on the environment of the Proposed Development; and
- iii. The likely significant effects of the Proposed Development on a European site, if carried out.

Any submissions or observations must be accompanied by a fee of €50 (except for certain prescribed bodies) and must be received by the Board not later than 5.30 p.m. on 1<sup>st</sup> February 2024 (The provisions of section 251 of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, relating to the holiday period between the 24<sup>th</sup> December and 1<sup>st</sup> January, both days inclusive, have been taken in to account in the calculation of the response date). Such submissions or 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; and
- The subject matter of the submission or observation; and
- The reasons, considerations and arguments on which the submission or observation is based in full (Article 217 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, as amended, refers).

Any submissions or 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 (refer to 'A Guide to Public Participation in Strategic Infrastructure Development' at <a href="https://www.pleanala.ie">www.pleanala.ie</a>).

The Board may, in respect of an application for permission/approval, decide to:

- a) (i) grant the permission/approval; or
  - (ii) make such modifications to the Proposed Development as it specifies in its decision and grant permission/approval in respect of the Proposed Development as so modified; or
  - (iii) grant permission/approval in respect of part of the Proposed Development (with or without specified modifications of the foregoing kind), and any of the above decisions may be subject to or without conditions; or
- b) Refuse permission to grant the permission/approval.

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 of the Board by way of an application for judicial review, under Order 84 of the Rule of the Superior Courts (S.I. No. 15 of 1986, as amended by S.I. No. 691 of 2011), 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

(<u>www.pleanala.ie</u>) under the following heading: Legal Notices – Judicial Review Notice. This information is also available on the Citizens Information Service website (<u>www.citizensinformation.ie</u>).

Signed:

Ed Barrett, Gravis Planning, 41 Baggot Street Lower, Dublin 2, D02 NN67 (Agent on behalf of the Applicant)

Date of Erection of Site Notice: 27/11/2023

## **Appendix F – Schedule of Pre-Application Consultations**

- Meeting with Kerry Cunty Council officials, 03/07/23
- Public Consultation Event, Tarbert Community Centre, 18/07/23
- Public Consultation Event, Listowel Arms Hotel, 19/07/23
- Pre-Application Meeting with An Bord Pleanála, 28/08/23

### Appendix G – Schedule of Prescribed Bodies (Sample Letter overleaf)

- 1. An Chomhairle Ealaíon.
- 2. An Taisce.
- 3. Commission for Regulation of Utilities.
- 4. Cork County Council.
- 5. Department of Agriculture, Food and Marine.
- 6. Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications.
- 7. Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage.
- 8. Environmental Protection Agency.
- 9. Fáilte Ireland.
- 10. Health Service Executive.
- 11. Irish Water.
- 12. Kerry County Council.
- 13. Southern Regional Assembly.
- 14. Transport Infrastructure Ireland.
- 15. Health and Safety Authority.



24 November 2023

An Chomhairle Ealaíon, The Arts Council, 70 Merrion Square, Dublin D02 NY52

Dear Sir/Madam,

Proposed Development: 10-year planning permission to develop an Open Cycle Gas Turbine ('OCGT') power plant fuelled by Hydrotreated Vegetable Oil ('HVO') along with associated buildings, plant, site works, services and ancillary development on land within the existing SSE Tarbert Power Station site at Tarbert Island, Tarbert, Co. Kerry.

On behalf of the Applicant, SSE Generation Ireland Limited<sup>1</sup>, we hereby wish to notify you of the submission of a Strategic Infrastructure Development application to An Bord Pleanála ('ABP') for a 10-year planning permission to develop an Open Cycle Gas Turbine ('OCGT') power plant fuelled by Hydrotreated Vegetable Oil ('HVO') along with associated buildings, plant, site works, services and ancillary development on land within the existing SSE Tarbert Power Station site at Tarbert Island, Tarbert, Co. Kerry.

The development description reads as follows:

Demolition of existing structures on site (Including workshop and storage buildings, shot blasting shed, lube oil store, toilet block, chemical storage bund, boiler wash storage tank, canteen, demineralised water tank, water treatment plant building and associated infrastructure, 'puraflo' wastewater treatment plant, tanks and fuel lines); Construction of OCGT power plant (350MW), and associated building (30m high) including air intake; Emissions stack (55m high) with continuous emissions monitoring systems ('CEMS'); Selective Catalytic Reduction ('SCR') with air intake, filters and dilution fans; Skids; 2no. blocks of fin fan coolers; Power control module; Emergency generator; One unit transformer and one grid transformer with a firewall separating, and overhead cable connection to existing 220kV substation; Aqueous ammonia tank; Propane gas tank, compound and unloading bay; Demineralised water treatment plant; 2no. Demineralised water storage tanks; Raw water and fire water storage tank; Fire water module; 3no. fuel storage tanks with 2no. unloading bays; Fuel polishing

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and transfer system; Fuel pipework; Wastewater treatment plant; Administration building and workshop with associated car parking area (8no. spaces); Store; Flood defence wall and gates; And all associated ancillary development, site works and services including internal roads, security fencing and gates, drainage infrastructure, lighting, underground pipework and cabling.

The application relates to development for the purposes of an activity requiring a license from the Environmental Protection Agency under the Environmental Protection Agency Act 1992, as amended. It also relates to a COMAH establishment and therefore falls under the requirements of the Chemicals Act (Control of Major Accident Hazards Involving Dangerous Substances) Regulations, 2015.

An Environmental Impact Assessment Report ('EIAR') and Natura Impact Statement ('NIS') will be submitted with the application.

The Proposed Development provides quick response electricity generation capability which will help to maintain security of supply while supporting Ireland in its transition to a low carbon economy in line with National Development Plan and Climate Action Plan objectives. It will also help to replace generation capacity that will be lost through the planned retirement of more carbon-intensive power stations in the coming years.

This application is being made directly to ABP<sup>2</sup> as Strategic Infrastructure Development ('SID') under the provisions of Section 37E the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended). ABP has directed that An Chomhairle Ealaíon, as a prescribed body, is notified of the application.

All documentation for the planning application can be found at <a href="www.ssetarbertnextgen.com">www.ssetarbertnextgen.com</a>, including:

- Cover Letter and Appendices
- ABP SID Planning Application Form and Appendices
- Planning Statement
- Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR)<sup>3</sup>
- Application Drawings

You are advised that the Board may, in respect of an application for permission/approval, decide to:

- (a) (i) grant the permission/approval, or
  - (ii) make such modifications to the Proposed Development as it specifies in its decision and grant permission/approval in respect of the Proposed Development as so modified, or
  - (iii) grant permission/approval in respect of part of the Proposed Development (with or without specified modifications of the foregoing kind), and any of the above decisions may be subject to or without conditions, or
- (b) Refuse to grant the permission/approval.

Submissions or Observations may be made to An Bord Pleanála, 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1 relating to:

<sup>3</sup> Includes Natura Impact Statement and COMAH Land Use Planning Risk Assessment

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> An Bord Pleanála, 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1

- i. The implications of the Proposed Development for proper planning and sustainable development, and
- ii. The likely effects on the environment of the Proposed Development, and
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Any submissions/observations must be received by the Board no later than 5.30 p.m. on 1<sup>st</sup> February 2024 (The provisions of section 251 of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, relating to the holiday period between the 24<sup>th</sup> December and 1<sup>st</sup> January, both days inclusive, have been taken into account in the calculation of the response date). Such submissions or observations must also include the following information:

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- The subject matter of the submission or observation; and
- The reasons, considerations and arguments on which the submission or observation is based in full (Article 217 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, as amended, refers).

Yours sincerely,

**Ed Barrett** 

**Gravis Planning** 

## Appendix H – EIA Portal Confirmation

From: Housing Eiaportal
To: Ed Barrett

**Subject:** EIA Portal Confirmation Notice Portal ID 2023184

**Date:** 22 November 2023 11:34:30

Attachments: <u>image001.png</u>

Dear Ed,

An EIA Portal notification was received on 22/11/2023 in respect of this proposed application. The information provided has been uploaded to the EIA Portal on 22/11/2023 under EIA Portal ID number 2023184 and is available to view at <a href="http://housinggovie.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?">http://housinggovie.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?</a> id=d7d5a3d48f104ecbb206e7e5f84b71f1.

Portal ID: 2023184

Competent Authority: An Bord Pleanála

Applicant Name: SSE Generation Ireland Limited

Location: Land within the existing SSE Tarbert Power Station site at

Tarbert Island, Tarbert, Co. Kerry

Description: Open Cycle Gas Turbine ('OCGT') power plant

fuelled by Hydrotreated Vegetable Oil ('HVO') along with associated buildings, plant, site works,

services and ancillary development.

**Linear Development:** No

Date Uploaded to Portal: 22/11/2023

Kindest Regards,

Hugh Wogan,

**EIA Portal team** 

An Roinn Tithíochta, Rialtais Áitiúil agus Oidhreachta Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage

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