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Dear Ms Royle,

THE ELECTRICITY WORKS (ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT) (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2017 (AS AMENDED)

THE ELECTRICITY ACT 1989 (AS AMENDED)

DECISION NOTICE RELATIVE TO APPLICATION FOR MULTI-STAGE CONSENT

CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATION OF THE SEAGREEN ALPHA OFFSHORE WIND FARM, LOCATED 27 KILOMETRES OFF THE EAST OF THE ANGUS COASTLINE

1. Description of the Application

- 1.1 On 10 October 2014 the Scottish Ministers granted, in favour of Seagreen Alpha Wind Energy Limited (Company Number 07185533), having its registered office previously at 55 Vastern Road, Reading, Berkshire and now at No. 1 Forbury Place, 43 Forbury Road, Reading ("the Company"), consent under section 36 ("s.36") of the Electricity Act 1989 (as amended) relative to the above works. The said s.36 consent was varied by the Scottish Ministers on 28 August 2018 ("the s.36 consent"). Condition 11 of the s.36 consent requires the Company to submit a Piling Strategy ("PS") for approval by the Scottish Ministers prior to commencing the above works.
- 1.2 On 6 February 2020 the Company submitted to the Scottish Ministers the PS for approval and applied for multi-stage consent in relation thereto and in accordance with condition 11 of the s.36 consent.

2. Reasons and Considerations on which this decision is based

2.1 The Scottish Ministers consulted with Scottish Natural Heritage on the PS and also considered advice provided by Marine Scotland Science. An amended PS was subsequently submitted to the Scottish Ministers by the Company on 30 April 2020.







- 2.2 The information contained in the PS is within the parameters of what has already been assessed within the Environmental Statement, the Addendum and the Erratum submitted in respect of the s.36 consent.
- 2.3 The Company was not required to submit additional information under regulation 25 of the Electricity Works (Environmental Impact Assessment) (Scotland) Regulations 2017 (as amended) in relation to the application for multi-stage consent.

3. Determination and Terms of Decision

- 3.1 The Scottish Ministers, hereby approve the PS as submitted on 30 April 2020 and grant multi-stage consent in relation thereto.
- 3.2 In the event that the Company wishes to update or amend the PS, 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.
 - Unless otherwise agreed, in writing by the Scottish Ministers, all works must proceed in accordance with the PS.
- 3.3 This Decision Notice has been published on the Scottish Government's website: http://marine.gov.scot/ml/seagreen-alpha-and-bravo-offshore-wind-farms
- 3.4 A copy of this Decision Notice has also been sent to the relevant planning authorities.

Authorised on behalf of the Scottish Ministers

By a member of staff of the Scottish Government

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