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From: [REDACTED]@newfortressenergy.com]
Sent: 13 March 2021 15:41
To: Kevin Brady
Cc: Caoimhin Smith, [REDACTED]
Subject: RE : Request pre app consult - [REDACTED]

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Hi Kevin,

Thank you for your response. [REDACTED]

Taking account of recent developments in Ireland's response to climate change, including an objective for 70% of our electricity to come from renewable sources by 2030, we believe that the [REDACTED] proposal will effectively support the resilient transition of our electricity system to renewables.

I attach a technical note and a power point presentation on [REDACTED] which will give you a good outline of the proposal, but by way of summary I would add the following.

[REDACTED] can protect Ireland in the event of a major gas supply disruption from the UK. The [REDACTED] addresses Ireland's looming shortage of conventional power generation. As you are aware, natural gas will play an increasingly important role in Ireland's climate change plans as coal and peat-fired electricity generation is phased out and the amount of electricity from renewable sources increases.

The [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] supports three key policies;

- **Enhance Ireland's energy security.** The Corrib gas field is rapidly depleting and it is predicted that Ireland will be reliant on UK imports from a single supply point for 90% of its gas by 2030. The impact of losing this single gas supply from the UK has been assessed^[1] by the Commission for Energy Regulation (CRU) as being "disastrous" for electricity production in Ireland. The [REDACTED] proposal provides import route diversity and that can protect Ireland in the event of a supply disruption from the UK. It would also allow Ireland to comply^[2] with the N-1 Infrastructure standard^[3].
- **Address power capacity shortfalls.** Eirgrid has forecast^[4] a shortfall in generation capacity of up to 570 MW by 2026 and advised that new additional gas fired conventional power plants are urgently required on the grid. The [REDACTED] can be delivered in a realistic timeframe to address the looming shortage. The [REDACTED] was successful in the recent ECP 2.1 process and is preparing for an imminent grid connection offer.
- **70% renewables by 2030.** Ireland's Climate Action Plan^[5] sets a target of 70% of electricity to be generated from renewable sources by 2030. It also commits to an early and complete phase-out of coal and peat-fired electricity generation. The Climate Action Plan confirms that natural gas is the only long term reliable back up for intermittent wind generation for the foreseeable future^[6].

Mindful of the Programme for Government, and its statements on "fracked gas", we note that most of the LNG in the world is not sourced from fracked gas. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] is not seeking Irish government or EU funding. [REDACTED]

We are very much looking forward to the opportunity to present our proposed development to you.

Regards

[REDACTED] Project Manager

Footnotes:

1. Identification of National Electricity Crisis Scenarios for Ireland. CRU/20/138. Commission for energy regulation. 20/11/2020
2. The National Preventative Action Plan 2018 to 2022 notes that Ireland fails to the N-1 Standard. Meaning that after losing the single largest gas infrastructure the technical capacity of the remaining infrastructure cannot meet demand.
3. Regulation (EU) 2017 / 1938 concerning measures to safeguard the security of gas supply
4. All-Island Generation capacity Statement 2020-2029
5. Climate Action Plan 2019. Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications. 17th June 2019

6. The Climate action plan forecasts gas demand as far as 2040
7. This would require a new planning application

Attachments:

- Technical note describing the development
- PowerPoint presentation describing the development

From: Kevin Brady <Kevin.Brady@decc.gov.ie>
Sent: Tuesday 2 March 2021 17:09
To: [REDACTED] <[\[REDACTED\]@newfortressenergy.com](mailto:[REDACTED]@newfortressenergy.com)>
Cc: Caoimhin Smith <Caoimhin.Smith@decc.gov.ie>
Subject: RE: Request for meeting with the Department by New Fortress Energy

Mr [REDACTED]

I note your email below seeking a consultation with the Department. I would ask that you provide details of the proposed development that we can review in advance of considering your request for a meeting.

Regards,
Kevin

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From: [REDACTED] <[\[REDACTED\]@newfortressenergy.com](mailto:[REDACTED]@newfortressenergy.com)>
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Subject: Request pre app consult - [REDACTED]

Hi Caoimhin,

I hope you are well.

We are in pre-application consultation with An Bord Pleanála for a new Strategic Infrastructure Development (SID) under Section 37B of the Planning and Development Act 2000.

We intend to launch a public information event shortly, and subject to ABP's guidance, submit the planning application quickly thereafter.

In accordance with best practice, we are requesting a consultation with the Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications as soon as possible.

Our goal is to clearly present the elements of our proposed project and our intentions with respect to timing and gather your feedback on any improvements that maybe advisable.

Can you please advise of a date and time that is convenient to you and I will send a MS Teams invite.

We are very much looking forward to the opportunity to present our proposed development to you.

Regards

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