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Environmental and Social Completion Sheet (ESCS)

Overview	
Project Name:	ESB NETWORK - RENEWABLE CONNECTION
Project Number:	2013-0099
Country:	Ireland
Project Description:	Multi-component investment programme consisting of six electricity transmission sub-projects geographically dispersed across South West of Ireland. These include the construction of five power substations, either in the form of new construction or rehabilitation/extension, the associated network connections, the reconductoring of the 220 kV OHL Kilpaddoge-Clashavoon, to which the above substations will be connected, and a new 220 kV, underground/sub-sea cable connection across the Shannon Estuary between the substations Moneypoint and Kilpaddoge. The main purpose of the Project is to collect and accommodate into the grid circa 1 GW of wind generation.

Summary of Environmental and Social Assessment at Completion

EIB notes the following Environmental and Social performance and key outcomes at Project Completion.

For the scheme involving the reconductoring of the 220 kV OHL Kilpaddoge-Clashavoon the appropriate assessment and the planning permission (section Ballyvouskill-Ballynahulla-Knockanure) were outstanding at appraisal. The scheme was however removed from the Project scope funded by the Bank.

The Project enabled accommodating into the grid about 1 GW of wind generation, thereby substantially contributing to reduce CO2 emissions.

Summary opinion of Environmental and Social aspects at completion:

EIB is of the opinion based on reports from the promoter that the Project has been implemented in line with EIB Environmental and Social Standards, applicable at the time of appraisal.