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Time: 9.00	By: P. O'S

Re: PCI 1.6 'Celtic Interconnector' Project

Dear Seamus,

Further to your letter of 4th January, the CRU can provide the following information in relation to the Celtic Interconnector project.

In September 2018, Celtic's project promoters (EirGrid and RTE) submitted an investment request to the CRU and the French Commission for the Regulation of Energy (CRE). The submission included a request for cross-border allocation of project's costs (CBCA) and their inclusion in each country's tariffs as per Article 12 of the TEN-E Regulation.¹

In December 2018, the CRU published a consultation paper requesting views on the CRU's assessment of the Celtic investment request, in particular projects' expected costs and benefits (CRU/18/265). This consultation closed on 15 February and we are currently reviewing stakeholders' submissions. Subject to the outcome of the consultation, and a parallel consultation in France, we and the CRE are aiming to take coordinated CBCA decisions in the coming weeks.

¹ Regulation (EU) No 347/2013 of 17 April 2013 on guidelines for trans-European energy infrastructure [2013] OJ L 115/39.



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Having regard to the above and acknowledging that PCI schedules will differ between projects and applicants, we can determine no reason to reject the Celtic interconnector notification at this time.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you wish to discuss this further.

Regards

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of a stylized 'S' followed by 'C', is written above a solid horizontal line.

Stuart Coleman
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