From: Drew J (Jessica)

To: "Neal MacPherson"

Cc: Teresa Ruggeri; Aires C (Catarina); Dinsdale R (Rosanne)

Subject: RE: BOWL Traffic and Transportation Plan ("TTP")

**Date:** 29 September 2016 09:52:00

#### Hi Neal

That's great, thank you for letting me know.

# Kind regards

#### **Jessica**

**From:** Neal MacPherson [mailto:Neal.MacPherson@moray.gcsx.gov.uk]

Sent: 29 September 2016 09:48

To: Drew J (Jessica)

**Cc:** Teresa Ruggeri; Aires C (Catarina); Dinsdale R (Rosanne) **Subject:** RE: BOWL Traffic and Transportation Plan ("TTP")

Hello,

Apologies for not responding sooner, having reviewed the document, and the likely possible use of Moray Harbours and related infrastructure (Buckie in particular) Moray has no objection to submitted Traffic and Transportation Plan TTP.

Regards,

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From: <u>Jessica.Drew@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</u> [mailto:Jessica.Drew@scotland.gsi.gov.uk]

Sent: 29 September 2016 07:19

**To:** Neal.MacPherson@moray.gcsx.gov.uk; Teresa.Ruggeri@moray.gcsx.gov.uk **Cc:** Catarina.Aires@scotland.gsi.gov.uk; Rosanne.Dinsdale@scotland.gsi.gov.uk

Subject: [GCSX] RE: BOWL Traffic and Transportation Plan ("TTP")

# Good morning Neal/Teresa

I would be grateful if you would contact me regarding the below consultation.

As you are aware the consultation ended on the 13<sup>th</sup> September 2016. As we have not received any correspondence we have assumed a nil response from the

Moray Council. If this is not the case please would you contact me before the close of business today. I am contactable by email all day and by phone from 1-3pm.

# Kind regards

#### Jessica Drew

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From: Teresa Ruggeri [mailto:Teresa.Ruggeri@moray.gcsx.gov.uk]

Sent: 22 September 2016 16:53

To: Drew J (Jessica)

Subject: RE: BOWL Traffic and Transportation Plan ("TTP")

Hi Jessica

Tried to phone you back but no reply. I managed to get Neal MacPherson and he has advised he will get in touch tomorrow

Teresa

From: Jessica.Drew@gov.scot [mailto:Jessica.Drew@gov.scot]

**Sent:** 05 September 2016 13:40

 $\textbf{To:}\ \underline{Mark.Paterson@transport.gov.scot};\ \underline{eplanning@highland.gov.uk};\ DC\text{-}General\ Enquiries$ 

Cc: Catarina.Aires@gov.scot; Rosanne.Dinsdale@gov.scot Subject: BOWL Traffic and Transportation Plan ("TTP")

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Yours faithfully

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From: <u>David Mudie</u>

To: <u>ePlanning</u>; <u>Drew J (Jessica)</u>

Subject: RE: BOWL Traffic and Transportation Plan ("TTP")

**Date:** 06 September 2016 13:45:00

Attachments: <u>image001.jpg</u>

#### Jessica

I can confirm that the Council has no comment to make on this submission.

#### David

David Mudie

Team Leader - Development Management

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From: Louise Ross - eProcessing Centre On Behalf Of ePlanning

Sent: 06 September 2016 11:55

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FAO – Jessica Drew Marine Scotland Licensing Operations Team The Scottish Government Your Ref:

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07 September 2016

Dear Ms Drew

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(AS AMENDED)
COMMENTS ON TTP FOR THE PROPOSED BEATRICE OFFSHORE WIND FARM.

Your consultation request, dated 16 August 2016, has been passed to CH2M for review in their capacity as Term Consultant to Transport Scotland – Trunk Road and Bus Operations (TRBO). Based on the content of the Traffic and Transportation Plan (TTP) produced by Beatrice Offshore Windfarm Ltd 2016, Transport Scotland would like to provide the following comments.

It is acknowledged that the TTP is intended to provide sufficient detail to allow the discharge of the relevant Section 36 and Offshore Transmission Works (OfTW) Marine Licence conditions, providing an overview of the traffic and transport associated with the construction of the Development, utilising the road network. It is noted that the TTP excludes the components transported by sea either directly or via a marshalling port, but that their associated road traffic movements have been described in the TTP.

It is also acknowledged that the TTP does not apply to any works associated with the construction of the Marine Coordination Centre nor the Onshore Transmission Works (OnTW), as these elements do not form part of the Development which is the subject of the Section 36 consent and Marine Licence conditions.

#### Introduction

It is noted that the production of the TTP is to present a mitigation strategy for the impact of road based traffic and transportation associated with the construction of the OfTW. The relevant conditions are suitably summarised in Table 1.1 of the TTP.

Transport Scotland are content with the scope of the TTP outlined in Section 1.3, specifically that the TTP considers traffic using the road network only, not including traffic associated with the construction of the Marine Coordination Centre nor the Onshore Transmission Works (OnTW).

Transport Scotland acknowledge the guidance documents taken into consideration. However, please note that the 'Transport Assessment Guidance' published by the Scottish Government in



2012 should have been referred to in preference to The Department for Transport (DfT) Guidance on Transport Assessment. Nevertheless, it is not considered that reference to the Scottish Government guidance will have a perceptible impact on the subsequent methodology or assessment.

Transport Scotland also agree with the use of the two broad principles from the IEMA guidelines, which are generally used as a screening process to determine the scale and extent of the environmental assessment of road traffic.

Transport Scotland also acknowledge the use of existing traffic count data in the vicinity of the ports and airports being considered, to determine existing traffic volumes. Also, the use of TEMPRO to forecast future traffic levels, extrapolating the existing traffic volumes sourced from DfT counters, is acceptable to Transport Scotland.

It is also acceptable to Transport Scotland that if traffic generated by the OfTW does not exceed the thresholds outlined in the IEMA guidance when compared against the estimated future year traffic volumes, then the significance of the OfTW traffic effects can be considered to be low or not significant, and that further detailed assessment is not warranted.

Transport Scotland also recognise that the other consent plans listed in Section 1.5 of the TTP have, where relevant, informed the TTP.

## **BOWL Statement of Compliance**

Transport Scotland note the statements of compliance and legislative requirements outlined in Chapter 2. This includes a commitment that where significant updates or amendments are required to the TTP, there will be a requirement for Scottish Ministers to be informed and, where necessary, that the TTP will be updated or amended.

## **Updates and Amendments to the TTP**

The proposed change management process outlined in Figure 3.1, when it may be necessary to update the TTP as a result of significant new information related to traffic and transport, is acceptable to Transport Scotland.

#### **Development Overview**

Chapter 4 of the TTP provides a brief overview of the development relevant to the TTP providing a summary of the main components of the development, a description of the location of the development, and reference to the associated construction programme. The level of detail provided is deemed acceptable to Transport Scotland.

#### **Development Activities and Movements**

Transport Scotland note that Chapter 5 of the TTP references the main contractors and their proposed roles, as well as descriptions of the main ports, harbours and airports to/from which traffic movements will be generated during the construction period.

Section 5.4 of the TTP outlines the construction activities and associated vehicle movements, initially defining the components that will not be transported on road. Transport Scotland acknowledge, therefore, that the associated construction traffic will principally comprise the movement of staff (using cars, vans and other light good vehicles), transportation of grout (HGV), transportation of supplies (HGV), and transportation of waste (HGV).

# **Construction Road Traffic**

Chapter 6 of the TTP provides the detail on the number of anticipated traffic movements during construction of the Development.

Table 6.1 of the TTP summarises the baseline traffic data sourced from existing count sites on the road network adjacent to the appropriate ports, harbours and airports. It is noted that Table 6.1 presents the estimated future year traffic flows only, and that Chapter 6 does not provide detail on the existing traffic volumes or the growth factors (from TEMPRO) used to extrapolate these to 2019.



It is recommended that this information is provided to provide clarity on the process. Nevertheless, it is noted that this 2019 baseline forms the basis of the assessment of the effects of the estimated construction traffic.

Subsequent sections of Chapter 6 then outline the estimated traffic movements for each of the ports, harbours and airports individually, referencing the Vessel Management Plan (VMP) and Construction Programme (CoP) where appropriate. Although the estimated road traffic movements are acceptable to Transport Scotland, acknowledging the assumptions made in the TTP, it would be anticipated that the assessment of the effects of the traffic would consider the following:

- That estimated traffic numbers should be rounded up to the nearest whole number.
- That the summary would include reference to the road effected.
- That the cumulative impact of road traffic at each location would be considered, rather than by individual activity only.

Although a revised assessment would be preferred, it is acknowledged that the conclusions drawn from the TTP assessment would not be different i.e. that the percentage impact of the development would not exceed the established thresholds from IEMA.

Transport Scotland also acknowledge that the construction traffic effects will be temporary, and that no mitigation, to mitigate any significant impacts of construction traffic, is required. Nonetheless, we would expect to see a commitment to standard mitigation measures to ensure good practice is applied e.g.:

- The establishment of approved routes for associated HGV movements.
- The control of dirt and dust, from HGVs, to avoid any impact on the trunk road network during construction.
- The programming and timing of HGV movements to avoid peak periods.
- Avoiding HGV transit at school arrival and departure times.

#### Compliance with the Application, ES and SEIS

Transport Scotland note that onshore traffic effects were not required to be assessed in the Environmental Statement (ES) or Supplementary Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS), and subsequently no reference has been made to traffic management or a TTP in the ES and SEIS Commitments Register.

We trust the above is satisfactory but should you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely



cc Alan Kerr - CH2M