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To: Planning Secretary

Re: Volume 5 – Clare Renewable Energy Strategy

We wish to highlight the following:

Consideration and mention of the recently published (Oct 5th 2022) regulations titled: *Planning and Development (Solar Safeguarding Zone) Regulations 2022* should be made in the section dealing with solar power within this volume of the plan. The solar safeguarding zone regulations set out 43 solar safeguarding zones (SSZs) countrywide which are areas around an airport, aerodrome or helipad in which there is potential for glint and glare from solar panels to impact aviation safety. Specific mention of Map 12 – Coonagh solar safeguarding zone which extends into County Clare and Map 34 – Shannon Airport solar safeguarding zone which covers the county’s International airport and hinterland, should be made with inclusion of these maps in Volume 2 - Maps.

Yours sincerely.

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