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Date: 28th May 2019

Re: PCI 1.9.1 'Greenlink' Project (Our Ref: PCI0004)

Dear Matthew,

On May 22nd 2019, Greenlink Interconnector Limited (Project Promoter) notified An Bord Pleanála (Competent Authority) of the 'Greenlink' project in accordance with Article 10.1(a) of Regulation (EU) 347/2013.

Greenlink Interconnector Limited states that a reasonably detailed outline of the project has been included in its notification.

Article 10.1(a) of the Regulation provides that An Bord Pleanála (Competent Authority) shall, including on behalf of other authorities concerned, acknowledge or, if it considers the project as not mature enough to enter the permit granting process, reject the notification. A three-month period is provided for this. Greenlink Interconnector Limited is of the opinion that the following consent is required from the Marine Environment and Foreshore to realise the project:

- Foreshore Licence

An Bord Pleanála (Competant Authority) requests an assessment as to whether the notification should be acknowledged or rejected. The Regulation: Article 10.1(a) provides that if the project is rejected as not mature enough to enter the permit granting process that a justification for that decision is provided. Accordingly, if your assessment is that the project is not mature enough, please give reasons.

For your information, under the Collaborative Scheme if any relevant authority informs us that it does not consider, having regard to its area of competence, that the project is sufficiently mature to enter the process the Competant Authority will inform the project promoter that the project is not significantly mature enough to enter the process. **A response from the Marine Environment and Foreshore is required by Tuesday 9th July, 2019.**

A softcopy of Greenlink Interconnector Limited's letter of notification dated 22nd May, 2019, is attached together with softcopy documents providing that Greenlink Interconnector Limited states is a reasonably detailed outline of the project. Additional information can be found in the Projects of Common Interest Manual of Procedures, available on the An Bord Pleanála website.

Yours sincerely,



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