



Commission for Energy Regulation  
An Coimisiún um Rialáil Fuinnimh

1 July, 2010

Mr Eoin Langford  
The Oval  
160 Shelbourne Road  
Ballsbridge  
Dublin 4

Our Ref: 39431  
D/10/9984

**Re: Application for Special Order for East West Interconnector**

Dear Mr Langford,

I refer to EirGrid's applications to the Commission for Energy Regulation ("the CER") dated 27 November 2009 under the Electricity Supply Act, 1927 (as amended) ("the 1927 Act") and the Electricity Regulation Act, 1999 (as amended) ("the 1999 Act") seeking special orders from the CER.

The three applications made to the Commission request that the Commission grant a special order to confer on EirGrid the full power to acquire certain rights over land respectively owned by Fingal Language Institute Limited at White House, North Beach, Rush, Co. Dublin, Catherine Judy Smyth and Francis Smyth at Portain, Batterstown, Co. Meath and Fred Smyth, Portain, Batterstown, Co. Meath, as set out in each of the relevant applications.

I understand that the applications were made in relation to the development of the East West Interconnector between Ireland and Great Britain ("the Interconnector"). The CER has already granted to EirGrid an authorisation under Section 16 of the 1999 Act to construct the Interconnector.

Pursuant to Section 47 of the 1999 Act and for the reasons set out in Decision Paper CER/10/096, the CER has decided to grant the three special orders sought to EirGrid as the holder of the authorisation to construct an Interconnector.

In order provide each of the landowners with a right to compensation and to provide a mechanism for the determination of the amount of compensation, the CER has



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decided to incorporate the Acquisition of Land (Assessment of Compensation) Act 1919 and the Land Clauses Acts so far as the same are not inconsistent with the said Acquisition of Land (Assessment of Compensation) Act 1919 or with section 45 of the 1927 Act, as amended.

Yours sincerely,

  
Michael G Tutty  
Chairman

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