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Dear Lisa,

Request for Extension of Time to Issue a Connection Offer for Connection Application at Farmyard 76 Drumenny Road Cookstown, NIE Networks reference 18/61942, until 30/10/18.

Thank you for your letter of 3 Aug 2018 requesting consent from the Authority for NIE Networks to extend the required three month timeline to issue a connection offer to **76 Drumenny Road Cookstown Farmyard, Connection Application.**

Having considered your letter we grant an extension to **30 October 2018** for this connection application as you request. We also wish to remind NIE Networks that we remain of the view that granting of extensions should be the exception rather than the norm, and so NIE Networks should be mindful of this if considering further extensions in the future.

NIE Network's request for further connection offer extension

NIE Network's asks for a further 2 month extension for these connection offers to 30 October 2018 under Condition 30 of the NIE Networks Distribution licence.

Following the transmission capacity assessment from SONI, which was completed on 01/08/2018, this extension is required to facilitate this assessment and to provide the terms for the connection. The extension will therefore allow NIE Networks to develop its network efficiently, to fully assess the connection offer and provide accurate connection offers.

The applicant in question has consented to the proposed extension.

The Authority's decision

The relevant section of the distribution licence is within Condition 30. This requires a connection offer to be made not later than 3 months unless consent to a longer period has been approved by the Authority.

Having considered your request and reviewed the response from the connection applicant in question, the Authority is able to agree to the extension period requested (i.e. until 30 October 2018).

We note that this extension letter will be published on our website. We will also keep a record of the information and decision on the Public Electricity Register as required by the Electricity (Northern Ireland) Order 1992.

Yours sincerely,



Tanya Hedley
Director of Compliance and Network Operations