

1. Introduction

- 1. Seagreen was granted rights by The Crown Estate in 2010 to develop offshore wind farms in the Firth of Forth Round 3 Zone. The Zone is being developed as a series of projects. The first projects to be developed are known as Project Alpha and Project Bravo (Seagreen Phase 1). Seagreen Alpha Wind Energy Limited (SAWEL) and Seagreen Bravo Wind Energy Limited (SBWEL) are the project companies for the two schemes. Seagreen Wind Energy Limited (Seagreen) is the parent company of SAWEL and SBWEL. Seagreen is owned by SSE Renewables Developments (UK) Ltd.
- 2. Project Alpha and Project Bravo comprise the Offshore Wind Farms (the wind turbines, their foundations and associated array cabling), together with the associated infrastructure of the Offshore Transmission Asset (Offshore Substation Platforms (OSPs), their foundations and the Offshore Export Cable), to facilitate the export of renewable energy to the national electricity transmission grid.
- 3. In 2014, Scottish Ministers awarded Section 36 Consents and Marine Licences, for the construction and operation of Project Alpha and Project Bravo. The consents were varied in August 2018 to remove the wind farm capacity limits. These consents are still extant. Seagreen is now seeking alternative consents for similar, but updated, designs of the offshore wind farm projects in the same sea area, termed 'the optimised Seagreen Project'. This allows Seagreen to take advantage of advances in turbine design and monopile construction since Project Alpha and Project Bravo were consented in 2014.
- 4. Seagreen submitted applications for the following consents for the optimised Seagreen Project in September 2018:
 - Consents under section 36 of the Electricity Act 1989; and
 - Marine licences under section 20 of the Marine (Scotland) Act 2010 and sections 65 and 66 of the Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009
- 5. The Marine Licence for the Offshore Transmission Asset was granted on 10 October 2014 and is still extant. The Offshore Transmission Asset does not form part of the current applications for the optimised Seagreen Project.



- 6. To support the applications for consents, Seagreen prepared and submitted an EIA Report (the 2018 EIAR), following a Scoping Opinion issued by Marine Scotland in September 2017, which provided an assessment of the potential environmental impacts of the optimised Seagreen Project. The requirement for additional information was highlighted by Marine Scotland and Scottish Natural Heritage in November 2018. This document provides an Addendum to the consent applications, made in September 2018 to satisfy the requirement for additional information. This Addendum provides clarification and an updated assessment in relation to ornithology for those components of the proposed optimised Seagreen Project, as requested by Marine Scotland in November 2018.
- 7. All other information provided in relation to project technical parameters (as detailed in the 2018 EIAR Chapter 5) and all environmental topic assessments, other than ornithology, remain as per the information submitted within the 2018 EIAR. The significance of the ornithology impacts is unchanged from the 2018 EIR. Therefore Chapter 17: Summary of Impacts and Chapter 18: Mitigation and Monitoring have not been updated and remain as in the 2018 EIAR.
- 8. The Addendum consists of the following documents:
 - Part 1: Non Technical Summary
 - **Part 2:** Additional Environmental Information
 - Section 1: Introduction and Consultation
 - Section 2: Ornithology Environmental Impact Assessment: An update to the 2018
 EIAR Ornithology Chapter (Chapter 8).
 - Section 3: Seagreen Alpha and Seagreen Bravo Ornithology Habitats Regulations Appraisal (HRA) Information to Inform Appropriate Assessment Report: An updated Habitats Regulations Appraisal (HRA) for the optimised Seagreen Project, based on the same design parameters as described in the 2018 EIAR, to provide Scottish Ministers with the information necessary to determine whether the development of the optimised Seagreen Project will have an adverse effect on the integrity of any European sites.
 - Section 4: References
 - Section 5: Annexes
 - Part 3: Optimised Seagreen Phase 1 Project 2018 EIA Report Appendices 10A(i) to (vi)
 (These are Appendices to the marine mammals assessment in the Seagreen 2012
 Offshore Environmental Statement which were omitted from 2018 optimised Project
 Application electronic copy, no changes have been made in relation to these
 Appendices)
- 9. This Addendum has been issued to Marine Scotland and to the following consultees

Angus Council

Dundee Council

East Lothian Council

Fife Council

Historic Environment Scotland (HES)

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Maritime and Coastguard Agency (MCA) Northern Lighthouse Board (NLB) Royal Society for the Protection of Birds (RSPB) Scottish Borders Council Scottish Environment Protection Agency (SEPA) Scottish Natural Heritage (SNH)

- 10. As agreed with Marine Scotland Licensing Operations Team, Seagreen will advertise the publication of this Addendum for two consecutive weeks in the following publications:
 - Edinburgh Gazette
 - The Scotsman
 - Montrose Review
 - Arbroath Herald
 - Dundee Courier

2. Further Information

This Addendum is available for inspection, free of charge during normal office/opening hours at:

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- 11. Copies of the Addendum may be obtained from Seagreen (0141 224 7192 or info@seagreenwindenergy.com) at a charge of £10 for a copy on CD and £350 per hard copy.
- 12. Any representations to the application should be made **by email** to: The Scottish Government, Marine Scotland Licensing Operations Team mailbox at Seagreen.Representations@gov.scot or **by post** to: The Scottish Government, Marine Scotland Licensing Operations Team, Marine Laboratory, 375 Victoria Road, Aberdeen, AB11 9DB.
- 13. All correspondence should identify the proposal and specify the grounds for representation, not later than 42 days after the first public notice is published or 28 days following the last public notice publication, whichever is longer. Please see the public notice for details or contact Marine Scotland Licencing Operation Team, using the details provide above, for confirmed date.