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1 INTRODUCTION

This document presents the additional information for the Sporad na Mara Offshore Wind Farm Generation Marine Licence Application Form, to provide additional detail where required, and show text sections which are not visible on the MD-LOT application form template pdf submitted for the offshore generating station.

Table 1-1 Generation Marine Licence Application Form – Supplementary Text Details

Marine Licence Application Form Section	Section Description	Project Text Provided
5 Description and Cost of the Proposed Project	Types of Work Proposed General Marine Project (e.g. wave, tidal device, monopile turbine)	Wind Turbine Generators including foundations; Array Cables between offshore infrastructure within the Array Area; Array Cables to Landfall; Boulder clearance, scour and cable protection, and works associated with the HDD, including up to 13 HDD exit pits; Associated infrastructure such as navigational markers and buoys
	Dredging/Drilling Operations	Drilling is an option for the foundations for the WTG legs and Horizontal Direction Drilling will be needed for the cable landfall.
19	Details of Dredged Material Quality	<p>The applicant has undertaken detailed environmental sampling within the Offshore Project Boundary to inform baseline conditions. This sampling included collection of surface sediment samples within the Array Area to support the understanding of likely impacts from the mobilisation of sediment from project activities such as drilling of WTG foundations. At the time of sampling, it was identified that most seabed sediments within the Array Area were not suitable for physical sampling given the prevalence of hard substrates including rock, boulders and cobbles. Therefore, samples were only collected within soft sediment areas. These positions were not specific WTG drilling positions as WTG positions are not known at the time of application submission. Sediment samples collected were analysed for a suite of physicochemical parameters. The sediment chemical data is presented in Appendix 11.1 and Chapter 10 of the EIAR supporting this application. Results from the analysis indicated that contaminant levels were generally found to be low across all sampling locations. To determine potential impacts from release of contaminants from drill cuttings this sediment chemical data has been used as a proxy and a worst case given the prevalence of hard substrates across the Array Area (which can be assumed to be inert and therefore free from contamination). The extent of release and deposition of drill cuttings has been assessed in Chapter 9 and the potential for impacts from release of contaminants (based on sediment chemical data collected) from drill cuttings is assessed in Chapter 10 of the EIAR.</p> <p>The project will undertake a full geotechnical campaign of final WTG positions and other generation asset positions (as required) as the project moves into the detailed design phase</p>

		and a full geotechnical analysis will be completed at that time.
22 Other Consents	Reference No.	Section 36 Consent
	Date of Issue of Consent:	Application Submitted 2026
5. Others		
24 Advertising and Consultation	Have these proposals been advertised to the public?	The Section 36 and Marine Licence applications will be advertised by public notice in both a local newspaper (Stornoway Gazette) and a national newspaper (The Herald and Edinburgh Gazette)
	Have the public been invited to submit comments?	Following acceptance of the application, the application will be advertised in the publications listed above and the public will be invited to make representations to MD-LOT in accordance with the Marine Works (Environmental Impact Assessment (Scotland) Regulations 2017. A deadline for providing comments on the application will be specified within the advert
	Have any consultation meetings with the public been arranged?	Public Information Events were held in 2023, with Public Consultations held in 2024 and 2025. The Public Consultation events have included in person exhibitions, a virtual exhibition, information clinics and briefings. The events were advertised by mail drops (to over 11,000 addresses), newspaper adverts in The Press & Journal, Stornoway Gazette and Fions, press releases, releases to the Project mailing list, via the Project website and via the Project LinkedIn page. Further details can be found in the Offshore Pre-Application Consultation Report

Table 1-2 Permanent (and Temporary) Deposits

8 (a) Quantity of permanent (and temporary, where applicable) materials to be deposited below MHWS:

Type of Deposit	Nature of Deposit (P = Permanent, T = Temporary)	Deposit Quantity
Steel/Iron	P	480,000 Tonnes
Plastic/Synthetic	P	20,000 tonnes
Concrete	P	1,500,000 m ³
Stone/Rock Gravel	P	5,570,000 m ³
Concrete bags/mattresses	P	2,600,000 m ³
Cable	P	350,000 m
Other (please describe below)		
Further details are provided within the EIA Report Volume 1 Chapter 3 Project Description		