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Our Ref: 62100616 29 October 2018

Dear Ms Dunne,

AQUIND INTERCONNECTOR (THE 'PROJECT')
PINS REFERENCE NUMBER: EN020022
NOTIFICATION OF INTENTION TO SUBMIT AN EIA PURSUANT TO REGULATION 8(1)(b)
AND SUBMISSION OF REQUEST FOR SCOPING OPINION PURSUANT TO REGULATION
10(1) OF THE INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING (ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT)
REGULATIONS 2017) (THE 'EIA REGULATIONS')

With reference to the above, and on behalf of our client, AQUIND Ltd (the 'Applicant'), we write to confirm that the Applicant proposes to provide an Environmental Statement in respect of the Project in satisfaction of the requirement provided by Regulation 8(1)(b) of the the EIA Regulations. This notification shall facilitate the requirement for the Secretary of State to provide notifications and information in accordance with Regulation 11(1) of the EIA Regulations, and we look forward to receipt of the information required to be provided to the Applicant in accordance with Regulations 11(1)((b) and 11(1)(c) of the EIA Regulations in due course.

In addition, please accept this letter as a request for a written EIA Scoping Opinion under Regulation 10(1) of the EIA Regulations.

Enclosed is an EIA Scoping Report to assist you in providing your EIA Scoping Opinion.

The EIA Scoping Report includes the following:

- A plan sufficient to identify the land (Figure 1.2 and Figure 1.3);
- A description of the Proposed Development, including its location and technical capacity (Chapter 2);

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- An explanation of the likely significant effects of the development on the environment (**Chapter 6-32**); and
- Such other information or representations as the person making the request may wish to provide or make.

In accordance with Regulation 10(6) of the EIA Regulations, the Secretary of State is required to adopt a scoping opinion in response to this request within 42 days of the date of receipt of this request. As such it is assumed that a Scoping Opinion would be available by Monday 10th December 2018.

We trust that the above and attached are helpful, and we look forward to receiving the Scoping Opinion in due course. In the meantime, if you have any queries, or require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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