



**The Secretary,
An Bord Pleanála,
64 Marlborough Street,
Dublin 1.**

1st September 2015

ABP Ref: 08.PC0181

**Re: Strategic Infrastructure Planning Application for Grousemount Wind Farm
and Associated Developments**

Dear Sir,

Please find enclosed a planning application on behalf of ESB Wind Development (ESBWD) for Grousemount Wind Farm and associated developments. An Bord Pleanála (ABP) pre-application Reg. Ref. 08.PC0181 refers. This application is set out in two parts as follows:

Planning Documents and Appropriate Assessment Screening Report

This folder contains the following documents:

Planning Documents - Volume 1

1. Cover Letter
2. Application Form
3. Copy of Site Notices (English and Irish¹)
4. Copy of Newspaper Notices (English and Irish)
5. Letter of Consent from Landowners at the Relevant Locations
6. Letters to Kerry and Cork County Councils and Prescribed Bodies Notifying Them of the Planning Application

¹ The location of the temporary bridge crossing traversing the Sullane River is within Ballyvourney (Baile Bhúirne) village. This village is located in a Gaeltacht area therefore public notices are also being published in Irish.



7. Planning Application Report
8. Appropriate Assessment Screening Report

Planning Drawings - Volumes 2, 3 and 4

1. Plans and Drawings

Environmental Documents

These folders contain the following documents:

- **Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) - Volume 1 Main Text**
- **Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) - Volume 2 Appendices**
- **Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) - Volume 3 Photomontages**

Electronic Versions of the Documentation

The application is accompanied by an electronic version on a DVD. The DVD for both the Planning and EIS documents can be found on a sleeve on the inside cover of Planning Documents Volume 1.

The documentation can also be found on a website at www.grousemountwindfarm.ie.

Given the strategic infrastructure designation of this application and the timelines associated with meeting REFIT deadlines related to this wind farm, we would request that An Bord Pleanála deal with this application in a timely manner and place it on their list of priority cases. We trust that this application is in order and we await your decision in due course. An application fee of €100,000 is enclosed with this application.

Yours sincerely,

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(Agent on behalf of ESBWD)