

PREFACE

SSE Generation Limited (the “Applicant”) are applying under section 36C of the Electricity Act 1989 and The Electricity Generating Stations (Applications for Variation of Consent) (Scotland) Regulations 2013 to vary the section 36 consent granted (ECU Case ref: EC00003105) by Scottish Ministers on 29 September 2017 (the “relevant section 36 consent”), for Gordonbush Wind Farm Extension (the “Consented Development”). The Applicant is also applying for a direction under section 57(2ZA) of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997 for variation of the planning permission deemed to be granted for the Consented Development.

An Environmental Impact Assessment Report (“EIA Report”) was submitted with the section 36C application (“the Proposed Varied Development”) in January 2019 in accordance with The Electricity Works (Environmental Impact Assessment) (Scotland) Regulations 2017 (the “2017 Regulations”).

The application sought to vary the relevant s.36 consent and deemed permission by reducing the number of turbines from fifteen to a maximum of eleven, whilst increasing the tip height of the remaining turbines from 130m up to a maximum tip height of 149.9m (and a maximum rotor diameter of up to 136m). It is anticipated that the capacity of the proposed varied development application would exceed 30MW, and combined with the existing Generating Station capacity, exceeds 50MW. This Addendum does not alter the section 36C variation application in respect of tip height or capacity.

This Addendum to the proposed varied development application (January 2019) has been prepared to account for changes proposed to the section 36C application, identified following ground investigation works undertaken since the submission in January 2019.

The purpose of the Addendum is to identify the nature and extent of any change in the assessment of environmental impacts that would result from the proposed changes, or, record where there is no change. This Addendum should be read in combination with the EIA Report, submitted with the section 36C application in January 2019. The proposed changes comprise: relocation of Turbine 4 by approximately 113m and deletion of associated access track length; removal of one borrow pit search area; inclusion of one new borrow pit search area; relocation of the concrete batching plant; and construction of an additional circa 330m of access track.

In addition to seeking a variation to the Annex 1 Description of Development of the relevant section 36 Consent, the Applicant seeks variations to some of the conditions contained in Annex 2 of the section 36 Consent and deemed permission to reflect the changes to the description of the turbine specification, and generally to update the conditions.

The structure of the Addendum follows that of the EIA Report (January 2019). Where there has been no substantive changes to the text as a result of the changes now proposed to the proposed varied development, this is noted and reference to the EIA Report (January 2019) made for the sake of brevity. The Addendum contains the following volumes:

- Volume 1: Non-Technical Summary
- Volume 2: Written Statement
- Volume 3: Figures
- Volume 3A: Visualisations (SNH Methodology)
- Volume 4: Technical Appendices

A Confidential Annex is also provided to relevant authorities, comprising sensitive environmental information.

In agreement with statutory consultees on the scope of the Addendum, Volume 3B: Visualisations (The Highland Council Methodology) and the supporting Planning Statement have not been updated and remain unchanged.

The Addendum and EIA Report (January 2019) is available for viewing at the following locations:

Brora Library and Culture Centre	Planning and building standards office
Gower Street	Sutherland and Easter Ross
Brora	Drummuie
KW9 6PD	Golspie
(open Mon 1-5pm, 6-8pm	KW10 6TA
Tue 10-5pm. Thur 2-5pm, 6-8pm	(open during normal office hours)
Friday 10am-12.30pm, 1.30-4.30pm)	

An electronic version is available online at www.sse.com/gordonbushextension

The Addendum and EIA Report (January 2019) can also be viewed at the Scottish Government Library at Victoria Quay, Edinburgh, EH6 6QQ and at the following website: www.energyconsents.scot.

Any representations in respect of the application may be submitted via the Energy Consents Unit website at www.energyconsents.scot/Register.aspx; by email to The Scottish Government, Energy Consents Unit mailbox at representations@gov.scot or by post, to The Scottish Government, Energy Consents Unit, 4th Floor, 5 Atlantic Quay, 150 Broomielaw, Glasgow, G2 8LU, identifying the proposal and specifying the grounds of representation.

Written or emailed representations should be dated, clearly stating the name of the project (in block capitals), full return email and postal address of those making representations. Only representations sent by email to representations@gov.scot will receive acknowledgement.

All representations should be received not later than the date falling 30 days from the date of the last published notice, although Ministers may consider representations received after this date. Any subsequent additional information which is submitted by the Applicant will be subject to further public notice in this manner, and representations to such information will be accepted as per this notice.

This Addendum and the EIA Report (January 2019) is available in other formats if required. For details, including costs, contact:

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The Addendum has been advertised in the following newspapers:

- Edinburgh Gazette;
- The Herald; and
- The Northern Times.