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PQ 8954/22 * To ask the Minister for Health the expected BER rating standard for the completed building of the new national maternity hospital; the difference between such a rating and a near zero rating in terms of energy efficiency; if this is in conflict with EU regulations relating to new public buildings; if current planning permission allows a build to such a standard; the estimated cost of any upgrade or change; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Brid Smith

Dear Deputy Smith,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

The Building Energy Rating for the new National Maternity Hospital will be A3.

The new National Maternity Hospital has been designed to be compliant with Near Zero Energy Building (NZEB) standards and this is accounted for within the project budget.

Yours sincerely,

Jim Curran

National Director,

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