

9th July 2025

To: EirGrid plc The Oval 160 Shelbourne Road Ballsbridge Dublin 4

By Email only

Re: Maritime Area Planning Act 2021 - Application for a Maritime Usage Licence (MUL) Reference: MUL240036

To undertake marine site investigation works to inform the engineering design and environmental assessments for two offshore substations in the Tonn Nua Area A (as identified in the South Coast Designated Maritime Area Plan), potential offshore transmission cable corridors, approaches to seven potential landfall zones, and seven landfall zones.

Dear Sirs,

I refer to your application to the Maritime Area Regulatory Authority (MARA) for the above licence. Following assessment of the licence application, I am pleased to inform you that MARA is minded to grant you a licence for the proposed maritime usage subject to conditions.

Section 119(6) (b) of the Maritime Area Planning Act 2021 provides that where MARA is minded to grant a licence subject to conditions, MARA must give a notice to the applicant with the reasons for the conditions and allow the applicant an opportunity to provide supplementary material in relation to the reasons for further consideration before MARA makes a final determination on the licence application.

For this purpose, I enclose the following for your attention:

- 1. A minded to determine notice
- 2. A copy of the proposed licence which MARA is minded to grant to you.

Please carefully consider the enclosed documentation and if you wish to do so, respond to the minded to determine notice within the time period contained in the notice.

For the avoidance of doubt, no decision to grant the licence shall be considered to have been made until MARA makes a final determination on the licence application.

Yours faithfully,

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Dr. Karen Creed Director of Maritime Authorisations.

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