

Beatrice Offshore Windfarm Limited

ELECTRICITY ACT 1989

THE ELECTRICITY WORKS (ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT) (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2000

MARINE (SCOTLAND) ACT 2010

THE MARINE AND COASTAL ACCESS ACT 2009

THE MARINE WORKS (ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT) REGULATIONS 2007

Notice is hereby given that Beatrice Offshore Windfarm Limited (BOWL), Registered in Scotland SC350248 of Inveralmond House, 200 Dunkeld Road, Perth, PH1 3AQ has applied to the Scottish Ministers for:

1. Marine Licences, pursuant to Section 20 of the Marine (Scotland) Act 2010 and Section 65 and 66 of the Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009, for the deposit of substances and objects and the construction, alteration or improvement of works within the Scottish Marine Area and the Scottish Offshore Region in relation to an offshore wind farm and offshore transmission works;
2. Consent, pursuant to Section 36 of the Electricity Act 1989, to construct and operate an offshore generating station in the Outer Moray Firth 58 15.242' N, 2 53.078' W (WGS84). The installed capacity of the proposed generating station would be up to 1,000 MW comprising up to 277 turbines with a blade tip height of up to 198.4 metres from LAT; and
3. Consent, pursuant to Section 36A of the Electricity Act 1989, to extinguish public rights of navigation so far as they pass through those places within the Scottish Marine Area where structures (but not, for the avoidance of doubt, the areas of sea between those structures) forming part of the offshore wind farm and offshore transmission works are to be located.

Copies of the applications, with a plan showing the land to which they relate, together with a copy of the Environmental Statement discussing BOWL's proposals in more detail and presenting an analysis of the environmental implications, are available for inspection, during normal office/opening hours at:

The Highland Council
Planning Office
Glenurquhart Road
Inverness
IV3 5NX

Caithness Planning Office
Market Square
Wick
KW1 4AB

Brora Library
Gower Street
Brora
KW9 6PD

Moray Council
Planning Office
High Street
Elgin
IV30 1BX

Helmsdale Library and Service Point
Dunrobin Street
Helmsdale
KW8 6JX

Buckie Library
Cluny Place
Buckie
AB56 1HB

The Environmental Statement can also be viewed at the Scottish Government Library at Victoria Quay, Edinburgh, EH6 6QQ.

Copies of the Environmental Statement may be obtained from BOWL (0141 224 7358 or beatriceoffshorewindfarm@sserenewables.com) at a charge of £350 or on DVD for £10 (including p & p). Copies of a Non Technical Summary may be obtained free of charge from BOWL. The Non Technical Summary is available for download at www.sse.com/beatrice

Representations on the applications and/or Environmental Statement should be made by email to The Scottish Government, Marine Scotland Licensing Operations Team mailbox at beatrice@scotland.gsi.gov.uk

or

by post to The Scottish Government, Marine Scotland Licensing Operations Team, Marine Laboratory, PO Box 101, 375 Victoria Road, Aberdeen, AB11 9DB identifying the proposals and specifying the grounds for representation, not later than **XX April 2012**.

Representations should be dated and should clearly state the name (in block capitals) and full return email or postal address of those making representations. All representations to the Scottish Government will be copied in full to Moray and Highland Councils.

When initial comments from statutory consultees are received further public notices will give advice on how this information may be viewed by members of the public, and how representations may be made to Scottish Ministers. During the consideration of the proposals, Scottish Ministers may formally request further information to supplement the Environmental Statement and this will also be advertised in such a manner.

Where Scottish Ministers decide to exercise their discretion to do so, Scottish Ministers can cause a Public Inquiry to be held.

Following receipt of all views and representations, Scottish Ministers will determine each application for consent in one of three ways:

- Consent the proposal without conditions attached; or
- Consent the proposal with conditions attached; or
- Reject the proposal