

**Ms. Ursula Donnelly,  
Corporate Services,  
County Hall,  
Tallaght,  
Dublin 24.**



10<sup>th</sup> January, 2008.

**Re: Request for Information regarding ESB overhead lines and under-grounding policy.**

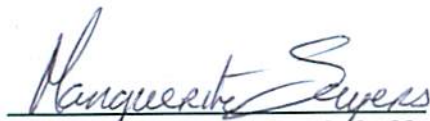
Dear Ms. Donnelly,

Thank you for your letter of the 19th of November to Mr. Padraig McManus, ESB Chief Executive, regarding the above matter. Your query has been passed to me for attention.

I apologise for the delay in responding to your query, but it is extremely broad in nature. In general, ESB Networks does not have a policy of removing overhead cabling from existing villages, housing estates and open spaces. However, if we are requested in writing to do so, we will initiate a design to replace an overhead line with an underground cable. It should be noted that any such diversion will be contingent on technical acceptance, wayleave clearance and the provision of easements, as required. In addition, all under grounding work is fully payable by the requestor.

Unfortunately it is very difficult to identify all current planned under-grounding schemes in the South Dublin County Council area. If however you can identify a specific location of interest, I will determine if any such work is planned in that area, and will revert in due course.

Yours faithfully,



**Marguerite Sayers (on behalf of Padraig McManus)  
Customer Service Manager,  
ESB Networks.**