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Date: 26th April 2016

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Dear Mr Williams,

Re: Section 26 of the Planning Act (Northern Ireland) 2011 in relation to a proposal for a Gas Fired Power Generation Station generating 400MW including a new electrical connection to NIE's existing transmission system and a new gas pipeline connection to bring natural gas to the Power Plant from the Knocknagoney pressure reduction station.

Please find attached a copy of notice served on the agent in relation to the above proposal.

Please note that Section 242 of the Planning Act (Northern Ireland) 2011 requires the Council to keep a Register containing information as specified with respect to any applications made to the Council or the Department for any permission, consent, approval or determination.

Yours sincerely

Philip Stinson
For and on behalf of the Department of Environment (NI)

cc. Ards & North Down Borough Council



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Dear Mr R Mc Birney,

Re: Section 26 of the Planning Act (Northern Ireland) 2011 in relation to a proposal for a Gas Fired Power Generation Station generating 400MW including a new electrical connection to NIE's existing transmission system and a new gas pipeline connection to bring natural gas to the Power Plant from the Knocknagoney pressure reduction station.

Having considered the information provided, the Department is of the opinion that the above proposal would if carried out;-

- (a) be of regional significance to the whole or a substantial part of Northern Ireland or have significant effects outside Northern Ireland, or
- (b) involve a substantial departure from the local development plan for the area to which it relates;

Therefore, I can confirm that a planning application made for this development should be submitted to the Department.

Yours faithfully

Philip Stinson
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