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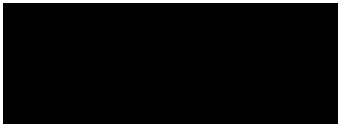
Paul O'Rourke
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19th November, 2009

Dear Mr O'Rourke,

I am writing to you to confirm that this Department approved the route of the EirGrid East West Interconnector following a detailed evaluation that we carried out in PAD in November 2007 following notification of the route and other information provided to us by your consultants, JP Kenny.

Yours sincerely,


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