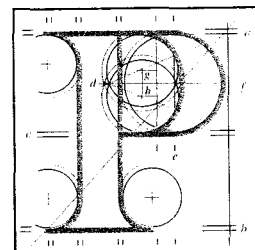


Our Ref: PL 16.227487
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An Bord Pleanála



Stephen Dowds Associates,
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12th August 2008

Appeal Re: Erection of a 100 megawatt electricity power generating station and all associated site works and services, former Asahi site, Tawnaghmore Upper, Killala, Ballina, Co Mayo.

Dear Sir/Madam,

I have been asked by An Bord Pleanála to refer to the above-mentioned appeal.

The Board has examined the appeal and is of the opinion that certain information is necessary for the purpose of enabling it to determine the appeal.

In accordance with section 132 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 you are required to submit, on or before **1st September 2008**, the following information:

Having regard to government policy,

- (a) as expressed in the White Paper "Delivering a sustainable energy future for Ireland" 2007-2020, which envisages that electricity generation from peat in existing peat burning power stations will reduce over time, and
- (b) as expressed in the National Climate Change Strategy, 2007 - 2012, which supports the co-firing of biomass with peat in existing power generation stations in order to reduce greenhouse gas emissions from existing peat stations,

it is considered that the proposed development, which could involve the burning of up 400,000 tonnes of peat annually, a non-renewable resource, that, notwithstanding policies to diversify fuel supply away from over-reliance on gas and to ensure security of energy supplies, the proposal might be contrary to national policy to reduce power generation from peat as a fuel source and therefore might be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

In response to the above concerns, the applicant is invited to consider and advise whether the proposed development can be operated using biomass and coal as fuel sources only.

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the information required is not received before the end of the specified period, the Board will dismiss or otherwise determine the appeal without further notice to you in accordance with section 133 of the 2000 Act. Your submission in response to this notice must be received by the Board not later than **5.30 p.m. on the date specified above.**

Please quote the above appeal reference number in any further correspondence.

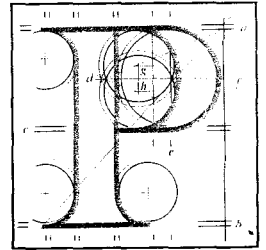
Yours faithfully,


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