Planning Department.,

Laois County Council,

Aras an Chontae,

James Fintan Lalor Ave.,

Kylekiproe

Portlaoise,

Co Laois

R32 EHP9

Date of Application: 31/03/2022

**RE: Licence Application under S. 254 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 (the “Act”), for** **overground electronic communications infrastructure and associated physical infrastructure.**

NBI Infrastructure DAC (“**NBI**”) applies for a licence under Section 254 of the Act for overground electronic communications infrastructure in the form of fibre optic cable and associated physical infrastructure as described in Schedule One (the “**Development**”) at the location(s) described in Schedule Two (the “**Works Parameters**”).

NBI confirms that it has:

* reviewed the Development and have concluded that the Development is “exempted development” following on from the approval of the Section 254 application within the meaning of the Act and the Planning and Development Regulations 2001;
* ensured that the proposed Development and associated works will not cause any issue that would endanger public safety by reason of traffic hazard or obstruction to road users;
* ensured the Development does not consist of works along, adjoining, in, on, under or over any land comprised in a motorway, busway or protected road; and
* created a T1 in the MRL system as set out in Appendix 1.2 of ‘Guidance on the Process of Engagement between NBI and Local Authorities on the Application for Section 254 Licences’.

Yours faithfully

Padraig Herlihy

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NBI Infrastructure DAC

**Schedule One: Description of the Works**

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| The erection of overground electronic communications infrastructure and any associated physical infrastructure along public roads including:   1. The erection of new overground fibre optic cables on existing timber poles |

**Schedule Two: Works Information Parameters**

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| Local Authority: | Laois County |
| Engineering Area/ Municipal District: | Portlaoise MD |
| MRL T1 Application reference number: | 2022LS0164 |
| Overall length of associated cable | 6739m |
| Cable routes: | As described in the following drawings provided on the MRL system and relating to this application10.  [6739m] |
| Screening Report Reference submitted on MRL. | *Note:*  *A screening report may not be required in all circumstances. Where it is required, it will be provided via the MRL system.* |
| NBI Internal Reference Number: | DA153-1-Ballylinan-Portlaoise MD |
| NBI Contact details in relation to this application. | Name: Padraig Herlihy  Telephone: 087 3780051  e-mail: padraig.herlihy@nbi.ie  Address: 3009 Lake Drive, Citywest, Dublin 24, H6RR |