From: KellyR < KellyR@angus.gov.uk>

Sent: 01 May 2018 10:03 **To:** MS Marine Renewables

Subject: Consultation - Application to Vary Section 36 Consent - Seagreen Wind Energy

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Dear Sirs,

In response to the consultation my Council has no comments to make on the consultation.

Yours sincerely

Ruari Kelly

Ruari Kelly | Planning Officer (Development Standards) | Angus Council | Communities Directorate | Planning Service | Angus House : Orchardbank Business Park, Forfar, DD8 1AN. **2** (01307) 473306

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From: andy.mulholland@dundeecity.gov.uk

Sent: 18 April 2018 09:33 **To:** MS Marine Renewables

Subject: Consultation - Application to Vary Section 36 Consent - Seagreen Wind Energy

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Dear sir/madam

Thank you for your invitation by email on 6th April to respond to the consultation on the above. We have no comments to make on the application to vary the consents as proposed. The consultation and consent variation documentation will be given Part 1 registration as you request and advertised on the City Council's website.

Regards

Andrew

Andrew Mulholland Planning Officer

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Your Reference: Seagreen Alpha &

Seagreen Bravo

Our Reference: DIO Refs: 16092 & 16093

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Panos Pliatsikas Marine Renewables Casework Officer Scottish Government

25th April 2018

Dear Mr Pliatsikas

Application to vary consents under Section 36C of the Electircity Act 1898 (as amended) for **Seagreen Wind Energy Limited**

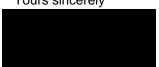
Thank you for consulting the Ministry of Defence (MOD) on the above Application in your communication dated 6th April 2018.

E-mail:

I am writing to tell you that the MOD has no objection to the proposal to remove the exitsting 525 MW capacity limits on each of the Seagreen Project Alpha and Project Bravo offshore wind farms. The MOD requirement for the effects of the proposed turbines on the Air Defence radars at RRH Buchan and Brizlee Wood, and the Air Traffic Controller radar at RAF Leuchars to be mitigated remain extant. For ease, I have included the original conditions in Annex A at the foot of this letter.

I hope this adequately explains our position on the matter. If you require further information or would like to discuss this matter further please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely



Claire Duddy Assistant Safeguarding Officer – Wind Energy **Defence Infrastructure Organisation**

SAFEGUARDING SOLUTIONS TO DEFENCE NEEDS

Annex A

Air Defence Radar

No part of any turbine shall be erected above sea level within radar line of sight of the air defence radar at Remote Radar Head (RRH) Brizlee Wood unless and until an Air Defence Radar Mitigation Scheme ("the ADRM scheme") has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Scottish Ministers in consultation with the Ministry of Defence (MOD).

For the purposes of this condition, the ADRM Scheme means a detailed scheme to mitigate the adverse impacts of the Development on the air defence radar at RRH Brizlee Wood and the air surveillance and control operations of the MOD. The scheme will set out the appropriate measures to be implemented to that end.

No turbines shall become operational until:

- (a) the mitigation measures which the approved ADRM Scheme requires to be implemented prior to the operation of the turbines have been implemented; and
- (b) any performance criteria specified in the approved ADRM Scheme and which the approved ADRM Scheme requires to have been satisfied prior to the operation of the turbines have been satisfied.

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No turbines shall become operational until:

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Air Traffic Control radar

The Company must, prior to the erection of any WTGs on the Site, submit an Air Traffic Control Radar Mitigation Scheme ("ATC Scheme"), in writing, to the Scottish Ministers for their written approval. Such approval may only by granted following consultation by the Scottish Ministers with the MOD.

The Air Traffic Control Radar Mitigation Scheme is a scheme designed to mitigate the impact of the development upon the operation of the Primary Surveillance Radar at RAF Leuchars ("the Radar") and the air traffic control operations of the MOD which is reliant upon the Radar. The Air Traffic Control Radar Mitigation Scheme shall set out the appropriate measures to be implemented to mitigate the impact of the development on the Radar and shall be in place for the operational life of the development provided the Radar remains in operation.

No turbines shall become operational unless and until all those measures required by the approved Air Traffic Control Radar Mitigation Scheme to be implemented prior to the operation of the turbines have been implemented and the Scottish Ministers have confirmed this in writing. The development shall thereafter be operated fully in accordance with the approved Air Traffic Control Radar Mitigation Scheme.

Aviation Lighting

The Company must, no later than 6 months prior to the Commencement of the Development, submit a Lighting and Marking Plan ("LMP"), in writing, to the Scottish Ministers for their written approval. Such approval may only be granted following consultation by the Scottish Ministers with MCA, NLB, CAA and the MOD and any such other advisors as may be required at the discretion of the Scottish Ministers. The LMP must provide that the Development be lit and marked in accordance with the current CAA and MOD aviation lighting policy and guidance that is in place as at the date of the Scottish Ministers approval of the LMP, or any such other documents that may supersede said guidance prior to the approval of the LMP. The LMP must also detail the navigational lighting requirements detailed in IALA Recommendation O-139 or any other documents that may supersede said guidance prior to approval of the LMP.

The Company must provide the LMP to the JNCC, SNH and any other bodies as may be required at the discretion of the Scottish Ministers. The Development must, at all times, be constructed and operated in accordance with the approved LMP (as updated and amended from time to time by the Company). Any updates or amendments made to the LMP by the Company must be submitted, in writing, by the Company to the Scottish Ministers for their written approval.



By email to:

MS.MarineRenewables@gov.scot

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Marine Scotland Licensing Operations Team
Marine Scotland (Aberdeen Office)
Marine Laboratory
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Enquiry Line: 0131-668-8716 HMConsultations@hes.scot

> Our ref: AMN/16/TA Our case ID: 300021099

> > 20 April 2018

Dear Mr Pliatsikas

The Electricity Act 1989
Application to Vary Consents under Section 36C of the Electricity Act 1989 for Seagreen Wind Energy Limited

Thank you for your email of 06 April requesting our comments on the above request to vary the Section 36 consents to remove the existing 525MW capacity limits on each of the Seagreen Project Alpha and Seagreen Project Bravo offshore wind farms. The comments in this letter relate to our statutory remit for World Heritage Sites, scheduled monuments and their setting, category A listed buildings and their setting, gardens and designed landscapes (GDLs) and battlefields in their respective inventories and Historic Marine Protected Areas. In this case our advice also includes matters relating to marine archaeology outwith the scope of the terrestrial planning system.

Background

I understand that Seagreen Wind Energy Limited (SWEL) have requested that the existing 525MW capacity limits on each of the Seagreen Project Alpha and Project Bravo offshore wind farms be removed. No other alterations to the proposed developments are requested.

Historic Environment Scotland's advice

Historic Environment Scotland did not object to the applications for either of the offshore wind developments. We note that the requested variation will not alter any of the physical parameters of the developments and will therefore not alter any of the assessed environmental effects of the consented schemes. We do not consider that the removal of the 525MW capacity limits as described in the variation request would have any impacts on historic environment issues within our remit. We therefore have no further comments to make.

Historic Environment Scotland – Longmore House, Salisbury Place, Edinburgh, EH9 1SH Scottish Charity No. **SC045925**



We hope this is helpful. Please contact us if you have any questions about this response. The officer managing this case is Victoria Clements and she can be contacted by phone on 0131 668 8730 or by email on Victoria.Clements@hes.scot.

Yours sincerely

Historic Environment Scotland

From: NATS Safeguarding < NATSSafeguarding@nats.co.uk>

Sent: 11 April 2018 14:34 **To:** MS Marine Renewables

Cc: NATS Safeguarding; Pliatsikas P (Panos)

Subject: RE: Consultation - Application to Vary Section 36 Consent - Seagreen Wind Energy

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Panos.

NATS have reviewed the proposed variation and remain of the opinion that the development will degrade the performance of the en-route radar at Perwinnes, but that this degradation is potentially mitigatable. It is therefore remains the NATS position that the planning condition imposed on the original consent remains appropriate should the Scottish Ministers be minded to approve the proposed variation.

Regards,

Alasdair Auld

On behalf of NATS Safeguarding

From: MS.MarineRenewables@gov.scot [mailto:MS.MarineRenewables@gov.scot]

Sent: 06 April 2018 17:19 Cc: Panos.Pliatsikas@gov.scot

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From: Peter Douglas <PeterD@nlb.org.uk> on behalf of navigation

<navigation@nlb.org.uk>

Sent:16 May 2018 11:40To:MS Marine RenewablesCc:Pliatsikas P (Panos)

Subject: RE: Consultation - Application to Vary Section 36 Consent - Seagreen Wind Energy

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Dear Panos,

Northern Lighthouse Board has no objection to this Application to Vary Consents.

Best wishes,

Peter

Peter Douglas Navigation Manager Northern Lighthouse Board

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If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact MS-LOT.

We would be grateful if you could please confirm receipt of this e-mail.

Yours faithfully,

Panos Pliatsikas

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Panos Pliatsikas - Marine Licensing Casework Officer Marine Scotland Marine Laboratory 375 Victoria Road Aberdeen **AB11 9DB**

18th May 2018

Dear Mr Pliatsikas,

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Charles Nathan Senior Conservation Planner



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We are disappointed that there has been no attempt to explore the potential opportunities for reducing the substantial predicted impacts to seabirds from this and the other Forth and Tay projects. For instance, generating the same capacity (1,050MW) with fewer, larger turbines could realise a substantial reduction in impacts to seabirds in this environmentally sensitive region and make a contribution toward realising maximum renewable capacity for least environmental effect. Much greater efforts, investment and commitments are required by Scottish Government and the offshore wind sector to deliver seabird conservation measures to realise an environmentally sustainable industry that exists for the long-term alongside Scotland's marine wildlife.

In nearly all respects the potential environmental effects will likely remain unchanged between the existing and varied project proposals, as outlined in the supporting information to the application. However the proportion of time turbines are in operation could be different from the 88% figure used for the assessment of the original consented development. New technology may enable the turbines to operate for a greater proportion of the time and this could increase the risks of collision to seabirds. We query whether this parameter change has been considered and whether the estimated impacts on seabirds could be different between the existing consented development and the variation sought for. Confirmation on this matter is required before concluding whether or not further environmental assessment is required to support this application. Notwithstanding our concerns with the approach to the original 2014 environmental assessments, this issue is particularly relevant as the project impacts were considered acceptable by only a very slim margin and the conclusions are sensitive to very small changes to estimated impacts.

Yours sincerely,

{BY EMAIL}

Charles Nathan
Senior Conservation Planner

From: Planning South East <Planning.SE@SEPA.org.uk>

Sent: 09 April 2018 14:47 **To:** Pliatsikas P (Panos)

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We can advise that we have no comments to contribute to the above application to vary the consents. As the physical parameters of the development proposals are to remain the same, we request that if the proposed variation is granted our previous requirement for a Construction Environment Management Document is maintained under the wider conditions for environmental management, monitoring and mitigation, as described in the Environmental Impact Assessment Consent Decision document, as approved on 15 September 2014.

If you have queries relating to this letter, please contact me by telephone on 0131 273 7259 or e-mail at planning.se@sepa.org.uk

Yours sincerely

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From: Malcolm Morrison < M.Morrison@sff.co.uk>

Sent: 21 May 2018 08:26 **To:** Humphries S (Sophie)

Subject: FW: Consultation - Application to Vary Section 36 Consent - Seagreen Wind Energy

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Soiphie

In response to this variation, the SFF would accept that in general it does not increase the impacts on the fishing fleets, but would consider that any such change reinforces the need for full and proper monitoring of all the effects on commercial fishing in the area,

Regards, Malcolm

From: Sophie.Humphries@gov.scot [mailto:Sophie.Humphries@gov.scot]

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To: tom@pittenweem.co.uk

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From: Fiona Read <fiona.read@whales.org>

Sent: 22 May 2018 14:15

To: Pliatsikas P (Panos); MS Marine Renewables

Cc: Sarah Dolman

Subject: RE: Consultation - Application to Vary Section 36 Consent - Seagreen Wind Energy

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Dear Panos.

Thank you for including WDC in the consultation for the Application to Vary Section 36 Consent of Seagreen Wind Energy Limited. We understand that the variation is to remove the capacity limits from the existing consent due to the improved technology and that there will be no changes to the environmental effects from those already assessed. We therefore have no comments on the present consultation.

Best wishes,

Fiona

Fiona Read

Policy officer End Bycatch

Telephone: whales.org



From: MS.MarineRenewables@gov.scot [mailto:MS.MarineRenewables@gov.scot]

Sent: 06 April 2018 17:19 **Cc:** Panos.Pliatsikas@gov.scot

Subject: Consultation - Application to Vary Section 36 Consent - Seagreen Wind Energy Limited

Dear Sir/Madam,

ELECTRICITY ACT 1989 (As amended)
THE ELECTRICITY GENERATING STATIONS (APPLICATIONS FOR VARIATION OF CONSENT) (SCOTLAND)
REGULATIONS 2013 (As amended)
MARINE (SCOTLAND) ACT 2010
MARINE AND COASTAL ACCESS ACT 2009

APPLICATION TO VARY CONSENTS UNDER SECTION 36C OF THE ELECTRICITY ACT 1989 (AS AMENDED) FOR SEAGREEN WIND ENERGY LIMITED

On 30th March 2018, Seagreen Wind Energy Limited ("the Applicant") submitted an application to the Scottish Ministers, in accordance with the above legislation, for a variation to the Section 36 Consents on behalf of Seagreen Alpha Wind Energy Limited (Company number 07185533) and Seagreen Bravo Wind Energy Limited (Company number 07185543) to remove the existing 525 MW capacity limits on each of the Seagreen Project Alpha and Project Bravo offshore wind farms, which will not result in any change to the physical parameters of the development consented in 2014. This application is accompanied by a variation application cover letter and an Offshore Consents Variation Application Report, which has been submitted by the Applicant and can be downloaded from:

http://www.gov.scot/Topics/marine/Licensing/marine/scoping/Seagreen3

If you wish to submit any representations in response to the consultation regarding the above application please ensure they are submitted to the Scottish Ministers, in writing, to MS.MarineRenewables@gov.scot no later than 18th May 2018. As per our e-mail of 8th November 2017 – Statutory Consultees, or 16th November 2017 – Non-Statutory Consultees, it is expected that the consultation deadline will be met by all consultees. If you are unable to meet this deadline please contact MS-LOT on receipt of this e-mail. If you have not responded by the above date, MS-LOT will assume a 'nil return'.

Marine Scotland Licensing Operations Team ("MS-LOT") will make your representations publicly available. Personal information (such as names, signatures, home and email addresses) will be redacted before the representations are made public. If you have any queries or concerns about how your personal data will be handled please visit the MS-LOT website or contact MS-LOT at MS.MarineRenewables@gov.scot. Alternatively, please write to: Marine Scotland Licensing Operations Team, Marine Laboratory, 375 Victoria Road, Aberdeen AB11 9DB.

If consent is granted for the variation application, the Scottish Ministers will consider exercising their discretion to vary the marine licences granted in respect of the wind farms on 10th October 2014 (licence numbers 04676/14/0, 04677/14/0). The variations would revise the descriptions in Paragraph 2.2 of the respective marine licences to reflect the changes proposed by the variation application. The Scottish Ministers would consider the variation of the marines licences in terms of section 72 (3) (d) of the Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009 and section 30(3)(d) of the Marine (Scotland) Act 2010 to ensure that the marine licences and consent granted under section 36 of the Electricity Act 1989 (as amended) are consistent. Any representations in relation to the potential marine licence variations should be submitted to MS-LOT in the same manner as described above relative to representations in respect of the variation application and within the same timeframe.

If you have requested a hard copy of the variation application documentation, you should have already received a copy from the applicant, if you have not yet received it, please contact Nick Brockie, Environmental Advisor for Seagreen Wind Energy, Nick.Brockie@sse.com, Tel: 0 141 224 7152.

If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact MS-LOT.

We would be grateful if you could please confirm receipt of this e-mail.

Yours faithfully,

Panos Pliatsikas

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