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**From:** Charles Nathan <Charles.Nathan@rspb.org.uk>  
**Sent:** 27 August 2019 16:13  
**To:** MS Marine Renewables; Irvine S (Sophia)  
**Subject:** FW: Seagreen Alpha and Bravo - PEMP Consultation - Condition 26 of the s.36 and condition http://3.2.1.1 of Marine Licence 04678/19/0

Hi Sophia,

Thank you for circulating the above noted PEMP. RSPB Scotland have provided comment during plan preparation and we welcome the level of dialogue and the approach that has been taken in developing the proposals. We note that details relevant to the construction/ post construction phases are to be confirmed nearer the time and await further information in due course. We support the pre-construction proposals as set out in the plan.

We have no further comment to make at this time.

Regards,  
Charles

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**From:** Karen Taylor <Karen.Taylor@nature.scot>  
**Sent:** 19 August 2019 15:11  
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**Cc:** Wilson J (Jessica); Lees E (Emma); MARINEENERGY  
**Subject:** RE: Seagreen Alpha and Bravo - PEMP Consultation - Condition 26 of the s.36 and condition 3.2.1.1 of Marine Licence 04678/19/0

Dear Sophia

### **Seagreen Alpha Wind Energy Ltd and Seagreen Bravo Wind Energy Ltd Discharge of Conditions – Project Environment Management Plan (PEMP)**

Thank you for your consultation on the 31st July 2019 on the Project Environment Management Plan (PEMP) submitted by Seagreen Alpha Wind Energy Limited and Seagreen Bravo Wind Energy Limited (Seagreen) for the purpose of discharging consent conditions for the 2014 consented project. The PEMP (document reference LF000009-CST-OF-PRG-0003) applies to the Seagreen Alpha and Seagreen Bravo offshore windfarms and the Offshore Transmission Assets (OTA) with a focus on monitoring activities during the pre-construction phase.

We have reviewed the PEMP and are satisfied that it sets out the process to be followed for the environmental monitoring, acknowledging that approval has already been reached with respect to the pre-construction monitoring approach for:

- sandeels, marine fish and diadromous fish,
- benthic communities,
- scour and local sediment deposition,
- marine mammals.

The Ornithology Monitoring Strategy (OMS) was discussed at the FTRAG-O meeting on the 2nd July 2019, and in relation to the following aspects (outlined below), will be subject to further discussion and agreement on the pre-construction, construction and operational aspects of monitoring, prior to approval:

- survey buffers and the final survey extent,
- use of three planes for aerial surveys during winter months,
- colony-based monitoring at Fowlsheugh and St Abb's Head to Fast Castle SPAs,
- tagging studies.

Notwithstanding this, the OMS provided by Seagreen (document reference LF000009--CST-OF-REP-0016) is in our view appropriate and we will continue to participate and provide further advice via FTRAG-O to move this process forward.

I trust this is of assistance,

Best wishes  
Karen

### **Karen Taylor | Marine Renewables Energy Casework Adviser**

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Dear Sir/Madam,

**ELECTRICITY ACT 1989**

The Electricity Works (Environmental Impact Assessment) (Scotland) Regulations 2017 (as amended)

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

The Marine Works (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2007 (as amended) and

The Marine Works (Environmental Impact Assessment) (Scotland) Regulations 2017 (as amended)

Seagreen Alpha Wind Energy Limited and Seagreen Bravo Wind Energy Limited, having received Section 36 consents (s.36) and a Marine Licence (Licence Number: 04678/19/0) for the offshore transmission asset under the above legislation, have submitted to MS-LOT a post-consent Project Environment Management Plan ("PEMP") for approval of the pre-construction monitoring elements under condition 26 of the s.36 and condition 3.2.1.1 of the Marine Licence. Please also find attached supplementary documents noted below for information which have been consulted on by the FTRAG:

- Ornithology Monitoring Strategy
- Preconstruction Marine Mammal Monitoring Plan
- Marine and Migratory Fish Monitoring Plan
- Benthic Monitoring Plan

The Marine Licence, s.36, decision notice and conditions, as well as other relevant documents, can be found on our website, following the link below:

<http://marine.gov.scot/ml/section-36-consent-variation-seagreen-alpha-and-seagreen-bravo-offshore-windfarms-firth-forth>

The conditions state that the PEMP must be submitted to the Licensing Authority for their written approval, following consultation by the Licensing Authority with SNH, RSPB, WDC and ASFB and any such other advisors or organisations as may be required at the discretion of the Licensing Authority.

We would appreciate any comments you may have on the proposed PEMP, in order to determine whether it is fit for purpose for the Scottish Ministers approval. Please note that we do not seek comments on the Marine Licence, s.36 nor on the conditions, which will not be amended.

If you wish to submit any comments, please send to send them to [MS.MarineRenewables@gov.scot](mailto:MS.MarineRenewables@gov.scot) before the **28<sup>th</sup> August 2019**. If you are unable to meet this deadline please contact MS-LOT on receipt of this email.

Kind regards,

Sophia