SCOTTISHPOWER RENEWABLES (UK) LIMITED

ELECTRICITY ACT 1989

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (SCOTLAND) ACT 1997

THE ELECTRICITY WORKS (ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT) (SCOTLAND)

REGULATIONS 2017

Notice is hereby given that Scottish Power Renewables (UK) Limited, company registration number NI028425, with its Registered Office at The Soloist, 1 Lanyon Place, Belfast, Northern Ireland, BT1 3LP, has applied to the Scottish Ministers for consent under Section 36 of the Electricity Act 1989 to construct and operate a renewable energy development, known as Hollandmey Renewable Energy Development, at Hollandmey, located approximately 8 km south west of John o' Groats and 16 km east of Thurso, Highlands (central grid reference NGR ND 29621 69892). The installed capacity of the proposed generating station would be up to 65 MW, comprising 10 wind turbines with a ground to blade tip height of 149.9m with an generating capacity of around 50 MW, and around 15 MW of ground mounted solar arrays. The proposed Development also includes approximately 15 MW of battery energy storage (BESS). The proposed Development is subject to Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) and an EIA Report has been produced.

ScottishPower Renewables (UK) Limited has also applied for a direction under Section 57(2) of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997 that planning permission for the development be deemed to be granted.

A copy of the application, with a plan showing the land to which it relates, together with a copy of the EIA Report discussing the Company's proposals in more detail and presenting an analysis of the environmental implications, is available for public inspection, free of charge on the application website:

https://www.scottishpowerrenewables.com/pages/hollandmey_renewable_energy_developm ent.aspx.

The EIA Report can also be viewed at the Scottish Government Energy Consents website at: <u>www.energyconsents.scot</u>, under application reference ECU00003353.

Copies of the EIA Report may be obtained from ScottishPower Renewables (UK) Ltd (email: '<u>Hollandmeyred@scottishPower.com</u>') at a charge of £1,000 per hard copy of Volumes 1-4, and £15 for a digital copy on DVD/ USB. Copies of a short Non-Technical Summary are available free of charge.

Any representations to the application may be submitted via:

- the Energy Consents Unit website at: <u>www.energyconsents.scot/Register.aspx</u>;
- by email to the Scottish Government Energy Consents Unit mailbox at <u>'representations@gov.scot</u>'; or

• by post to: Scottish Government, Energy Consents Unit, 4h Floor, 5 Atlantic Quay, 150 Broomielaw, Glasgow, G2 BLU, identifying the proposal and specifying the grounds for representation. Please note that there may be a delay in the Energy Consents Unit receiving representations by post.

Written or emailed representations should be dated, clearly stating the name (in block capitals), full return email and postal address of those making representations. Only representations sent by email to 'representations@gov.scot' will receive acknowledgement.

All representations should be received not later than 11 January 2022, although Ministers may consider representations received after this date.

Any subsequent additional information which is submitted by the developer will be subject to further public notice in this manner, and representations to such information will be accepted as per this notice.

As a result of a statutory objection from the relevant planning authority, or where Scottish Ministers decide to exercise their discretion to do so, Scottish Ministers can also cause a Public Local Inquiry (PLI) to be held.

Following examination of the environmental information, Scottish Ministers will determine the application for consent in two ways:

- Consent the proposal, with or without conditions attached, or
- Reject the proposal.

General Data Protection Regulations

The Scottish Government Energy Consents Unit processes consent applications and consultation representations under the Electricity Act 1989. During the process, to support transparency in decision making, the Scottish Government publishes online at <u>www.energyconsents.scot</u>. A privacy notice is published on the help page at <u>www.energyconsents.scot</u>. This explains how the Energy Consents Unit processes your personal information. If you have any concerns about how your personal data is handled, please email: <u>'Econsentsadmin@gov.scot</u>'.