



## Appropriate Assessment Screening Determination

### **CP1209 Proposed Replacements of Circuit Breakers (Brown Boveri' and'Sprecher & Schuh specification) [Exempted Development] (Counties Clare, Cork, Kerry, Limerick, Louth).**

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 replacements of Circuit Breakers (Brown Boveri' and'Sprecher & Schuh specification) [Exempted Development] ('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 works for the purpose of replacing no. 24 'Brown Boveri' and no. 2 'Sprecher & Schuh' CBs and associated works for that purpose at the following stations: Aghada 220 kV Station (no. 3 CBs), Louth 220 kV Station (no. 1 CBs); Prospect 220kV Station (no. 3 CBs), Rafeen 220 kV Station (no 3. CBs); Monteen 110 kV Station (no. 4 CBs); Rafeen 110 kV Station (no. 6 CBs); Trien 110 kV Station (no. 4 CBs); Aughinish (no. 1 CB); Cow Cross (no. 1 CBs).

The proposed works are entirely within the fencelines of existing substations. The proposed works are not located within or adjacent any 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.

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