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Dear Leslie

NIAER in conjunction with CER acknowledges that there are long-term benefits in delivering the additional transmission interconnector between NI and RoI as 400KV rather than 275kV.

NIE should join with ESBNG in seeking planning permission for the most appropriate 400kV interconnection arrangements broadly as discussed with NIAER.

Yours sincerely



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