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Open Letter: Establishment of the Transmission System Operator Monitoring Committee

To whom it may concern,

As set out in CRU/20/154, a monitoring committee for EirGrid in its capacity as Transmission System Operator (TSO) is to be established to provide an effective challenge to EirGrid TSO's proposed plans and projects during the period of PR5 and future price controls. The committee will provide independent and ongoing oversight of the TSO initiatives that have been deemed too uncertain for inclusion within the TSO's ex-ante allowance for the relevant price control period or for other TSO initiatives which had not been foreseen prior to the commencement of the relevant price control period. The objective of the committee is to minimise the risk that the TSO will incur inefficient expenditure, protect consumers and ensure strategically important projects are progressed in a timely manner. A Terms of Reference for this monitoring committee can be found here.

The committee will consist of a Chair, Secretariat and up to six independent members. Meetings shall occur at least twice a year and at the discretion of the Chair. Members should have expertise in some of the following areas:

- Electricity Network and Non-Network Infrastructure Development
- Electricity Infrastructure Project Management
- Electricity Network operation and maintenance
- Research and development (ideally in the energy sector)
- Low carbon transition (ideally in the energy sector)
- Ireland's electricity regulation framework (including the CRU Price Control Process).

If you are interested in becoming a member of the TSO Monitoring Committee, please email us at regulation@eirgrid.com setting out briefly:

- Your current involvement or role in the electricity industry, if any;
- A list of your relevant experience and/or qualifications, in at least one of the above six areas;
- A list of relevant publications, if any.
- Any company or organisation (including EU stakeholder organisations) you are a member of, or affiliated to;
- Cost of services provided on a daily rate basis;



- Confirmation of your independence i.e., no conflicts of interest and not having been employed by EirGrid/SONI/CRU/UR for a minimum of three years;
- Any other relevant information; and
- Your contact details.

Please apply by email to <u>regulation@eirgrid.com</u> by Friday, 15th December 2023 as applications received after this deadline will not be considered.

Applications shall be assessed based on the extent to which the above criteria have been demonstrated. The Chair shall provide oversight of the selection process and shall ultimately select and appoint the members. EirGrid shall issue invitations to suitably experienced candidates in order to join the TSO Monitoring Committee.

Should you have any questions about the establishment of the TSO Monitoring Committee, please do not hesitate to contact regulation@eirgrid.com.

Yours sincerely,

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