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Sent: Thursday 22 April 2021 10:46
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Subject: FW: Celt9ic Interconnector Project (PCI)

From: Eamonn Foley (Housing) <Eamonn.Foley@housing.gov.ie>
Sent: Wednesday 21 April 2021 16:39
To: Diarmuid Collins <D.Collins@pleanala.ie>; Nina Murray (Housing) <Nina.Murray@housing.gov.ie>
Subject: RE: Celt9ic Interconnector Project (PCI)

Good afternoon Diarmuid,

I refer to the proposed Proposed Schedule of Permit Granting Process in relation to the Eirgrid Celtic Interconnector Project and your request for any comments in that regard. I note that a foreshore licence application is expected to be lodged with this Department in May2021 and we await receipt of the formal application.

The following comments should be noted:

3.2.1 (a) The decisions and opinions to be obtained

Once granted the Foreshore Licence will be valid from the date of grant for a period not exceeding 99 years, subject to any notification requirements under section 21A of the Foreshore Act 1933 being completed.

3.2.3 (c) Individual stages of the procedure and their duration

The various stages of the foreshore consent assessment process may occur slightly earlier or slightly later than indicated, however the intention is to progress the assessment of this application to determination by April 2022. A notice of determination will be posted on the website of Department Local Government and Heritage and will be published as required under section 21A of the Foreshore Act 1933.

3.2.5 (e) The resources planned by the authority and possible additional resource needs

The administration of the Foreshore Licence application will be managed by the Foreshore Unit. As part of the assessment of the application, the Foreshore Unit will consult with Eirgrid on the public consultation aspect of the process and will seek technical input from various prescribed bodies and a report from the independent Marine Licence Vetting Committee, which will include a recommendation as to the appropriate decision on the licence application. The Foreshore Unit may also engage the services of external consultants to prepare environmental reports as required to inform the Minister's determination.

Kind regards,

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Good Afternoon,

I refer to the Celtic Interconnector electricity project (PCI Number 1.6).

Article 10. 4.(b) of Regulation (EU) Number 347/2013 provides that the Competent Authority (An Bord Pleanála PCI) shall draw up, in close co-operation with the project promoter and other authorities concerned, and taking into account the results the results of the proposal of the scope of material and level of detail of information to be submitted as part of the application file, a detailed schedule for the permit granting process in line with the guidelines set out in Annex V1 (2) to that Regulation.

The project promoter (EirGrid) has submitted a basis for a schedule for the permit granting process and I attach a copy. As a relevant other authority concerned, your input/comments on the attached proposed schedule particularly in relation to the application for consent that relates to your remit are requested. In this regard, please note that Annex VI (2) to the Regulation refers to major milestones to be accomplished and their deadlines and in the context of the PCI comprehensive decision, your comments on those deadlines relevant to your remit are requested.

A response is sought by 5.30 p.m. on Wednesday 21st April.

Regards,
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