**HIGHLAND WIND LIMITED**

**ELECTRICITY ACT 1989**

**MARINE (SCOTLAND) ACT 2010**

**THE ELECTRICITY (APPLICATIONS FOR CONSENT) REGULATIONS 1990**

**THE ELECTRICITY WORKS (ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT) (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2017**

**THE MARINE WORKS (ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT) (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2017**

Notice is hereby given that Highland Wind Limited, registered under company registration SC675148 at 4th Floor 115 George Street, Edinburgh, Midlothian, Scotland, EH2 4JN**,** has applied to the Scottish Ministers for:

• consent under section 36 of the Electricity Act 1989;

• declaration under section 36A of the Electricity Act 1989; and

• two marine licences under section 20 of the Marine (Scotland) Act 2010.

to construct and operate an offshore wind farm and associated ancillary works (including offshore transmission works) located approximately 7.5 km off the coast of Dounreay, Caithness with a total area of approximately 35.3 km2 (central latitude and longitude coordinates: 58° 37.776' N, 3° 50.422' W (WGS84)).

The proposed generating station would comprise of up to seven wind turbine generators with a maximum height to blade tip of 300 metres above Highest Astronomical Tide.

The proposed development is subject to Environmental Impact Assessment (“EIA”) under the EIA Regulations listed above.

Copies of the application, including plans, together with a copy of the EIA report discussing Highland Wind Limited’s proposed development in more detail and presenting an analysis of the environmental implications, are available for inspection free of charge online at <https://marine.gov.scot/ml/pentland-floating-offshore-wind-farm> and [www.pentlandfloatingwind.com](http://www.pentlandfloatingwind.com).

Copies of the EIA reportmay also be obtained from Highland Wind Limited (tel: 077890 950 845 or pentland-stakeholder@cop.dk) at a charge of £400 hard copy and £10 on USB stick (including post and packaging). Copies of a short non-technical summary are available free of charge.

Any representations should be made in writing by email to: MS.MarineRenewables@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 **02 October 2022.** 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 representation.

Subsequent submission of additional information (as defined in the above EIA Regulations) by Highland Wind Limited to the Scottish Ministers will be publicised in a similar manner to the current application, including publication on the above websites and further public notices. 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 the application and regulations detailed above, in conjunction 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”) determine applications for marine licences under the Marine (Scotland) Act 2010 and section 36 consents under The Electricity Act 1989. During the consultation process any person having an interest in the outcome of the application may make a representation to MS-LOT. The representation may contain personal information, for example a name or address. This representation will only be used for the purpose of determining an application and will be stored securely in the Scottish Government’s official corporate record. Representations will be shared with the applicant and/or agent acting on behalf of the applicant, any people or organisations that we consult in relation to the application, the Directorate of Planning and Environmental Appeals should the Scottish Ministers call a PLI and, where necessary, be published online, however personal information will be removed before sharing or publishing.

A full privacy notice can be found at: <https://www.gov.scot/publications/marine-licensing-and-consenting-privacy-notice/>. If you are unable to access this, or you have any queries or concerns about how your personal information will be handled, contact MS-LOT at: ms.marinerenewables@gov.scot or MS-LOT, Marine Laboratory, 375 Victoria Road, Aberdeen, AB11 9DB.