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N'ORTH-SOUTH 400kV INTERCONNECTION DEVELOPMENT, PROJECT OF COMMON INTEREST (PCI)

Dear Diarmuid.

I refer to the letter issued by An Bord Pleanála (the Board) dated 16th December 2014, regarding the draft application file in respect of the proposed North-South 400kV Interconnection Development submitted to the Board under the Projects of Common Interest (PCI) procedure on 7th November 2014. Specifically, the Board has requested EirGrid to submit missing information from the Draft Application File.

I also refer to the Board's letter, dated 12th March 2015, in response to EirGrid's letter dated 27th February 2015 which outlined a suggested approach to submission of the missing information and other particulars. The Board's letter confirmed EirGrid's suggested approach to be acceptable, subject to matters which are addressed further in this cover letter.

This submission comprises the following:-

Missing Information as Requested by the Board in its letter of 16th December 2014

The missing information, enclosed herein in hard copy and electronic copy, has been clearly labeled as "Missing Information". For clarity, and ease of review by the Board, the format of the missing information follows the sequence of items as set out in the Board's letter dated 16th December 2014.

In addition to this, we have provided a schedule confirming where the missing information is located within the overall revised Draft Application File.









Other Revisions to the Draft Application File

In addition to the submission of the missing information requested by the Board, EirGrid has made other revisions to the Draft Application File. These generally reflect the ongoing process of technical and environmental analysis in confirming the nature and location of the proposed development.

For the avoidance of doubt, and having regard to the Board's correspondence dated 12th March 2015, EirGrid hereby confirms that these revisions (i.e. other than those occurring in respect of the requested missing information) are as a consequence of further expansion of issues in the documentation and information to be lodged with the application to be made to An Bord Pleanála Strategic Infrastructure Section under Section 182A of the Planning and Development Act (as amended), and do not constitute changes to the fundamental scope and nature of the proposed development itself, as considered by the Board during the pre-application consultations (per Section 182E of the Act), and in the Scoping Opinion issued by the Board to EirGrid.

For clarity, and again having regard to the Board's correspondence dated 12th March 2015, the revisions to the Draft Application File, and any modifications made to the proposed development since the closure of the strategic infrastructure pre-application consultation process, are summarised in enclosed schedules. In particular, these revisions include the specific siting of certain support structures, which are, however, located along the same alignment of the proposed development as presented to the Board in pre-application consultation.

Complete Revised Draft Application File

Having regard to all the above, please also find enclosed 1 no. electronic copy and 1 no. hard copy of the complete revised Draft Application File; this incorporates all the missing information requested by the Board and the other revisions to the Draft Application File made by EirGrid. In addition, please also find enclosed 1 no. electronic copy of relevant material in Irish translation.

I trust that this satisfies the requirements of the Board in relation to the information requested to be submitted by EirGrid in the Board's letter dated 16 December 2014.

Yours sincerely.

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