

An
Bord
Pleanála

Application Form for Permission / Approval in respect of a Strategic Infrastructure Development

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Please specify the statutory provision under which your application is being made:	Section 37E of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended)
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2. **Applicant:**

Name of Applicant:	Umma More Ltd
Address:	Lissarda Business Park, Lissarda, Co. Cork
Telephone No:	+ 353 21 733 6034
Email Address (if any):	info@enercoenergy.ie

3. Where Applicant is a company (registered under the Companies Acts):

Name(s) of company director(s):	Michael Murnane Andrew Clements
Registered Address (of company)	Lissarda Business Park, Lissarda, Co. Cork
Company Registration No.	703148
Telephone No.	+ 353 21 733 6034
Email Address (if any)	info@enercoenergy.ie

4. Person / Agent acting on behalf of the Applicant (if any):

Name:	Meabhann Crowe (MKO)
Address:	MKO, Tuam Road, Galway H91 VW84
Telephone No.	091735611
Mobile No. (if any)	N/A
Email address (if any)	mcrowe@mkoireland.ie

Should all correspondence be sent to the above address? (Please tick appropriate box)

(Please note that if the answer is “No”, all correspondence will be sent to the Applicant’s address)

Yes: [] No:[]

Contact Name and Contact Details (Phone number) for arranging entry on site if required / appropriate:

Meabhann Crowe (MKO)

MKO, Tuam Road, Galway

091 735611

5. Person responsible for preparation of Drawings and Plans:

Name:	J. O'Brien (MKO) Michael Gill (Hydro Environmental Services (HES)) Maryan Joel Menacherry (Enerco Energy)
Firm / Company:	MKO HES Enerco Energy
Address:	MKO, Tuam Road, Galway HES, 4 Caiseal Riada, Stradbally North, Clarinbridge, Co. Galway, H91 X81W Enerco Energy, Lissarda Business Park, Co. Cork
Telephone No:	091735611 (MKO) 091796734 (HES) 0217336034 (Enerco Energy)
Mobile No:	N/A
Email Address (if any):	
Details all plans / drawings submitted – title of drawings / plans, scale and no. of copies submitted. This can be submitted as a separate schedule with the application form.	

Please refer to the appended sheet for full details of all accompanying plans/drawings. 2 no. hard copies and 8 no. electronic copies of drawings have been provided.

6. Site:

<p>Site Address / Location of the Proposed Development (as may best identify the land or structure in question)</p>	<p>The Wind Farm Site is located approximately 2 kilometres southwest of Ballymore, Co. Westmeath, 6.6 kilometres to the north of Moate, Co Westmeath and 12.2 kilometres northeast of Athlone, Co. Westmeath. It is proposed to access the Wind Farm Site via an existing access track off the L5363 Local road to the northwest of the site. The site is served by a number of existing agricultural roads and tracks.</p> <p>The Wind Farm Site is located in the townlands of Ballynafearagh, Raheen, Baskin High, Baskin Low, Lissanode, Umma Beg or Moneynamanagh, Umma More.</p>
<p>Ordnance Survey Map Ref No. (and the Grid Reference where available)</p>	<p>OS: OS2024, OS2224</p> <p>Grid Reference: 2900, 2901, 2969, 2970</p>
<p>Where available, please provide the application site boundary, as shown in the submitted plans / drawings, as an ESRI shapefile in the Irish Transverse Mercator (ITM IRENET95) co-ordinate reference system. Alternatively, a CAD file in .dwg format, with all geometry referenced to ITM, may be provided.</p>	
<p>Area of site to which the application relates in hectares</p>	<p>337.8 ha</p>
<p>Site zoning in current Development Plan for the area:</p>	<p>The site is zoned for Low Wind Capacity in the adopted Westmeath County Development Plan 2021-2027 (Wind Energy Capacity)</p>
<p>Existing use of the site & proposed use of the site:</p>	<p>Existing – Coniferous forestry and agriculture Proposed – Commercial Wind Farm</p>
<p>Name of the Planning Authority(s) in whose functional area the site is situated:</p>	<p>Westmeath County Council</p>

7. Legal Interest of Applicant in respect of the site the subject of the application:

Please tick appropriate box to show applicant's legal interest in the land or structure:	Owner	Occupier
	Other ✓	
Where legal interest is "Other", please expand further on your interest in the land or structure.		
The Applicant has obtained consent from relevant landowners - please refer to information below. Consent letters are enclosed with this application form.		
If you are not the legal owner , please state the name and address of the owner and supply a letter from the owner of consent to make the application as listed in the accompanying documentation.		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Andrew & Justin McDonnell, Ardboro, Drumraney, Athlone, Co. Westmeath • Carmel Ledwith, Ballinagarby, Moate, Co. Westmeath • George Smyth, Baskin, Drumraney, Athlone, Co. Westmeath • James G. Lennon, Bunnahilly House, Bunnahilly, Athlone, Co. Westmeath • Kevin Browne, Well House, Ardnagraney, Drumraney, Co. Westmeath • Peter Elliffe, Raheen, Moate, Co. Westmeath • William Gilligan, Lissanode, Drumraney, Athlone, Co. Westmeath • John Murtagh & Ethel Hiney, Baskin, Drumraney, Athlone, Co. Westmeath • Joseph Dolan, Bryanmore, Mount Temple, Moate, Co. Westmeath • Madeline Murtagh, Baskin, Drumraney, Athlone, Co. Westmeath • Breda & Liam Walsh, Kileenmore, Glasson, Athlone, Co. Westmeath • Patrick Sheil, Baskin, Athlone, Co. Westmeath • Rosemary & Sean Slevin, Baskin, Drumraney, Athlone, Co. Westmeath • Catherine & PJ Daly, Mullenmeehan, Ballymore, Co. Westmeath • Denis Murray, Dublin Rd., Moate, Co. Westmeath • Michael Farrell, Bryanbeg, Drumraney, Athlone, Co. Westmeath • Edward Fitzpatrick, Lissanode, Athlone, Co. Westmeath • Frank Lennon, Beachlawn, Drumraney, Co. Westmeath 		
Does the applicant own or have a beneficial interest in adjoining, abutting or adjacent lands? If so, identify the lands and state the interest.		
Yes – please refer to MKO drawing 201050-02 with landowner boundaries shown in blue.		

8. Site History:

Details regarding site history (if known):

Has the site in question ever, to your knowledge, been flooded?

Yes: [] No: []

If yes, please give details e.g. year, extent:

No precise flood history dates available however flooding has been known to occur. The lands are subject to the Arterial Drainage Scheme therefore are managed. Infrastructure of the Proposed Development has been designed around site specific flood mapping for 1 in 100 year and 1 in 1000 year events.

Are you aware of previous uses of the site e.g. dumping or quarrying?

Yes: [] No:[]

If yes, please give details: N/A

Are you aware of any valid planning applications previously made in respect of this land / structure?

Yes: [] No: []

If yes, please state planning register reference number(s) of same if known and details of applications

Reg. Ref. No:	Nature of Proposed Development	Nature of Final Decision of Application Grant of Refusal by Planning Authority / An Bord Pleanála
83238	Outline planning permission for house	05.10.1983
104088	Planning permission for a dry shed extension to existing agricultural shed and all associated ancillary site works.	20.09.2010

If a valid planning application has been made in respect of this land or structure in the 6 months prior to the submission of this application, then any required site notice must be on a yellow background in accordance with Article 19(4) of the Planning and Development regulations 2001 as amended.

Is the site of the proposal subject to a current appeal to An Bord Pleanála in respect of a similar development?

Yes: [] No:[]

If yes please specify N/A

An Bord Pleanála Reference No.: N/A

9. Description of the Proposed Development:

Brief description of nature and extent of development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> I. 9 No. wind turbines with an overall ground-to-blade tip height of 185 metres; a rotor blade diameter of 162 metres; and hub height of 104 metres, and associated foundations and hard-standing areas; II. A thirty-year operational life from the date of full commissioning of the wind farm and subsequent decommissioning; III. A meteorological mast with a height of 30 metres, and associated foundation and hard-standing area; IV. Junction accommodation works and temporary access roads to facilitate turbine delivery to an existing entrance on L5363. V. Upgrade of existing entrance on L5363 for provision of site entrance; VI. Upgrade of existing tracks/ roads and provision of new site access roads, junctions and hardstand areas; VII. Underground electrical (33kV) and communications cabling; VIII. A temporary construction compound; IX. Spoil Management; X. Site Drainage; XI. Tree Felling; XII. Operational stage site signage; and XIII. All ancillary works and apparatus. <p>A ten-year planning permission is sought.</p> <p>An Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR) and Natura Impact Statement (NIS) have been prepared in relation to the project and accompany this planning application.</p>
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10. In the case of mixed development (e.g. residential, commercial, industrial, etc), please provide breakdown of the different classes of development and a breakdown of the gross floor area of each class of development:

Class of Development:	Gross Floor Area in m ²
N/A	N/A

11. Where the application relates to a building or buildings:

Gross floor space of any existing buildings(s) in m ²	N/A
Gross floor space of proposed works in m ²	120m ²
Gross floor space of work to be retained in m ² (if appropriate)	N/A
Gross floor space of any demolition in m ² (if appropriate)	N/A

12. In the case of residential development please provide breakdown of residential mix:

Number of	Studio	1 Bed	2 Bed	3 Bed	4 Bed	4 + Bed	Total
Houses	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Apartments	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Number of car-parking spaces to be provided		Existing:		Proposed:		Total: N/A	

13. Social Housing:

Please tick appropriate box:	Yes	No
<i>Is the application an application for permission for development to which Part V of the Planning and Development Act 2000 applies?</i>		✓
<p>If the answer to the above question is “yes” and the development is not exempt (see below), you must provide, as part of your application, details as to how you propose to comply with section 96 of Part V of the Act.</p> <p>If the answer to the above question is “yes” but you consider the development to be exempt by virtue of section 97 of the Planning and Development Act 2000, a copy of the Certificate of Exemption under section 97 must be submitted (or, where an application for a certificate of exemption has been made but has not yet been decided, a copy of the application should be submitted).</p> <p>If the answer to the above question is “no” by virtue of section 96 (13) of the Planning and Development Act 2000, details indicating the basis on which section 96 (13) is considered to apply to the development should be submitted.</p>		

14. Where the application refers to a material change of use of any land or structure or the retention of such a material change of use:

Existing use (or previous use where retention permission is sought)
The land uses within the proposed development site include agriculture and commercial forestry.
Proposed use (or use it is proposed to retain)
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> I. 9 No. wind turbines with an overall ground-to-blade tip height of 185 metres; a rotor blade diameter of 162 metres; and hub height of 104 metres, and associated foundations and hard-standing areas; II. A thirty-year operational life from the date of full commissioning of the wind farm and subsequent decommissioning; III. A meteorological mast with a height of 30 metres, and associated foundation and hard-standing area; IV. Junction accommodation works and temporary access roads to facilitate turbine delivery to an existing entrance on L5363. V. Upgrade of existing entrance on L5363 for provision of site entrance; VI. Upgrade of existing tracks/ roads and provision of new site access roads, junctions and hardstand areas; VII. Underground electrical (33kV) and communications cabling; VIII. A temporary construction compound; IX. Spoil Management; X. Site Drainage; XI. Tree Felling; XII. Operational stage site signage; and XIII. All ancillary works and apparatus.
Nature and extent of any such proposed use (or use it is proposed to retain).
The development of a renewable energy development including associated works, as noted above

15. Development Details:

Please tick appropriate box:	If answer is yes please give details	YES	NO
Does the proposed development involve the demolition of a Protected Structure(s), in whole or in part?			✓
Does the proposed development consist of work to a protected structure and / or its curtilage or proposed protected structure and / or its curtilage?			✓
Does the proposed development consist of work to the exterior of a structure which is located within an architectural conservation area (ACA)?			✓
Does the application relate to development which affects or is close to a monument or place recorded under section 12 of the National Monuments (Amendment) Act, 1994.		✓	
Does the application relate to work within or close to a European Site or a Natural Heritage Area?			✓
Does the development require the preparation of a Natura Impact Statement?		✓	
Does the proposed development require the preparation of an Environmental Impact Assessment Report?		✓	
Do you consider that the proposed development is likely to have significant effects on the environment in a transboundary state?			✓
Does the application relate to a development which comprises or is for the purpose of an activity requiring an integrated pollution prevention and control license			✓
Does the application relate to a development which comprises or is for the purpose of an activity requiring a waste license?			✓
Do the Major Accident Regulations apply to the proposed development?			✓
Does the application relate to a development in a Strategic Development Zone?			✓
Does the proposed development involve the demolition of any habitable house?			✓

16. Services:

Proposed Source of Water Supply:
Existing connection: <input type="checkbox"/> New Connection: <input type="checkbox"/> Public Mains: <input type="checkbox"/> Group Water Scheme: <input type="checkbox"/> Private Well: <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify): <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Please refer to Chapter 4 of the EIAR Name of Group Water Scheme (where applicable): N/A
Proposed Wastewater Management / Treatment:
Existing: <input type="checkbox"/> New: <input type="checkbox"/> Public Sewer: <input type="checkbox"/> Conventional septic tank system: <input type="checkbox"/> Other on site treatment system: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Please Specify: Please refer to chapter 4 of the EIAR. It is not proposed to treat wastewater on site. Wastewater from the staff welfare facilities will be managed by means of a sealed storage tank, with all wastewater being tankered off site by a permitted waste collector to a wastewater treatment plant.
Proposed Surface Water Disposal:
Public Sewer / Drain: <input type="checkbox"/> Soakpit: <input type="checkbox"/> Watercourse: <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Please specify: A controlled drainage system will be used. Refer to Chapter 4 of the EIAR for more detail.

17. Notices:

Details of public newspaper notice – paper(s) and date of publication
Copy of page(s) of relevant newspaper enclosed Yes: [<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>] No:[<input type="checkbox"/>] National Paper: Irish Examiner, Published Thursday 9 th March 2023, dated 9 th March 2023 Local Paper: Athlone Advertiser, Published Thursday 9 th March 2023, dated 9 th March 2023
Details of site notice, if any, - location and date of erection
Copy of site notice enclosed Yes: [<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>] No:[<input type="checkbox"/>] Date of erection of site notices: 9 th March 2023
Details of other forms of public notification, if appropriate e.g. website
www.ummamoreplanning.com

18. Pre-application Consultation:

Date(s) of statutory pre-application consultations with An Bord Pleanála
Schedule of any other pre application consultations –name of person / body and date of consultation to be provided as appropriate and also details of any general public consultations i.e. methods, dates, venues etc. This can be submitted as a separate schedule with the application form. Enclosed: Refer to Addendum of the planning form Yes: [<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>] No:[<input type="checkbox"/>] Schedule of prescribed bodies to whom notification of the making of the application has been sent and a sample copy of such notification. Enclosed: Refer to Addendum of the planning form

Yes: [✓] No: []

19. Confirmation Notice:

Copy of Confirmation Notice

Attach a copy of the confirmation notice in relation to the EIA Portal where an EIAR accompanies the application.

A copy of the notice is attached, and the EIA Portal (ID number 2023029) confirmation is attached in the Appendix of this form.

20. Application Fee:

Fee Payable

€100,000.00 (Paid by EFT on 08/03/2023)

I hereby declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the information given in this form is correct and accurate and that the application documents being deposited at the planning authority offices, and any other location specified by the Board in pre application consultations, including a website (if any) will be identical to the application documents being deposited with the Board.

Signed:
(Applicant or Agent as appropriate)

Meabhann P. Crowe

Meabhann Crowe, MKO Planning (AGENT), Tuam Road, Galway

Date:

10/03/2023

General Guidance Note:

The range and format of material required to be compiled / submitted with any application in respect of a proposed strategic infrastructure development shall generally accord with the requirements for a planning application as set out in the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001 to 2018 and those Regulations should therefore be consulted prior to submission of any application.

September 2018

Addendum Response to Q5 of SID Application Forms – Schedule of Drawings/Plans and Scales

Schedule of Drawings/Plans and Scales			
Drawing No.	Drawing Title	Scale	Page Size
201050 – 01	Location Context Map	1: 50,000	A3
201050 – 02	Site Location Map	1: 20,000	A3
201050 – 02A	Site Notice Location Map A	1:2,500	A3
201050 – 02B	Site Notice Location Map B	1:2,500	A3
201050 – 02C	Site Notice Location Map C	1:2,500	A3
201050 – 02D	Site Notice Location Map D	1:2,500	A3
201050 – 02E	Site Notice Location Map E	1:2,500	A3
201050 – 02F	Site Notice Location Map F	1:2,500	A3
201050 – 02G	Site Notice Location Map G	1:2,500	A3
201050 – 02H	Site Notice Location Map H	1:2,500	A3
201050 – 03	Site Layout Key Plan (1:5,000)	1: 10,000	A1
201050 – 04	Site Layout 1:5,000 Sheet 1 of 2	1: 5,000	A1
201050 – 05	Site Layout 1:5,000 Sheet 2 of 2	1: 5,000	A1
201050 – 06	Site Layout Key Plan (1:2,500)	1: 10,000	A1
201050 – 07	Site Layout 1:2,500 Sheet 1 of 6	1:2,500	A1
201050 – 08	Site Layout 1:2,500 Sheet 2 of 6	1:2,500	A1
201050 – 09	Site Layout 1:2,500 Sheet 3 of 6	1:2,500	A1
201050 – 10	Site Layout 1:2,500 Sheet 4 of 6	1:2,500	A1
201050 – 11	Site Layout 1:2,500 Sheet 5 of 6	1:2,500	A1
201050 – 12	Site Layout 1:2,500 Sheet 6 of 6	1:2,500	A1
201050 – 13	Turbine 1 Layout	1:500	A3
201050 – 14	Turbine 2 Layout	1:500	A3
201050 – 15	Turbine 3 Layout	1:500	A3
201050 – 16	Turbine 4 Layout	1:500	A3
201050 – 17	Turbine 5 Layout	1:500	A3
201050 – 18	Turbine 6 Layout	1:500	A3
201050 – 19	Turbine 7 Layout	1:500	A3
201050 – 20	Turbine 8 Layout	1:500	A3
201050 – 21	Turbine 9 Layout	1:500	A3
201050 – 22	Temporary Construction Compound	1:500	A3
201050 – 23	Met Mast	As Shown	A3
201050 – 24	Wind Turbine Elevations & Plan	1:500	A1
201050 – 25	Existing Road for Upgrade Excavated Road Section	1:50	A3
201050 – 26	Proposed New Excavated Road Section	1:50	A3
201050 – 27	Excavated road section in Site-Specific Flood Modelled Zones	1:50	A3
201050 – 28	Site Signage	1:20	A3
201050 – 29	Field Gate Detail	1:20	A3
201050 – 30	Site Office & Staff Facilities Detail	1:100	A3
201050 – 31	Clear Span Bridge Crossing	As Shown	A3
201050 – 32	33kV Cable Trench Sections	1:10	A3
Drawing No.	HES Drawings	Scale	Page Size
D101	Proposed Drainage Layout	1: 2,000	A1
D102	Proposed Drainage Layout	1: 2,000	A1
D103	Proposed Drainage Layout	1: 2,000	A1
D104	Proposed Drainage Layout	1: 2,000	A1
D105	Proposed Drainage Layout	1: 2,000	A1
D501	Drainage Details 1	As Shown	A1
D502	Drainage Details 2	As Shown	A1
D503	Drainage Details 3	As Shown	A1

Addendum Response to Q7 of SID Application Forms – Landowner Consents Letters

Carmel Ledwith

Ballinagarbry, Moate, Co. Westmeath

To the relevant planning authority,

Umma More Renewable Energy Development ("the Development")

Dear Sir/Madam,

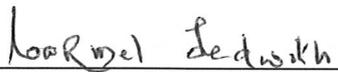
I, Carmel Ledwith, am the registered owner of the lands contained in folio WH7244, in the townland of Lissanode, County Westmeath ("the Property").

I understand that Umma More Limited ("the Company") will apply for planning permission for the Development, which will be located on the Property and on the lands adjacent to the Property.

I hereby consent to the Company making all applications relating to the Development on the Property.

Additionally, I consent to the Planning Authority displaying all the information contained in this letter on the public Planning File.

Yours Sincerely,



Carmel Ledwith

Dated: 11.2.22

George Smyth

Baskin, Drumraney, Athlone, Co. Westmeath

To the relevant planning authority,

Umma More Renewable Energy Development ("the Development")

Dear Sir/Madam,

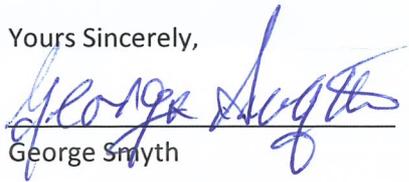
I, George Smyth, am the registered owner of the lands contained in folios WH6510F and WH10499, in the townlands of Baskin High and Lissanode, County Westmeath ("the Property").

I understand that Umma More Limited ("the Company") will apply for planning permission for the Development, which will be located on the Property and on the lands adjacent to the Property.

I hereby consent to the Company making all applications relating to the Development on the Property.

Additionally, I consent to the Planning Authority displaying all the information contained in this letter on the public Planning File.

Yours Sincerely,


George Smyth

Dated: 11-2-22

Andrew & Justin McDonnell
Ardboro, Drumraney, Athlone, Co. Westmeath

To the relevant planning authority,

Umma More Renewable Energy Development ("the Development")

Dear Sir/Madam,

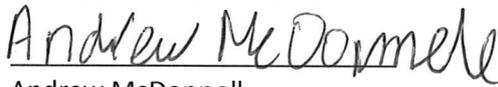
We, Andrew & Justin McDonnell, are the registered owners of the lands contained in folio WH1661F, in the townland of Baskin High, County Westmeath ("the Property").

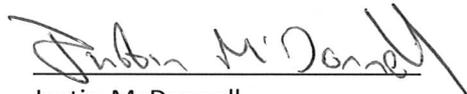
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We hereby consent to the Company making all applications relating to the Development on the Property.

Additionally, we consent to the Planning Authority displaying all the information contained in this letter on the public Planning File.

Yours Sincerely,


Andrew McDonnell


Justin McDonnell

Dated: 11th FEBRUARY 2022

Michael Farrell

Bryanbeg, Drumraney, Athlone, Co. Westmeath

To the relevant planning authority,

Umma More Renewable Energy Development ("the Development")

Dear Sir/Madam,

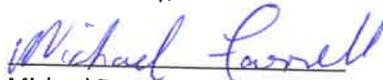
I, Michael Farrell, am the registered owner of the lands contained in folio WH2599F, in the townland of Lissanode, County Westmeath ("the Property").

I understand that Umma More Limited ("the Company") will apply for planning permission for the Development, which will be located on the Property and on the lands adjacent to the Property.

I hereby consent to the Company making all applications relating to the Development on the Property.

Additionally, I consent to the Planning Authority displaying all the information contained in this letter on the public Planning File.

Yours Sincerely,


Michael Farrell

Dated: 13/09/2022.

James G. Lennon

Bunnahilly House, Bunnahilly, Athlone, Co. Westmeath

To the relevant planning authority,

Umma More Renewable Energy Development ("the Development")

Dear Sir/Madam,

I, James G. Lennon, am the registered owner of the lands contained in folios WH1104, WH406F, WH8085. I am the beneficial owner, and the person entitled to be the registered owner, of the lands contained in folio, WH12336F, WH11599, and WH8100, in the townlands of Umma More, Umma Beg and Ballynafearagh, County Westmeath ("the Property").

I understand that Umma More Limited ("the Company") will apply for planning permission for the Development, which will be located on the Property and on the lands adjacent to the Property.

I hereby consent to the Company making all applications relating to the Development on the Property.

Additionally, I consent to the Planning Authority displaying all the information contained in this letter on the public Planning File.

Yours Sincerely,


James G. Lennon

Dated: 13.10.22

Peter Elliffe
Raheen, Moate, Co. Westmeath

To the relevant planning authority,

Umma More Renewable Energy Development ("the Development")

Dear Sir/Madam,

I, Peter Elliffe, am the registered owner of the lands contained in folios WH8930 and WH31319F, in the townlands of Baskin High and Lissanode, County Westmeath ("the Property").

I understand that Umma More Limited ("the Company") will apply for planning permission for the Development, which will be located on the Property and on the lands adjacent to the Property.

I hereby consent to the Company making all applications relating to the Development on the Property.

Additionally, I consent to the Planning Authority displaying all the information contained in this letter on the public Planning File.

Yours Sincerely,



Peter Elliffe

Dated: 11/2/22

William Gilligan

Lissanode, Drumraney, Athlone, Co. Westmeath

To the relevant planning authority,

Umma More Renewable Energy Development ("the Development")

Dear Sir/Madam,

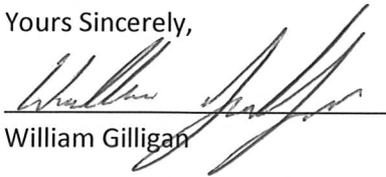
I, William Gilligan, am the registered owner of the lands contained in folio WH7101F, in the townland of Umma More, County Westmeath ("the Property").

I understand that Umma More Limited ("the Company") will apply for planning permission for the Development, which will be located on the Property and on the lands adjacent to the Property.

I hereby consent to the Company making all applications relating to the Development on the Property.

Additionally, I consent to the Planning Authority displaying all the information contained in this letter on the public Planning File.

Yours Sincerely,



William Gilligan

Dated: 11-02-22

Kevin Browne

Well House, Ardnagraney, Drumraney, Co. Westmeath

To the relevant planning authority,

Umma More Renewable Energy Development ("the Development")

Dear Sir/Madam,

I, Kevin Browne, am the registered owner of the lands contained in folio WH25790F, in the townland of Baskin High, County Westmeath ("the Property").

I understand that Umma More Limited ("the Company") will apply for planning permission for the Development, which will be located on the Property and on the lands adjacent to the Property.

I hereby consent to the Company making all applications relating to the Development on the Property.

Additionally, I consent to the Planning Authority displaying all the information contained in this letter on the public Planning File.

Yours Sincerely,

Kevin Browne

Kevin Browne

Dated: 17/2/22

Patrick Sheil

~~Golden Island~~, Baskin, Athlone, Co. Westmeath

To the relevant planning authority,

Umma More Renewable Energy Development ("the Development")

Dear Sir/Madam,

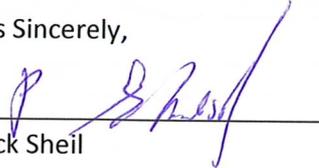
I, Patrick Sheil, am the registered owner of the lands contained in folio WH8782F, in the townland of Baskin High, County Westmeath ("the Property").

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Yours Sincerely,



Patrick Sheil

Dated: 18/2/2022

Rosemary & Seán Slevin

Baskin, Drumraney, Athlone, Co. Westmeath

To the relevant planning authority,

Umma More Renewable Energy Development ("the Development")

Dear Sir/Madam,

We, Rosemary & Seán Slevin, are the registered owner of the lands contained in folios WH495 and WH8430F, in the townland of Baskin Low, County Westmeath ("the Property").

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Yours Sincerely,

Rosemary Slevin

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Dated: 10.03.2022

Joseph Dolan

Bryanmore, Mount Temple, Moate, Co. Westmeath

To the relevant planning authority,

Umma More Renewable Energy Development ("the Development")

Dear Sir/Madam,

I, Joseph Dolan, am the beneficial owner, and person entitled to be the registered owner, of the lands contained in folio WH9577, in the townland of Baskin High, County Westmeath ("the Property").

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Yours Sincerely,



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Dated: 18/11/22

Madeline Murtagh

Baskin, Drumraney, Athlone, Co. Westmeath

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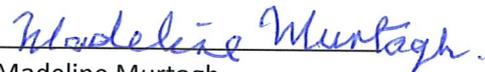
I, Madeline Murtagh, am the registered owner of the lands contained in folio WH493, in the townland of Baskin High, County Westmeath ("the Property").

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Madeline Murtagh

Dated: 17-2-22

Breda & Liam Walsh

Kileenmore, Glasson, Athlone, Co. Westmeath

To the relevant planning authority,

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Dear Sir/Madam,

We, Breda & Liam Walsh, are the registered owners of the lands contained in folio WH8739, in the townland of Baskin High, County Westmeath ("the Property").

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Yours Sincerely,

Breda Walsh
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Liam Walsh
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Dated: 18/2/2022

Catherine & Patrick Joseph Daly
Mullenmeehan, Ballymore, Co. Westmeath

To the relevant planning authority,

Umma More Renewable Energy Development ("the Development")

Dear Sir/Madam,

We, Catherine & Patrick Joseph Daly, are the registered owner of the lands contained in folios WH6580 and WH6031, in the townlands of Mullenmeehan and Ballynafearagh, County Westmeath ("the Property").

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Yours Sincerely,

Catherine Daly

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PATRICK JOSEPH DALY

Patrick Joseph Daly

Dated: 14 March 2022

Denis Murray

Dublin Rd., Moate, Co. Westmeath

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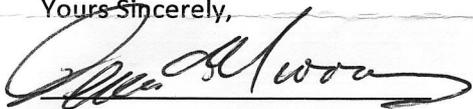
I, Denis Murray, am the registered owner of the lands contained in folio WH7772F, in the townland of Umma More, County Westmeath ("the Property").

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Yours Sincerely,



Denis Murray

Dated: 1/6/22

John Murtagh & Ethel Hiney
Baskin, Drumraney, Athlone, Co. Westmeath

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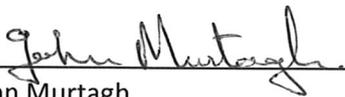
We, John Murtagh & Ethel Hiney, are the beneficial owners, and those entitled to be the registered owners, of the lands contained in folio WH15734, in the townland of Baskin High, County Westmeath ("the Property").

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Yours Sincerely,


John Murtagh


Ethel Hiney

Dated: 22-12-22

Edward Fitzpatrick
Lissanode, Athlone, Co. Westmeath

To the relevant planning authority,

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Dear Sir/Madam,

I, Edward Fitzpatrick, am the registered owner of the lands contained in folio WH2161F, in the townlands of Baskin High, County Westmeath ("the Property").

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Edward Fitzpatrick

Dated: 13-10-22

Frank Lennon

Beachlawn, Drumraney, Co. Westmeath

To the relevant planning authority,

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Dear Sir/Madam,

I, Frank Lennon, am the beneficial owner, and the person entitled to be the registered owner, of the lands contained in folio WH11503, in the townlands of Baskin High, County Westmeath ("the Property").

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Addendum Response to Q18 of SID Application Forms – Consultation and Prescribed Bodies

Schedule of Pre-Application Stakeholder Consultation (excluding An Bord Pleanála)
All stakeholder engagement is set out in full in Chapter 2 of the submission Environmental Impact Assessment Report.

Westmeath County Council

Members of the project team and the prospective applicant met with representatives from Westmeath County Council on the 16th of June 2022.

The project team gave an overview of the Proposed Development in the form of a powerpoint presentation which discussed:

- Site selection and location
- Policy context
- Site constraints
- Scoping, pre-application consultation and public consultation
- EIAR contents
- Landscape and photomontages

Following the presentation further discussion included the following items:

- The requirements of Policy 10.146 of the County Development Plan regarding separation distances between turbines and dwellings.
- Locations of large-scale wind energy developments
- Ministerial direction regarding Policy 10.146
- Strategic Infrastructure Development status of the Proposed Development
- Historic and cultural impacts on the Hill of Uisneach
- Grid connection route and options
- Substation
- Transportation of components

Offaly County Council

While the proposed Wind Farm is not located within the administrative area of Offaly County Council, the prospective applicant did seek to meet with Offaly County Council with regards the associated proposed grid connection to Thornsberry 110kV substation.

The Planning Section of Offaly County Council wrote to MKO on the 6th of July 2022 stating:

“OCC notes the proposed cabling through County Offaly.

The cable route is extensive on local, regional and national routs through Offaly. OCC would have concerns regarding ensuring that the fabric of the road and any structures on the route are preserved and that the Council is compensated for the underground space. In this regard you may wish to discuss your proposal with Tullamore MD Area Office.

Please note that this pre planning advise only.

It should be noted that any advice is given in good faith and without prejudice to the formal consideration of any subsequent planning application. Article 247 (3) of the Local Government (Planning and Development) Act, 2000 (as amended) states that “the carrying out of consultations shall not prejudice the

*performance by a Planning Authority of any other of its functions under this Act, or any regulations made under this Act and cannot be relied upon in the formal planning process or in legal proceedings.” Formal consideration of a planning application is necessarily more extensive than consideration at the pre-application stage because of consideration of any internal technical reports e.g. environment section or submissions from third parties or prescribed bodies.
Please also note that no site visit has been undertaken.”*

No other feedback was received from the County Council.

An Bord Pleanála

The prospective applicant engaged with An Bord Pleanála under the provisions Section 37B and 182E of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended), as to whether the proposed wind farm element of the proposals and, separately, the 110kv infrastructure elements of the Proposed Development would be considered strategic infrastructure development.

As two separate requests were issued to ABP under the provisions of both Section 37B and 182E of the Act, the Board issued two separate meeting requests under references ABP 313351-22 and 313352-22. However, as agreed with the prospective Applicant, a single meeting was held to discuss both cases, acknowledging the interrelationship that exists.

The opening SID meeting was held with the Board on the 21st of June 2022.

The design team gave an overview of the Proposed Development - both Wind Farm and Grid Connection – in the form of a powerpoint presentation. The presentation included:

- Site selection and location
- Planning policy context
- Site constraints
- Proposed development detail
- Scoping, pre-application and public consultation
- Environmental Impact Assessment Report
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The prospective applicant stated its opinion that the proposed Wind Farm and Grid Connection would comprise Strategic Infrastructure Development in the meaning of the Act. Discussion followed the powerpoint presentation and included:

- Grid connection route and rationale
- Location of grid connection cable in the public road corridor and on private lands
- A single EIAR would be prepared to cover both planning applications
- Dual application approach versus a single submission under Section 37E of the Act
- Stage 2 Appropriate Assessment
- Timelines to submission planning applications

The prospective applicant closed both consultations with An Bord Pleanála under Section 37E and 182E of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended on the 22nd of July 2022. On the 16th of August 2022 the Board wrote to the prospective Applicant and confirmed that both consultations were closed and that the Proposed Developments were both considered to be strategic infrastructure within the meaning of Section 37A and 182A of the Act, and such any application for approval of the Proposed Developments should be made directly to An Bord Pleanála.

The determination issuing from An Bord Pleanála required the following prescribed bodies to be notified of the application with regards the Wind Farm:

- Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage
- Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media (Development Applications Unit)
- Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine
- Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications
- Westmeath County Council
- Offaly Co. Council
- North and West Regional Assembly
- Transport Infrastructure Ireland
- An Taisce
An Chomhairle Ealaíon
- Failte Ireland
- The Heritage Council
- National Parks & Wildlife Service
- Inland Fisheries Ireland
- Irish Water
- Irish Aviation Authority
- Health Service Executive
- Commission for Regulation of Utilities.
- Office of Public Works

Details regarding EIA Scoping and Consultation are set out in Chapter 2 of the EIAR as lodged.

In addition, and as set out in pre-application discussions with the Board, the applicant has undertaken community consultation and stakeholder engagement. A full report of same is enclosed in Appendix 2-2 of the EIAR.

Copy of Prescribed Bodies Letters



An Chomhairle Ealaíon (The Arts Council)
70 Merrion Square,
Dublin 2,
D02NY52

Our Ref: 201050
Your Ref:

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Yours sincerely,



Meabhann Crowe, MRTPI

Project Planner MKO

ENCL -





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Tailors Hall
Back Lane
Dublin 8
D08 X2A3

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ENCL -





Failte Ireland,
88-95 Amiens Street,
Dublin 1
D01 WR86

Our Ref: 201050
Your Ref:

10th March 2023

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Oak House
Millennium Park
Naas
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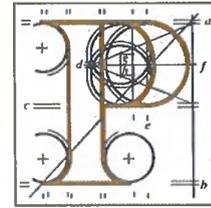
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Your Reference: Umma More Ltd



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Date: 16 August 2022

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Please also be informed that the Board considers that the pre-application consultation process in respect of this proposed development is now closed.

Attached is a list of prescribed bodies to be notified of the application for the proposed development.

In accordance with section 146(5) of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 as amended, the Board will make available for inspection and purchase at its offices the documents relating to the decision within 3 working days following its decision. This information is normally made available on the list of decided cases on the website on the Wednesday following the week in which the decision is made.

The attachment contains information in relation to challenges to the validity of a decision of An Bord Pleanála under the provisions of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended.

If you have any queries in relation to the matter please contact the undersigned officer of the Board.

Please quote the above mentioned An Bord Pleanála reference number in any correspondence or telephone contact with the Board.

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Yours faithfully,



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Prescribed Bodies

The following is a list of prescribed bodies considered relevant for the purposes of section 37E(3)(c) of the Act.

- Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage.
- Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media (Development Applications Unit).
- Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine.
- Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications.
- Westmeath County Council
- Offaly Co. Council
- North and West Regional Assembly.
- Transport Infrastructure Ireland.
- An Taisce
- An Chomhairle Ealaíon
- Fáilte Ireland
- The Heritage Council
- National Parks & Wildlife Service.
- Inland Fisheries Ireland.
- Irish Water.
- Irish Aviation Authority.
- Health Service Executive.
- Commission for Regulation of Utilities.
- Office of Public Works.

Further notifications should also be made, where deemed appropriate.

Addendum Response to Q19 of SID Application Form EIA Portal ID

Meabhann Crowe

From: Hugh Wogan (Housing) <Hugh.Wogan@housing.gov.ie>
Sent: 06 March 2023 10:23
To: Meabhann Crowe
Subject: EIA Portal Confirmation Notice Portal ID 2023029

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Dear Meabhann,

An EIA Portal notification was received on 06/03/2023 in respect of this proposed application. The information provided has been uploaded to the EIA Portal on 06/03/2023 under EIA Portal ID number 2023029 and is available to view at <http://housinggovie.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=d7d5a3d48f104ecbb206e7e5f84b71f1>.

Portal ID: 2023029

Competent Authority: Westmeath County Council

Applicant Name: Umma More Limited

Location: The townlands of Ballynafearagh, Raheen, Baskin High, Baskin Low, Lissanode, Umma Beg or Moneynamanagh, Umma More.

Description: Up to 9 no. wind turbines (max blade tip height 185 metres); underground cabling; mast; upgrades to existing roads; provision of access roads; temporary construction compound; spoil management; site drainage; tree felling; and all associated works.

Linear Development: No

Date Uploaded to Portal: 06/03/2023

Regards

Hugh Wogan,

EIA Portal team

An Roinn Tithíochta, Rialtais Áitiúil agus Oidhreachta
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