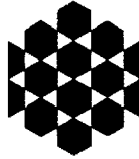


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Dear Assembly Member

The purpose of this letter is to advise you that I intend to announce in the near future my decision on the following planning application:

Ref No: O/2009/0792/F

Description/Location : Erection of a single circuit 400kV overhead line from a new 400/275kV substation at Trewmount Road, Moy, Dungannon, Co Tyrone, to the townlands of Crossreagh and Crossbane, Co Armagh, where it would connect with the proposed network in the Republic of Ireland.

The Planning Service has recommended that the application should be dealt with by way of a public local inquiry and I concur with this advice.

It is my intention to announce that a letter requesting that the Planning Appeals Commission arrange a public local inquiry will be prepared and issued in the near future.

Yours sincerely

EDWIN POOTS MLA
Minister of the Environment