

Our Ref: 002/TIDE/SPR - 2

26th May 2014

Dear Sir/Madam,

ELECTRICITY ACT 1989 (as amended)

The Electricity Works (Environmental Impact Assessment) (Scotland) Regulations 2000 (as amended)

The Electricity (Applications for Consent) Regulations 1990 (as amended)

MARINE (SCOTLAND) ACT 2010

The Marine Works (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2007 (as amended)

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT (SCOTLAND) 1997 (AS AMENDED)

APPLICATION FOR:

- **CONSENT UNDER SECTION 36 OF THE ELECTRICITY ACT 1989 (AS AMENDED), AND A MARINE LICENCE UNDER PART 4 OF THE MARINE (SCOTLAND) ACT 2010 TO CONSTRUCT AND OPERATE A DEMONSTRATION TIDAL ARRAY IN THE SOUND OF ISLAY, and**
- **A DIRECTION THAT PLANNING PERMISSION FOR THE ONSHORE DEVELOPMENT BE DEEMED TO BE GRANTED**

On 16th May 2014 ScottishPower Renewables (UK) Limited ("SPR") submitted applications to the Scottish Ministers under Section 36 of the Electricity Act 1989, Part 4 of the Marine (Scotland) Act 2010 and Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997 (as amended) to construct and operate the 10MW Sound of Islay Demonstration Tidal Array in the Sound of Islay.

This proposal is a variation of the original project proposed by SPR in 2010 and consented under section 36 of the Electricity Act 1989 by the Scottish Ministers in March 2011 (<http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Resource/Doc/295194/0116191.pdf>), with a marine licence issued in May 2011. SPR have since altered elements of the proposal and have submitted supplementary environmental information detailing the changes.

As required by the above legislation, details of the applications must be published for two consecutive weeks in the local and national press. Notices will appear in The Edinburgh Gazette, The Oban Times and Glasgow Herald.

The above legislation allows for representations to be made. The closing date for any comments you may wish to make on the updated proposal is **23 September 2014**. If you wish to submit a response, please send to ms.marinelicensing@scotland.gsi.gov.uk. If you have no comments to make, please submit a 'nil return' response.

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The applicant should have already sent a copy of the updated 2014 documents along with the previous environmental statement from 2010 to you. If you have not received these, please contact Marine Scotland Licensing Operations Team as soon as possible.

Yours faithfully

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