

Mr. Diarmuid Collins,
Senior Administrative Officer,
PCI Unit,
An Bord Pleanála,

24th March, 2016

Re. Projects of Common Interest (PCI)

Dear Diarmuid,

Further to your correspondence of 4th March, 2016, and in respect of the North-South 400kV Electricity Interconnector project (Ref. VA0017), I can update you as follows.

Given the complexity of the case and the number of those would made submissions to this Strategic Infrastructure Development application, and thereafter the number who wished to participate in the oral hearing (which will be held in English and in parts Irish), the oral hearing commenced somewhat later than originally anticipated. It is therefore expected that the case will take approximately 16 to 18 months to decide, with the Board in a position to make a decision during October 2016.

Trusting this information assists,

Regards

Rachel Kenny
Director of Planning
An Bord Pleanála.