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## **Daer Wind Farm S36 Application**

Dear

Following previous discussions and Gate Check, please find enclosed an application for consent under Section 36 of the Electricity Act 1989 and for a direction that planning consent be deemed to be granted under Section 57(2) of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997 (as amended) for the proposed development of Daer Wind Farm (the Proposed Development). The Proposed Development is located in both Dumfries & Galloway and South Lanarkshire local authority areas and lies approximately 8 km west of the nearest town, Moffat. The application for consent is being submitted by Natural Power Consultants Limited (Natural Power) on behalf of RWE Renewables UK Developments Ltd (the Applicant).

The Proposed Development comprises the following main elements:

- Up to 17 wind turbines
  - Turbine foundations
  - External transformer housing
  - Crane pads
- · Substation, control building and compound
- Battery/energy storage infrastructure
- Upgrading and new access tracks
- Underground electricity cables connecting infrastructure within the Proposed Development Area
- 2 Anemometry masts
- Signage
- 4 Temporary borrow pits
- Temporary construction and storage compounds, laydown areas and ancillary infrastructure
- Drainage and drainage attenuation measures (as required).

Any public road required for access to the site entrance may be utilised subject to upgrades where necessary. Habitat management will be undertaken within the Proposed Development Area. Whilst the land where turbines will be erected is not forested, forest felling and replanting will be undertaken to facilitate road widening along the private access track to allow for construction traffic and component deliveries.

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In addition to this covering letter, the application is supported by a Planning, Design & Access Statement (PDAS), a Pre-Application Consultation (PAC) Report and an Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR). The EIAR comprises of 4 volumes as follows:

- Volume 1 presents the 15 Chapters of the EIAR.
- Volume 2a of the EIAR presents the technical Figures associated with the EIAR Chapters except for Chapter 5 (Landscape & Visual Impact Assessment).
- Volume 2b of the EIAR presents the technical Figures associated with EIAR Chapter 5.
- Volume 2c of the EIAR presents the Visualisations produced for EIAR Chapters 5 and 10 (Landscape & Visual Impact Assessment and Cultural Heritage).
- Volume 3 presents the Technical Appendices associated with the EIAR Chapters.
- Volume 4 of the EIAR presents the Non-Technical Summary (NTS)

Attached for reference is Figure 1.1: Site Layout which illustrates the Proposed Development for which consent is sought.

All of the above documents (besides the Confidential annex) have been submitted to the ECU Portal and the Applicant's website: www.rwe.com/daer

As per The Electricity Works (Miscellaneous Temporary Modifications) (Coronavirus) (Scotland) Regulations 2020 and Coronavirus (Scotland) Acts (Amendment of Expiry Dates) Regulations 2020, hard copies of the EIAR have not been produced at this time. The exception to this is a hard copy of Volume 2c requested by NatureScot and hard copies of the LVIA related material for Dumfries & Galloway Council.

The Applicant intends to advertise the application as follows:

- Carluke and Lanark Gazette (12/05/2021, 19/05/2021),
- The Annandale Observer (14/05/2021, 19/05/2021),
- Annandale Herald (13/05/2021, 20/05/2021),
- The Herald (14/05/2021),
- The Edinburgh Gazette (14/05/2021).

Yours sincerely,



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