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Dear Mr MacAskill

ELECTRICITY ACT 1989 (AS AMENDED)

MARINE (SCOTLAND) ACT 2010 & MARINE AND COASTAL ACCESS ACT 2009, PART 4 MARINE LICENSING

Section 36 Consent: Condition 15, (*'Operation and Maintenance Programme' ("OMP")*) Marine Licence, Licence Number 05914/18/0 Condition 3.2.4.7, *'Operation and Maintenance of the Works'*

Thank you for your correspondence dated 2nd May 2018 requesting that Marine Scotland Licensing Operations Team ("MS-LOT") give their written approval to the Operation and Maintenance Programme ("OMP") (Revision C1, issued 02/05/2018). Acceptance of the OMP will satisfy the requirements of condition 15 ('Operation and Maintenance Programme') of the Section 36 Consent ("s.36") granted in respect of the Kincardine Floating Offshore Windfarm ("the Development").

MS-LOT, on behalf of the Scottish Ministers have consulted with Scottish National Heritage ("SNH"), the Scottish Environmental Protection Agency ("SEPA"), The Maritime and Coastguard Agency ("MCA"), the Northern Lighthouse Board ("NLB") and Aberdeen City Council ("ACC").

An agreement with MS-LOT must be reached on frequency, methodology, sufficiency and reporting for baseline surveys for export / inter-array cable and moorings. This agreement must be in place prior to the point at which monitoring and inspections will be undertaken during the wind farm operational period for tranche 1 of the Development. Baseline information should inform the frequency of ongoing monitoring / inspections over the course of the operational life time of the wind farm.

In the event that the Company wishes to update or amend the OMP, in relation to the 2 MW WTG, the Company must submit, in writing, details of the proposed updates or amendments to the Scottish Ministers for their written approval prior to the planned implementation of the proposed updates or amendments. It is not permissible for any works associated with the proposed updates or amendments to proceed prior to the granting of such approval.

A revised OMP must be submitted, to the Scottish Ministers, for their written approval no later than 6 months prior to the Commencement of Works relative to future tranches of the entire Development. In respect of such approval, if granted, and if appropriate a further Discharge/Compliance letter will be issued for future tranches.

On receipt of the Third Party Certifications/Third Party Verifications (“TPC/TPV”), should the documents contain any conditions which need to be addressed in the OMP, the Company must update the OMP and submit this to the Scottish Ministers for their written approval, who may, consult with SNH, SEPA, ACC, MCA and NLB and any such other advisors or organisations as may be required at the discretion of the Scottish Ministers.

In order to comply with condition 3.2.4.7 ‘*Operation and Maintenance of the Works*’ of the Marine Licence (Marine Licence Number 05914/18/0) Kincardine Offshore Windfarm Limited (“KOWL”) must operate and maintain the Works in accordance with the approved OMP. In addition, KOWL must notify the Licensing Authority (MS-LOT) at least 3 calendar months in advance of any maintenance of the Works where any additional deposits are required. In the event that these works were not assessed in the Application and are considered by the Licensing Authority as being material and being licensable marine activities then the works will require further Marine Licence/s.

MS-LOT, on behalf of the Scottish Ministers, can confirm that the submitted OMP fulfils the requirements of, and is sufficient to discharge condition 15 of the section 36 Consent in respect of tranche 1 of the Development, subject to the OMP being fully implemented.

Yours sincerely,

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