

Note of Video Call with Eirgrid on 21st August, 2020 re Celtic Interconnector Project.

Eirgrid:

Eoghan Tuite, Des Cox and Valerie Brennan.

An Bord Pleanála:

Diarmuid Collins (SAO).

- Eirgrid (project promoter) requested the meeting and outlined an issue with the UK Competent Authority in relation to EIA and requested a co-ordination meeting with the 3 competent authorities.
- I stated that we (PCI Unit) had been in contact with the French CA and that further contact would take place. I also stated that the UK CA had made contact and that we would be arranging a meeting with it. Following that meeting, we intended having a co-ordination meeting with the other 2 competent authorities.
- Eirgrid requested that ABP(CA) would outline procedures in relation to EIA in any meeting with the UK competent authority as this would assist the PCI process.
- In response to a question from Eirgrid about the DAF, I replied that ABP(CA) would expect the on-shore and off-shore elements of the project to be included. I referred to our PCI Manual of Procedures wherein it was stated that draft applications should be as complete as possible but Eirgrid should note that any omissions or uncompleted reports etc. could be identified and also that the Manual referred to the passage of time between the DAF and applications that provided for changes or amendments.

Diarmuid Collins,

SAO (PCI Unit).

24th August, 2020.

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