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Our Ref: 06312

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Dear Mr MacAskill,

MARINE (SCOTLAND) ACT 2010, PART 4 MARINE LICENSING

KINCARDINE OFFSHORE WINDFARM – FLOATING LIDAR

I refer to your application for a marine licence in respect of the above proposals.

I am pleased to inform you that the licensing authority has no objections to the issue of the requested marine licence, and I therefore enclose marine licence number 06312/17/0.

You are advised to carefully check the licence and schedule documents. If there are any errors please inform the licensing authority immediately.

You should note that the licence includes a condition that the licensing authority must be notified of the dates of commencement and completion of the proposed works. Please ensure that separate notifications are provided prior to commencement and subsequent to completion.

Your licence also includes a condition requiring a written report to be submitted to the licensing authority detailing all deposits made under authority of the licence. This report should be submitted on the FEP5 form enclosed.

May I also draw your attention to the licence conditions relating to amendment of the licence or schedule documents. If circumstances arise which necessitate changes or extension to your licence please submit a request to the licensing authority as soon as possible. After a licence has expired, it cannot be amended or extended in any way, and a new licence application (accompanied by the relevant fee) is required. Processing the new application may take up to fourteen weeks from the date of receipt.

Under the Marine Licensing Appeals (Scotland) Regulations 2011 (S.S.I. 2011/203), you are entitled to appeal if you are dissatisfied with any condition in the licence. An appeal may be lodged in any sheriff court in Scotland and must be lodged no later than 21 days after the date of this letter.

To safeguard pollution prevention and marine ecology interests it is vital that good working practice is adopted and appropriate steps taken to prevent water pollution and minimise disturbance to sensitive receptors. With regard to works on the shoreline please refer to the appropriate sections in the following guidance:-

SEPA's Pollution Prevention Guidelines (PPGs): <http://www.sepa.org.uk/regulations/water/guidance/> in particular PPG 6 (section 7) which covers working with cement, concrete and grout; and

CIRIA Guidance: <http://www.ciria.org/>. In particular, C584 - Coastal and Marine Environmental Site Guide.

Disturbance to the shoreline and/or seabed should be minimised and the shore restored to as near its former condition following the works as reasonably possible. All waste materials should be removed and disposed of at a licensed onshore site.

Please also note that Scottish Natural Heritage has provided the following advisories, which we recommend you comply with;

1. Adherence to best practice guidelines at all times, as set out in the Scottish Marine Wildlife Watching Code (SMWWC) Best Practice Guide (www.marinecode.org).
2. Care should be taken not to break up rafts of birds resting on the water surface and vessel speed should be reduced in the vicinity of groups of birds to under 6 knots and a minimum approach distance of not less than 50m should be maintained.
3. We recommend that the developer identifies vessel transit routes in advance of deployment and recovery in order to meet the standards within the SMWWC.
4. We recommend that operation and maintenance activities associated with the deployed devices is, where possible, tied in with other works at the wind farm site to minimise vessel traffic and transits associated with routine device maintenance.

All correspondence or communications relating to this letter or the licence document should be sent to the email or postal address detailed below.

Yours sincerely



Kirsty Wright
Licensing Operations Team