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**Subject:** Role of Technical Regulator under new planning process [DLM=For-Official-Use-Only]

Rhiannon,

Many thanks for the phone discussion last Tuesday.

As mentioned to you I have reviewed the "Assessment Pathways: How will they work? Technical Discussion Paper", and am seeking clarification on whether the role of the Technical Regulator will be affected by the proposed changes to the DPTI planning process for developments.

The current legislation refers to the Technical Regulator in various regulations, with two basic objectives:

- Where a person has not signed a "Declaration Form" we ensure that a building or structure will not be built too close to powerlines, which may otherwise put people's lives at risk:
  - See in particular section 9B of Table 2 of Schedule 8 of the Development Regulations 2008;
  - Related: Clause 2A of Schedule 5
  - Related: Regulation 31
- Where an entity (private or other) wants to build an electricity generator above 5MW they must obtain a Certificate from our office which they will only receive once they have demonstrated that they will meet certain technical requirements:
  - Regulation 70
  - Related: Regulation 119
  - Clause 12 of Schedule 5
  - Related: Clause 14 of Schedule 10

I understood from our discussion that the new regulations are still in the drafting phase. I have not been able to find them publicly on your website at the moment.

Our office would like to emphasize that we consider the role that we have under the current legislation as very important, and we are seeking assurance that the above mentioned objectives will continue to be mandatory for the future planning processes.

Moreover, Sections 49 and 49A of the *Development Act 1993* have implications for the development of electricity infrastructure. If any changes are foreseen with regards to such matters our Division would be keen to be involved in the discussions.

Please do not hesitate to contact me or my colleagues Rebecca Schulz or David Bosnakis if you have any queries.

Regards  
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