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Dear Chris

Planning Application - J/2010/0081/F

Proposed relocation of a substation for approved Windfarm at Slieve Kirk

CNCC welcomes the proposal to move this substation approximately 70m to the west, in that it will avoid development in an area of deep peat (more than 5m deep). This will both avoid excessive disturbance from construction of both the substation and its access road to the important peat deposit with large amounts of carbon stored within it.

Yours sincerely



**PATRICK CASEMENT
CHAIRMAN**