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Department of Housing, Planning,
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Proposed development of Nuclear Power Plant at Wylfa, Anglesea, North Wales

Transboundary EIA Consultation in relation to the Convention on Environmental Impact Assessment in a Transboundary Context (the “Espoo Convention”)

Dear Ms Wilding,

I refer to your letter of 1 February 2017 giving formal notice under EIA Regulations that the proposed development requires an environmental impact assessment and that the Secretary of State has decided to notify Ireland as if a significant adverse transboundary impact was likely, for the purposes of Article 3(1) of the Espoo Convention.

This is formal notification that the Minister for Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government, on behalf of this State, wishes to participate in the procedure under paragraphs 5 to 8 of Article 3 and Articles 4 to 7 of the Espoo Convention in relation to this application being carried out in respect of the proposed development, and in accordance with Article 7 of the EU EIA Directive 2011/92/EU and wishes to be consulted on the application for the proposed development, including the Environmental Statement.

I appreciate that the deadline for responding to your letter (17 March 2017) has expired; however, I now request that - further to a recent meeting in Dublin on 27 April last at which this proposed development was mentioned and at which the UK was represented by Mr Rory Wallace, Mr Giles Scott and Mr Keith Vincent from the Ministry for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy - the Secretary of State would consent to extending the deadline to permit Ireland to participate in the process.

In this regard, it is my intention to register as an interested party in the pre-examination stage in respect of the consultation immediately.

Yours sincerely,



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