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An Coimisiún Pleanála,
64 Marlborough St,
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21st September 2026

Re: **An Coimisiún Pleanála Reference ACP-323860-25– Request for resdvertisement. Application under section 182A of the Planning and Development Acts (as amended) by Ballyloo Solar Farm Limited for the approval by An Coimisiún Pleanála for a period of 10 years for development at Ballyloo, Castletown, Graiguenaspiddoge, Kellistown East, Kellistown West, Kilballyhue, Knockbower, Leagh Or Ballybeg, Linkardstown and Moyle Big (townlands), County Carlow. The proposed development comprises of 1) A 220kV Air Insulated Switchgear (AIS) or Gas Insulated Switchgear (GIS) electricity substation or a 110kV AIS electricity substation, including two control buildings, associated electrical structures and apparatus, lightning protection, telecom pole, perimeter security fencing, security lighting, water and drainage infrastructure, temporary construction compound to connect to and serve solar farms; 2) Associated grid connection between the proposed substation and the existing 110/220kV Kellis substation comprising 220kV or 110kV underground electricity cables (reflecting final substation option) of c.8.9 km or c. 8.65 km in length to be provided in an excavated trench including associated fibre cable and ducting, and all associated site development and reinstatement works. Two options are proposed after the first c.8.3 km of underground grid connection and for the final c.0.35 – 0.6 km of the underground cable grid connection route comprising (i) cabling in the L30535 public road, or (ii) cabling in private agricultural land; 3) Temporary construction and permanent operational access to the substation from the L3050, vehicular entrance and access track from this public road; 4) All ancillary site development, excavation, construction, landscaping and reinstatement works; 5) The development subject to this application forms part of grid connection and access arrangements which will facilitate the connection of the permitted Ballyloo Solar Farm (Carlow County Council Reference 24/60043 / An Coimisiún Pleanála Reference ABP-322347-25), permitted Park Solar Farm (Carlow County Council Reference 24/60205), and proposed Ballybannon Solar Farm (Carlow County Council Reference 25/60137) to the national electricity grid via the existing 110/220kV Kellis substation. A Natura Impact Statement (NIS) has been prepared in respect of the proposed development. The NIS includes consideration of the permitted Ballyloo and Park Solar Farms and the proposed Ballybannon Solar Farm which are located in County Carlow.**

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ISO 9001:2015
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Dear Sir/Madam,

We act on behalf of Ballyloo Solar Farm Limited., Applicants in the above matter. Further to your letter dated 8th September 2026, the Applicant has readvertised that significant further information has been submitted to the Commission and that observations on same are invited for a period of not less than 30 days between 22nd September 2026 and 21st October 2026.

1. **Site Notices:** The template provided and subsequently approved by the Commission has been used. Site notices were erected at the original locations of the application on the 18th September 2026. A copy of the erected site notice is included with this letter.

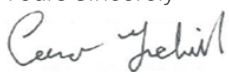
2. **Press Notices:** The template provided and subsequently approved by the Commission has been used. Press notices were placed in the Irish Times and Irish Independent on the 18th September 2026, these being the original publications used for the application. A copy of the published press notices is enclosed.

3. **Prescribed Bodies:** As requested, notice has been issued to Carlow County Council and the prescribed bodies that submissions and observations can be made on the additional information within the prescribed consultation period. A copy of the issued notification letters are enclosed.

4. **Inspection Material:** The project website has been updated to include the significant further information submitted to the Commission. Two hard copies and 1 digital copy of this information has been issued to Carlow County Council for the purposes of their review and public display. A copy of the issued letter to Carlow County Council is attached.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate in contacting us.

Yours Sincerely



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Enclosures

- Site Notice, as erected on 18th September 2026
- Press Notices as published in the Irish Times and Irish Independent on 18th September 2026
- Copy of notification letters to prescribed bodies.
- Copy of the above on digital USB