

20 December 2019

Mr Mark Ashton
Energy Consents Unit
5 Atlantic Quay
Glasgow
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Our Ref: EDI_1263 Clauchrie Windfarm

Dear Mark

CLAUCHRIE WINDFARM, ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT

Please find enclosed an application for consent under Section 36 of the Electricity Act 1989 (as amended) and deemed planning permission for the construction and operation of a proposed development, Clauchrie Windfarm.

The application is made by ScottishPower Renewables (UK) Limited (SPR). SPR is applying to install and operate 18 wind turbines (generating capacity in the region of 100 MW) and proposed energy storage facility (storage capacity of up to 25MW) and associated infrastructure on land (the Site) within South Ayrshire. The Site is located approximately 5.5 km north east of the village of Barrhill in South Ayrshire, covering an area of approximately 2971 ha. The main Development Area of the site (the area in which turbines are located) sits within the South Ayrshire local authority area, the Site access which is taken from the A714, is located within the Dumfries & Galloway administrative area.

ITPEnergised (ITPE) is the nominated agent and lead consultant for this application and hereby submits this application to Scottish Ministers on behalf of SPR. The fee for this application was paid and received by your department on 13 December 2019.

Environmental Impact Assessment

This application is supported by an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Report, which reports the results of the EIA undertaken by ITPE. The EIA has been prepared in accordance with Section 36 of the Electricity Act and The Electricity Works (Environmental Impact Assessment) (Scotland) Regulations 2017, as amended (the EIA Regulations). The EIA process has identified and evaluated the potential environmental impacts of the proposed Development.

Please find enclosed the following application documents as required:

- Copy of the public notice to be placed in newspapers;
- Application Boundary Figures (included within EIA Report Volume 2 Figure 1.1);
- 2 hard copies of the EIA Report, comprising:
 - Non-Technical Summary (NTS);
 - EIA Report Volume 1: Written Statement
 - EIA Report Volume 2 : Figures
 - EIA Report Volume 3 : Visualisations

- EIA Report Volume 4: Technical Appendices
- EIA Report Confidential Annex
- Pre-Application Consultation (PAC) Report;
- Planning Statement;
- One USB stick containing PDF versions of the above documents.

The Carbon Calculator online tool has been completed and submitted (on 6 December 2019) and has reference number MHEA-39DJ-9PFR.

Advertisement

ITPE has arranged for the advertisement of the notice of application and accompanying EIA Report in accordance with the requirements of the Electricity (Applications for Consent) Regulations 1990, as amended and the EIA Regulations. Copies of the notices will be provided to ECU once advertised.

The newspaper adverts will be published as follows:

- The Glasgow Herald (14th January 2020)
- Edinburgh Gazette (14th January 2020)
- Galloway Gazette (17th and 24th January 2020)
- Ayrshire Post (15th and 22nd January 2020)
- Stranraer & Wigtownshire Free Press (15th and 22nd January 2020)
- Ayr Advertiser (14th and 21st January 2020)

The closing date for responses to the advertisements has been noted as 24th February 2020.

Copies of the application documentation will be made available for public viewing at the following locations during the dates specified within the public notices:

- Dumfries and Galloway Council HQ, Kirkbank House, English Street, Dumfries, DG1 2HS
- South Ayrshire Council, Burns House, Burns Statue Square, Ayr, KA7 1UT
- Scottish Government Library, Victoria Quay, Edinburgh, EH6 6QQ
- Barrhill Memorial Hall, Main Street, Barrhill, KA26 0RY
- Barr Village Hall, Stinchar Road, Barr, KA26 9TW

The application documentation will also be available to view on the SPR corporate website from 14th January 2020, at the following link:

https://www.scottishpowerrenewables.com/pages/clauchrie_windfarm.aspx.

ITPE will serve copies of the application documentation to the agreed list of statutory and non-statutory consultees, as per the attached spreadsheet.

All correspondence in relation to this application should be directed to Paul Darnbrough of ITPE, see details below.

I trust the enclosed information is sufficient for you to formally validate and commence consideration of the application. I would be grateful if you could confirm receipt and validation of the application by email.

Please do not hesitate to get in contact with me if you have any queries or require any further information.

Yours sincerely



Paul Darnbrough
Associate Director, ITP Energised

Tel: 



Enclosed:

EIA Report

Application Boundary Figures

Consultee List

Copy of Advert