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Subject: FW: Installed location of Phase 1a Turbines draft

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Cameron as discussed this morning

MS LOT has reviewed the report on the installed location of the turbines for Phase 1a of the Meygen development and has consulted with our statutory consultees and with the Crown Estate Scotland. All parties felt that there were no additional impacts with the deposit outside of the consented area and that to some extent insisting on full removal would have an additional environmental impact. The Crown estate as landowner stated that they had no concerns and were seeking to resolve the lease issue.

I am aware of the proposals to tidy up the cables and rock bags and would give permission to do so as works under your existing Marine Licences. I would also ask that you provide copies of the maps and legal advice by return as I would wish to include some of the maps in my final report.

MS LOT propose to vary your licence under our powers under paragraph 1) of Section 30 of the Marine Scotland Act 2010. The variation will be done in accordance with section 31 of the Act. You should take this e mail as your official notice of Scottish Ministers intention to carry out a variation to your licence as per section 31(2)(a). MS LOT intend to vary the consented area of your Marine Licence to include the area where the turbines are deployed. MS LOT would seek your acknowledgement of, and agreement with this change within 28 days. MS LOT would expect you to provide a revised consent area within that period to be included in the varied licence. This would recognise the location of the remaining deposits by realigning the consented area both for the turbines and for the HDD cable. MS LOT wish to ensure that there is not a perception that Meygen has benefited from the situation by increasing the overall footprint and require you to provide a revised area of the same size as previously consented.

MS LOT who have already consulted with the appropriate stakeholders under 31 (2)(b) will inform them of our decision and seek their feedback during the 28 day period.

MS LOT does not consider it necessary to vary the S36 consent however your own legal advice may be that you wish to pursue this.

I will prepare a full paper on our decision which will be made available at the same time as the licence is varied.

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