

NEART NA GAOITHE OFFSHORE WIND LIMITED

ELECTRICITY ACT 1989 (AS AMENDED) (“The Electricity Act”)

MARINE (SCOTLAND) ACT 2010

THE ELECTRICITY WORKS (ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT) (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2017 (AS AMENDED) (“The Electricity EIA Regulations”)

THE MARINE WORKS (ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT) REGULATIONS 2017 (AS AMENDED) (“The Marine EIA Regulations”)

THE ELECTRICITY (APPLICATIONS FOR CONSENT) REGULATIONS 1990 (AS AMENDED)

Notice is hereby given that Neart na Gaoithe Offshore Wind Limited, registered under company registration SC356223 at 1 West Regent Street, Glasgow, G2 1RW, have applied to the Scottish Ministers for:

- consent under section 36 of The Electricity Act;
- declaration under section 36A of The Electricity Act; and
- marine licences under section 20 of the Marine (Scotland) Act 2010

to construct and operate an offshore wind farm (including offshore transmission works) located approximately 15.5 km East of Fife Ness with a total area of approximately 105 km² (central latitude and longitude coordinates: 2° 15.003' W, 56° 16.061' N (WGS84))

The installed capacity of the proposed generating station would be a maximum of 450 MW comprising a maximum of 54 turbines with a maximum rotor tip height of 208 metres above Lowest Astronomical Tide.

The proposed development is subject to an environmental impact assessment under The Electricity EIA Regulations and The Marine EIA Regulations.

Copies of the applications including plans, together with a copy of the Environmental Impact Assessment Report (“EIA Report”) discussing Neart na Gaoithe Offshore Wind Limited’s proposed development in more detail and presenting an analysis of the environmental implications, are available for inspection, free of charge during normal office/opening hours at:

Shepherd and Wedderburn LLP 5 th Floor, 1 Exchange Crescent Conference Square Edinburgh EH3 8UL	Shepherd and Wedderburn LLP 1 West Regent Street Glasgow G2 1RW
Dunbar Library Bleachingfield Centre Dunbar EH42 1DX	St Andrews Library Church Square St Andrews KY16 9NN
Carnoustie Library 21 High Street Carnoustie DD7 6AN	

The EIA Report can also be viewed online at <http://www.gov.scot/Topics/marine/Licensing/marine/scoping/NnGRev2017> and <http://www.nngoffshorewind.com/downloads>. Copies of the EIA Report may also be obtained from Neart na Gaoithe Offshore Wind Limited (tel: 0141 206 3860) at a charge of £350 for a hard copy (including post and packaging). Copies of a short non-technical summary or the full EIA Report on USB storage device are available free of charge.

Any representations should be made in writing to the Scottish Ministers by email to neartnagaoithe.representations@gov.scot or by post to The Scottish Government, Marine Scotland Licensing Operations Team, Marine Laboratory, 375 Victoria Road, Aberdeen, AB11 9DB, identifying the proposed development and specifying grounds for objection or support, not later than **13th May 2018**. The Scottish Ministers may consider representations received after this date. Representations should be dated and should clearly state the name (in block capitals) and the full return email or postal address of those making the representation.

Subsequent submission by Neart na Gaoithe Offshore Wind Limited of additional information to the Scottish Ministers will be publicised in a similar manner to the current application including publication on the above websites. Representations relative to additional information should be made on the same basis as detailed above.

Where the Scottish Ministers decide to exercise their discretion to do so, the Scottish Ministers may cause a Public Local Inquiry (“PLI”) to be held.

Having considered all of the applications and regulations detailed above together with any representations received the Scottish Ministers may:-

- Consent to the proposed development, with or without conditions attached; or
- Reject the proposed development.

Fair Processing Notice

The Scottish Government’s Marine Scotland Licensing Operations Team (“MS-LOT”) processes applications under the Marine (Scotland) Act 2010 and The Electricity Act. During the consultation process written representations can be sent to the Scottish Ministers.

Should the Scottish Ministers call a PLI, copies of representations will be sent to the Directorate of Planning and Environmental Appeals for the Reporter to consider during the inquiry. These representations will be posted on their website but will not publish your personal data (e.g. your name and address) as this is removed beforehand in compliance with the Data Protection Act 1998.

You can choose to mark your representation as confidential, in which case it will only be considered by the Scottish Ministers and will not be shared with the planning authority, the applicant, the Reporter (should a PLI be called) or any other third party.

If you have any queries or concerns about how your personal data will be handled, contact MS-LOT by email at: ms.marinerenewables@gov.scot or by post to The Scottish Government, Marine Scotland Licensing Operations Team, Marine Laboratory, 375 Victoria Road, Aberdeen, AB11 9DB.