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Sent:

Tuesday 4 May 2021 15:18 Valerie.Brennan@Eirgrid.com

To: Cc:

Diarmuid Collins

Subject:

RE: Celtic Interconnector Project

Dear Valerie.

I refer to you email received on 28th April, 2021.

Please be advised that the three consenting authorities – Strategic Infrastructure Developments Section, An Bord Pleanála, Foreshore Unit, Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage and the CRU, have been issued with copies of the Draft Application File to examine for missing information. The other consenting authorities were issued with a copy of the draft application file for information. The PCI unit considered it necessary to keep all consenting authorities who have been involved in the project throughout informed of any updates.

Please note that after a discussion with technical staff in the PCI unit it was decided that a period of six weeks was the appropriate time to allow for a response from the consenting authorities. In this regard the last day for a response is the 14th June, 2021.

Yours sincerely,

Nichola Meehan PCI Unit.

From: Valerie.Brennan@Eirgrid.com [mailto:Valerie.Brennan@Eirgrid.com]

Sent: Wednesday 28 April 2021 15:59

To: Diarmuid Collins < D. Collins@pleanala.ie>

Cc: Nichola Meehan < N. Meehan@pleanala.ie >; Des. Cox@Eirgrid.com

Subject: RE: Celtic Interconnector Project

Dear Diarmuid,

Many thanks for your separate correspondence earlier today regarding the completion of the Article 10(4)(b) activities.

Nichola has advised of her absence for the rest of this week so I hope you don't mind me contacting you to seek clarity on two matters arising from yesterday's email of 14:52.

We would be grateful if you could please clarify the role of the other consenting authorities in the Draft Application File (DAF) review process, given that the PCI Unit has confirmed that it will only be the three consenting authorities who will examine the DAF for missing information. Are we correct to take this to mean the "other competent authorities" will have no role in the DAF process?

Could you please advise on the timelines for the initial DAF review process? We are assuming that this would be a standard period of 4 weeks. It would be extremely beneficial for us to know this for the purposes of our programming vis a vis the agreed permit granting schedule.

Yours sincerely,

Valerie.

From: Nichola Meehan [mailto:N.Meehan@pleanala.ie]

Sent: 27 April 2021 15:47 To: Brennan, Valerie (EXT)

Subject: RE: Celtic Interconnector Project

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Hi Valerie,

Sidonie Blanchard is our contact in the DGEC. An email was received from her on Wednesday 21st April, 2021.

Please can you cc. Diarmuid Collins on any further emails as I will not be working on PCI for the rest of the week.

Many thanks

Nichola

From: Valerie.Brennan@Eirgrid.com [mailto:Valerie.Brennan@Eirgrid.com]

Sent: Tuesday 27 April 2021 15:25

To: Nichola Meehan < N.Meehan@pleanala.ie >

Cc: Des.Cox@Eirgrid.com

Subject: RE: Celtic Interconnector Project

Importance: High

Dear Nichola,

I have discussed this matter with RTE and this is most unusual. I would greatly appreciate if you please confirm that your point of contact in the DGEC is as follows by return of email:

Sidonie BLANCHARD

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Sidonie was issued with the updated schedule on Wednesday 21 April 2021 and acknowledged receipt of same on Wednesday 21 April 2021.

When did Sidone (if that is your point of contact) advise that the updated schedule is still awaited?

Many thanks in advance,

Valerie.

From: Nichola Meehan [mailto:N.Meehan@pleanala.ie]

Sent: 27 April 2021 14:52