



## Appropriate Assessment Screening Determination

### **CP0091 Proposed Line Alteration: To facilitate construction of Private Dwelling under construction and in conflict (LC0103) with Athy-Carlow 110 kV Line (County Carlow).**

In accordance with Article 6(3) of the EU Habitats Directive (Directive 92/43/EEC) and Regulation 42(1) of the European Communities (Birds and Natural Habitats) Regulations 2011 as amended ('The Regulations'), EirGrid has undertaken Appropriate Assessment (AA) screening to assess, in view of best scientific knowledge and the conservation objectives of relevant European sites, if the proposed Line Alteration (LC0103) on the Athy-Carlow 110 kV Line ('the proposed development') individually or in combination with other plans or projects would be likely to have a significant effect (s) on a European site(s).

The proposed development consists of installation of 1 No. Non-Earthwire Intermediate Poleset and associated hardware. This will provide adequate clearance to the proposed house (Horizontal and Vertical Clearances) and enable the construction and completion of the house.

The proposed development is not located within or near any European site; the closest such site is the River Barrow and River Nore Special Area of Conservation (SAC; site code 2162)<sup>1</sup>. This determination has had regard for these and any other relevant European sites.

In accordance with Regulation 42(7) of the European Communities (Birds and Natural Habitats) Regulations 2011 SI 477 as amended, EirGrid has made a determination following screening that an Appropriate Assessment is not required as the project individually or in combination with other plans or projects is not likely to have a significant effect on any European sites. The risk of likely significant effects on European sites can be excluded on the basis of objective evidence.

This determination is based on the location, scale, extent and duration of the proposed development, including temporary works, and has not taken account of measures intended to avoid or reduce significant effects on European sites.

Signed:

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<sup>1</sup> NPWS (2011). River Barrow and River Nore SAC 002162. Conservation Objectives Version 1.0. 19 July 2011.