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RE: Making of the Regional Spatial and Economic Strategy for the Eastern and Midland Region

Dear Paul,

Thank you for your letter, dated 25th July, regarding the making of the Regional Spatial and Economic Strategy (RSES) for the Eastern and Midland Region Assembly (EMRA) area and in particular the matter of its consistency with the *Transport Strategy for the Greater Dublin Area* and the legislative requirements in relation to consistency and broad alignment between land use and transport planning.

Noting the content of the letters of the 24th and 25th July last, of the National Transport Authority and Department of Transport, Tourism & Sport respectively, and the factual position as regards the text of the adopted EMRA RSES compared to that of the above transport strategy, this Office concurs with the Department's assessment and intended course of action and has nothing further to add at this time.

Should you have any queries please contact Gary Ryan on 076 – 100 2747 / 087 – 194 0779 or at gary.ryan@opr.ie or one of my other colleagues at plans@opr.ie.

Yours sincerely,

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